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EXECUTIVE MAYOR:
PETER TEIXEIRA

QUARTERLY STATEMENT TO MIDVAAL RESIDENTS

DEAR MIDVAAL RESIDENTS,

We are now in the final year of our term, which began in 2021. When we took office, our administration was guided by the following Mayoral Undertakings:

1. Investing in safety and security for all the people of Midvaal.
2. Creating opportunities for all.
3. Providing excellent service delivery.
4. Solving challenges through innovation and creativity.
5. Listening to the people we serve, which is non-negotiable.

These undertakings were not empty rhetoric or promises. They found expression in the budget process, the strategic framework, and the key performance outputs of the municipality. Even in the final year of our term, we remain committed to the promise we made to the residents of Midvaal. We will continue to deliver excellent services, invest in infrastructure to create a conducive environment, and grow the local economy. We will not stop working until every resident, in every corner of Midvaal, experiences the safety, dignity, and opportunity they deserve.

Ald. Peter Teixeira
EXECUTIVE MAYOR



MIDVAAL EXPANDS FLEET TO STRENGTHEN AND ENHANCE SERVICE DELIVERY

Midvaal recently added eighteen (18) new vehicles to its fleet to improve service delivery, procured at a cost of R21 million. The new fleet includes a water tanker that will be deployed to the Roads Section for the maintenance of gravel roads. The Roads Section will also receive two 2-ton trucks to assist with pothole patching, and two bakkies for staff transportation. The Municipality also procured a compactor truck, a front loader, an excavator, and two additional trucks to further strengthen waste management operations. The Traffic Department will receive six new vehicles to strengthen traffic management operations and improve road safety throughout the Municipality. This move will strengthen our capacity as we work to continuously improve service delivery in all our areas.



MIDVAAL COMPLETES R18 MILLION ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT

Midvaal completed the electrification of over 1,200 households in Sicelo, at a cost of over R18 million. This multi-phased project began in 2023 and involved the construction of an 11 kV (MV) and a 420 V (LV) overhead network. Residents now have access to much-needed electricity, uplifting the community by ensuring a safe and reliable power supply. This electrification project is a testament to our commitment to improving infrastructure and ensuring access to basic services for all communities.



TWO NEWLY DEVELOPED PARKS IN SICELO AND KLIPRIVIER

As part of our plan to create enjoyable recreational and public spaces, Midvaal recently opened two newly developed parks in the Sicelo and Kliprivier area. The parks are equipped with kiddies' play equipment, outdoor gym equipment, a full combi court, fencing, and signboards. The municipality has developed at least 16 parks across the municipality since 2021. We are committed to creating safe public spaces that enhance the quality of life for our residents.



MIDVAAL BUILDS TRADING STALLS TO RESTORE DIGNITY AND SUPPORT INFORMAL TRADERS

Midvaal recently unveiled 34 new trading stalls constructed at a cost of R8 million. The stalls have an ablution block and an administrative office. Each stall is equipped with water and electricity points and can be securely locked to safeguard the traders' goods after hours. These stalls will restore the dignity of the informal traders and improve the trading environment in the Central Business District. Midvaal will continue to support this sector to ensure that the informal traders operate in a conducive environment that enables them to thrive.



INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN PUBLIC ENGAGEMENTS

Midvaal recently concluded its Integrated Development Plan (IDP) public engagements. These consultations are guided by the Municipal Systems Act, ensuring that community voices shape development priorities. The IDP public engagements are a vital planning tool that aligns community needs with budgeting and service delivery. All inputs received will inform a comprehensive strategy as we continue to listen to our people and ensure service excellence.



MIDVAAL INVESTS R18 MILLION TO STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY SAFETY EFFORTS AND EXPAND CRIME PREVENTION TOOLS

Midvaal continues to make significant investments towards the safety of its residents in line with our key Mayoral Undertakings of Investing in Safety and Security for all people of Midvaal. Since taking office in 2021, this administration has invested at least R18 million into improving community safety. In this period, the Municipality has distributed at least 560 portable radios, 650 torches, and 300 reflector vests to patrollers, CPF members, and communities to strengthen visibility and improve communication during safety initiatives. Midvaal has also significantly expanded its surveillance capacity, with over

600 cameras now monitoring our areas. These include SNIPR licence-plate-recognition cameras, high-site and solar-powered units, and advanced pan-tilt-zoom and thermal cameras used to monitor municipal properties, infrastructure, and key traffic routes and areas. In addition, the Municipality has established a Law Enforcement Unit that will conduct patrols across Midvaal in support of SAPS and the Community Policing Forum (CPF). Midvaal remains committed to building safer communities, and we will continue to invest in tools, partnerships and infrastructure needed to protect our residents.



MIDVAAL CLAMPS DOWN ON LAWLESSNESS WITH JOINT OPERATION

Midvaal Local Municipality conducted multiple joint operations to clamp down on lawlessness, non-compliance with municipal by-laws and to protect the well-being of our residents. These joined operations were led by the Executive Mayor, Alderman Peter Teixeira, and Members of the Mayoral Committee. The operation was carried out in collaboration with the South African Police Service (SAPS), including the K9 units, the Department of Home Affairs' Immigration Unit, Traffic Services, the Fire Department, as well as Health and Building Inspectors. SAPS made arrests of foreign nationals found without valid documentation, individuals who aided, employed, and harboured persons without valid documentation and those selling illicit cigarettes. The operations also exposed hotspots where drugs are allegedly being sold. These areas have been flagged and will be taken up with SAPS to ensure swift and decisive action. Roadblocks were conducted to assess vehicle roadworthiness and to ensure driver compliance. Several offences were identified, including unroadworthy vehicles and the use of cell phones while driving. The necessary fines were issued. Other contraventions were uncovered, posing significant risks to public health and safety, including:

- Shops operating in unhygienic conditions in direct violation of health standards.
- Lack of fire extinguishers and inadequate fire safety measures in shops.
- Expired food products being sold to customers.
- People living and sleeping inside business premises.
- Shops operating in buildings not approved by the Municipality.

We will continue to intensify enforcement operations throughout the municipality to safeguard our communities and ensure that all businesses operate lawfully and responsibly.



MIDVAAL ACHIEVES 12TH CONSECUTIVE CLEAN AUDIT



Midvaal Local Municipality has achieved its 12th consecutive clean audit for the 2024/25 financial year, reaffirming our position as one of South Africa's most accountable and well-governed municipalities. The clean audit reflects excellence in financial management, compliance and accountability. The Auditor-General commended the Municipality for spending 97% of its budget and achieving 89% of service delivery targets, a significant improvement from the previous year. Midvaal has also invested adequately in infrastructure to ensure sustainable service delivery. Key reforms have reduced electricity losses to 7.28%, below the national norm. Revenue collection

has been strengthened through prepaid meters, stricter credit control and debt recovery measures. Oversight has improved through stronger consequence management and action against unauthorised and irregular expenditure. The clean audit is not just a paper exercise; it demonstrates a municipality committed to financial discipline, ensuring that every rand of public money is used to improve service delivery and uplift our communities. Midvaal will continue to work to ensure that these clean audits continue to translate into tangible service delivery that every resident can see, feel, and touch.

MIDVAAL TOWNS RECOGNISED IN THE DAILY MAVERICK GAUTENG TOWNS PERFORMANCE LIST

Henley on Klip and Meyerton Town are runners-up on the Daily Maverick's Gauteng Towns performance list. Daily Maverick noted that Henley on Klip residents enjoy a reliable electricity supply, clean tap water, and well-maintained public amenities. Meyerton Town was recognised for offering residents a desirable blend of good governance, urban conveniences, and a quieter lifestyle. We are proud of our towns, and as a municipality, we will continue to build an environment where families grow, businesses thrive, and communities stand together.

Rank	Town	Overall Score (%)	Cleanliness	Municipality	Community	Safety	Nature	Family	Connectivity
1	Cullinan	89.3%	90%	80%	100%	95%	90%	90%	80%
2	Henley on Klip	88.6%	90%	95%	90%	80%	95%	90%	80%
3	Meyerton	78.6%	70%	95%	70%	70%	75%	80%	90%
4	Heidelberg	75.7%	70%	70%	85%	75%	80%	75%	75%
5	Hammanaskraal	63.6%	60%	50%	70%	60%	70%	65%	60%



MIDVAAL EXCELLENCE AND GOOD GOVERNANCE RECOGNISED



Midvaal Local Municipality was named the best-performing municipality in Gauteng at the inaugural 2025 Municipal Performance Awards. The awards are hosted by the South African Property Owners Association, in partnership with Ratings Afrika and the Banking Association of South Africa (BASA). The Municipality also received three awards at the National Good Governance Awards hosted by the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (CoGTA) as part of the annual Local Government Indaba (LGA). Midvaal was honoured with an Outstanding

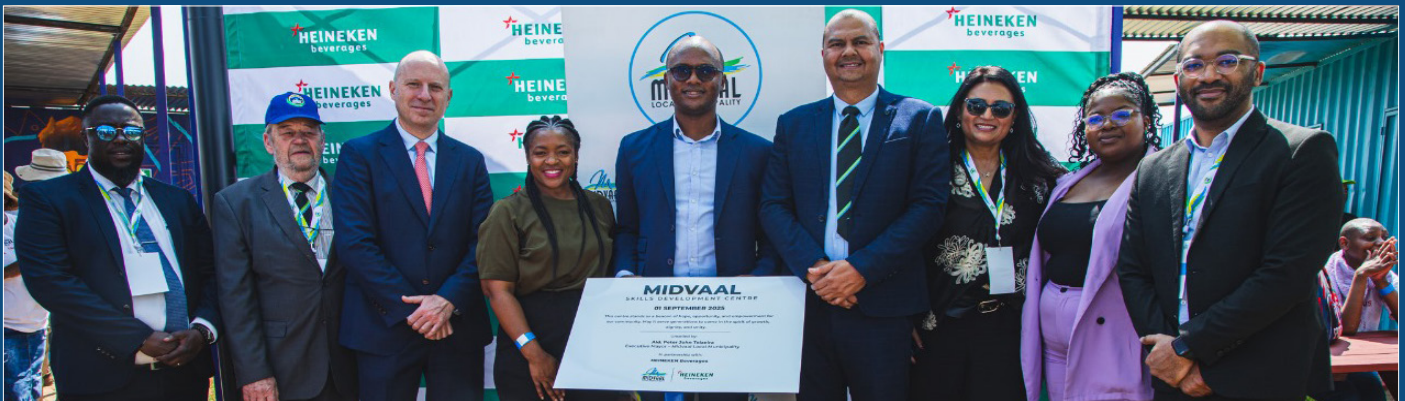
Achievement Award for achieving clean audits and adopting funded budgets for ten years or more. The municipality also received an outstanding achievement for receiving clean audits for more than ten consecutive years. In addition, Midvaal was awarded a Certificate for achieving a clean audit outcome for the 2023–2024 financial year. These accolades reflect Midvaal's unwavering commitment to good governance, accountability and service excellence for the benefit of all residents.



MIDVAAL OPENS GROUNDBREAKING SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Midvaal opened its first Skills Development Centre in Savanna City through a strategic partnership with HEINEKEN Beverages. The project is in line with the Mayoral Undertaking of Creating Opportunities for All by empowering communities through education, training, and opportunity. The Skills Development Centre is designed to bridge the skills gap in our community by offering training in various artisan trades. In addition, the Centre will serve as a hub for innovation and enterprise development, equipping

people and the local workforce with practical skills, while also providing SMMEs with access to information and facilities to support business growth. The Centre is already fully operational, with current programmes including Regenerative Agriculture, Environmental Justice, New Venture Creation and Construction. Through this initiative, Midvaal is strengthening skills development to help build a more sustainable and inclusive local economy.



ESTABLISHMENT OF LOCAL DRUG ACTION COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS SCOURGE OF DRUGS

Midvaal established and appointed the Local Drug Action Committee (LDAC). This forms part of our commitment to combating the growing scourge of substance abuse, as mandated by Chapter 10, Section 60 of the Prevention of and Treatment for Substance Abuse Act. Substance abuse is an enormous social problem in this country. It is a problem that is increasing every day, affecting families and undermining our communities. As a municipality, we will work closely with this Committee and provide resources to build a drug-free Midvaal.



MIDVAAL'S YOUTH SUMMIT DELIVERS BIGGER AND BETTER OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Midvaal hosted its third annual Mayoral Youth Summit to empower and give young people opportunities. The summit brought together government departments, private-sector partners, NGOs and NPOs, who showcased their services and provided direct, on-site support to youth. Recognising the realities of poverty, unemployment, inequality and limited access to opportunities, the Municipality continues to prioritise partnerships that deliver real impact. Through

this collaborative platform, several tangible pledges were secured to ensure young people benefit beyond the event itself. These include learnerships and apprenticeships, accredited training for SMMEs, digital skills programmes for unemployed youth, bursary and scholarship support, as well as financial literacy and enterprise development initiatives.



MAYORAL CHARITY GOLF DAY

We hosted our first-ever Mayoral Charity Golf Day at the Meyerton Golf Course. As a municipality, we recognise that we must go beyond the provision of basic services and address the many social ills affecting our communities. While we are willing and committed to this cause, we also recognise that as a government, we cannot do it alone. The Mayoral Charity Golf Day brought together the private sector to help tackle these challenges. Over 20 companies pledged their support and participated in the day. All proceeds raised from the event went towards uplifting local NGOs and making a real difference in our community.



MIDVAAL HOSTED ITS INAUGURAL LOXION GAMES IN MAMELLO

Midvaal successfully hosted the first Loxion Games in Mamello Ward 1. Young people took part in soccer and netball, while others performed cultural dances and songs. The games are aimed at keeping our youth active and away from social ills. Our vision is to expand these games into other areas, with the ultimate goal of hosting many of these teams at the annual Mayoral Youth Games on 16 June.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR LOCAL CHILDREN

The Executive Mayor, Alderman Peter Teixeira, together with Members of the Mayoral Committee (MMCs), brought festive cheer to children from Ward 15 by hosting a Christmas Party. The celebration took place at the Meyerton Swimming Pool, where children and their parents enjoyed a day of fun, swimming, and community togetherness. The Christmas party was hosted in collaboration with the Maya Cypress Tree NGO and supported by the Midvaal Junior Council, who helped ensure a memorable experience for both the children and parents. Each child received a Christmas gift as part of the festivities. This annual event is hosted by the Executive Mayor, aimed at giving back to the community, spreading joy and goodwill during the festive season.





Places to Visit

Splash Mediterranean Bayshore Marina in Vaal Marina



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