

The communities of Lenyenye and Khujwani including their surrounding areas will soon benefit from the project of upgrading the Lenyenye to Khujwani road.

The road is one of several infrastructure projects approved by Council for implementation in the 2019/2020 financial year. The road which is 5.8-kilometer long road will be upgraded from gravel to tar. The project is aimed at improving access between Lenyenye Township to Khujwani Village, the road will also include paved access the graveyard.

Lenyenye resident Alice Modiba says "the new road comes as a relief, we will now have faster and better access to Khujwana and other places after we have struggled before."

According to Olga Tshisevhe, GTM Manager for roads and stormwater, the scope of work for the tar road project includes the repairing and construction of stormwater concrete channels and culverts, construction of guard rails along the road and gabion retaining walls, road marking and road signs.

GTM will spend an estimated R31.5 million on the project. Eighteen people from the nearby communities

have already been employed in the project and there is a plan to employ additional 16 people before the project is completed in 2022, this is according to EPWP Officer in the GTM Miyelani Shandlale.

The Mayor of GTM Maripe Mangena believes that the multimillion-rand project will make a noticeable difference to the lives of about 3145 households residing in both communities.

Councillor Roniel Rikhotso, ward Councillor of Khujwana Village says the community is pleased about the project which is expected to bring development to both communities "the road will also provide an alternative shortcut to the two places and the local complex in Maake plaza beside the R36 road." Said Rikhotso.

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