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Municipality steps up streetlight maintenance ahead of festive season

Knysna Acting Municipal Manager Dr Richard Martin announced that the municipality has begun a targeted streetlight and high mast maintenance programme as part of its broader Season Readiness Plan.

The programme, running from 16 November to 18 December 2026, aims to improve public lighting across Greater Knysna ahead of the busy festive season by addressing faulty lights, damaged cables, switches, circuit breakers and other electrical faults.

Maintenance teams will work according to the following schedule:

16 to 20 November: Concordia, Khayalethu, Oupad, Nekkies East, Leisure Isle, Knysna CBD and Nekkies West.

23 to 27 November: Hornlee, Bongani, Hlalani, Oupad, Kalkol, Ethembeni, Upper Town and Knysna CBD.

30 November to 4 December: Dam se Bos, Khayalethu Valley, Upper Town, Concordia, Edameni, Green Pastures and Dinangwe.

7 to 11 December: Dinangwe, Kanonkop, Industrial Area, Qolweni, Rhobololo, Brenton-on-Lake, Hornlee, Flenter, White Location and Brenton-on-Lake.

14 to 18 December: Brenton-on-Sea, Hornlee and Brenton-on-Lake.

Residents are encouraged to visit the municipal website and consult the full maintenance schedule, which includes individual street names and dates. Please zoom in on the schedule to view the details for your area: https://www.knysna.gov.za/live-here/electricity/.

No fieldwork is scheduled for Wednesday, 16 December, in observance of the Day of Reconciliation. Fridays are allocated to maintenance reporting and administrative follow-ups.

“This programme forms part of our commitment to ensuring that Knysna is ready to welcome the increased number of visitors expected over the festive season,” Martin explained. “Functional public lighting contributes to safer streets and public spaces. As we prepare to welcome visitors, we must also ensure that our residents benefit from a safe and well-maintained environment.”

Residents are encouraged to report faulty streetlights and high mast lights through the municipality's established customer care channels: the Collab app, customercare@knysna.gov.za or by calling 044 302 6397 or 6399.

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