

Statement by Drakenstein Acting Municipal Manager: **Jacques Carstens**

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Fraudulent letters in circulation in Drakenstein

The municipality has been made aware of a fraudulent letter being circulated within the Drakenstein area, telling residents they have been successful in an application for a refund from the State Enterprise. These letters contain the municipal logo, and looks like an official municipal communication. These letters are a hoax and the information contained in it is not true.

Residents are urged to please be vigilant and to ignore the claims made in this letter. The person or persons responsible, are committing a crime by sending these fraudulent letters. The letters are supposedly sent from the Standing Committee. There is no committee by that name operating in Drakenstein Municipality. These letters are signed by a CL Schoeman. There is no person by that name employed by the municipality.

Any person who have information on the origin or person/s responsible for this letter must please contact the municipality. Any information received will be treated as confidential. Please contact the office of the Municipal Manager on 021 807 4615.

If the perpetrators are caught, they can be prosecuted for fraud.

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