

Media statement  
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## **In Tshwane we welcome all communities and organisations who want to support us in making our city work**

During this peaceful period in our city, I want to wish all the residents of Tshwane who are celebrating a happy Easter weekend. May this time be blessed for you and for your families.

I want to take a moment to invite and welcome all communities in our city to be part of our project that seeks to make our city work for all its residents. It is only through working together as one that we can achieve the collective goals to create opportunities for all the people of Tshwane.

This is why it is important that we create an environment where individuals and organisations who want to be part of building Tshwane are enabled to do so without unnecessary bureaucracy or barriers.

Over the last few years the city has cultivated strong relationships with a variety of institutions and groups that contribute immensely to the city. Organisations such as Outsurance who support us with pointsmen, the Hennops Revival who help to safeguard and clean our rivers, Hollard who support us in fire hydrant maintenance, the Danish embassy who are helping us to improve our water infrastructure and many other institutions, business and community driven groups.

I was dismayed this week to see that members of Afriforum were fined for merely supporting the city in unblocking drainage systems to prevent flooding. A totally unnecessary action on the city's behalf which I will see to have rectified. These kind of community actions should be welcomed not penalised.

This is why I will be examining our policies and by-laws to assess how we better channel such support. More so I will be actively driving the establishment of Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs) with any organisation that wants to support our city. Let us build Tshwane together.

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