

**Afesis-corplan Press Statement by  
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**Refurbishment of Glenmore Sports Field by the Ngqushwa Local Municipality**

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Afesis-corplan is pleased that three years of engagements, petitions, protests, technical reports and meetings organized by the community of Glenmore and its civil society partner finally yielded a positive outcome as evidenced by tender advertisement to refurbish the Glenmore Sports Field.

We hope that the municipality will follow due processes in appointing a credible, well-capacitated entity that would incorporate the will and views of the people of Glenmore in refurbishing that sports field.

We are also pleased that the people of Glenmore are better positioned to participate in this refurbishment process now as they are aware of their rights, responsibilities and obligation as both partners with Ngqushwa Municipality in the development of Glenmore, and as beneficiaries and custodians of that sports field.

The journey the people of Glenmore travelled in fighting for the refurbishment of the sports field bears testament to the fact that when communities are united towards a common goal, they can hold local government to account for the quality of services it delivers. This they can do irrespective of their location (whether rural or urban) or socio-economic status.

As a civil society partner of the Glenmore community in the struggle for the refurbishment of the sports field, Afesis-corplan commends the leadership of Ngqushwa Municipality for finally putting the people first.

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