



## PUBLIC NOTICE

## TARIFFS FOR THE 2023/24 FINANCIAL YEAR AT MOGALAKWENA MUNICIPALITY

We would like to inform you of the approved tariffs for the upcoming 2023/24 financial year at Mogalakwena Municipality.

These tariffs have been carefully reviewed and adjusted to ensure the efficient delivery of essential services to our community while considering the economic realities and sustainability of our municipality. The municipality has budgeted a total revenue of R1.7 billion for the 2023/2024 financial year. The total budget includes R655 million from Service charges (e.g. Water, Electricity, Sanitation and Waste), operating grants of R587 million (Equitable share, Financial Management Grant) and R311 million of Capital Expenditure grants.

**The following tariffs will come into effect on [Effective Date]:**

- Water services: 15% *(water restriction tariffs as per council resolution 18/03/03 still in place with the restrictions been lifted, the normal tariffs will resume)*
- Electricity: 15.1%
- Sanitation: 5.3 %
- Waste Removal: 5.3%
- Assessments rates: 5.3%

**1. Water Tariffs:**

Previously, in some areas of our town and townships water was lost through leaks and of course ageing infrastructure. The leakage ratio, which was previously at 40% has now been reduced to 29% following a joint intervention between the municipality and the mining sector. The "War on Leaks" program is a positive step towards addressing this issue, reducing the leakage ratio in the water distribution system and saving millions of rands we were losing.

There have been roundtable discussions with Magalies on provision 15 mega litres (15 million litres) of water per day and 49 mega litres (49 million litres) of water from Flag Boshielo Dam respectively.

We are anticipating that in the next 12 months (first quarter of 2024, we will be venturing with them and shortage of water will be a thing of the past.

The water tariff increase by Lepelle-Northern Water is 15% as well for the 2023/2024 financial year.

**2. Electricity Tariffs:**

The municipality has an indigent policy in place which outlines criteria for registering indigents to receive free basic electricity from the municipality. The total number registered indigents are 1 875 and the number of those benefiting is 1 875, they were identified by and Councillors and Eskom as the most deserving to receive free basic electricity (50 units).

The electricity tariff increase by NERSA is at 15.1% for the 2023/2024 financial year.

**INDIGENT SUPPORT**

As with previous years, Council made provision for free basic services to qualifying members of our community who cannot afford to pay for services. This subsidy is budgeted at R655 million and includes the following:

- Free 6kl of water.
- 50kWh units of electricity.
- Subsidy for refuse removal and sewage charges and rebate on the first 500m<sup>2</sup>.
- Rebate on the first R100 000 of the stand evaluation.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we strive to maintain quality services and the overall development of our municipality. Your continued support is crucial in building a sustainable and prosperous community.

**Thank you for your attention.**