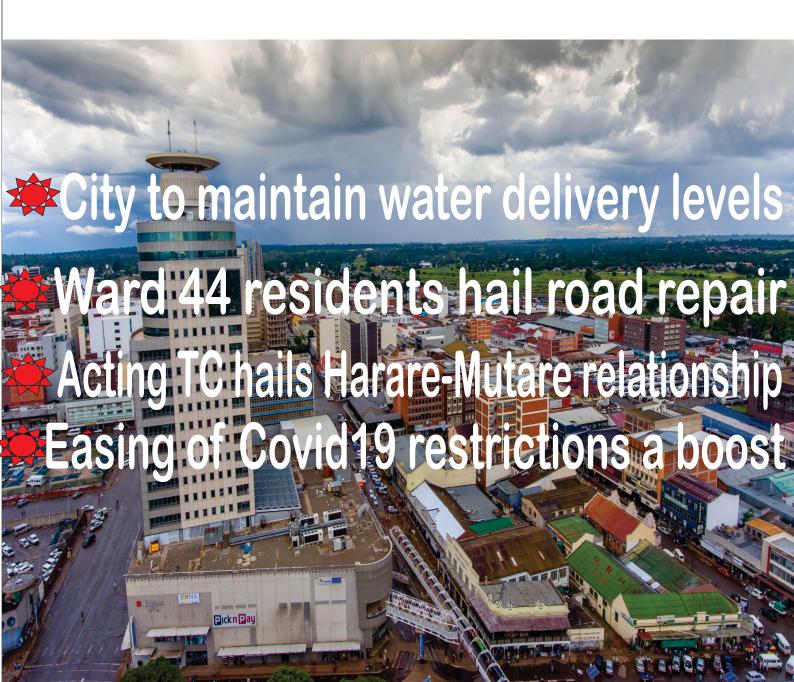


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City to maintain water delivery levels

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ouncil will maintain its current water supply levels into hot season unlike in previous years when the hot season was associated with reduced supply.

In an interview with the Sunshine News, Water Distribution Manager Engineer Charles Chinyanya said mechanisms to maintain and increase delivery were under implementation.

The department has been managing to supply water to an average of 65 percent of the city this year.

"Most people do not use as much water in winter as they do in summer. "During winter our production was ranged between 350 to 400 mega litres per day," he said.

Eng Chinyanya said work on improving water production to meet the summer demand was underway.

"Going forward we are targeting 450 mega litres per day and that will cover up the demand patterns in terms of our production system. As long as it remains at 450 mega litres, there won't be significant changes in as far as coverage is concerned," he said.

He said areas that are experiencing changes in their usual supply days could be affected by repairs to the distribution system or isolated problems but the water supply pattern would remain the same.



Eng Charles Chinyanya

Ward 44 residents hail road repair

Staff Reporter



ard 44 residents have hailed local councillor Adonia Shoko for the role he played in the repair of the area's First Street.

The City, buoyed by the injection of road rehabilitation funds under the government's Emergency Road Rehabilitation Programme Phase 2 (ERRP2) programme, has been rehabilitating some of the city's major roads. The city has also managed to purchase various road rehabilitation equipment to speed up road repairs.

Residents who spoke to this publication expressed joy to see their main road undergoing a major facelift.

"We are very happy with the way Cllr Shoko has convinced council to repair this road.

"We are also happy with the way the road is being rehabilitated. We can preserve the suspension of our vehicles.

"After this we want to see work on the drainage system so that water quickly moves off the road. We are happy with what our councillor is doing," said Mrs Joice Todhlanawo. Another resident said more work should now focus on other amenities.

"We are happy with the road works that are happening in the area. This road was a menace.

"We want more work now to concentrate on amenities in the area and we encourage our councillor to continue with the work he is doing," said a resident who declined to be named. **Continue to the next page>>**

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"We want more work now to concentrate on amenities in the area and we encourage our councillor to continue with the work he is doing," said a resident who declined to be named.

Meanwhile, council will be moving to other areas after Kuwadzana extension.

Roads Superintendent Trabern Mutasa said they will move to Warren Park.

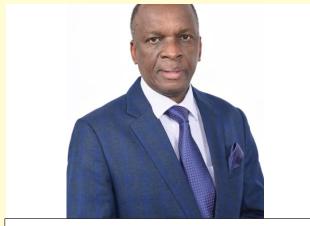
"The areas we are going to cover this main road in Kuwadzana extension which is about 7.5 kilometres.

"We are going to do spray and chip. We first did pothole patching and now we are putting another layer on top.

"From here we are going to 4th Avenue in Warren Park where we will do another spray and chip programme covering from Bulawayo road to Kambuzuma," he said.

Acting TC hails Harare-Mutare relationship

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Eng Phakamile Moyo

cting Town Clerk Engineer Phakamile Moyo has hailed the relationship between Harare and Mutare saying sharing of experiences has improved service delivery in the two cities.

Eng Moyo was addressing a delegation from Mutare that was accompanied by their development partners for a learning tour on the operations of the city's markets.

He said such learning visits help in sharing ideas and experiences which make the two cities copy best practices from each other.

"Harare has been to Mutare twice or three times on

learning tours.

"So this sisterly relationship between the two cities is very important and we will grow by learning from each other.

He said Mutare's partners can also learn from Harare's, as the farmer's Market at Mbare Musika was refurbished from such partnerships.

"Our development partners as you heard we also have our partners that we work with such as Medicens San Frontiers (MSF) and Oxfamg and we benefit a lot from such kind of partnerships, I think you can also share ideas.

"It is not a one way street of learning as you go out with our people, you can also share your experiences with our people on areas we can also improve. We also need to learn from Mutare's experience," he said.

Speaking at the same meeting, Mutare City head of delegation Mrs Munyaradzi Machona said the team was keen on the city's markets infrastructural development as well as integrating the informal sector.

"As a team we are here to learn from you the activities or the initiatives that you are doing in terms of infrastructural development."

Easing of Covid19 restrictions a boost

Yvonne Saniro

Environmental Management Unit head Mr Lisben Chipfunde says the lifting of Covid-19 lockdown regulations will help speed up stakeholder engagements on the much awaited local environment action plan.

The City wants stakeholders to participate in the drafting of the local plan.

"It is a very key document. We are all aware that our wetlands are being decimated. We have a challenge of people who are washing their vehicles in undesignated places and bricks are moulded in areas that are not suitable creating an environmental hazard.

"We have a challenge of sand mining all over the city which is severely polluting our environment which includes water, land and air.

"If this continues the impact of climate change will be severe as we will continue to have droughts, air quality challenges and dumping of waste all over.

Mr Chipfunde said that was the reason everyone should be involved.

He said council has lined a series of workshops with various stakeholders to draft the document.

The first workshop will be stakeholder consultation workshop where all councilors, head of departments, residents associations, representatives from the Environment Management Agency (EMA) and the Provincial Development Coordinator's office will meet to put together issues to do with the environment.

"Once that is done we will also put together strategies to resolve the challenges confronting the city," he said.

He said a team of technical staff drawn from the City of Harare and EMA will put together the findings from the first workshop to come up with a draft Harare local and environmental plan.

After this, stakeholders will then convene again to validate the document and then the document will be given to council.

"It will then guide us to put in a budget for the next five years in terms of addressing environmental challenges that are actually confronting our dear

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