

## HARRY GWALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

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## 08 February 2022 Mayor Calls for safer shops in the District.

Harry Gwala District Municipality has sent a strong notice to shop owners and business people in the district to ensure that rules and regulations of operations are adhered to.

On the 6th February 2020, Municipal Health Services received a complaint relating to a social media post about Food premises at the Dr Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma (NDZ) Municipality in Donnybrook which are alleged to be selling food items not fit for human consumption. An investigation was scheduled for the 7th of February 2022, to ascertain the above allegations and a joint business premises inspection was coordinated and is currently underway with the Local Municipality. The inspection is to verify the claims and as well ensure compliance in terms of the Health Act and as well the Food, Cosmetics and Disinfectant Act.

The executive Mayor of Harry Gwala District, Cllr. Zamo Nxumalo has said there will be visits which will be conducted by the municipal health services inspector in any shop in the district to ensure that all regulations are adhered to.

He added that stringent action would be taken against shops serving stale food and operating in unhygienic conditions.

"Occupational Health and Safety inspectors in the District will continue to visit stores to monitor compliance, and implement the necessary actions where required. Customers and the Community must keep us update on any issues so we can act on it. We commit our self in dealing with wrong doing and we will strengthen inspections in the District, "said Mayor Nxumalo.

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