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PRESS STATEMENT

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TO THE EDITOR

**SUBJECT: BUSHBUCKRIDGE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY SCOOPED TWO TOP AWARDS AT MUNICIPAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

Bushbuckridge Local Municipality has scooped two top awards at SALGA Municipal Excellence Awards ceremony which was held at Loskop Dam in Middleburg, on the 02<sup>nd</sup> of August 2011. The municipality was awarded the best local municipality with a credible integrated Development Plan (IDP) and best local municipality with a comprehensive local economic development strategy and each award was accompanied by a trophy and a certificate.

By being the best local municipality with a credible IDP, this means that the municipality has managed to develop an implementable Integrated Development Plan which meets the required standards. What made our IDP to stand out against 17 municipal IDP's is the fact that it consisted of sectoral plans, Millennium Goals and Provincial Growth and Development Strategy. It has also been aligned to sector departments, parastatals, non governmental organisations and the private sector.

The IDP was developed in house with the assistance of other municipal directorates. The municipality could not have got a credible IDP without the support of traditional leaders, councillors, ward committees, community members and community development workers who continuously participate during IDP Public participation processes. With blessing and support from the aforementioned role players, the municipality will grow in heaps and bound thus improving the lives of citizens.

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