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EXECUTIVE MAYOR SYLVIA NXUMALO CONDEMNS TORCHING MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AT DWARSLOOP AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL PROPERITIES ON THE R40

The Executive Mayor, Cllr Sylvia Nxumalo strongly condemns the torching of government vehicles and vandalism of municipal offices at Dwarsloop municipal regional offices which took place early morning hours on Wednesday, the 20th February 2019. We have noted with disappointment and regret the high jacking of trucks and torching of private owned vehicles on the R40 as from Monday, 19th February.

The perpetrator shall be ashamed of the coward and barbaric act, they committed. The destruction of government property takes us as government and the community many steps back and undermines some of the good work the government has done.

We understand that the reason behind the barbaric act is linked to the construction of the Ga-Modibidi road near Dwarsloop.

The Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport has plans to construct the D4442 in the 2019/20 financial year. We call for calm and request our communities to allow the department space and time to implement the road project next year (2019/20 financial year).

We call on our law enforcement agencies to take harsh actions against the perpetrators and bring them to book to face the full might of the law.

We will continue to engage all stakeholders to restore order and give update in this regard. Our communities shall follow due processes of raising concerns at any given time.

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