

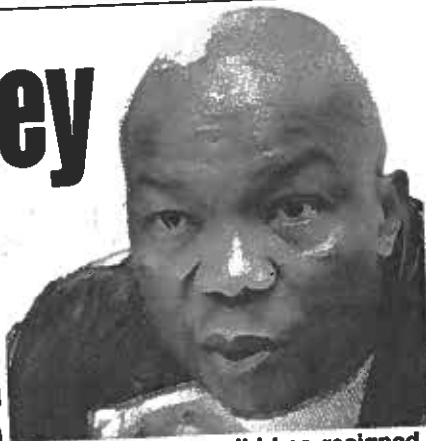
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Kimberley mayor resigns



Mayor Patrick Lenyibi has resigned. Photo by Dan Xangaza

By GREGORY PETERSEN

THE MAYOR became famous after the uproar over the threat to flamingos from a proposed housing development at Kamfers Dam.

But now the flamingos may be able to breathe more easily... because Patrick Lenyibi has resigned!

THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR OF SOL PLAATJIE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, IN KIMBERLEY, LEFT HIS POST LAST TUESDAY - BUT HIS RESIGNATION WAS ONLY ANNOUNCED BY THE ANC AT A COUNCIL MEETING ON THURSDAY.

The ANC's Northern Cape secretary-general, Neville Mompoti, said Lenyibi will stay on as a councillor.

His resignation follows months of tension around his position within the ANC in the Northern Cape. He is one of three councillors suspended since 2006 for mismanagement.

Councillor Gladys Mthukwane has been appointed acting mayor of the Sol Plaatjie municipality.

An African Christian Democratic Party (ACDP) councillor, Rooies Strauss, said Lenyibi's resignation doesn't mean that all will now be plain sailing at Sol Plaatjie.

"The city has a history of auditor-general's reports turning down the financial statements of the municipality. These

stretch way back, much further than his term in office."

ACDP provincial leader Francois van Wyk said: "Our party still thinks Sol Plaatjie municipality should be put under administration. Some senior appointments at the municipality also need to be revisited.

"This resignation does not change the fact that this municipality should be placed under administration until such time as its many problems have been sorted out," he said.

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