

COMMUNITY WARNED AGAINST DUMPING

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The mayor of the Kopanong Local Municipality, Xolile Matwa, has warned the community to avoid littering and dumping garbage at designated places. He said failure comply with the order could result in prosecution.

The mayor made this appeal at a recent meeting, where he also expressed grave concern at the stench caused by the rubbish that is strewn all over by residents of Madikgetla Location.

Places that are commonly used as dumping sites for dead dogs and cats; sanitary pads and disposable nappies include the community hall, Caleb Motshabi Stadium and the local graveyard.

In a bid to curb this practice, Matwa said his office had enlisted the help of the local police, who agreed to arrest and charge anyone caught causing this repulsive pollution of the environment.

"It is regrettable that municipal workers employed to clean the town are exposed to such degrading filth. Kopanong is currently experiencing a serious waste disposal problem as the only truck that we have has broken down. I urged you to avoid littering, while we are working to have the situation normalised."

The municipal manager, Lebo Moletsane, said the Kopanong local council was well aware of the air pollution emanating from the local sewage treatment plant. He promised that plans were afoot to procure chemicals to quell it.

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