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NLC allocates R35 million to the development of a sports complex in Limpopo

The National Lotteries Commission (NLC) is pleased to announce that an amount of R35 million will be allocated to the development of the Mafefe Sports Complex implemented by Mafefe Development Trust in Limpopo, says NLC Commissioner Charlotte Mampane.

“The NLC was moved by the community’s desire to implement a project that has the potential to create a significant number of short, medium and long term jobs as well as the ability to nurture talent among the youth of Mafefe,” says Mampane.

A sod turning ceremony to mark the beginning of the project will be hosted by the Mafefe Development Trust in partnership with the Limpopo Sports Academy.

The event will take place on the 17 July 2015.

Among the many categories of NLC beneficiaries, the NLC provides grants to support the development of various sporting codes.

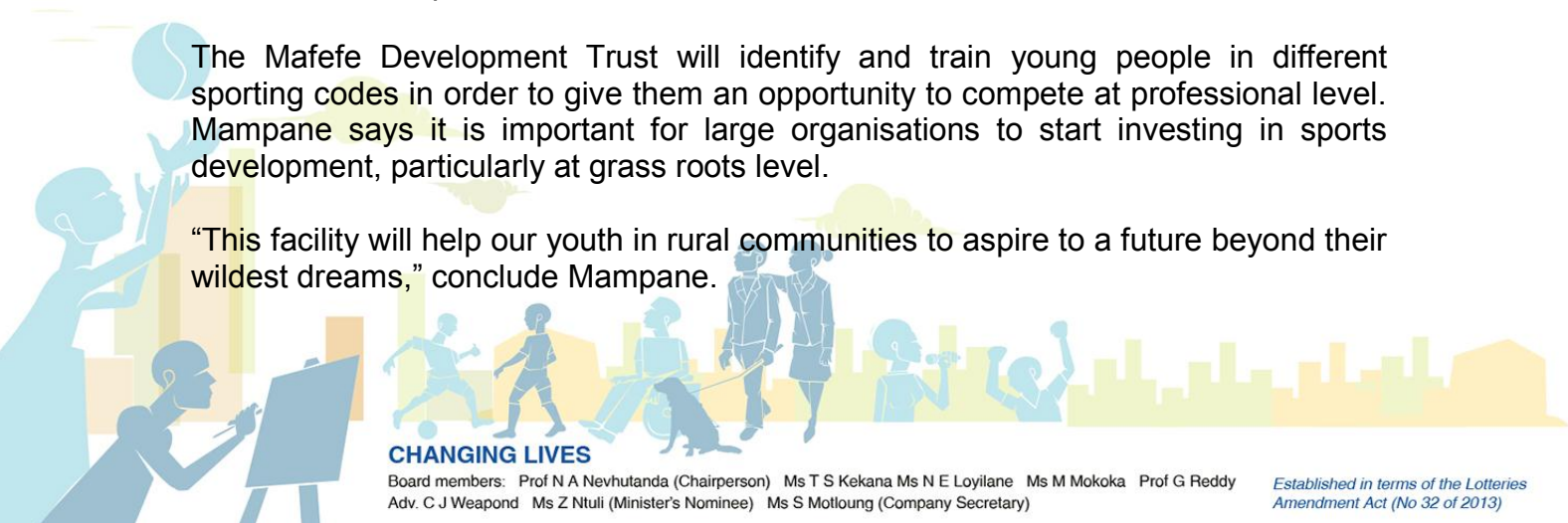
Mampane says sports are a proven mechanism that keeps our youth gainfully employed and ensure that they do not resort to crime or other social ills.

Mampane says organisations such as the Mafefe Development Trust are important pillars of social cohesion.

“Sport is a means of expressing an individual’s talent. It encourages discipline, team work and productive habits that our youth can adopt and integrate into their daily lives,” adds Mampane.

The Mafefe Development Trust will identify and train young people in different sporting codes in order to give them an opportunity to compete at professional level. Mampane says it is important for large organisations to start investing in sports development, particularly at grass roots level.

“This facility will help our youth in rural communities to aspire to a future beyond their wildest dreams,” conclude Mampane.



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