MUNICIPAL NOTICE 86/2023

Dear Residents,

With reference to the current water outages in Johannesdal, Lanquedoc, Pniel and Kylemore, the Municipality would like to inform all affected residents of the following:

It is unfortunate that this specific bulk water line feeding the Dwarsrivier area was damaged in last week's major stormwater flooding events. The Dwarsriver which meandered in the vicinity of the water line, broke its banks and created a new river path which scoured away a low level road crossing as well as the bulk feeder pipeline. The flood waters were so severe that the embankment had washed away and could not be stabilised. It continues to do so.

In addition, the pumpstation experienced some cable theft but this was resolved on the day. We have appointed a contractor via emergency procurement, to start work on the repair of the pipeline but this is not a quick fix since it will need to be re-routed from an upstream point. The contractor started work this morning 20th June 2023.

As an alternative means of getting water to the reservoir, the Municipality is making use of an on-site package plant which feeds potable water at between 15 and 43 cubic meters per hour. Sadly this is not fast enough to fill the reservoir faster than the usage empties the reservoir. The repair is anticipated to be completed by 22 June 2023, with a maximum of one day to restore water to the entire area.

Water tankers have been deployed and we ask residents to please bear with us while we resolve the above issues. The Municipality has deployed all available resources to all flood affected areas and this issue is receiving the highest priority at present, and has been since the flooding started.

We thank you for your patience and ask that you please use water as sparingly as possible to allow all residents to benefit from the available water at present.

Infrastructure Services.

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