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Second Knysna municipal worker tests positive for Covid-19 virus as Knysna cases jump to 23

A second municipal worker has tested positive for COVID-19. Acting Municipal Manager Dr Michele Gratz said that as with the first case, they immediately took the required steps when they received the results.

"The worker was placed in quarantine and the entire team was tested on Saturday morning. Nine members of the team are in quarantine at the moment. As with all our offices, the area frequented at work was disinfected and cleaned. The tracing process to find those that he has been in contact with outside the workplace has started and we are assisting the Health Department at the Knysna Provincial Hospital and the COVID-19 Command Centre where we can. Internally we strictly follow the guidelines from the Health Department and ensure that all staff wears PPE. Their temperatures are screened daily and social distancing measures are also practised in all our workspaces."

Gratz said as expected by the Government, the number of cases are increasing. "In Knysna we are now at 23 cases, of which 9 are active. As the lockdown measures are eased it is more important than ever for all of us to act responsibility. Following the prescribed COVID-19 preventative measures is essential if we want to keep infection numbers down. Make sure you wear your mask, wash and disinfect your hands regularly, do not share food and drinks and practice social distancing. Level 4 is NOT open season. We are still in lockdown – stay home when you can. Stay safe."

She concluded by saying that as promised all essential services will continue.

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