

**WELCOME ADDRESS BY Cllr SG MATSIETSA ON BEHALF OF
THE MAYOR OF THABAZIMBI**

LAUNCHING OF THABAZIMBI DEVELOPMENT FORUM

DATE: 12 NOVEMBER 2011

VENUE: REGOROGILE SPORTS GROUND

TIME: 11:00

Thank you Programme Director

Chairman of SIOC- Mr Conway Molusi

CEO of SIOC-Ms Shiphra Chisa

Chairperson of CDF-Thabazimbi – Mr Naledi Matlou

General Manager- Anglo American Kumba Iron Ore- Ms Cornelia
Holthuizen

Distinguished Guests

Ladies and Gentlemen

Good Morning

Programme director we are meeting this morning to launch the
Thabazimbi Community Development Forum.

On behalf of Thabazimbi Municipality, as well as community at large,
I wish to register our profound sense of appreciation for the
attendance of so many of you this today.

Weekends with its events present all of us with the agony of choice:
the difficulty of knowing which event to prioritize for attendance. By

choosing to come here rather than go elsewhere, you have given us the opportunity to confirm that you and us are united in a common sense of mission. We share a commitment to open up the horizon to a *better life for all*.

My task is simply to welcome all our honourable guests to our beloved municipality of Thabazimbi, on behalf of the Mayor and the community at large.

Programme director I hope and believe that we are all going to exchange ideas and learn from this gathering about the forum.

Programme director this gathering has a blessing of Thabazimbi Municipality and we fully support the forum.

We expect to emerge here with concrete and knowledge that would ensure the success of this project/forum.

We are also happy as one of this forum mandates is **“To promote an effective participation of the community in the activities of the forum”** and we made an appeal to our community to **participate fully in the forum.**

In conclusion programme director I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone on this occasion.

It therefore gives me great pleasure to welcome you all.

I thank you

