

**Media Advisory**

**To: All Media Houses**

**Attention: News Editor/ Reporter**

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**Brutal Murder of Richmond Municipal Manager**

The uMgungundlovu District Municipality Council is sad to learn about the brutal murder and passing of Richmond Municipal Manager, Mr Sibusiso Sithole was gunned down outside his offices in Richmond earlier today, approximately 38km South of Pietermaritzburg. Richmond is one of the seven local Municipalities within the jurisdiction of uMDM.

Sithole was recently appointed as Municipal Manager of uMngeni Municipality (Howick). He immensely contributed towards good governance at the Richmond Municipality, with the Municipality receiving clean audits consecutively. “uMgungundlovu District Municipality Council condemns such criminal activity that has robbed the people of the District with a dedicated civil servant”, said uMDM Mayor Maphumulo. “We are sending our heartfelt condolences to the family, colleagues and community of Richmond. May the affected be comforted and strengthened during this hard time”, further stated the District Mayor.

We trust our authorities will speedily apprehend the perpetrators with immediate effect.

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