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# Welcome



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**Stakeholder Relations management** is one of the keys used by Wesizwe that continuously seek to unlock and get the views and to address community perceptions about the project.

The Chamber of Mines' partnership with the Mining CSI affords mining companies an opportunity to showcase their role in the development of their immediate communities.

Wesizwe will also benefit in this initiative and this will afford the company an opportunity to be viewed and given feedback about the project, on a larger scale. This initiative will allow Wesizwe to provide accurate and credible information about what the company does for the host community. The information shared will enable stakeholders to be persuaded of any negative views they might have about the mine.

As we are meeting our targets in the project, our stakeholder engagement strategies are becoming imperative for the existence of the mine. Good stakeholder relations not only build good relations within the community but it is a way to ensure sustainability for both the mine and its host community.

Our safety record is improving every month and this is quite an achievement, considering that safety is another means of ensuring sustainability. Our Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR) for the year is 1.04 and we are currently on 0.52 as at July 2016, and we have not had any LTI in the month of August.

As always, we hope you enjoy reading the edition of Investor news and we look forward to keeping you updated on all the latest project developments.

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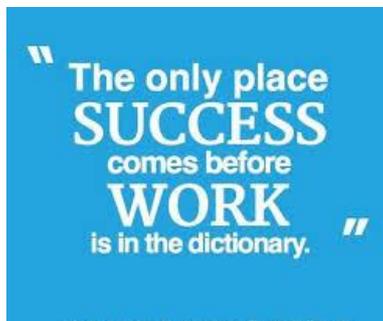
The project is progressing very well and with a good safety record

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# Bakubung Platinum Mine (BPM) today



*Steel structures are being put in place*



*BPM by night*



*An aerial view of the mine*

## Project status

### About the BPM project

Work at BPM is progressing at a steady pace with key activities building up to the commissioning in 2017 going as planned.

### Optimization Exercises

Exercises have been concluded on the ore sorting feasibility, renewable energy implementation, reagent mix designs and high shear reactors by the team and are being included in the process design criteria. The opportunity for self-power generation (renewables energy) has been presented to the CEO as well as ESKOM. Wesizwe has forwarded a letter to Eskom requesting written indication of their agreement in principle for Wesizwe to construct a solar plant and the written indication is awaited. The process plant development scope is currently being aligned to Level 6 schedule.

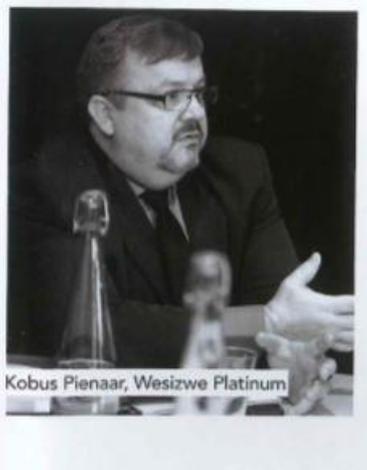
### *Phase 2 132/33kV 40MVA premium supply*

The current forecast for energizing the Bakubung Substation on the 132/33 KV from Ngwedi still remains the end of September. In a meeting held on the 18th of July, ESKOM confirmed the following key milestone activities;

- The Second Shutdown is planned for the 15th of September which will isolate the Midas-Marang which will allow the powering up on the Ngwedi-Bakubung line. This has not yet been confirmed but ESKOM does not foresee any problems as there are no external customers affected by this line except for the two mining houses (Bakubung and Styldrift).

All activities aimed at ensuring that BPM is ready for first phase commissioning is currently underway.

## Wesizwe IT General Manager joins an IT experts' panel of discussion



**Kobus Pienaar: GM for IT at Wesizwe explained how Wesizwe does get challenges on IT processes**

**“Taking advantage of converged ICT Ecosystems”**. This was the topic of discussion at an event aimed at addressing burning issues in the ICT industry. The event was on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016, at the Africa Pride, Melrose Arch Hotel and the Wesizwe General Manager for IT, Kobus Pienaar was part of the discussion that was organised by ITWeb Brainstorm Magazine.

The intent is to share knowledge across industries on problems that different industries face and to suggest solutions to these problems from the panel of experts based on their experience and knowledge gathered over many years in the various industries.

“They invite a spread across multiple industries to get a multi-industry view on the topic, and I was invited to attend the discussion on “Taking advantage of converged ICT Ecosystems””, said Kobus.

As a new company we do face challenges where our systems are concerned and this requires a strategy. “We are building a new mine, so we don't have legacy, but we do have more challenges on people and processes rather than on technology, adds Kobus.

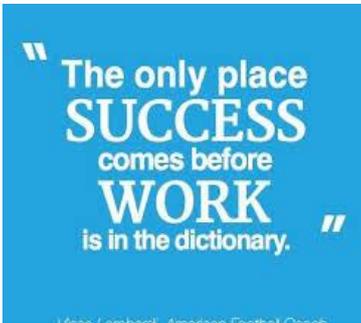
He went on to explain the terms of use of resources at Wesizwe and how that adds value into the company. “We decided to use commercial off-the shelf software for everything and where we do need customised functionality, we engage the vendor to do the development for us. One of our targets is to is to beat the accepted value of a 3% cost of IT for running a mine and instead target 1%. At the moment we are down to 1.2% by using very stringent management and avoid where possible non-standardised processes”, he said. He went on to further explain that a lot of the cost for these things comes from tinkering with them. “We also don't allow people to bring systems with them from other companies.”

### The benefit to Wesizwe and the company brand:

- Sharing real world solutions to problems in a group of senior industry leaders, is like getting a year's research done in a couple of hours
- It allows us to evaluate the maturity of new developments based on the experience of companies that have already done deployments, and assist in the process of fast-tracking decisions and avoid problems.
- It puts Wesizwe on the MAP from a technology perspective when one is invited to be part of a panel made up of people that are considered at the top of their field in both experience and knowledge
- It provides Wesizwe with positive media coverage when an event like this is published in a leading Technology magazine in the country, and at no cost to the company



# BPM suppliers talk business



**As part of the LED strategy for Wesizwe and BPM**, the company encourages local (Bakubung Ba Ratheo) business to register on the BPM database to be recognised as vendors. This call has been heeded by a number of service providers in the community and Mr. Abram Legwale of A&V Legwale Garden Services cc. is one of those business owners.

A&V Legwale Garden Services cc. started in 2008 and we registered on the Provincial Database, and had several contracts with the Municipalities and also individuals around the Bojanala District. In 2015 March we got a contract with the Bakubung Platinum Mine, and currently in a 3 month contract basis with BPM.

They invited tenders for gardening services and we bid, as the lowest bidder for the job we were awarded a 12 month contract. The company currently employs five people in total for this particular contract, three males and two females. The plan is to grow the business through marketing and acquiring additional contracts in the process, the ultimate is for A&V is to take the business across the country and even internationally.

## Passion for business

According to Mr. Legwale, when getting into business, whether Gardening or any other form of business, one must follow their passion, "it must be within a field that is part of who you are, and not be because of the need for money but for the love of the business itself", he says. He then went on to remind people about the importance of registering their businesses and being compliant with the requirements for them to be considered for tenders. "When all this is in place, success is inevitable".

He also advised those who would like to provide services to BPM, "anyone who is interested in becoming a vendor for the mine must first and foremost have a registered business and have all the additional vendor requirements, e.g. Tax Clearance Certificate, BBBEE Certificates, etc.", he said. According to him all these must be administered to ensure compliance and validity. After all these have been put in place, one has then to register on the BPM vendor database to be considered.

## A word for aspiring business owners (especially the youth)

Mr. Legwale also supplies the Rodent Boxes around the substations within the mine.

With his motto being "We serve the best in SA", Mr. Legwale closed by sharing his beliefs where business is concerned. He states that business in general is a risk worth taking, losses are part of the process, leadership qualities are key, people relationships are very important. Above all, one needs to be knowledgeable of their trade and disciplined. When one wants to be a success in business, they should empower themselves after registering the business and not just wait to get tenders. They must attend developmental workshops regarding their line of business. "This not only helps in service delivery but it also helps in facing the business world with courage and facing challenges head-on".



**A garden maintained by  
A&V Legwale Garden  
Services cc.**



**The company provides  
employment opportunities  
for people within the  
community**

# Media Round-Up

## News highlights from the month

### Wesizwe activity in the media space

The following is a media analysis report conducted by Meltwater during tracking period: **15 July to 14 August 2016.**

#### Total Media Coverage

This report analyses the Print, Online Editorial and Social media coverage on Wesizwe Platinum Limited in the month of July. There were 40 editorial mentions in July and 11 Print media articles. Social Media comprised of Twitter, Facebook, Blogs, Comments, YouTube and Reviews and Forums. The report shows that Wesizwe only received one social media mention during this period.

Sentiment for both online and print media was overall neutral.

## Wesizwe Digital Update

### Website visitors and trends

During the period under review, the Wesizwe website recorded 4,073 sessions, 2,717 of which were new visitors to the site. 12,147 page views on the site this month. Visitors were predominantly interested in the Bakubung Platinum Mine project, careers, executive management, media, gallery and investor news.



# Calendar

## Industry event highlights for 2016

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### Happy Spring Day!

01 September 2016

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### Joburg Indaba: 05 – 06 October 2016, Johannesburg

A critical platform where industry leaders engage in strategic conversations that are open, honest, bold, fresh and to the point.

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