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THAT the contents of the Draft Annual Report2022/2023, attached as Annexure "A", be noted. "



Sedibeng District Municipality

Annual Report

2022/2023















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Introduction

INTRODUCTION

In terms of section 121(2) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 56 of 2003; the purpose of the annual report is:

- a) To provide a record of the activities of the municipality or entity during the financial year to which the report relates;
- b) To provide a report on performance in service delivery and budget implementation for the financial year; and
- To promote accountability to the local community for the decisions made throughout the year by the municipality or municipal entity.

Annual reports must be aligned with the planning documents and municipal budget for the year under review; which invariably means that the Integrated Development Plan, the Budget and the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan; including quarterly, midyear and annual performance report and the ultimate annual report must be consistent with information to enable synergy and link between all these plans and the actual performance.

Annual reports are the key reporting instruments for municipalities to report against the performance targets and budgets outlined in their strategic plans. Annual reports are therefore required to contain information on service delivery and outcomes, in addition to financial statements. It is meant to be a retrospective document, focusing on performance in the financial year under review and must demonstrate how the budget was implemented and the results of service delivery operations for that financial year.

Section 46 of the Municipal Systems Act, 44 of 2003, requires that:

- (1) A municipality must prepare for each financial year an Annual Performance Report reflecting
 - a) The performance of the municipality and of each external service provider during that financial year;
 - b) A comparison of the performances referred to in paragraph (a) with target set for and performances in the previous financial year; and
 - c) Measures taken to improve performance.
- (2) An Annual Performance Report must form part of the municipality's Annual Report in terms of the Municipal Finance Management Act, Chapter 12.

Section 127(3)(a) and (b) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 56 of 2003, further stipulates that if the Executive Mayor, for whatever reason, is unable to table in the council the annual report of the municipality, the Executive Mayor must promptly submit to the council a written explanation setting out the reasons for the delay, together with any components of the report that are ready and submit to council the outstanding report or the outstanding components of the annual report as soon as possible.

Therefore, Sedibeng District Municipality presents and tables the Annual Report for 2021/22 financial year. This report was prepared in compliance with Section 121(4) (a), (b), (e), (g) and (h) of the MFMA, 56 of 2003. Amongst others, this Annual Report includes the following:

- The Municipal Annual Performance Report;
- The Annual Financial Statements of the Municipality;

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• The Auditor General's report on municipal performance and financial audit report, including corrective action taken or to be taken by the Municipality on issues raised in the Audit Reports.

This report provides information about the administration's financial and operational performance for the period under review. It also reflects on the municipal progress against the objectives of its Integrated Development Plan (IDP). The content of this Annual Report is structured around the five R's plus two strategic focus areas (pillars) and their underlying objectives, as contained in the municipality's five-year IDP.

The table below outlines a short summary of the Chapter 12 process

ACTIVITY	TIMELINE
Section 127 (1) of the MFMA:- The Accounting Officer of a	31st December 2022
municipal entity must, within six (6) months after the end of	
financial year, submit the municipality's annual report for that	
financial year to the municipality	
Section 127 (2) of the MFMA The Mayor must within 7 months	• 31st January 2023
after the end of the financial year table the draft Annual Report in	
Council.	
Section 127 (3) of the MFMA:- (a)The mayor must promptly	31st January 2023
submit to council within seven (7) months, a written explanation	
of as to why the Annual report could not be tabled within the	
regulated dates and (b) submit to council the outstanding annual	
report as may be possible	
Section 127 (5) (a) (i) of the MFMA and in accordance with	Immediately after been tabled at Council
section 21A of the Municipal Systems Act - The Accounting	
Officer must publish the draft Annual Report.	
Section 127 (5) (a) (ii) of the MFMA and in accordance with	Immediately after been tabled at Council
section 21A of the Municipal Systems Act - The Accounting Officer must invite local community to submit representations in	
accordance with the annual report.	
Section 127 (5) (b) of the MFMA and in accordance with section	Immediately after been tabled at Council
21A of the Municipal Systems Act - The Accounting Officer must	Infinediately after been tabled at Council
submit the draft Annual Report to the Auditor General, Provincial	
Treasury and the Provincial Department of Local Government.	
Section 129 of the MFMA: Oversight reports on the annual	• 31 March 2023
reports:- Council must	31 Maron 2020
(i) Consider the draft Annual Report within 9 months after	
the end of the financial year; including oversight report	
(ii) Adopt an oversight report containing Council's	
comments on the annual report, which incl. approval	
an/or rejections and or referring back of the annual	
report for further revision.	

Vision

Sedibeng District Municipality envisions building towards a developmental Metropolitan River City of choice.

Mission

- To promote and sustain Integrated Service Delivery that enhances and supports the municipality to achieve growth and development for its community.
- To promote efficient and effective Integrated Services that addresses the socio-economic and environmental development imperatives of the Region;
- To Implement Prudent and Cost-effective Financial Management and Sustainability;
- To ensure Good Governance and sound management practices; and
- To ensure effective Service Delivery.

CHAPTER 1 - MAYOR'S FOREWORD AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

COMPONENT A: MAYOR'S FOREWORD



The year 2022/2023 was a successful and challenging year in which, we were able to stabilise the Municipality by fulfilling all mandates that determine a stable environment.

It is with the above thoughts that once more I am humbled to table and present the 2022/23 Sedibeng District Municipality's Annual Report which is a barometer to which we measure our performance achievements as well as improving on our none-success on all our priority areas and mandate as a district municipality.

All of the above strategic deliverables are achieved through our Integrated Development Plans, the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plans effective from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023.

These key priorities describe our collective efforts, commitment and attitude to maintain the necessary focus in order to build on what Sedibeng District Municipality was able and unable to achieve its mandate as per the reviewed IDP and SDBIP.

Governance

The district has a functional governance system, it continues to be stable politically and administratively after the appointment of the Municipal Manager, the municipality further appointed two Executive Directors who have since assumed their responsibilities from April 2023 in the last quarter of 2022/23 under Spatial Planning and Economic Development and Corporate Service clusters. We are working towards having a full complement of sec 56 managers before the end of the first quarter 2023/24 financial year as we are concluding on remaining three sec 56 which are as follows; Chief Financial Officer, Executive Director Community Services and Transport Infrastructure and Environment.

Financial Viability

The district municipality is DORA grant dependent as its main revenue; however, it has received marginal growth of 2.72% per annum for the past 12 years, against employee costs averaging a growth of about 4% to 5% and below CPI (Inflation) of 4%.

Auditor General's Report

Sedibeng District Municipality received unqualified audit outcome with more matters of emphasis for the year under review 2022/2023. The management has developed an Audit Action Plan which indicate on how these findings will be corrected and be presented to the Auditor General and Council.

Key Service Delivery Improvement

Let me be the first to acknowledge that the region remains in distress because of high levels on unemployment and poverty, of great concern is that one-third of the population in Sedibeng live in poverty an indicator that a number of individuals that are poor. However, it is not all gloomy as we are working very hard in this new financial year to strengthen and build partnerships with interested investors in order to alleviate the burden faced by our communities.

As we identify partnerships as another source of income, top on the agenda is the implementation of the economic recovery plan as means to reach our goal for economic growth.

The state of the economy in our region is dominated by three key factors namely Manufacturing. Finance and Community Services.

The following are the economy drivers which will assist to resuscitate our economy to be realised:

- The completion and opening of Zone 17 Clinic in Sebokeng is assisting with employment of residents in the area.
- Refurbishment Vereeniging Taxi Rank is finished and awaiting to be launched.
- Solving issues around the HIV/AIDS Educators and Rolling-out the program has also alleviated the burden.
- Hosting of the second Agri-Summit in the district with participation of more than 300 small scale and commercial farmers is another indication of growing our Agriculture sector and encourage food security amongst communities,
- Vaal River Integrated and Section 63 (Sedibeng Regional Sewer Service) implementation is ongoing and Rand Water is the implementing agent appointed by the Department of Water and Sanitation.
- Training of 100 youth for 12 months Information Technology (IT) across the region with R3000 stipend per month;
- Nomination of Sharpeville Human Right Precinct to be a World Heritage Site by UNESCO;
- 67 residents were employed via Expanded Public Works Programme for poverty and income relief
- The refurbishment of the Fresh Produce Market is another indicator that we are moving with high speed.

All of the above are a show of force that we are not folding our arms but working towards economic emancipation for our communities and local businesses finding opportunities.

Public Participation

Community and stakeholder engagement is at the cornerstone of transparency, accountability and collaborative planning, budgeting and implementation of projects and programmes. Sedibeng District Municipality held the following engagements:

- Integrated Development Plan (IDP) / District Development Model (DDM) and One Plan session
- District Development Model Launch by President Cyril Ramaphosa, 12 August 2022
- District Wide School Governing Body DDM Engagement
- Vaal Business Forum session
- Ntirhisano/ Service Delivery Outreach Programme across the district municipality,
- Launching the LBQTI+ Desk in the Municipality as well as training of staff in the workplace decorum on the best approach and addressing issues of sensitivities of the LGBQTI+ colleagues

The district municipality have an existing website and social media platforms used to share information and increases public awareness on services, projects and programmes.

Future Actions

In order to strengthen the district municipality's capacity to deliver services and to ensure financial viability, good governance and sustainability for continuous enhanced services delivery.

The following actions are already taking place:

Auditor General's Report on municipal performance and financial reporting for the past three years have been stagnant, as an unqualified audit opinion with findings. Audit Action Plan is a standing item to the Mayoral Committee Meetings, in order to monitor and evaluation progress in corrective measures to improve the internal controls environment of the municipality

- Hosting of Jozi Tesse Festival, to stimulate economic growth in the tourism sector
- Interviews are already taking place on filling of vacant posts of Senior Managers (Chief Financial Officer, Community Services and Transport, Infrastructure and Environment) reporting to the Municipal Manager;
- Refurbishment and upgrading of the Vereeniging Fresh Produce Market;
- Feasibility study for Just Energy Transition with the private sector
- Improving private sector engagements towards investment and job creation
- Establishment of the Bulb Manufacturing Plant jointly with Khanya Bulbs
- Development of the Vaal River City, Hydropolis and Aerotropolis

Agreements / Partnerships

The district municipality continuously seeks value driven relationships towards improving infrastructure and service delivery across the region.

The following agreements/partnerships have been entered into to achieve the infrastructure and service delivery obligation, namely:

- Service Level Agreement with the Emfuleni LM, Lesedi LM and Midvaal LM in rendering of Municipal Health Services
- Food and Beverage SETA to provide 12 months Information Technology (IT) training towards the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR), catering for 100 youth across the region with R3000 stipend per month
- National Youth Development Agency to provide skills and empowerment programmes across the region for the youth at the tune of R 550,000
- Expanded Public Works Programme was funded at the tune of R1,023,000
- Agreement with Gauteng Provincial Government, Department of Sports, Arts, Recreation and Culture to operationalise Boipatong Memorial and Youth Centre at a tune of R1,491,162;
- Partnership with Growth Media & Events to plan, organise, fund raise and market Agriculture Summit (Agri-Summit) for the next 5 years
- Memoradum of Agreement (MOA) with Gauteng Department of Health for rendering HIV/AIDS and TB ward-based programme at the tune of R 11,454,000 across all local municipalities;
- Agreement with Department of Transport for rendering the Rural Road Asset Management Systems (RRAMS) programme across the district at a tune of R2,186,166;

- Service Level Agreement (SLA) with Midvaal Local Municipality on the development of Doornkuil Precinct, particularly the new landfill site and regional cemetery.
- National Treasury in relations to Supply Chain Management internship programme at the tune of R1,200,000
- On tourism an agreement with Jozi Tese Festival has been reached to organize a tourism lifestyle-oriented festival
 to draw feet, tourism and investment to the Vaal.

Conclusion

The aim is to professionalize, capacitate both our personnel and councillors in order for them to respond to the challenges facing our district with the limited resources at our disposal and this will be achieved by strengthening partnerships with business as we endeavour to find a lasting solutions to our challenges.

It is not yet uhuru and I am fully aware that the residents of Sedibeng face the most difficult time of unemployment and poverty and during this financial year and our focus is on identifying partnerships and investors that will help us by combining ideas and resources that will be of mutually beneficial in resolving our challenges.

We are here to ensure that the contract between our municipalities and our people will be realised in the near future and I wish to thank everyone who was of help in the previous financial year and also extend our sincere thanks to the support which we continue to receive from our both provincial and national government.

Your sincerely	
Cllr Lerato Maloka	
Executive Mayor	

COMPONENT B: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S OVERVIEW

The Sedibeng District Municipality's draft consolidated Annual Report for the 2022/23 financial year has been prepared in compliance with the provisions of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act of 2003 and applicable Regulations. Sedibeng municipality is a category C municipality with limited powers and functions assigned in terms of Sections 155 and 156 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 (local government matters referred to in Schedules 4 and 5). These powers and functions are exercised subject to Chapter 5 of the Municipal Structures Act, 117 of 1998 and Chapter 3 of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act, 32 of 2000. While we understand and acknowledge the challenges which come with limited powers and functions, the developmental hope of Sedibeng's future rests with the newly established District Development Model (DDM). This model was initiated and signed off by the President of the Republic of South Africa, His Excellency Matamela Cyril Ramaphosa. To date the municipality has appointed the Regional Support Team (RST) in replacing the previous district technical teams set up under Covid 19 period.

Midvaal Local Municipality, one of the three local municipalities under the Sedibeng District Municipality, received a clean audit opinion in the 2022/23 financial year. As a District, we have put efforts in improved audit opinions for all municipalities in the region. It is a pleasure to highlight that the Sedibeng District Municipality maintained an unqualified audit outcome for the 2021/22 financial year, with findings.

We acknowledge the role of provincial and national government, and we regularly engage on platforms to share information and to learn best practices. These platforms include but not limited to South African Local Government Association (SALGA) MINMEC, Premiers Coordinating Forum and Municipal Managers Forum. This Annual Report bears testament on what can be accomplished by the District and its local municipalities through inter-governmental relations focused on service delivery. In presenting the 2022-23 draft Annual Report, we affirm that Sedibeng District Municipality has been empowered by law to play its significant part by coordinating and supporting our local sphere of government. We have enjoyed strategic and technical interventions from both Provincial and National spheres of government.

Sedibeng District Municipality has repositioned itself, to strategically take part in initiatives by the provincial and national government through District Development Model. This transpose will be done parallel to strengthening of municipal governance, accountability, transparency and intergovernmental relations.

SDM continues to face myriad of challenges in terms of financial standing and governance. Many of these challenges have re-occurred in the year under review, as captured in Municipality's annual and audit reports. Some of these challenges will be fully addressed once a full complement of senior management has been appointed. The municipality is in a drive to appoint managers reporting and accountable to the Municipal Manager. The municipality has appointed the Municipal Manager, the Executive Director: Corporate Services and Executive Director: Spatial Planning an Economic Development clusters, and is finalizing the appointments of the Chief Financial Officer, Executive Director: Transport Infrastructure and Environment, and Executive Director: Community Services.

Financial Management of Sedibeng District Municipality

The Sedibeng financial position remains unstable due to the deficit which the municipality incurred over a period of time, as a result of salary related costs, and minimum annual increases in grants from the National Treasury. Unfunded budget is the dichotomy between wish and reality, meaning the income is less than the expected total expenditure. The 202/23 annual budget was at R409 million of which R306 million 75% of total budget was for salaries, thus leaving the developmental mandate with only 25%.

We are a whole grant dependent municipality, grants such as HIV&AIDS, Municipal Health Services and Rural Roads Management Services, are not consistent though has been marginal increases. The municipality's key consideration is a long-term financial stability to attract and promote future financing and investments opportunities. SDM's ability to generate revenue and financial accountability shall underpin improved investor and community confidence in the district. SDM administration, as per council resolution, initiated mega projects for the development of the Doornkuil land parcels. In partnership with Midvaal Local Municipality, both municipalities are entering into a profit sharing service level agreement for the establishment of the regional cemetery and landfill site.

The 2022/23 Audit Improvement Plan has been prepared and implemented to address audit findings aligned to the required corrective actions. The municipality in addressing these findings/challenges worked on the following:

- Work on revenue management and revenue enhancement strategies to enhance the revenue base of the district.
- Centralize cash collection points
- Improve the interface between directorates pertaining to revenue management value chain.
- Improve forward planning, demand management and acquisition:
- Timeous submission of procurements plans and fully functional bid committees
- Benchmarking on bids and quotations

Unauthorized, Irregular, Fruitless and Wasteful expenditure (UIFW)

The municipality incurred irregular and unauthorized expenditure which was as a result of the previous financial year 2021/22. Noting the current state of affairs, reasonable steps have been taken to prevent and reduce Unauthorized, Irregular, Fruitless and Wasteful expenditure (UIFW) as required by section 62(1) (d) of the MFMA. The Fruitless and Wasteful expenditure was significantly eradicated in the year under review.

The municipality through its council has approved the establishment of the Municipal Financial Misconduct Disciplinary Board which investigates all these expenditures and recommend to council on how to recoup the monies from guilty officials. The district established the Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC), also adopted the consequence management policy which will give the municipality more powers to deal with transgressions and misconduct.

Strategic risks

- Sedibeng continues to have challenges on its budget, because 75% of total revenue goes to salary bill.
- The status of municipal buildings poses a serious risk to human capital.
- Unfunded mandates performed by the municipality on behalf of other spheres of government.

Organizational Structure

The organizational structure of the Municipality currently has 576 approved positions while filled positions as at the end of June is 514. In the operational organizational structure, the Municipality is headed by the Municipal Manager with the following section 56 managers:

- Chief Financial Officer (Acting by CoGTA secondee)
- Corporate Services (filled)
- Strategic Planning and Economic Development (filled)
- Transport, Infrastructure and Environment (Acting)
- Community Services (Acting)

It is an operational challenge that three of the six section 56/57 positions within the Municipality are currently vacant. Sedibeng council sought help from COGTA, by requesting MEC to second three officials to act in there vacant posts. On 01 June 2023, COGTA seconded acting Chief Financial Officer only. Sedibeng is at an advanced stage of filling these vacant posts, and will complete the appointments in the first quarter of 2023/24 financial year. Due to these vacancies and acting capacities, it has become difficult to inculcate a culture of continuity and performance-driven attitude. The municipality, in the year under review, achieved average of 78% performance against set targets. There is a dire need to improve governance and oversight within the Municipality.

Risk, Internal Audit, Audit Committees and Performance Management Units

The municipality has reviewed an organogram in the Risk Management Unit, thus address capacity needs and ensure effectiveness and efficiency in the Unit. The municipality has appointed acting Risk Manager and Internal Audit Manager to ensure needed services are continued in these critical departments. The Units under the Directorate: Municipal Systems, namely Internal Audit, Performance Management, and Risk Management, are functional, although with insufficient human capital. These noted incapacities all addressed through the organizational restructuring process.

Supply chain management

The Municipality experienced the following critical challenges relating to SCM:

Low procurement against the procurement

This is evidenced in the quarterly assessment report of the municipality by the Provincial Treasury. Notable challenges within SCM were critical vacancies, which are filled, lack of discipline, also addressed through relevant disciplinary processes, and delays in initiating rollout of the procurement plan. Hence a move to acquire procurement system, and micro-management of incumbents within the Directorate.

The Provincial and National Treasury departments seconded expert advisors to SDM, to provide support in the needed financial and supply chain management areas.

Contract management.

Contract Management has been a challenge at Sedibeng District Municipality, hence relocation of contract management committee from Legal Department to Finance, thus management and monitoring of contracts closely. Legal will continue with its functions of the development and review of all contracts. Sedibeng is implementing a holistic plan to address challenges that have been identified. Thus a number of strategies have been developed, refined and will be implemented in the short, medium and long term through the framework to address challenges faced by the Municipality to ensure sustainability over the medium to long term.

There is urgency for officials of the Municipality to perform optimally, and key performance areas and related indicators be incorporated in the performance agreements of all employees. Plans are set to improve on the monitoring and evaluation across all levels in the municipality. This would assist in placing the Municipality on a trajectory to meet its obligation to provide services towards sustainability.

Finally, it is emphasized that the responsibility to implement changes set to address the above-mentioned challenges rests within Sedibeng administration and political oversight. That the strategy to do so, places significant implementation responsibility on the political leadership, Accounting Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Senior Managers, Stakeholders and general employees. A dire need for regular monitoring by Council, its Committees, and the Executive Mayor to ensure successful implementation of all plans and council resolutions.

Yours sincerely

FM MATHE

Municipal Manager

1.1. MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS, POPULATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW

1.1.1. MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS

The administration of the Municipality must:

- Be responsive to the needs of the community
- · Facilitate the culture of public service and accountability among its staff
- Take measures to prevent corruption
- Establish clear relationships, facilitate cooperation communication between it and the local community;
- Give members of the local community full and accurate information about level and standards of services they are
 entitled to receive; and inform the local community how the municipality and cost and the persons in charge

Like other similar District Municipalities in the country, Sedibeng District Municipality is created and classified as a Category C municipality by Section 155 of Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, Act 108 of 1996, in conjunction with Section 4 of the Local Government Municipal Structures Act, 117 of 1998. Upon its creation, certain functions were delegated to it and it can only perform those functions and duties allocated by these pieces of legislation. The principal and primary Constitutional mandate of the district municipality such as Sedibeng dictates that it:

- a) provides democratic and accountable government for local communities
- b) ensures the provision of services to communities in a sustainable manner
- c) promotes social and economic development
- d) promotes a safe and healthy environment and
- e) Encourages the involvement of communities and community organizations in the matters of local government.

Other pieces of legislation such as The Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998, Act No 117 of 1998, section 84 (1) sets out the following powers and functions for Sedibeng District Municipality:

- a) Integrated development planning for the district municipality as a whole, including a framework for integrated development plans of all municipalities in the area of the district municipality.
- b) Potable water supply systems.
- c) Bulk supply of electricity, which includes for the purposes of such supply, the transmission, distribution and, where applicable, the generation of electricity.
- d) Domestic waste-water and sewage disposal systems.
- e) Solid waste disposal sites, in so far as it relates to- (i) the determination of a waste disposal strategy;
 - (i) The determination of a waste disposal strategy;
 - (ii) The regulation of waste disposal; and
 - (iii) The establishment, operation and control of waste disposal sites, bulk waste transfer facilities and Waste disposal facilities for more than one local municipality in the district.
- f) Municipal roads which form an integral part of a road transport system for the area of the district municipality
- g) Regulation of passenger transport services
- h) Municipal airports serving the area of the district municipality as a whole
- i) Municipal health services
- i) Firefighting services serving the area of the district municipality as a whole, which includes-
 - (i) Planning, co-ordination and regulation of fire services;
 - (ii) Specialized firefighting services such as mountain, veld and chemical fire services;
 - (iii) Co-ordination of the standardization of infrastructure, vehicles, equipment and procedures;
- (iv) Training of fire officers

- k) The establishment conduct and control of fresh produce markets and abattoirs serving the area of a major proportion of the municipalities in the district
- The establishment conduct and control of cemeteries and crematoria serving the area of a major proportion of municipalities in the district
- m) Promotion of local tourism for the area of the district municipality
- n) Municipal public works relating to any of the above functions or any other functions assigned to the district municipality
- o) The receipt, allocation and, if applicable, the distribution of grants made to the district municipality
- p) The imposition and collection of taxes, levies and duties as related to the above functions or as may be assigned to the district municipality in terms

However, the following functions were adjusted by the MEC for Local Government to be performed by the Local Municipalities:

- a) Bulk supply of electricity, which includes for the purposes of such supply, the transmission, distribution and where applicable, the generation of electricity.
- b) Domestic waste-water and sewage disposal systems.
- c) Solid waste disposal sites, in so far as it relates to
 - i. The determination of a waste disposal strategy;
 - ii. The regulation of waste disposal; and
 - iii. The establishment, operation and control of waste disposal sites, bulk waste transfer facilities and waste disposal facilities for more than one local municipality in the district.
 - iv. Municipal roads which form an integral part of a road transport system for the area of the district Municipality as a whole.
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 - i. Planning, co-ordination and regulation of fire services
 - ii. Specialized firefighting services such as mountain, veld and chemical fire services;
 - iii. Co-ordination of the standardization of infrastructure, vehicles, equipment and procedures;
 - iv. Training of fire officers.

Therefore, functions constitutionally belonging to the district but were adjusted to the locals, form part of other reasons why the municipality is struggling financially and is not viable, compounded by the dwindling, on yearly basis, of the equitable shares and sharp increases of salaries as negotiated and concluded by bargaining council.

1.1.2. SEDIBENG DISTRICT BACKGROUND

Sedibeng District Profile

The Sedibeng District Municipality is classified as a Category C municipality by the Municipal Demarcation Board in terms of Section 4 of the Local Government Municipal Structures Act, 1998 (Act 117 of 1998). The Municipality was established in the year 2000 through the integration of various councils that had previously served the Vaal and the surrounding areas.

The municipality is the only area in Gauteng province that is situated at the southern tip of the provinces, and strategically borders three provinces, namely, Free State, North West and Mpumalanga. The other fact and strategic niche is that the municipality is the only one in the province that is located on the banks of Vaal River and Vaal Dam; covering the area formerly known as the Vaal Triangle.

Sedibeng is a stone throw away from Johannesburg. Legally, the municipality is comprised of three Local Municipalities i.e. Emfuleni Local Municipality, Midvaal Local Municipality and Lesedi Local Municipality. The District municipality also includes

areas of historical epochs such as Sebokeng, Evaton, Sharpeville, Boipatong, Bophelong, Ratanda and towns which include Vereeniging, Vanderbijlpark, Meyerton and Heidelberg.

Sedibeng offers a variety of cultural, heritage attractions and historical experiences. Some of these are the heritage sites related to South Africa Wars of 1899-1902 and the two World Wars that followed. The Sharpeville Precinct still stands as the reminder and the hallmark of the Sharpeville Massacre of 21 March 1960, when 68 people lost their lives during the pass laws protests.



The Vaal River on the southern border of Sedibeng constitutes one of the most important sources of water in South Africa. Water from the river meets the residential, industrial and agricultural needs for much of Gauteng. The River is also a key supplier of other tributaries located in Mpumalanga, the Free State, North West and the Northern Cape. Construction of the Vaal Dam was completed in 1938 but its capacity was later extended during the 1950s. The tourism town of Vaal Marina is located on the banks of the dam in the Midvaal Local Municipality. Development of irrigation farming, tourism and agroprocessing industries are of central importance to Sedibeng, especially in the Midvaal and Lesedi municipal areas.

The Sedibeng District Municipality is located in the southern parts of the Gauteng Province, and features the cities of Vanderbijlpark, Vereeniging and Evaton. Accounting for approximately 33% of the national GDP, the Sedibeng District Municipality is perceived as an integral part of the Gauteng Province. The District Municipality features more than a wide variety of landmarks, such as the Vaal River and Vaal Dam, the Suikerbosrand Nature Reserve, the Sasol refinery, the ArcelorMittal (previously ISCOR) factory, as well as the Emerald Casino and Safari Park.

Sedibeng District History

Flying over the Sedibeng landscape, reveals the stone circles marking settlements of people that lived in the region from the dawn of time. The area has moved on from its pre-historic roots to play a crucial part in shaping the South Africa we live in. While the landscape has been shaped by the Vaal River, our communities have been carved out of struggles for freedom. The long and bloody history of South Africa's journey through the Boer War, and the long years of apartheid, can all find their story right here in the heart of Sedibeng

The Treaty of Vereeniging (commonly referred to as Peace of Vereeniging) was the peace treaty, signed on 31 May 1902, which ended the South African War between the South African Republic and the Republic of the Orange Free State, on the one side, and the British Empire on the other. This settlement provided for the end of hostilities and eventual self-government to the Transvaal (South African Republic) and the Orange Free State as colonies of the British Empire. The Boer republics agreed to come under the sovereignty of the British Crown and the British government agreed on various details.

None of this meant a great deal during the long, dark, oppressive years of apartheid that were to follow, and the brutal and violent fight to break down a tyranny of oppression and inhumanity. The world will never forget what is now marked as our day of Human Rights in South Africa. On 21 March 1960, events were planned for many parts of the country, for people to protest against one of the unjust laws of apartheid. The Pass Law required all Africans living or working in and around towns to carry documents (known as passes) with them at all times. Failure to carry this document would lead to arrest by the police.

On this day people decided to go to police stations without their passes and to demand that they be arrested. The idea was that many people would be arrested and the jails would become so full that the country's unjust laws would be exposed to the international world. It was hoped that this would lead to the draconian laws being scrapped. At Sharpeville in Sedibeng, thousands of unarmed people gathered at the police station demanding to be arrested. They were met by 300 police officers who opened fire on the crowd. Sixty-nine people were killed and more than 180 others were injured in the Sharpeville Massacre. This event precipitated the banning of the ANC, and the PAC and the start of the armed struggle. Every year on the 21st March, the people of Sedibeng, the country, and the entire world bow their heads to observe the brutal killings of antipass laws and apartheid protestors - making it one of the most historic political events which shook the world and changed the course of history in South Africa.

And so began decades of further oppression and restrictions of freedom that ultimately culminated in the dawning of democracy in 1994. But Sedibeng was to see some much darker days before that beacon of light came into sight. The early 1990s in South Africa, the period when negotiations were unfolding between the ruling National Party and the ANC, is marked as one of the most violent and turbulent times in our history to democracy. And Sedibeng saw some of the worst of it.

On 12 January, 1991, 39 mourners were viciously murdered at an all-night vigil, and over forty were injured. At the Nangalembe Night Vigil Massacre in Sebokeng. Mourners were paying their final respects to their community leader, when a sudden invasion by a gang of armed men resulted in a hand grenade being set off and the aggressors began to shoot randomly into the crowd. The Nangalembe Night Vigil Massacre will go a long way into the books of our history as it heralded an undefined and unresolved period of brutal attacks against the Sebokeng community.

Just over a year later, Sedibeng was to mourn again. On the night of 17 June 1992, a heavily-armed force of Inkatha members, secretly raided the Vaal township of Boipatong and killed 46 people. The Boipatong Massacre caused the African National Congress to walk out of CODESA, the initial formal negotiations to end apartheid, accusing the ruling National Party of complicity in the attacks. The massacre drew the attention of the United Nations Security Council, which passed Resolution 765 on July 16, 1992, urging a full investigation into the incident.

Sedibeng cannot bring back its fallen heroes, but it can certainly celebrate them through its continued struggles to end poverty and bring about economic equality. From 1902, the region seemed to almost have come full circle, and appears to be a most fitting place for the Signing of South Africa's First Democratic Constitution in 1996. The 10th December 2011 marked the 15th Anniversary of the signing of the South African Constitution into law - by the then President of South Africa, Mr. Nelson Mandela, in Sharpeville.

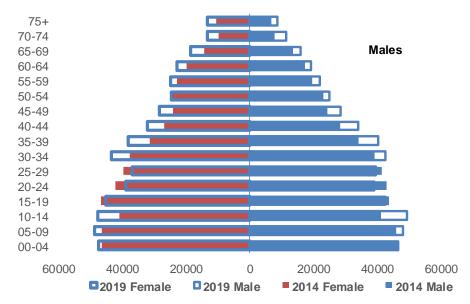
The year 2012 has turned out to be a remarkable and amazing year in the history of South Africa and Sedibeng. This year the ruling party celebrates its centenary, 100th year of a selfless struggle to liberate South Africa and the African continent, making it a historic moment for all the people of South Africa.

1.1.3. SEDIBENG DISTRICT POPULATION

The Sedibeng District Municipality constitutes the second largest municipality in the province geographically, covering a land area of about 3,894 km2. The total population of the District is 916 484. Lesedi has a population of 99 520, Midvaal 95 301 and Emfuleni 721 663; with the population density of District as a whole as 198 people per km². It is clear from the stats that 8

out of every 10 people in Sedibeng live in Emfuleni and the vast majority (more than 700 000 people) live in the black township areas especially Sebokeng and Evaton. Source: Stats SA, 2011. In the Gauteng municipalities, Sedibeng is the fourth populated region after the City of Tshwane.

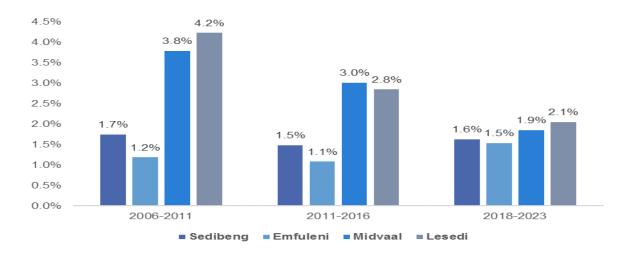
Figure 1: Sedibeng's Population Pyramid in 2014 & 2019



Source: IHS Markit, 2020

Figure 1 shows the population pyramid of the Sedibeng region by gender for 2014 and 2019. The youth population bulge (15-34 age cohort), a situation where most of the population consist of youth, appears stronger in the Sedibeng region, a phenomenon which is more prevalent in all regions in the country. However, another bulge was in those between the ages of 0 to 9 years, indicating that supporting children is a significant factor for the average working-age person in the region. The gender distribution indicates that there are more males than females in the region in the period under review.

Figure 2: Average Population Growth Rates



Source: IHS Markit, 2020

The figure above shows average population growth rates for Sedibeng and its local municipalities from 2006 to 2016 and forecast to the 2023. Average population growth tends to be decreasing in all the municipalities between the years 2011-2016 and is expected to rise slightly between the years 2018-2023. The figure indicates that Lesedi and Emfuleni have the highest growth rates in the periods under review.

Education levels in Sedibeng District Municipality since 2014-2018

Below is a table depicting a comparative analysis of qualifications in local municipalities during the period 2014 and 2018. The level of education with a decrease of less than 1091 from 21,201 in 2014 to 20,110 in 2018 for those with no school. The numbers of those who have matric only were at 199,565 in 2014 and have increased with 22,666 to 222,231 in 2018. The numbers have increased by 4439 from 44,164 in 2014 to 48,603 in 2018 for people having diplomas with grade 12. There is also significant increase by 4149 from24, 869 in 2014 to 29,018 in 2018 for people with bachelor degrees. There is an increase of people with high degrees (Masters or Doctorate) by 2134 from 11,460 in 2014 to 13,594 in 2018

Table 1: Sedibeng Qualifications between 2914 and 2918

		Emful	eni		Midvaal			Lesedi			Sedibeng					
Qualifications	20	14	201	18	20	14	20	18	20	14	20 ⁻	18	201	4	20	18
	no	%	No	%	no	%	no	%	no	%	no	%	no	%	no	%
Grade 0-2	14,663	100.0%	13,823	2.8%	2,654	3.8%	2,589	3.3%	3,883	5.7%	3,698	4.9%	21,201	3.5%	20,110	3.1%
Grade 3-6	14,663	100.0%	7,738	1.6%	1,163	1.7%	1,159	1.5%	1,843	2.7%	1,819	2.4%	11,262	1.9%	10,716	1.7%
Grade 7-9	14,663	100.0%	31,572	6.4%	4,237	6.1%	4,324	5.6%	5,678	8.4%	5,809	7.6%	42,418	7.1%	41,705	6.5%
Grade 10-11	14,663	100.0%	68,261	13.9 %	9,558	13.7 %	9,533	12.3 %	10,672	15.8%	11,085	14.6%	90,285	15.1 %	88,878	13.8 %
Certificate / diploma without matric	14,663	100.0%	127,58 6	26.0 %	16,280	23.3	17,87 1	23.1 %	17,866	26.4%	21,240	27.9%	150,851	25.2 %	166,69 7	25.8 %
Matric only	14,663	100.0%	2,637	0.5%	534	0.8%	511	0.7%	409	0.6%	405	0.5%	3,626	0.6%	3,552	0.6%
Matric & certificate / diploma	14,663	100.0%	170,23 1	34.6 %	24,850	35.5 %	29,06 3	37.5 %	19,612	29.0%	22,938	30.2%	199,565	33.3	222,23 1	34.4
Matric & Bachelor's degree	14,663	100.0%	38,079	7.7%	5,036	7.2%	5,910	7.6%	4,040	6.0%	4,614	6.1%	44,164	7.4%	48,603	7.5%
Matric & Postgrad degree	14,663	100.0%	21,586	4.4%	3,927	5.6%	4,597	5.9%	2,331	3.4%	2,835	3.7%	24,869	4.1%	29,018	4.5%

HIV&AIDS, STIs and Tuberculosis (TB)

South Africa still remains heavily burdened by HIV&AIDS, STIs and Tuberculosis. The country is one of the World Health Organization's 30 high-burden countries for TB, TB/HIV and multidrug-resistant TB. In 2021, the country accounted for 3.3% of the global TB burden and TB was the leading cause of death.19 TB treatment coverage decreased from 68% in 2017 to 58% in 2019, and about 40% of TB cases are missing (see Figure 3). WHO's 2021 Global TB report indicated a 50% decrease in the number of drug-resistant TB patients enrolled on treatment compared to 2019. The country's HIV/TB co-infection rate was 59% in 2019, the highest in the world.

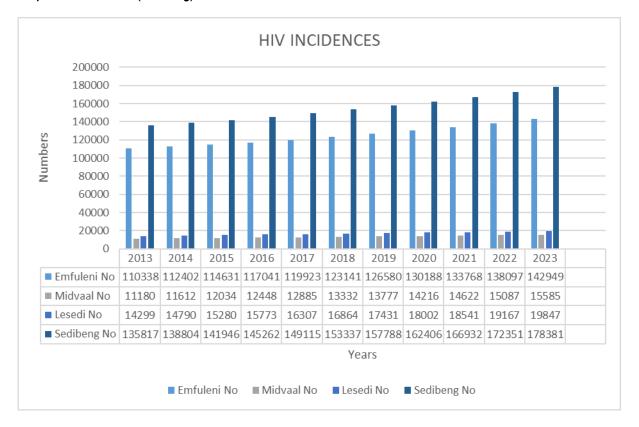
HIV Incidence (Sedibeng)

	Emf	Emfuleni		Midvaal		Lesedi		beng
Year	No	Growth	No	Growth	No	Growth	No	Growth
2013	110338	1.9%	11180	4.2%	14299	3.7%	135817	2.2%
2014	112402	1.9%	11612	3.9%	14790	3.4%	138804	2.2%
2015	114631	2.0%	12034	3.6%	15280	3.3%	141946	2.3%
2016	117041	2.1%	12448	3.4%	15773	3.2%	145262	2.3%
2017	119923	2.5%	12885	3.5%	16307	3.4%	149115	2.7%
2018	123141	2.7%	13332	3.5%	16864	3.4%	153337	2.8%
2019	126580	2.8%	13777	3.3%	17431	3.4%	157788	2.9%
2020	130188	2.9%	14216	3.2%	18002	3.3%	162406	2.9%
2021	133768	2.8%	14622	2.9%	18541	3.0%	166932	2.8%
2022	138097	3.2%	15087	3.2%	19167	3.4%	172351	3.2%
2023	142949	3.5%	15585	3.3%	19847	4.5%	178381	3.5%
Average % growth		2.8%		3.8%		3.8%		3.5%

Source: -Regional Explorer (2023)

Observing only the past 10 years; HIV infections continue to cause havoc in the lives of the Sedibeng District communities, albeit at steady rates. All local municipalities show relative increases in their new infections (Emfuleni at an average of 2.8%), (Midvaal at an average of 3.8%) and (Lesedi at an average of 3.8%). All things been equal, these new infections are worrisome, considering the strategies the government has employed to reduce and ultimately eradicate this scourge. The incidence rates may also be attributed to inequality, poverty and unemployment, for which the alleviation may see many people, especially women and children been less vulnerable to abuses, which may predispose to HIV infections.

Graph: HIV Incidences (Sedibeng)



The graph above illustrate the growth of new infections by local municipality. It is noted that while Emfuleni has more population, its incidence numbers over the 10 year period remains relatively low; while Lesedi numbers continues to grow, especially in the last two years.

In the previous 2017-22 District Multisectoral plan, the region used the 90-90-90 strategy in an attempt to get the HIV epidemic under control among others adopting a 'test and treat' approach. This plan was affected by the COVID- 19 pandemic period which made some targets lower than expected. Based on the availed data, in the past five-year period, there's an increase of 3, 5 percent in the new infections. The current estimates indicate a slight increase in new cases.

The HIV and TB co-infection poses a serious challenge that requires the 2023-28 newly approved National strategy to be implemented. Based on limited resources available, the district relies highly on the Department of Health, interdepartmental and internationally funded partners to effect the Multisectoral plan. In an endeavor to resuscitate the AIDS Councils which are overseeing the implementation of the programs, South African AIDS Council's support has been sought out throughout the Gauteng Province. Resourcing of the local AIDS Councils through provincially supported grant will be used in the current plans. Preventive programs in the form of ward based daily door to door HIV&AIDS, Tuberculosis and Sexually Transmitted Infections education will be conducted through local municipalities' support

Provision of Health Services in the region

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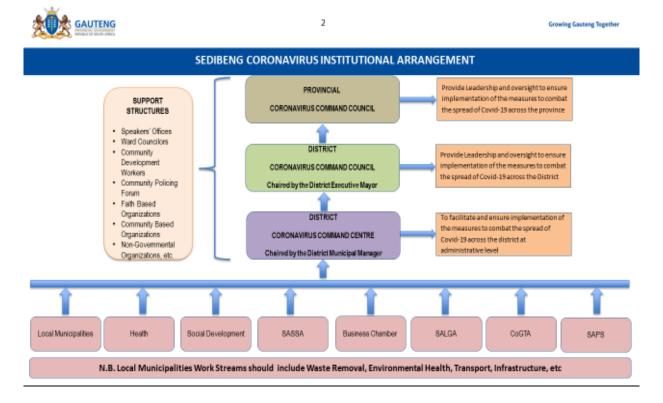
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Source: DHIS

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Covid-19 Sedibeng region Institutional arrangements



- District Command Council deals with political and strategic matters relating to COVID19 Executive Mayor and Municipal Manager
- District Command Centre: Coordination and reporting–Managed by Director for Disaster Management and Emergency services
- 3. District Work-streams: Coordination and reporting by senior management at District and Locals.
- 4. District JOCOM: Chaired by General Molefe and Brigadier Mokoena Local JOCs/Technical Teams
- Sedibeng Community Services Cluster: Review and Consolidation of District plans and reports by Executive Director Community Services

Most visibly, the lockdown has resulted in staggering levels of hunger, as household incomes have collapsed and nutritious food has become increasingly difficult to access. Other social impacts, such as job losses, interruptions to public health programmes, loss of access to educational and other child support services, growing challenges with mental health, and increased gender-based violence are collectively deepening destitution in many communities.

These social impacts will leave a legacy long after the virus itself is eventually brought under control through a vaccine or effective treatment. National Government has recognized the urgency of providing social support. Ensuring that resources are directed to the areas of most urgent need requires a localized understanding of South Africa's diverse human and physical geography.

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1.1.4. ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW

Environmental quality has been an ongoing concern in the Sedibeng Region for a number of years. Other strategies, The Growth and Development Strategy in particular, through the pillar of "Reviving Our Environment" if effectively implemented, will finally give the region the means to comprehensively address this issue and ensure that its citizens live in an environment that supports a positive quality of life for them, their children and future generations. Sedibeng has identified awareness as a key intervention to assist communities to understand issues around the environment. Lack of environmental skills in the region is addressed through the implementation of career exhibition programs which are supported by various stakeholders.

Air Quality:

Air quality is affected by the climate, the landscape, natural and economic activities that take place in an area. There are different sources of Air pollution: emissions from industrial processes, domestic fuel burning, vehicle exhaust emissions and waste facilities. Sedibeng District Municipality is regarded as one of the most polluted municipality because of the level of industrialization in the areas within the Emfuleni Local Municipality and Midvaal Local Municipality.

Emfuleni Local Municipality and Midvaal Local Municipality have been declared to be part of the first national priority areas in Vaal Air-shed Priority Area, because of the elevated level of pollution within the area. Lesedi local Municipality is also included in the second declared priority area, the Highveld Priority Area which includes areas in Mpumalanga and Ekurhuleni. Particulate matter has been identified as a pollutant of concern within the region and the major contributors for particulate matter (PM10) is both industrial sources and domestic sources especially in winter.

In an attempt to improve the quality of air in the region, Sedibeng is participating fully in priority area Air-shed implementation forums that seek to ensure the implementation of projects that are identified in the priority area plans (Vaal Triangle Air-shed Priority Area and Highveld Priority Area Air Quality Management Plan).

The plans have been adopted by Sedibeng District Municipality as the region's Air Quality Management plan in order to inform the management of air quality within the region. The objectives of the priority area plans are the same as the district objectives that of achieving clean air for the residents of the region.

However, the municipality is currently having a number of challenges with regard to availability of both human and financial resources to efficiently execute the function of air quality management. The lack of these minimum resources results in the district not being able to implement fully programmes that are directed at reducing air pollution within the region.

Despite the number of challenges to date the municipality has managed to issue a number of licenses to industries in the region. The licensing of industries has been identified as a critical mechanism of ensuring that industries are regulated and emissions improved. The focus is rather not on issuing licenses only, but exercises are conducted in the region, supported by the local municipalities and with the support from province compliance monitoring unit.

The Sedibeng District Municipality has two Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations which are operational namely:

- Meyerton Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Station
- Vanderbijlpark Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Station
- The raw data collated from both stations is forwarded to SAQIS for verification.

Water Pollution:

Sedibeng is faced with serious water pollution challenges in river systems and water bodies, notably the Kliprivier and Blesbokspruit which are polluted from runoffs from industrial areas, townships and waste water treatment works. The Kliprivier is one of the most polluted rivers in the Sedibeng District as a result of mining and industrial activities in the upper catchments, outside the borders of the Sedibeng.

The state of Sedibeng's surface and ground water quality is influenced by activities within and beyond the boundaries of Sedibeng. External pressures, emanating from mining and industrial activities on the West Rand (Roodepoort and Randfontein) and East Rand (Germiston, Boksburg, Brakpan and Springs), are major contributing factors to the current state of surface and ground water quality in Sedibeng.

The largest internal pressures are limited to the industrialized and urban areas in Emfuleni, including Meyerton, Vanderbijlpark and Vereeniging. Rural areas in Midvaal and Lesedi, where agricultural activities dominate, have a lesser, but nonetheless important influence on the surface and ground water quality. Heidelberg and Devon, which are the main urban areas of Lesedi, also contribute to surface and groundwater deterioration through urban-associated pollution. The main pressures on the quality of surface and groundwater resources in the Sedibeng District are the following:

- Mining activities, including physical mining practices and mining effluent release from mineral extraction and mine dumps;
- Industrial activities;
- Water treatment works;
- Informal settlements, which usually lack services;
- Poorly serviced high-density residential settlements;
- High-density urban areas;
- · Coal combustion on the Mpumalanga Highveld, which results in acid rain in the Sedibeng District;
- Water abstraction for urban and agricultural use:
- Flow reduction in streams and rivers as a result of dams and weirs; and
- Agricultural activities.

Waste:

Sedibeng's history with regards to waste management is not that different to the South African situation in general. The issue of waste as with most local, provincial and national departments has many facets including economical, physical, social and political. Waste management has traditionally taken place on an ad-hoc basis to meet the current needs, with very little foresight into the future needs of an ever-increasing population.

Identification of landfill sites has generally taken the form of unplanned site location with little or no thought of design to reduce potential impacts to the environment, neighboring communities, etc. With the development of the minimum requirements by the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry (DWAF) for waste disposal by landfill the identification of landfill sites now take a much more pro-active approach in reducing further negative consequences related to an activity such as planning and design.

Local authorities in Sedibeng have indicated that they have neither sufficient funding nor adequate trained staff, to effectively plan and execute their waste management functions in a sustainable manner. Communities have also not been involved in the identification of the landfills, which has resulted in community resistance and/or limited support. The level of services varies from area to area, and in particular the previously disadvantaged areas have been left without proper waste management services. The Sedibeng District's Integrated Waste Management Plan was approved by the Province for inclusion in the IDP as per the Waste Act, in November 2014; and the implementation thereof will assist in achieving the National Waste Management Strategy's goals which are as follows;

- Promote waste minimization, reuse, recycle and recovery
- Ensure the effective and efficient waste services
- · Grow the contribution of the waste sector to the green economy
- Ensure that people are aware of the impact of waste on their health, well-being and environment
- Achieve waste management planning
- Ensure sound budgeting and financial management of waste services
- Provide measures to remediate contaminated land: and
- Establish effective compliance with the enforced Waste Act

Biodiversity

Sedibeng District Municipality has various critical biodiversity areas and protected areas which play critical role in biodiversity conservation. The biodiversity areas include Suikerbosrand Nature Reserve (situated in the north eastern edge of Midvaal Local Municipality and north western portion of Lesedi Local Municipality), Alice Glockner Nature Reserve (Located in the south of Heidelberg in Lesedi Local Municipality, The Kliprivier, Vaal Dam and Vaal river).

The Sedibeng District Municipality falls within priority areas identified in the National Spatial Biodiversity Assessment (NSBA, Driver et al. 2004), and is home to a disproportionately high percentage of rare and threatened species and threatened ecosystems.

It is therefore critical that Sedibeng District Municipality develops a Bioregional Plan for the conservation of biodiversity in the region. Bioregional plan is one of a range of tools provided for in the Biodiversity Act that can be used to facilitate biodiversity conservation in priority areas and outside the protected area network. The purpose of a bioregional plan is to inform land-use planning, environmental assessment and authorizations, and natural resource management.

Climate Change:

The Sedibeng District Municipality has developed a Climate Change Response Plan in 2016. The plan was developed through assessing vulnerability risks assessment focusing on Agriculture, Biodiversity, Environment, Human Health, Human Settlement and Water. The vulnerability risks assessment focused on the following parameters:

- Exposure,
- Adaptive capacity,
- Sensitivity

Constantly						
Natural Resources						
Major Natural Resource	Relevance to Community					
Vaal River	Tourism and fishing which creates jobs and improve the economy of the region					
Arable land	Farming which will create jobs, thereby reducing poverty and improve the economy of th region					
Suikerbosrand Nature Reserve	Opportunity for tourism which will create jobs and improve the economy					

The Municipality must embark on establishing and implementing Environmental Management Plan which should assist in identifying environmentally sensitive areas and awareness campaigns about tourist areas for better utilisation of opportunities.

1.1.5. Economic Performance of the Region

Sedibeng is the fourth largest contributor to the Gauteng economy. The predominant economic sector in the region is the manufacturing of fabricated metal (mainly steel) and chemicals. This subsection reviews the recent economic

performance trends in Sedibeng and its local municipalities. GDP Growth Performance and Expected Growth Sedibeng's economy recovered to 1.3 per cent in 2017 after growing by 0.6 per cent in 2016. This recovery, however was slowed in 2018, with economic growth estimated at 0.8 per cent. The slow pace of economic recovery in the region in 2018 was driven by negative growth in manufacturing output which accounts for 24 per cent of economic activity in the region. The finance sector, which also accounted for a noticeable share of economic activity (21 per cent), grew at much slower pace in 2018.

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With the decline of the manufacturing sector in the Southern Corridor, the municipalities of Sedibeng have experienced significant slowdown in economic activity, particularly Emfuleni where manufacturing activity is dominant. This had major negative effects on the region's economic growth rate. Output growth in other sectors was outweighed by the contraction in the economic activity in the three sectors (construction, manufacturing and mining). In 2019, the manufacturing sector accounted for about 25 per cent of the total Sedibeng economic activity.

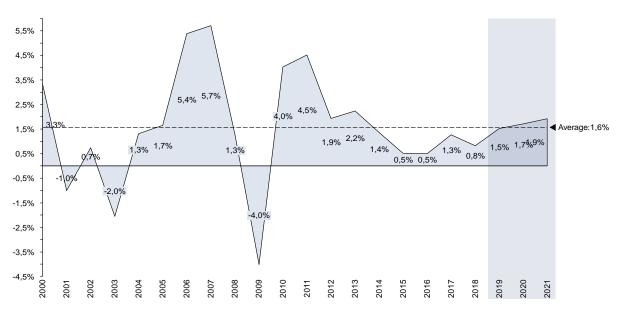


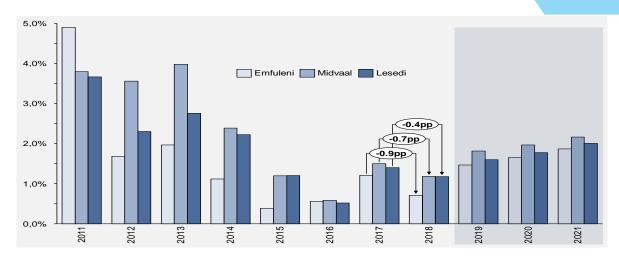
Figure 4: GDP Growth of Sedibeng, 2000 - 2021

Source: IHS Markit 2019

Note: Shaded Areas illustrates forecasts

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Figure 5: GDP Growth of Local Municipalities, 2004 - 2021



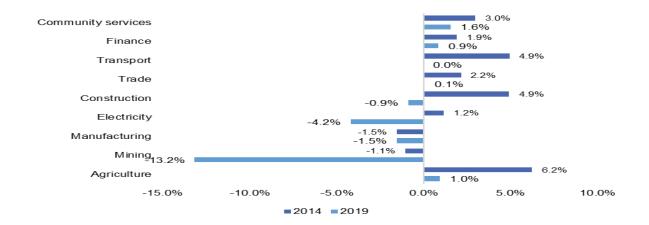
Source: IHS Markit, 2019

Note: Shaded area illustrates forecasts

Similar to the district, growth is expected to have slowed in the Sedibeng local municipalities in 2018. Emfuleni, which is the largest local municipality in the region, is expected to have recorded the lowest growth rate of 0.7 per cent, which is down from 1.2 per cent in 2017. The Midvaal economy is expected to have grown at 1.2 per cent, compared with 1.5 per cent in 2017. Lesedi is estimated to have grown at 1.2 per cent in 2018, down from 1.4 per cent in 2017. The economies of Emfuleni and Midvaal were negatively affected by the negative growth in the manufacturing sector while Lesedi somewhat benefited from better growth in its manufacturing and agriculture sectors.

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Figure 6: Sector Growth, 2014 & 2019



The graph above depicts t economic activity decline in the Sedibeng region, which in the main was due a decline in the mining, electricity and the dominating manufacturing sector in 2019. Output growth in other sectors was outweighed by the contraction in the economic activity in the three sectors. In 2019, the manufacturing sector accounts for about 25 per cent of the total Sedibeng economic activity.

Tourism:

The Sedibeng region has a number of areas with intrinsic potential for tourism. These include areas such as Suikerbosrand nature reserves, the Vaal dam area, areas along the Vaal River, sites in Sharpeville and numerous other historical sites. To unlock and maximize the tourism potential a Tourism Development Strategy for the area was developed and adopted in 2003 and tourism principles, programmes and projects were encapsulated in the Sedibeng Growth and Development Strategy (2004) and the Sedibeng 2010 Strategy (2007).

In 2019 the Sedibeng Tourism Development Strategy was reviewed with the purpose to align it with new and existing legislation, as well as national and provincial strategies and policies. These Strategies and Policies include the National Development Plan 2030, the New Growth Path, the National Tourism Development Strategy 2016-2026, the Gauteng Transformation, Modernisation, Reindustrialization Strategy (2014) (TMR), the Gauteng Tourism Development Strategy (2017), the Sedibeng Growth and Development Strategy, and the Sedibeng Spatial Development Framework (2019).

Amongst others, the Tourism Strategies have the following goals:

- Develop a common understanding of the Tourism industry, defining the roles and the responsibilities of Government in particular and the broader stakeholder groups, in growing the Tourism industry in Sedibeng.
- Develop and formulate strategies to be implemented by each stakeholder group in relation to their respective roles taking the strengths and weaknesses of the Sedibeng tourism sector in consideration.
- Build the capacity of the three major stakeholder groupings (government, private sector and community) to grow tourism and subsequently economic and job opportunities.

In order to realize these objectives, the following key performance areas have been identified:

- Tourism Policy, Strategy, Regulations, Monitoring and Evaluation
- Tourism Institutional Arrangements
- Tourism Demand: Destination Marketing

Tourism Supply: Product and Skills Development

Promotion of the development of Tourism Infrastructure

The Sedibeng District Municipality has embarked on a major drive to promote and develop the Tourism Industry in the region as a direct result of the decline in economic activity in the Steel and related sectors of the region. Special emphasis is on the development of township tourism.

Tourism Potential:

The Sedibeng region with its diverse tourism offerings, embedded in rich cultural and natural heritage products, has the potential to grow into a major tourism destination. Sedibeng district has been classified as an area with above average tourism potential.

The classification is based on the following:

- Natural Resources
- Cultural Heritage Resources
- Scenic Attractions
- Close proximity to Johannesburg and major travelling routes
- Proximity to markets and airports
- Strong infrastructure
- Inland water resources
- Tertiary Education Facilities
- Quality medical facilities

Figure 7: Total Employment by Economic Sector in Sedibeng 2014 & 2018

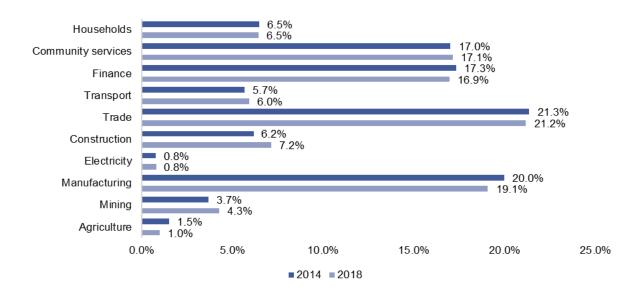


Figure shows employment by sector in Sedibeng for 2014 and 2018. It worth noting that the sector that dominants economic activity, which is manufacturing, is not the biggest employing sector in the region. The trade sector is the biggest employing sector at 21.2 per cent in 2018, while manufacturing is at 19.1 per cent during the same period.

1.2. SERVICE DELIVERY OVERVIEW

Constitutional provisions do not give Sedibeng as a District Municipality, powers to provide basic services. Although the District supports and coordinates the provision of such in Local Municipalities; there are direct services mandated by legislation, which the Municipality provides. These include the Air quality Management; Driver Licensing Testing Centres (DLTC's); Motor Vehicle Registration and Licensing; Public Halls (Vereeniging City Hall); Theatres (Mphatlalatsane and Vereeniging Civic Theatres); Aerodromes; Disaster Relief; Heritage Centres (Vaal Teknorama, Sharpeville Monument); and Taxi ranks

Core Support Functions:

• Support to Local Municipalities

The Sedibeng District continues to support the local municipalities, wherever possible. The district provides resources wherever possible, although at the moment financial constraints prevents it from monetary support to municipalities. The shrinking Capital Budget of the District has seen diminishing support in capital projects.

<u>Facilitating Development</u>

This remains one of the key areas that the district plays in both the socieo-economic development, the District stimulates investment and facilitates development. For the year under review, the municipality has played a prominent role in assisting in the coordination and facilitation for the developments of projects such as Savanah City.

Performance Management System and Overview of Performance:

The deliverables set at the beginning of the financial year 2019/2020 IDP and SDBIP were implemented and most of them achieved. The overall performance of the municipality with regards to SDBIP objectives and targets is enunciated further in the chapters that will follow.

1.3. FINANCIAL HEALTH OVERVIEW

For the financial year ending 30 June 2023, the municipality's total liabilities (R111,5 million) exceeded the municipality's total assets (R114,2 million) and the municipality's deficit net worth position has decreased further from R108,2 million in 2021/22 to R111,561 million in 2022/23). This places the municipality in an unattractive standing on the open investment market.

The municipality further declares an operating deficit of R3,361 million where the total revenue of R395,142 million was insufficient to meet the operational expenditure of R398,503 million for the financial year ending 30 June 2023. This is primarily attributed to the municipality's limited ability to grow and raise revenue from rendering of municipal functions as assigned, as well as from the disproportionate staff structure, which is the primary operating cost of the municipality. The problem is further exacerbated by the municipality rendering a number of "legacy" functions outside of the core district functions as envisaged in section 84 of the Municipal Structures Act (117/1998) placing greater demand on the limited financial resources of the municipality. The equitable share distribution does not make provision for these functions and the funding is directed to the provincial and national sector departments under the Division of Revenue Act, leaving the municipality to fund these programmes from our own limited internal funds.

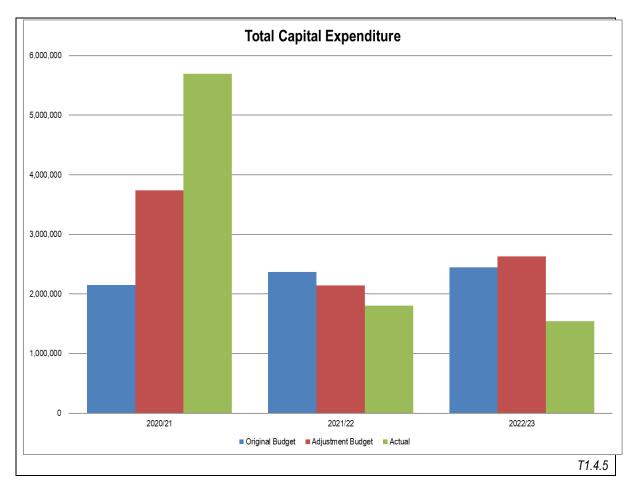
Financial Overview: Year 0						
Details	Original budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual			
Income:						
Grants	314,247,000	315,637,435	311,091,809			
Taxes, Levies and tariffs	0	0	0			
Other	80,996,706	79,744,275	84,050,564			
Sub Total	395,243,706	395,381,710	395,142,373			
Less: Expenditure	412,422,978	411,296,538	398,503,484			
Net Total*	-17,179,272	-15,914,828	-3,361,111			
* Note: surplus/(defecit)			T 1.4.2			

Operating Ratios				
Detail	%			
Employee Cost	78%			
Repairs & Maintenance	0.53%			
Finance Charges & Impairment	0%			
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COMMENT ON OPERATING RATIOS

Employee costs is expected to be approximately 30% to total operating cost; 'Repairs and maintenance' 20%; Finance Charges and Impairment 10%. The Municipality's employee cost is much higher than the expected percentage and therefore the reduction in repair and maintenance cost and general expenses in order to compensate for the employee cost,

Total Capital Expenditure: Year -2 to Year 0						
Detail	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23			
Original Budget	2,150,000	2,370,000	2,445,413			
Adjustment Budget	3,740,000	2,143,240	2,633,295			
Actual	5,693,418	1,805,630	1,540,224			
			T 1.4.4			



COMMENT ON CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The District Municipality is not capital intensive based on the current power and functions.

1.4. ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW

Human Resource is fundamental to the strategic thrust of the district. It is geared to accomplish optimum outcomes and impact on Service Delivery. For the period under review, the Human Capital of Sedibeng District Municipality comprised of 571 appointed employees, Elected Councillors and appointed community members serving on ad hoc committees. Section 67 of the Municipal Systems Act requires municipalities to develop and adopt appropriate systems and procedures to ensure fair; efficient; effective; and transparent personnel administration in accordance with the Employment Equity Act 1998.

The Human Resources function is discharged through Human Capital Administration and human Capital Development:

Human Capital administration

Human capital Administration is responsible for employee relations, provisioning, and maintenance, which includes recruitment, selection, leave management as well as benefits administration.

Human Resource Administration

For the period under review Council had 19 new appointments, 27 promotions in the form of internal appointments and 25 attritions.

Labour Relations.

Labour Relations manages and ensures sound labour relations and practices. For the period under review

Human Capital Development

The human capital development is responsible for Human Resources Development, Organisational development and Employee Assistance Programme and Wellness Divisions.

The Human Resource Development

The unit is responsible for training and development of employees and members of the community

Organisational Development

Organizational Development for organizational renewal, organizational structure review as well as job design.

SALGA has established job evaluation committees to oversee the job evaluation process for all Municipalities in the Province. The committees include amongst others, the Job Evaluation Administrators (responsible to load jobs and job descriptions on the system), District Job Evaluation Committee (responsible to evaluate jobs) and the Provincial Audit Committee (responsible for coding jobs from all Districts, moderate / audit the evaluated jobs and issue an outcomes report to Municipalities). For the period under review the committee could not execute its functions as it is still awaiting training from Salga prior to conducting any business.

Employee Wellness Programme

This division ensures that employees and councilors have access to a range of wellness services that can address challenges through proactive and curative strategies.

Employee wellness services provided for the period under review included but not limited to the following:

- Post traumatic counselling;
- Routine trauma de-briefing;
- Bereavement counselling;
- Financial literacy and assistance on financial related challenges, clinical and non-clinical and preventative services.

The EAP unit continues to serve as a cornerstone in supporting employees affected with COVID19 and provide Individual Support. The following were some of the Individual Sessions that the Unit assisted employees on social challenges which include marital difficulties. and relationship challenges.

Occupational Health and Safety

This is concerned with the safety, health and welfare of employees and Councilors at work, for the period under review

The Human Resource Management (HRM) is further strengthened through the following various Committees in pursuit of Good Governance:

- Local Labour Forum (LLF);
- Human Resources Development LLF Sub Committee;
- Workplace and Services Restructuring and LLF Sub Committee;
- Basic Conditions LLF Sub Committee;
- Employment Equity Committee;
- · Occupational Health and Safety Committees; and
- Job Evaluation Committee.

1.5. AUDITOR GENERAL REPORT

While the aim is always to ensure that the municipality receives a clean audit; for the period under review, the municipality received an unqualified audit with material findings in the performance information and material non-compliance with laws and regulations. Overall picture indicates a regression as opposed to prior year due to repeat findings that have been identified during this audit cycle and further non-compliance relating to asset management.

The municipality has already developed a remedial action plan to address matters raised in the management letter of the Auditor General. The Accounting Officer has put in place various systems to enable improved systems of internal control and the development of processes to enhance reporting throughout the financial year.

1.6. STATUTORY ANNUAL REPORT PROCESS

No.	Activity	Timeframe
1	Consideration of next financial year's Budget and IDP process plan. Except for the legislative content, the process plan should confirm in-year reporting formats to ensure that reporting and monitoring feeds seamlessly into the Annual Report process at the end of the Budget/IDP implementation period	
2	Implementation and monitoring of approved Budget and IDP commences (In-year financial reporting).	July
3	Finalise the 4th quarter Report for previous financial year	•
4	Submit draft 2022/2023 Annual Report to Internal Audit and Auditor-General	
5	Municipal entities submit draft annual reports to MM	
6	Audit/Performance committee considers draft Annual Report of municipality and entities (where relevant)	
8	Mayor tables the unaudited Annual Report	
9	Municipality submits draft Annual Report including consolidated annual financial statements and performance report to Auditor General	August
10	Annual Performance Report as submitted to Auditor General to be provided as input to the IDP Analysis Phase	
11	Auditor General audits Annual Report including consolidated Annual Financial Statements and Performance data	September - October
12	Municipalities receive and start to address the Auditor General's comments	
13	Mayor tables Annual Report and audited Financial Statements to Council complete with the Auditor-General's Report	November
14	Audited Annual Report is made public and representation is invited	
15	Oversight Committee assesses Annual Report	
16	Council adopts Oversight report	
17	Oversight report is made public	December
18	Oversight report is submitted to relevant provincial councils	
19	Commencement of draft Budget/ IDP finalisation for next financial year. Annual Report and Oversight Reports to be used as input	January
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CHAPTER 2 - GOVERNANCE

COMPONENT A: POLITICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE GOVERNANCE

2.1 POLITICAL GOVERNANCE

Chapter 7 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, Act 108 of 1996 implores that the legislative and executive functions of a municipality are vested within its Municipal Council.

Sedibeng District Municipality exercised its mandate by separating executive and legislative functions. This it did by delegating certain executive powers to its Executive Mayor. With the introduction of the Municipal Public Accounts (MPAC) and its implied oversight role, there has been a further implied split between the two functions. The MPAC, as a structure of the legislative function, which is Council; assist by providing an oversight role over the executive function (the Executive Mayor). The Speaker leads Council which is constituted of all 49 Councillors. Below is the narrative relating to political structures of the municipality.

Political Structures and Functions:

Political Head

Functions



Cllr. Lerato Maloka

Executive Mayor

- Besides the powers and functions accorded to the Executive Mayor in terms of legislation i.e. the MSA, MFMA and others, the Executive Mayor is delegated with the executive function of the Council, as the appointed head of the executive function.
- The Executive Mayor exercises political oversight of the administration, except for the Office of the Speaker.
- The Executive Mayor presides over the Mayoral Committee Meetings.
- Recommends to the Municipality Council strategies, programmes and services to address priority needs through the IDP, and the estimates of revenue and expenditure, taking into account any applicable national and provincial development plans



Cllr. Moipone Modikeng

Speaker of Council

- The Speaker of Council performs duties and exercises the powers delegated to the Speaker in terms of section 59 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act no 32 of 2000);
- Presides over Council meetings, and advice on major legislative compliance issues.
- Ensures that the council meets at least quarterly;
- Maintains order during meetings
- Ensures compliance in the council and council committees with the Code of Conduct set out in Schedule 1 of the Local Government Municipal Systems act 32 of 2000; and
- Ensures that council meetings are conducted in accordance with the standing rules and orders of the council.



Cllr. Mamohale Moloi

Chief Whip of Council:

- The Chief Whip of Council is the chairperson of the ruling party Caucus, Whippery, Multiparty, and Political Management Team (PMT) in council and also plays advisory to the Speaker of Council.
- The Chief whip is responsible for allocation of Councillors in different committees of Council and to ensure the attendance and maximum participation in those committees.
- The Chief Whip is responsible for administering the Whipping system that ensures that members of the party attend and vote in Council as the party leadership desire.
- The following functions are delegated by Council to the Whip of Council, in terms of national conventions on the duties and functions of the Whippery.
 The Chief Whip of Council is required to:
 - ☐ Ensure the effective and efficient functioning of the Whips Committee and the Whippery system;
 - Assist with the smooth running of Council meetings by:
 - Determining, prior to Council meetings, items on the agenda which political parties may wish to discuss and advising the Speaker accordingly;
 - o Ensuring that all political parties have nominated councillors to represent their parties and lead discussion on those areas identified by the party, and forwarding such names to the Speaker at least 12 hours before the time set for the Council meeting to commence.
 - Allocating speaking times for each of the political parties, in line with the principles of democracy.

MEMBERS OF MAYORAL COMMITTEE

Name & Surname



Cllr Jimmy Sandile Mochawe

MMC for Finance

Provides Political Oversight on the rendering supply chain management and financial management services and the increase of revenue collection

Portfolio



Cllr Bheki Meshack Mkhize

MMC for Administration

Provides Political Oversight on the rendering of centralised Human Resources Services; Information Communication and Technology support services; Municipal Buildings and Sites; Management of Fleet, General Workers; Protection Services; Corporate and Secretariat support.



Cllr Busang Joshua Tsotetsi

MMC for Sports, Recreation, Arts, Culture, Heritage & Community Safety

Provides Political Oversight on the facilitation and coordination of efficient and effective public safety; promoting a proper understanding and the preservation of local/region history and its impact on the society; coordinating and strategically facilitate sports, arts, culture and recreational facilities development;



Cllr Nkubi Frances Mokoena

MMC for Social Development

Provides Political Oversight on the provision of comprehensive, integrated, sustainable and high quality health and social development; and the development and implementation of holistic and integrated disaster management planning and practice in a cost effective and participatory manner.



Cllr Mmadisebo Lucia Khomoeasera

MMC for Development Planning and Human Settlement

• Provides Political Oversight on the coordination of Human Settlement, and Development Planning



Cllr Lulama Shirley-Ann Gamede

MMC for Local Economic Development and Tourism

 Provides Political Oversight on the coordination of the Local Economic Development and Tourism, Integrated Development Planning (IDP),



Cllr Mamokete Veronica Radebe

MMC for Environment and Clean Energy

 Provides Political Oversight on the establishment of a safe environment with clean energy and build partnerships to ensure integrated environmental awareness, planning and management:



Cllr Nkosinathi Ndwandwe

MMC for Transport and Infrastructure

• Provides Political Oversight on the provision of safe, efficient, effective and integrated public transport system and facilities within the region

Committees of Council

Committees of Council Sedibeng District Municipality have established all committees and subcommittees to enhance efficiency and effectiveness of governance structures. Such committees operate with clearly defined roles and responsibilities. For instance, the Section 79 and 80 Committees are set up to deal with oversight roles and provide an advisory role to Council. Council convenes on quarterly basis. The Municipality's Audit Committee members have been appointed with their contracts having ended in June 2021/22 FY. Their contracts are requested to be extended for 6th Months -Starting January till June 2022/23. The Audit Committee is accountable to Council; and it provides opinions and recommendations on financial processes and performance; and provides comments to the Oversight Committee on the Annual Report. The Sedibeng District Municipality also established a Section 79/Oversight Committees. Some of these committees also include Councillors. The following committees were established:

Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC)

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC) plays an oversight role to Council in respect of the Annual Report, and its oversight report is submitted and published in accordance with the Municipal Finance Management Act requirements and guidance. It also ensures the economic, efficient and effective use of municipal resources. By doing so the Committee helps to enhance the public awareness on financial and performance issues of Council. The MPAC consist of members of the majority and opposition parties.

Gender Committee

The committee oversees and reviews the alignment, efficiency and effectiveness of gender policy, mainstreaming strategy to implementation. It also oversees and ensures that civic education and awareness programmes, gender analysis and impact assessments are activated within the municipality and across the district.

Petitions Management Committee

The Petitions Committee has been established as a Section 79 Committee reporting directly to Council. The committee meets at intervals not exceeding six months to submit to Council a report indicating all the petitions received, referred and resolved and a summary of the response to the petitioners/community.

Ethics Committee and Rules committee

Sedibeng resolved to consolidate Ethics and Rules committee to form one committee which is Rules and Ethics Committee. The Committee helps the Speaker with the performance of the delegated functions; while it also exists to create a clear road map on the implementation of rules within the Sedibeng District Municipality.

It enforces compliance in all sittings and official gatherings of the council. It also puts into place systems that enhance the development of members of the council in terms of conducting fruitful gatherings within the Council. Lastly the committee enforces discipline among its employees during council sittings and public gatherings.

Remunerations Committee

The Remuneration Committee is established and functional; although it has not set for some time. It is chaired by the Executive Mayor, and is constituted by other members of the Mayoral Council and opposition parties. Corporate Services provides a secretarial service to the committee i.e. responsible for meeting registers, minutes and all other logistics. The committee deals with all remuneration matters of the municipality, including the performance bonuses for the Section 56 employees.

Other Committees include:

Audit/Performance and Risk Committee

The Audit and Risk Committee was functional for the period under review with four members, audit chairperson, deputy chairperson and two ordinary members. As per the legislative mandate, the Internal Audit Plan was executed by the Internal Audit team, with reports noted with recommendations by the Audit Committee. These reports included the Performance Information, Finance and Operational Audits. The committee also emphasized the need for management to implement remedial action plans timeously to effect the changes required to improve the municipality's internal control environment.

Section 80 (MSA 32 of 2000) Committees

All 10 Section 80 Committees are established, chaired by relevant members of Mayoral Council, and fully operational. The Municipality has appointed a highly competent and capable administrative leadership led by the Municipal Manager. The administrative wing of governance consists of the Municipal Manager, five Executive Directors, and four Directors (representing the office of the Municipal Manager, Executive Mayor, Speaker and Chief Whip). These members constitute a Management Committee (MANCO) which sits on a fortnightly basis to address both strategic and operational issues.

The municipality has an active inter-governmental relations functions, which is shared across the entire organization. There are constant engagements with all intra-, inter- and external stakeholders, thus to ascertain that information sharing, challenges and updates are communicated on continuous basis. External stakeholders include all spheres of government, and established entities like the office of the Auditor General.

Political Decision-Making:

The administration develops reports based on requests from councillors, communities, individuals, and various stakeholders. These reports are then submitted to various committees established under Section 80 of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998 (as amended). These committees, after extensive deliberations and consideration of the reports in their meetings, they recommend to the Mayoral Committee and Council for resolutions of Council. By law, all Municipal council meeting should be open to the public. In addition, it is common and acceptable, based on the Rules of Council; that Councillors submit motions for consideration by full Council.

Municipal Council passes, amongst others, the following:

- Approving budget and monthly expenditure
- Approving Council Policies
- By-Laws
- Tariffs

2.2. ADMINISTRATIVE GOVERNANCE

While legislatively the Executive Mayor exercises political oversight over the administration; MFMA section 60 (b) directs that the Municipal Manager of a municipality is the Accounting Officer of the municipality. This warrants that he/she provides compliance guidance to the political office bearers and officials of the municipality and any entity under the sole or shared control of the municipality.

In any municipality, the administrative wing of governance consists of the Accounting Officer, Managers directly accountable to the Municipal Manager. In Sedibeng District Municipality, Management Committee consists of the Accounting Officer, managers directly accountable to the municipal manager and the directors in the Political Offices. This has been a long-standing arrangement which enable coordination, integration and synergy between the two governance wings. Management Committee meetings are held on fortnightly basis

Administration Structure and Functions

Name and Surname

Position and Functions



Municipal Manager:

<u>Purpose</u>: The formulation, development and management of an economical, effective and accountable administration, in accordance with the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998 and other applicable legislation

- Finance Cluster
- Corporate Services Cluster
- Community Services Cluster
- Strategic Planning and Economic Development Cluster
- Transport Infrastructure and Environment
- Internal Audit

Mr. Motsumi Mathe

Acting Chief Financial Officer



<u>Purpose</u>: To render accounting supply chain management and financial management services for the Municipality, and to increase revenue collection.

- Financial Management and Budgets
- Organisational Supply Chain Management

Mr. Charles Steyn

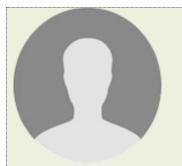
Executive Director: Corporate Services



<u>Purpose:</u> To execute functions relating to the rendering of a centralised Human Resources Service; Information Communication and Technology support services; Municipal Buildings and Sites; Management of Fleet, General Workers; Protection Services; and Corporate and Secretariat support:

- Human Resources
- Information and Communication Technology Management
- Corporate and Secretariat Services
- Protection Services
- Facilities Management

Ms. Florence Mokgobu



Ms. James Hammer

Executive Director: Community Services

<u>Purpose</u>: To execute functions relating to the provision of comprehensive, integrated, sustainable and high quality health and social development; facilitating and coordinating efficient and effective public safety; promoting a proper understanding and the preservation of local/region history and its impact on the society; coordinating and strategically facilitate sports, arts, culture and recreational facilities development; developing and implementing holistic and integrated disaster management planning and practice in a cost effective and participatory manner.:

- Health and Social Development
- Community Safety
- Disaster Management
- Sports, Recreation, Arts, Culture and Heritage

Acting Executive Director: Strategic Planning and Economic Development



Mr. Gregory Makhubu

<u>Purpose</u>: To execute functions relating the coordination of Strategic Planning and Economic Development; which include Human Settlement, Integrated Development Planning (IDP) Land use management (LUMS), Precinct developments, Local Economic development and Tourism:

- Local Economic Development
- Development Planning
- Human Settlement



Mr. Bheki Ngobese

Acting Executive Director: Transport, Infrastructure and Environment

<u>Purpose</u>: To execute functions relating to the provision of safe, efficient, effective and integrated public transport system and facilities; the establishment of a safe environment where all people can develop to their full potential; and build partnerships to ensure integrated environmental awareness, planning and management:

- Transport
- Infrastructure Planning
- Environment
- Clean Energy

Director: Office of the Executive Mayor



Ms. Nomvula Khalo

<u>Purpose:</u> To execute functions relating to members of the public who approach it for assistance on issues that concern them. The office looks after the Executive Mayor's political projects and campaigns; and provide political oversight on all Council events:

- Protocol
- Research
- HIV&AIDS
- Service Delivery Monitoring
- Youth Programmes
- Stakeholders Management
- Communications

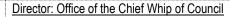


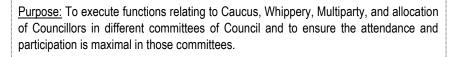
Mr..James. Dlangamandla

Director: Office of the Speaker of Council

<u>Purpose</u>: To execute functions relating to Councillors Welfare; Public Participation; Capacity Building; Committees; Research and MPAC:

- Councillors Welfare
- Capacity Building
- Public Participation
- Research
- Committees





- Committees
- Research & Protocol
- Caucus and Capacity Building



Director: Office of the Municipal Manager

<u>Purpose</u>: To execute functions relating to Risk Management; Organisational Performance Management; and Internal Audit.

- Risk Management
- Organisational Performance
- Intergovernmental Relations



COMPONENT B: INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

In terms of Intergovernmental Relations Framework Act (2005) this acts provides a framework for the establishment of intergovernmental forums and mechanism to facilitate the settlement of intergovernmental disputes. District municipalities in terms of the Division of Powers provides support and assists local council through; facilitating the sharing of specialized capacity and equipment between municipalities and assisting in the development of co-operative relations between municipal planning and legal services through IGR. Sedibeng District Municipality has adopted for a democratic model for cooperative governance that provides basis for intergovernmental Relations. The objective of Intergovernmental Relations in the District is to facilitate the intergovernmental dialog and structures with relevant provincial government departments, parastatals and state owned enterprises by creating a conducive working relationship between the municipality, Provincial departments, and other stakeholders. This facilitates systems and

relationships that enable the different spheres of government to participate effectively and carry the service delivery mandate to the local community that is being served and to achieve government goals.

The Sedibeng District Municipality established functional structures to undertake its objectives on Inter-Governmental Relations (IGR). The IGR Unit, located in the office of the Municipal Manager. This unit is part of the revised organogram which is about to be tabled to Council for approval. The intention of the revised organogram is to ensure that all employees are well placed and that critical position are filled. That the IGR will enable the District Development Model concept to see its realization as it stands to coordinate all service delivery resources from all spheres of government and to capacitate these units with staff in order to fulfil its objective of close interaction with all spheres of government, thus playing a demanding coordination role.

The continuous 'unqualified audit' status of the Sedibeng District Municipality has encouraged constant engagement with other municipalities, entities and government departments on learning, networking and benchmarking. The unit still sits actively in all district, provincial and national forums.

2.2 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATION

INTRODUCTION TO CO-OPERATIVEGOVERNANCE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATION.

Increased globalization and the aim to bridge the digital divide has led all governments across the world exploring new forms of international economic cooperation and political interaction. This has also forced different spheres of government to delve into international arena in order to build sustainable regions and communities and deal with the negative impacts of poverty, inequality and marginalization. Of late a huge emphasis is placed on local government as global concerns have local resonance. Also a huge demand is placed on local leaders to move quickly to plan for growth. The speed and the scale of urbanization brings challenges and the capacity to tackle challenges essential to assure safe growth for all living in the district.

The key priorities are to utilize and leverage off strategic national, regional and international partnerships with the aim to;

- 1) Facilitate information and sharing
- 2) Equip councilors and officials with additional skills and capacity,
- 3) Build managerial and technical capacity
- 4) Unlock bottlenecks and challenges
- 5) Promote the district as an attractive location for investment and tourism
- 6) Develop project partnership for mutual benefits
- 7) Address regional and global challenges that have local impact which need to be tackled on a broad basis like climate change and contribute to global understanding, solidarity and peace

National Intergovernmental Structures

The Sedibeng District Municipality actively participates in various key forums at a national level. The key forums include the South African Local Government Association (SALGA) and the National Anti - Fraud & Corruption IGR Forum. In SALGA, the Directorate of Community Safety represents Sedibeng District Municipality at the Civilian Secretariat for Police Working Group and Plenary Forums.

These platforms are responsible for policy development and reviews related to the Community Policing Forums, Community Safety Forums, Green Paper on Policing, Rural Safety, etc.

Participation at this level enables the Sedibeng District Municipality to expand and further build its strategic networks, impacting positively in terms of acquisition of best models for the benefit communities within Sedibeng. Information attained from these forums assist the municipality during its policy and procedure processes undertaken on an annual basis.

Provincial Intergovernmental Structure

Sedibeng District Municipality also participates in various structures at provincial level, namely the Gauteng Intergovernmental Safety Coordinating Committee, MEC/Mayoral Committee Forum, Gauteng Speaker Forum, Premier's Coordinating Forum, and SALGA Working Groups & Functional Areas. SDM is fully represented by the relevant clusters and members of the Political Management Team. Their participation and continuous feedback keep the municipality informed of current issues related to amendments in legislation and new developments in municipal management and strategies

The Municipality has set up these Forums and Committees to advise on direct operationalization of policies, systems, projects and programmes as mentioned above. They advocate integration, coordination and synergy in the region, thus curbing duplications and possible waste of time and public resources.

Relationships with Municipal Entities

Sedibeng District Municipality established and registered an entity; a state-owned company called Vaal River City Promotion Company. The objective of the Vaal River City Tourism Promotion Company (SOC) is to promote and develop the Sedibeng Region as the destination of choice for domestic and international tourists. This, is envisaged that it will be done through various coordinated marketing initiatives such as promoting Vaal River City brand and encouraging the hosting of unique integrated events. This structure is meant to advance district-wide delivery of desired services towards realization of the Growth and Development Strategy (GDS).

District Intergovernmental Structures

Sedibeng District Municipality, in consultation with all local municipalities in its municipal area, has set up relevant IGR forums to advance cooperation and consultation towards coordinated development and advancement of the region. These structures meet on monthly, quarterly and bi – annual basis. Sedibeng District Municipality and three local municipalities, namely Emfuleni, Lesedi and Midvaal Local Municipalities, are fully represented in these Forums. Some of these are aligned to both national and provincial structures for direct implementation of plans as designated at higher levels.

The Municipality has set up these Forums and Committees to advise on and direct operationalization of policies, systems, projects and programmes as discussed. Various forums like the CFOs Forum, Safety Management Forum, Municipal Environmental Health Forum, Transport and Roads Forum, IDP Task Team Forum, IDP Steering Committee, IDP District wide Lekgotla, and many more were established. These structures advance district-wide delivery of desired services towards realization of the growth and development strategy.

The following Forums are established and operational:

Joint Mayors Forum; Sedibeng Speakers Forum; Sedibeng Chief Whips Forum; Joint Municipal Managers
Forum; Chief Financial Officers Forum; Community Safety Forum; Municipal Environmental Health Forum;
Transport and Roads Forum; Legal IGR Forum; Disaster Management Forum; IDP Task Team Meetings; IDP
Steering Committee; IDP District-wide Lekgotla; and many more. Regional Support Structure through DDM.

COMPONENT C: PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY AND PARTICIPATION

2.4 PUBLIC MEETINGS

Communication, Participation and Forums

The mandate of Sedibeng District Municipality is to plan for public engagements, including meetings, events and consultations led by both political and administration principals. These occasions were planned according to Sedibeng District Municipality outcomes as aligned to legislative requirements and annual plans corporate calendar; and the District Municipality's Communication Department was meant to play a major role to reach all stakeholders, physically and through electronic media, including website information.

■ WARD COMMITTEES

The Sedibeng District Municipality has no Ward Committees. However, through the Office of Speaker and in collaboration with local municipalities, it provides oversight, capacity building and support to all Ward Committees.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

	Public Meetings							
Nature and purpose of meeting	Date of events	Number of participating Municipal Councillors	Number of participating Municipal Administrators	Numbers of Community Members attending	Yes/No) Issues Addressed	Date of feedbac k given to commu nity		
IDP Stakeholders Meeting	November 2022	49	15	200	Electricity Load shading Unemployment Lack of business			
Mayoral Breakfast Meeting	December 2022	49	15	200	Electricity Load shading Unemployment Lack of business			
IDP Stakeholders Meeting (Feedback Session)	May 2022	49	15	200	Electricity Load shading Unemployment Lack of business			

2.5 IDP PARTICIPATION AND ALIGNMENT

IDP Participation and Alignment Criteria*	Yes/No
Does the municipality have impact, outcome, input, output indicators?	Yes
Does the IDP have priorities, objectives, KPIs, development strategies?	Yes
Does the IDP have multi-year targets?	Yes
Are the above aligned and can they calculate into a score?	Yes
Does the budget align directly to the KPIs in the strategic plan?	Yes
Do the IDP KPIs align to the Section 57 Managers	Yes
Do the IDP KPIs lead to functional area KPIs as per the SDBIP?	Yes
Do the IDP KPIs align with the provincial KPIs on the 12 Outcomes	Yes
Were the indicators communicated to the public?	Yes
Were the four quarter aligned reports submitted within stipulated time frames?	Yes

COMPONENT D: CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Sedibeng District Municipality has a strong governance system. All political and administrative structures are set in terms of relevant legislations and aligned in operation to the revised King Report. Municipal Council embraces various circulars from Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) and Treasury Departments, to enhance municipal governance.

Sedibeng District Municipality through its Intergovernmental Structures, liaise with all stakeholders at Local, Provincial and National levels. Section 79 and 80 Committees are established to assist political leadership, the Executive Mayor and the Members of the Mayoral Committee with oversight on the total efficiency and effectiveness of the municipal systems. MPAC provides the overall oversight report of the municipality.

Audit Committee is also a critical institution set up as a Section 79 Committee of Council. SDM has built internal capacity in Internal Audit Function, working close with the Audit Committee and technically coordinated and supported by the Chief Audit Executive. The Risk Management Unit, manages and deals decisively with issues of Business Continuity Planning, Ethics & Integrity Management and Anti-Fraud & Corruption related-matters. The Local Labour Forum advocates for harmonious workplace relationship between employer and employees.

The following were achieved during the period under review:

- Intergovernmental Framework is implemented and the coordination is functional and effective.
- All MEC/MMC meetings are attended and reports brought back to the Mayoral Committee.
- Fraud and Corruption issues are addressed as and when they are reported.
- Capacity-building programmes are continuously undertaken by Sedibeng District Municipality.
- Code of Conduct for Councillors and Officials is distributed to all on an annual basis.

- Sedibeng District Municipality is engaged in capacity building programmes for officials to meet minimum competency requirements.
- Adherence to all legislative and compliance requirements.
- All Committees of Council are fully functional.
- Oversight Committees which are Audit and Municipal Public Accounts Committees are functional.
- Political Management Team is fully functional and provide Politico-administrative direction.

2.6 RISK MANAGEMENT

Sedibeng district municipality in the year under review had challenges with regard to Risk unit as the Manager was ill throughout and this created a gap in the work which was supposed to be performed. The municipality has appointed an individual to act in this position so that the work could be done. The Municipal Manager has made inputs on how to build a risk unity by seconding personnel with the correct qualification under risk as the Manager alone becomes overwhelmed. Risk management affords the municipality an opportunity to take informed decisions. Comprehensive managing of risk will permit the district to anticipate and respond to changes in the service delivery environment, as well as make informed decisions under conditions of uncertainty.

Though risk management culture is not yet at the desired level, the district continues to implement its enterprise-wide risk management strategy to ensure effective mitigation of risks and identification of any opportunities there may be. Risks are assessed at different levels which include strategic, operational and project level. Risk management is not only about identification of risks but what becomes important is the implementation of committed mitigation actions.

The Risk Management Unit should provide a comprehensive support service to ensure systematic, uniform and effective Enterprise Risk Management (ERM). The Risk Management Unit plays a vital communication link between operational level management, senior and executive management, risk management committee and other relevant stakeholders. The Risk Management Unit is the custodian of the Enterprise Risk Management strategy and framework, the coordinator of the risk management processes throughout the institution and the institutional advisor on all risk management matters. Top 9 Strategic Risks of Sedibeng District Municipality are:

- Declining economy within the district;
- Difficulty in fulfilling the District's mandate;
- District not Operating as a Going Concern (Financial Unsustainability);
- Fraud and Corruption; and
- Inadequate Disaster Management in the District.
- Threat to quality of life (District Citizens)
- Inability to continue operations in the event of a disaster (BCM)
- Dilapidated Infrastructure (Municipal Buildings)
- Loss or Unauthorised Access to the Districts' confidential Information (Reputational Risk)

2.7 ANTI-CORRUPTION AND FRAUD

Sedibeng District Municipality subscribes to the principles of good corporate governance, which requires conducting business in an honest and transparent manner. Consequently, SDM is committed to fighting fraudulent behaviour at all levels within the organization. The Municipal Manager bears the ultimate responsibility for fraud and corruption and risk management within the Municipality. This includes the coordination of fraud risk assessment, overseeing the investigation of suspected fraud corruption and facilitation of the reported employees or other parties.

In Sedibeng District Municipality, there is an Anti-Fraud and Corruption Unit which comprises of 2 Internal Investigators who report directly to the Municipal Manager. Sedibeng District Municipality reviewed their Fraud Prevention Plan, together with the Fraud Policy & Response Plan.

The plan is premised on the organizations core ethical values, intent and commitment to prevent fraud and corruption together with the planning and organizational measures required in achieving that outcome. Effective planning is essential for preventing fraud and corruption and responding promptly and appropriately when it occurs.

2.8 SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act (Act 56 of 2003) requires the municipality to have and implement a Supply Chain Management Policy (SCM Policy) which gives effect to the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 11 of the Act that deals with 'Supply Chain Management'. MFMA section 110 – 119, SCM Regulations 2005, and relevant MFMA circulars, set out required processes and guidance manuals to help ensure that SCM arrangements provide appropriate goods and services, offer best value for money and minimize the opportunities for fraud and corruption. The Supply Chain Management Unit resides within the Finance Cluster.

MFMA Supply Chain Management Regulations effected June 2005 require that in order to perform the oversight role of Council, the Accounting Officer must submit a quarterly report to the Mayor of the municipality on the implementation of the supply chain management policy. The Supply Chain Management Policy was adopted by Council resolution A1532 on 08 June 2016, in line with the prescripts of Section 111, Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act (56 of 2003). Subsequent reviews were conducted annually as follows:-

- Council Resolution A1631 of 31 May 2017;
- Item R03 of 42nd Special Council sitting on 07 June 2019;
- Council Resolution A2133 of 26 May 2021;
- Council Resolution A2275 of 26 October 2022;
- Council Resolution A2308 of 25 January 2023; and
- Council Resolution A2374 of 31 May 2023.

Reports are compiled monthly to assist Council to perform their oversight function as prescribed under MFMSCM Regulation 6, as well as to promote the municipality's procurement principles of transparency, equal treatment, effectiveness, competitiveness, fairness, ethics, proportionality, uniform application, responsibility, openness, value for money and, commitment to safety, health and the environment.

In addition, the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act 5 of 2000) requires an organ of state to determine its Preferential Procurement Policy and to implement it within the framework prescribed. The following bid committees were established and are fully functional:

- Bid Specification Committee;
- Bid Evaluation Committee; and
- Bid Adjudication Committee.

The Bid Adjudication Committee was established in terms of the provisions of MFMA SCM Regulation 29. This committee consist of officials with authority to make final recommendation to the Accounting Officer to award bids in accordance with their terms of reference.

Bids were evaluated in accordance with criteria set out in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act No: 5 of 2000), Preferential Regulations published in terms of Government Gazette No. 22549, Broad Based Black Economic

Empowerment Act (Act No. 53 of 2003), Construction Industry Development Board Act (Act No: 38 of 2000) and also the criteria set out in terms of Municipal Finance Management Act (Act 56 of 2003) Circular 53. Other criteria for technicality, capability and functionality are determined at the cross-functional bid specification stage, wherein due consideration is also given to achievement of Council strategy, project risk assessment, and alignment to the national Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP).

In terms of "National Treasury MFMA Circular 62 dated 20 July 2012," accounting officers must approve a plan containing all planned procurement for the financial year in respect of goods, services and infrastructure projects anticipated to exceed R200,000. An approved procurement plan for 2022/2023 had been compiled in conjunction with the approval process for the 2022/2023 MTREF of Council. The 2022/2023 procurement plan as approved by the accounting officer, had also been submitted to Gauteng Provincial Treasury. The Demand Management function then monitored procurement requests against this plan. Quarterly reporting of progress against the 2022/2023 procurement plan was submitted to Gauteng Provincial Treasury for monitoring purposes, as per "Gauteng Provincial Treasury: Municipal Supply Chain Management Circular No. 1 of 2014."

The annual procurement plan had been updated in accordance with budgetary changes effected after the MFMA section 28 annual budget adjustment, and was duly approved by the accounting officer on 27 March 2023.

The cross-functional bid committees convened on an as-and-when required basis in accordance with the requirements of the approved procurement plan.

Public bids represent acquisition of goods and/or services through a public competitive bidding process for proposals above R 30,000 (Vat Inclusive). Further details of awards made are provided under chapter 5.

Regulation 36 of the Supply Chain Management Regulations allow for the accounting officer to dispense with the official procurement processes established by the policy and to procure any required goods or services through any convenient process, which may include direct negotiations, but only in an emergency circumstances; if such goods or services are produced or available from a single provider only) for the acquisition of special works of art or historical objects where specifications are difficult to compile; acquisition of animals for zoos; or in any other exceptional case where it is impractical or impossible to follow the official procurement processes; and to ratify any minor breaches of the procurement processes by an official or committee acting in terms of delegated powers or duties which are purely of a technical nature.

There were a total of ten (10) Regulation 36 procurement transactions approved as deviations during the 2022/2023 financial year to a value of R 365,501.19. The details per transaction and reasons are recorded and disclosed in the notes to the Annual Financial Statements.

Furthermore, SCM regulation 17(1)(c) requires a municipality to maintain a register recording the reasons where three quotations were not obtained, and report on those awards on a monthly basis. A total of twenty-two (22) procurement transactions were duly reported by Council to the total value of R 270,854.41 as minor breaches of a technical nature from procurement transactions as per Council policy and as per SCM Regulation 36(1)(b) at the time of reporting. The details per transaction and reasons are recorded and disclosed in the notes to the Annual Financial Statements.

Regulation 32 of the Supply Chain Management Regulations allows the Accounting Officer to procure goods or services for the municipality under a contract secured by another organ of the state, but only if-

- (a) The contract has been secured by that other organ of state by means of a competitive bidding process applicable to that organ of the state;
- (b) The municipality has no reason to believe that such contract was no validly procured;
- (c) There are demonstrable discounts or benefits for the municipality to do so; and

(d) That other organ of the state and provider has consented to such procurement in writing.

There were no applications made by Sedibeng District Municipality under SCM Regulation 32 for the 2022/2023 financial year.

The SOLAR system has the database of suppliers and is updated on a daily basis through manual processes. It gives effect to all the SCM and legislative requirements. The department receives new applications on a daily basis which show the interest of suppliers in the local economy, while existing suppliers are required to update their vendor information as and when required.

An automated system has been developed in-house whereby supplier data can be extrapolated directly from CSD into the municipal financial system with the intent of automatically rotating and randomising requests for quotations. The system reduces the degree of human interference in the sourcing and selection of CSD registered suppliers, allowing for a fairer and more equitable selection process, and at the same time improving the compliance outcomes of selected suppliers. The Acquisition Unit run parallel processes for the sourcing of quotations between R1,000 up to R30,000 on both, the SOLAR database and the CSD in order to not disadvantage any existing suppliers on the municipal database set.

National Treasury have developed a centralised supplier database (CSD) to optimise the efficiency of service delivery. The CSD is interfaced to South African Revenue Service (SARS) to enable tax clearance status verification of suppliers throughout the Procure-to-Pay process and the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) for vetting of business registration and business ownership. All municipalities were required to migrate onto the CSD by 01 July 2016. Further details were tabled under the separate cover of the report on "MFMA Circular No. 81: Web Based Central Supplier Database (CSD)."

The SCM unit at the municipality is registered onto the CSD and the SCM Demand Unit has begun incorporating information from CSD onto the existing SOLAR database, on an as and when required basis.

The Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act (53/2003) was promulgated in order to promote the achievement of the constitutional right to equality, increase broad-based and effective participation of black people in the economy and promote a higher growth rate, increased employment and more equitable income distribution. This was achieved through establishing national policy on broad-based black economic empowerment to promote the economic unity of the nation.

BBBEE scoring is conducted through accreditation agencies and points are awarded on the calculation of the following elements on the scorecard:

- The level of black ownership;
- The level of black management;
- Employment equity in the workplace;
- Development of skills and competencies of black people;
- The level of goods and services that a business procures from BBBEE compliant suppliers;
- The level of contribution to enterprise development; and
- Social economic development.

During the 2022/2023 financial year, the municipality expended a total of R 16,011,808.55 on three hundred and eighty (380) BEE Level 01 suppliers, equating 76.5% of the total four hundred and ninety-seven (497) municipal awards for procurement of goods and services.

In order to implement National Treasury & Provincial Treasury Reforms and to ensure the provision of business to people with disabilities, youth and women owned companies, expenditure is tracked based on the BBBEE certificates / sworn affidavits submitted by suppliers. It was further recorded that of the total of four hundred and ninety-seven (497) suppliers contracted during 2022/2023, one hundred and seventy-three (173) were women-owned businesses, fifty-three (53) were youth-owned, and, one hundred and fifty-four (154) of these suppliers are "Emerging Micro Enterprises" (EMEs) which equates to 76.5% of total awards for 2022/2023, while one hundred and eighteen (118) were township-based businesses, equating to 23.7% of total awards. The municipality did not meet the performance target for awards made to businesses owned by people with disabilities. Further details are disclosed under chapter 5.

Of the total procurement incurred for 2022/2023 it is reported that approximately a quarter was expended on suppliers within the Sedibeng region equated to:

- 20% within Emfuleni Local Municipality (R 5,068,708.50);
- 2% within Lesedi Local Municipality (R 444,526.85);
- 1% within Midvaal Local Municipality (R 157,649.35);
- 61% outside SDM but within Gauteng Province; and
- 16% outside of Gauteng Province.

Contract management is the function of the cross-functional Contract Management Committee which resides with Corporate Services: Legal and Support, and their reporting obligations lie under the Office of the Municipal Manager Legal Portfolio. The SCM Policy places the responsibility to conduct performance evaluation based on the vendors' performance with regards to delivery of goods/ services against pre-determined criteria as entered into through service delivery contracts on the end-user departments as the project managers. These performance evaluations are reported on a quarterly basis through to the Contract Management Committee. The service providers are being evaluated on a scale of 01 (Poor) to 05 (Excellent) in the following criteria:

- Delivers Goods/Services Timeously; and
- Provides Products/Services That Meet Specifications/Requirements.

2.9 BY-LAWS

Section 152 (2) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa empowers the district to promulgate and implement By-laws; to enable effective and efficient administration of its matters.

These By-laws are anticipated to be reviewed annual and some as and when the need and circumstance arise. For the year under review, only one By-law as promulgated regarding Tariffs. This is done annually as mandated by legislation so that they talk to the Budget of the municipality.

	By-laws Introduced during 2022/2023						
Newly Developed	Revised	Public Participation Conducted Prior to Adoption of By- Laws (Yes/No)	Dates of Public Participation	By-Laws Gazetted* (Yes/No)	Date of Publication		
	Municipal Tariffs	Yes	During IDP process	Yes	Jun-2021		

2.10 WEBSITES

Legislation requires that the municipality publishes its business activities in the website. This assists the community to assess how the municipality is doing in terms of programmes and projects, inclusive of the financial spending. Corporate Services Cluster has the responsibility of overseeing the operations of Internal Communication; where the website unit resides. This Unit is responsible for the design, layout and uploading of all relevant documentation related to the District functions and compliance onto the website. It is therefore required of the municipality clusters and departments to furnish the webmaster, on monthly basis, the information to be uploaded in the website.

The Internal Communication Unit has finalised a new and easily accessible website. The website is fully functional on all devices (Personal Computers, laptops, tablets and phones). In collaboration with the External Communications Department, notices and information is posted on social media which then leads stakeholders to the website, other online platforms such as SEO (Search Engine Optimization) are utilised to lead users to the website.

Municipal Website: Content and Currency of Material					
Documents published on the Municipality's / Entity's Website	Yes / No	Publishing Date			
Current annual and adjustments budgets and all budget-related documents	Yes	27/02/23			
All current budget-related policies	Yes	05/05/22			
The previous annual report (Year -2021/2022)	Yes	16/03/2023			
The annual report (Year 2022/2023) published/to be published	No	-			
All current performance agreements required in terms of section 57(1)(b) of the Municipal Systems Act (2022/2023) and resulting scorecards	Yes	03/02/2023			
All service delivery agreements (2022/2023)	N/A	-			
All long-term borrowing contracts (2022/2023)	N/A	None disclose			
All supply chain management contracts above a prescribed value (give value) for 2022/2023	N/A	None to disclose			
An information statement containing a list of assets over a prescribed value that have been disposed of in terms of section 14 (2) or (4) during Year 1	N/A	None to disclose			
Contracts agreed in 2022/2023 to which subsection (1) of section 33 apply, subject to subsection (3) of that section	N/A	-			
Public-private partnership agreements referred to in section 120 made in 2022/2023	N/A	None to disclose			
		27/10/2022 20/01/2023 26/04/2023			
All quarterly reports tabled in the council in terms of section 52 (d) during 2022/2023	Yes	04/08/2023			

The Public can access information on www.sedibeng.gov. 24 hours a day by viewing some information on respective pages. Some other information is available as downloads i.e. PDFs (Readable with Acrobat Reader). In addition, the district is in the process of establishing an Anti-Fraud and Corruption hotline. 0860 061 022; which will be linked to the Office of the Municipal Manager.

The website can be accessed at public libraries for members of the community who do not have devices and can be accessed at public Wi-Fi hotspots for members of the community who have limited data. The website consists of 80%

Hyper Text Mark-up Language (HTML) and Cascading Style Sheets (CSS) code which means it does not consume too much network data on any device and can be comfortably viewed on free data.

2.11 PUBLIC SATISFACTION ON MUNICIPAL SERVICES

SDM has no constituency; as such did not conduct public satisfaction levels surveys; however, the municipality relies on the public participation for such as the social media. These and public participation engagements have given the municipality the nod from members of the public.

CHAPTER 3 – SERVICE DELIVERY PERFORMANCE (PERFORMANCE REPORT PART I)

COMPONENT A: BASIC SERVICES

This Chapter provides information and gives account of all services that were provided by the municipality during the year under review. However, it is noted that basic services such as the provision of water (3.1); waste water (sanitation) (3.2); electricity (3.3.) waste management (3.4); housing services (3.5); and some free basic services (3.6) are provided at local municipality level. The district plays a facilitating and coordinating role in direct liaison with local municipalities.

Furthermore, this chapter closely focuses at what the district municipality set out to achieve at the begging of the financial year; and the achievements thereof. All anticipated projects and programmes are enshrined in the IDP and SDBIP; and all are also outlined in the 5+2 Pillars of the IDP. The pillars are:

- Re-invent our Economy
- Renew our Communities
- Re-integrate our Region
- Revive our Environment
- Release Human Potential
- Good Governance
- Deepening Democracy

The Transformation, Modernization and Reindustrialization (TMR) Programme pursued by the Gauteng Province 5th Administration; which brought a sign of urgency and renewed hope is included in the objectives of the municipality as a guiding principle. The municipality achieved most of its objectives in the year under review. The municipality's powers and functions doesn't allow it to offer basic services; as such the municipality renders very few services directly to residents. These include:

- Licensing on agency basis
- Emergency Medical Services
- Facilities e.g., Theatre, Hall

Comprehensive information on the above-mentioned services is captured under the same titles later in the report. While local municipalities provide the following basic services as outlined below, Sedibeng District Municipality only plays a coordinating and facilitating role in housing and transport. They are water, sanitation, electricity, waste management, some free basic services, including indigent services.

3.1. WATER PROVISION

The provision of water is primarily a function of local municipalities.

3.2. WASTE WATER (SANITATION) PROVISION

This service is primarily a function of local municipalities.

3.3. ELECTRICITY PROVISION

Some functions are provided by local municipalities while a certain portion is provided by ESKOM.

3.4. WASTE MANAGEMENT

Local Municipalities' primary function is to provide waste management.

3.5. HOUSING

Schedule 4 of our Constitution stipulates what functions each sphere of government is responsible for. It states that housing is a function of our National and Provincial Governments. But in reality, although the finance for housing development is provided by National Government, through Provincial Government, the management and coordination of the implementation of housing projects has become the responsibility of Sedibeng District Municipality. Because of the resources required to take on this responsibility, this is often referred to as an under-funded or unfunded mandate, which are mandates or responsibilities where Sedibeng performs certain functions or activities for which they do not have any clear source of funds. In particular, Sedibeng is expected to carry out functions that are not specified or not allocated in the Constitution.

The human settlements development function in Sedibeng Region is administered by Gauteng Department of Human Settlements (GDHS) and like in the last financial year, is characterized by different challenges like slow delivery of houses, water logged stands, invasion of houses, delay in allocation to beneficiaries, community protests, delays in electricity reticulation in the almost complete projects etc.

The District Municipality has resolved to embark upon a process to apply for accreditation with the Gauteng Department of Human Settlements. Upon approval, the municipality will be in a favorable position to receive the Urban Settlements Development Grant from National Treasury for purposes of delivering sustainable human settlements for its constituency.

Sedibeng District Municipality (SDM) role is only to coordinate and monitor human settlements programs through established Human Settlements Coordinating Forum. The Forum is made up of GDHS, the three local Municipalities and the District. The Forum discusses issues such as provision of houses, title deeds, engineering services, land use applications and etc. Sedibeng District Municipality received funding from the Gauteng Provincial Treasury (GPT) to register and transfer Title Deeds to beneficiaries. Sedibeng District Municipality subsequently appointed conveyancers to assist with this process which is currently underway. Major concern is that as a district, we are still struggling with the registration and transfer of title deeds.

Financial Performance Year 0: Housing Services						
	Year -1 Year 0			R'000		
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget	
Total Operational Revenue					0%	
Expenditure:						
Employees	1,898	1,726	1,730	1,730	0%	
Repairs and Maintenance					0%	
Other	32	28	29	28	0%	
Total Operational Expenditure	1,930	1,755	1,759	1,758	0%	
Net Operational Expenditure 1,930 1,755 1,759 1,758						
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances are calculated by dividing the difference between the Actual						
and Original Budget by the Actual.						

COMMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE OF THE HOUSING SERVICE OVERALL:

Housing is a function of Province and therefore the district municipality can only coordinate and facilitate where it is permitted to do so. The district municipality can only eradicate the current housing backlogs and other related challenges once the function of housing is relocated to the district.

3.6 FREE BASIC SERVICES AND INDIGENT SUPPORT

Free basic services, including Indigent support are implemented by local municipalities

COMPONENT B: ROAD TRANSPORT

3.7 ROADS

The provision of roads planning and infrastructure resides within local municipalities in the district. The Sedibeng district municipality's (SDM) duty is to put together Road Asset Management Plan (RAMP), which is reviewed and compiled annually.

The data is upgraded every three years according to National Department of Transport (NDoT) funding cycle. The data is then sent to Local Municipalities for implementation. This digital system help municipality to better manage their road infrastructure and develop preventative maintenance plans.

3.8 TRANSPORT (INCLUDING VEHICLE LICENSING & PUBLIC BUS OPERATION)

The Sedibeng District Municipality is currently not providing the bus services. The Public bus services in the district is provided by the Gauteng Provincial Government through the Department of Roads and Transport on behalf of the Sedibeng District Municipality. Sedibeng District Municipality has entered into an agreement with the Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport and signed a reviewed ntergovernmental Authorization Agreement that has extended the mandate of the Province to appoint Bus service operators in the area of juristic of Sedibeng. The agreement signed with the Operators made provisions of empowering the local operators as well. Negotiated contracts with the Bus Operators have been completed and entered into a seven years contract.

The Sedibeng District Municipality is currently implementing the Sedibeng District Integrated Plan (DITP) inclusive of the associated local municipalities ITP's consisting of Emfuleni, Lesedi and Midvaal Local municipalities and the Transport fraternity. The plan includes but not limited to:

- Commuter Rail Information; Sedibeng has two Rail Corridors the Vereeniging to Germiston and the Vereeniging to Park Station Johannesburg. The Vereeniging/ Johannesburg corridor has not been operational for the past five years, whilst the Vereeniging/ Germiston is operational at a low Scale but mainly on transporting goods.
- Rail Infrastructure: The Rail Infrastructure in the Vereeniging/ Johannesburg has been destroyed and vandalized in some stations its totally none existence. Vereeniging/ Germiston Infrastructure was vandalized as well especially during Covid-19 but Rail lines still intact.
- Road based public transport information; Sedibeng District Municipality has conducted a fully-fledged Transport Infrastructure audit with the CSIR and the report has reflected the state of the Taxi Ranks status in the region.
- Transport needs assessment; Studies conducted highlighted urgent need to improve road infrastructure in the region and the regular maintenance of the roads.
 - # Sedibeng District Municipality is working with the National Department of Transport through its Road Agency Sanral in maintaining and rehabilitation of the National Roads, N1, N17, and N3 routes
 - # Sedibeng District Municipality is working with the Provincial Department of Roads and Transport in sealing and closing of the Potholes in the region, rehabilitation and maintenance of all Provincial Roads R59,R82 routes and R42, Expansion of R82 and the development of the Transport intersection in Bedworthpark.
- Sedibeng District Municipality and Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport has commissioned the CSIR to conduct a study of the impact of the Covid-19 Household survey as to assess the lesson learned for future planning. The survey was conducted and concluded by the CSIR
- Sedibeng District Municipality is a member of the Transport Authority of Gauteng Board has been participating
 and in Global Transport initiatives and conferences organized by TAG in partnership with other international
 bodies.

MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

Sedibeng District, on an agency basis and on behalf of Provincial Department of Roads and Transport; runs a successful vehicle licensing and operations. This is attested by the increasing number of clients utilising the services.

However, there are incidents of misconducts by employees. These are handled jointly by province and Sedibeng District Municipality. The Service Level Agreement between province and the municipality has been finalised and will be valid until 2024. In addition, the municipality is looking at reviewing the Strategy; which will be in line with the province and the municipality's strategies, goals and objectives.

The risks regarding cash at licensing centres still remain a concern but the municipality is engaging relevant banks to reinforce cash management; which should reduce theft and potential and current robberies at these centres.

Financial Performance Year 0: Transport Services						
					R'000	
	Year -1		Yea	r 0		
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget	
Total Operational Revenue	70,562	75,072	74,726	77,748	3%	
Expenditure:						
Employees	71,325	74,606	73,532	71,881	-4%	
Repairs and Maintenance	71	100	100			
Other	12,253	14,325	12,629	11,683	-23%	
Total Operational Expenditure	83,578	88,931	86,162	83,564	-6%	
Net Operational Expenditure 13,016 13,859 11,435 5,816						
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances are calculated by dividing the difference between the Actual						
and Original Budget by the Actual.						

3.9 WASTE WATER (STORMWATER DRAINAGE)

These services are provided by Local municipalities

COMPONENT C: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

INTRODUCTION TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The district municipality's area of responsibilities includes planning for the development of space in terms of Schedule 4 of the Constitution read in conjunction with Chapter 5 of the Municipal Systems Act. The district municipality is thus responsible for the development and review of the Spatial Development Framework. This function incorporates the management of development projects as outlined in both the SDF and IDP respectively. Controlling the usage of land and managing the Geographic Information Systems thus plays a pivotal role in how land develops in the region. Part of these responsibilities includes the management of land use and the Geographic Information Systems.

Through local economic development, the district is responsible for tourism, agriculture and investor/business relations. The greatest challenge in the region at present is the aged and dilapidated bulk infrastructure that has a negative effect on the economic growth of the region. The Vaal River, Vaal Dam, Suikerbosrand Nature Reserve and rich political history of the region present tourism opportunities for the region. The arable land and currently vacant industrial sites present opportunities for the agro-industry to advance. The N1, N3, N17, R59, R42 and R82 routes present great opportunities for corridor development and prospective growth for the logistics sector..

3.10 PLANNING

Spatial Planning:

The latest SDF was adopted by Council in 2019 and it is in alignment with the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act, 2013. The district is currently in the process of developing a Vaal River Spatial Development Framework that will focus on complimentary development on both sides of the Vaal River, including the Vaal Dam area.

Geographic Information Systems:

The district has developed an integrated GIS with a dashboard that depicts spatial data for all municipalities in the region.

Southern Corridor Regional Implementation Plan

The district municipality has in 2018 adopted a Southern Corridor Regional Implementation Plan. This plan is an implementation tool for all strategic and game-changer projects in the region. The listed projects in the plan will contribute massively to the Gauteng City Region and give the region a competitive advantage in the global market. From the 14 listed projects, the following projects were identified as short-term projects that warranted immediate action and intervention from all spheres of government. The projects are as follows:

1. <u>Sedibeng Regional Sewer Scheme</u>

The Department of Water and Sanitation has instituted section 63 of the Water Services Act and subsequently appointed Rand Water as the implementing agent. The purpose of this intervention is to repair and replace pipes, operate and maintain waste water treatment works. The project is progressing fairly well in line with the project plan, module six (6) has been completed and module to commence in the next financial year.

2. Sedibeng Government Precinct

A Transaction Advisor was appointed by the Gauteng Infrastructure Financing Agency to conduct a Feasibility Study for the project. Due to lack of participation from both the province and national departments in the project, the Project Steering Committee resolved to treat the project as an office accommodation project for the municipal employees. However, the project has hit an impasse due to the recommended solutions options as proposed by the Transaction Advisor. The municipality has as a result released a Request For Proposals to enter into agreements with suitable investors and developers that will ensure the successful implementation of the precinct plan.

3. Vereeniging Fresh Produce Market

The Feasibility Study was approved by Council in 2019 and the process is currently at the TVRII phase with the National Treasury. A Request For Qualifications was released by the municipality under the tutelage of Gauteng Infrastructure Financing Agency. This process will subsequently be followed by the release of an Request For Proposals from prospective partners in the private sector. The maintenance of the Fresh Produce Market is currently budgeted for by the municipality.

The following table outlines progress made, challenges and interventions:

Table 8: Projects

PROJECT	PROGRESS	CHALLENGES AND SDM INTERVENTION
Sedibeng Regional Sanitation	On track as per the project plan	District does not have control over the project due to devolved Powers and Functions.
Scheme		District has engaged provincial CoGTA to review the powers and functions of municipalities in the Gauteng Province and

PROJECT	PROGRESS	CHALLENGES AND SDM INTERVENTION
		be consistent with legislation.
Sedibeng Government Precinct	Impasse on the Feasibility Study Process and awaiting proposals from the private sector as per the released Request For Proposals	 Recommended options are not suitable for the objectives of the project and the municipality.
		District released Request For Proposals
Vereeniging Fresh Produce	Request For Proposals phase	• Funding
Market		 District has resolved to partner with the private sector pertaining to operations of the fresh produce market.
Vaal Logistics	Feasibility study has been concluded.	Project not coordinated by the district.
Hub	No response from the Request for Proposals.	Proposal to relocate to a site closer to the envisaged Vaal Aerotropolis.
GraceView.	Phase 5 and Grace View developed, but marketing to	Bulk Infrastructure.
	increase uptake is required.	Awaiting support from the Department of Water and Sanitation.
The Graceland	Application has been approved by Midvaal Local Municipality.	Sewer is a major challenge.
	iviunicipality.	Solution is part of the Sedibeng Regional Sewer Scheme.
Heidelberg CBD	None	Funding
OBD		 Lesedi LM has advised to stall the project for now.
Vaal River City	90% of bulk challenges have been resolved and EIA process underway.	 Delayed decision-making pertaining to the application for student accommodation of 12 000 beds to support neighboring universities.
		K174 project on track
R59 Corridor	Western Side development dependent on road network and services. Servitudes need to be	Will require grant funding for services when servitudes procured.
	procured which is an ongoing process as budgets allow.	Part of the One Plan catalytic projects.
Sicelo Precinct	Development underway, housing projects being implemented. Waiting for allocation of MIG funding to build informal trading stalls.	The area is inundated by underlying dolomitic rock, making the development of high-density residential blocks unfeasible.
	There is a need to integrate Sicelo with the	Bridge construction.
	main CDB which requires a pedestrian bridge over R59.	Precinct plan developed for the area and incorporated in the latest Midvaal LM Spatial Development Framework.
Lesedi Transit Hub	Developer in place (Tecino);	Project communication is on-going.
TIUD	Warehouse port is at the Environmental	

PROJECT	PROGRESS	CHALLENGES AND SDM INTERVENTION	
	Impact Assessment (EIA) stage; • Commercial development in Kwa-Zenzele awaiting township establishment.		
Doornkuil Precinct	 Pre-feasibility completed. Land to be leased to potential investors. 	 Bulk infrastructure District Municipality has resolved to lease the land to prospective investors. 	
Devon Tannery	The Lesedi Local Municipality is no longer interested in this project	Lesedi LM has advised to stop the project for now.	
Langzeekoegat Precinct	Pre-Feasibility study completed	 Limited infrastructure and access. Transfer of land from National Government and Sizanani Community Trust 	

Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

An integrated GIS system has been developed for the district and local municipalities. The system includes a central server which is located at the district offices and a viewer which is accessed by all municipalities.

Lesedi Local Municipality is the only Local Municipality that is not connected to the central server. This is because the municipality is not on the centralized ICT network of the Sedibeng District Municipality; which poses a challenge in terms of data transfer and storage.

More funds are required to complete the GIS project that will enable the district and its' local municipalities to make well informed decisions on development of land..

Employees: Planning Services									
	Year -1	Year 0							
Job Level	Employees	Posts	Employees	Vacancies (fulltime equivalents)	Vacancies (as a % of total posts)				
	No.	No.	No.	No.	%				
0 - 3	0	0	0	0					
4 - 6	2	10	10	0	0%				
7 - 9	0	7	7	0	0%				
10 - 12	2	2	2	0	0%				
13 - 15	2	3	3	0	0%				
16 - 18	0	0	0	0					
19 - 20	0	0	0						
Total	6	22	22	0	0%				

Totals should equate to those included in the Chapter 4 total employee schedule. Employees and Posts numbers are as at 30 June. *Posts must be established and funded in the approved budget or adjustments budget. Full-time equivalents are calculated by taking the total number of working days lost (excluding weekends and public holidays) while a post remains vacant and adding together all such days lost by all posts within the same set (e.g. 'senior management') then dividing that total by 250 to give the number of posts equivalent to the accumulated days.

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Financial Performance Year 0: Planning Services R'00									
	Year -1	Year 0							
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget				
Total Operational Revenue	1,205	3,526	3,646	3,994	12%				
Expenditure:									
Employees	27,409	27,380	26,251	27,061	-1%				
Repairs and Maintenance		150	999	271	45%				
Other	1,919	1,831	1,898	1,885	3%				
Total Operational Expenditure	29,328	29,361	29,148	29,216	0%				
Net Operational Expenditure	28,123	25,835	25,502	25,222	-2%				
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances are calculated by dividing the difference between the Actual									
and Original Budget by the Actual.									

COMMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE OF PHYSICAL PLANNING OVERALL:

The role of the district is to guide and manage the development of land in the region. Tools such as the Geographic Information Systems are pivotal in executing such a task in that with such a tool, trends can be tracked and disasters can be averted. The district therefore needs financial support to efficiently execute GIS related activities.

3.11 LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (INCLUDING TOURISM AND MARKET PLACES)

Promote and Develop the Tourism Sector

To unlock and maximize tourism potential in the Sedibeng region the Sedibeng Tourism Development Strategy was developed and tourism principles, programmes and projects were encapsulated in the Sedibeng Growth and Development Strategy and the Sedibeng Integrated Development Plan (IDP) 2021-2026 and the Sedibeng Spatial Development Framework (2019). The strategies and frameworks have the following goals:

- To address the pillar on "Reinventing the Economy", as stipulated in the IDP;
- To utilise the existing natural, cultural-historic and man-made resources towards the development of Tourism Precincts and Tourism Corridors throughout the District;
- To develop a common understanding of the tourism industry, defining the roles and the responsibilities of government in particular and the broader stakeholder groups, in growing the tourism industry in Sedibeng.
- To develop and formulate strategies to be implemented by each stakeholder group in relation to their respective roles taking the strengths and weaknesses of the Sedibeng tourism sector into consideration.
- Build the capacity of the three major stakeholder groupings (government, private sector and community) to grow tourism and subsequently economic and job opportunities.

In order to realise these objectives, the following strategic objectives have been identified:

- Tourism Policy, Strategy, Regulations, Monitoring, Evaluation and Transformation
- Partnerships, linkages, enabling institutional framework and relationships
- Tourism Demand: Regional Destination Marketing;
- Tourism Supply: Product and Skills Development;
- Promote the Development of Tourism Infrastructure.

During the 2020/2021 financial year the following deliverables were achieved:

Tourism Demand: Regional Destination Marketing

Through the collective effort of government, private sector stakeholders and the community, participation in marketing initiatives for tourism products and related tourism packages benefit a tourism destination.

Through the Gauteng Tourism Authority (GTA), South African Tourism (SAT), and the Gauteng Department of Economic Development (GDED), marketing initiatives are developed for tourism products to take advantage of. The Sedibeng District Municipality has facilitated or coordinated the following marketing initiatives of 2020/2021, including:

- the sharing of marketing related information, such as leisure events, to GTA, SAT and local publications;
- the participation in South African Tourism's Tourism Recovery Survey;
- the participation of tourism destination content creation for ENCA with Gauteng Tourism Authority;
- the implementation of the Domestic Tourism Scheme with the National Department of Tourism and Gauteng Tourism Authority;
- the participation in the Gauteng Tourism Authority's provincial marketing initiative;
- the participation of tourism products in South African Tourism's Pan-Indian engagements, Country-wide Insights and Halaal Tourism training;
- the participation of local tourism products in the South African Tourism's speed marketing sessions
- the participation of local tourism products for Gauteng Tourism Authority's virtual marketing session with the Indian based, Akbar Holidays;
- the development of regional itineraries as part of Gauteng tourism routes for the European tourism market, through South African Tourism and the Gauteng Tourism Authority;
- the participation in the National Tourism Association's "Villages, Towns and Small Dorpies Project" with South African Tourism and Gauteng Tourism Authority.

Tourism Supply: Product and Skills Development

Regular training and information sharing within the industry is critical to ensure that quality services are provided at tourism establishments, which will ensure sustainability and growth in tourism businesses, and transformation of this sector. The Sedibeng District Municipality has facilitated a number of product and skills development initiatives in the region in the 2020/2021 financial year. These include:

- Tourism skills training for tourism stakeholders (114 stakeholders were trained in Customer
- Service and 38 stakeholders were trained in Events Coordination);
- Covid-19 Tourism Relief Measures and Information:
- Gauteng SMME Sustainability Support Programme;
- National Department of Tourism's Service Excellence Programme;
- Gauteng Province Local Government Peer Learning Session;
- National Tourism Information Monitoring System data collectors' training programme;
- National Tourism Equity Fund;
- Gauteng Visitor Information Services' Consultative Forum;
- Gauteng Institutional Framework;
- Gauteng Department of Economic Development's Tourism, Trade and Investment Working Group;
- National Department of Tourism's Food and Safety Assurers Training Programme;
- Gauteng Tourism Infrastructure Assessment.

Relief and Mitigation Measures for the Tourism Sector in Response to the Covid-19 Pandemic and National Lockdown, with the announcement by the President of South Africa that a nationwide lockdown (enacted in terms of the Disaster Management Act) would be effective from 27 March 2020 to curb the spread of Covid-19, numerous restrictions and regulations were introduced.

The subsequent lockdown in a phased approached in South Africa has allowed for the tourism and event industries to slowly begin operating again. However, operational and financial challenges are experienced across the board due to amendments of these regulations (such as curfew and the sale of alcohol) and changes in lockdown levels, which determine the level at which establishments and services may operate. This has impacted the tourism sector negatively.

The Tourism Department has ensured that tourism stakeholders in the region have been informed of available national relief funds, information on national and provincial recovery plans and Gazetted Directions that are of relevance to the tourism industry.

To support tourism business and products within the Sedibeng region, the Tourism Department facilitated the sharing of meetings, marketing initiatives, information and training sessions, which were hosted on virtual platforms, with tourism stakeholders.

Sedibeng is the fourth largest contributor to the Gauteng economy. The predominant economic sector in the region is the manufacturing of fabricated metal (mainly steel) and chemicals. This sub-section reviews the recent economic performance trends in Sedibeng and its local municipalities.

GDP Growth Performance and Expected Growth.

Sedibeng's economy recovered to 1.3 per cent in 2017 after growing by 0.6 per cent in 2016. This recovery, however, is expected to have slowed in 2018, with economic growth estimated at 0.8 per cent. The slow pace of economic recovery in the region in 2018 and 2019 was driven by negative growth in manufacturing output which accounts for 24 per cent of economic activity in the region. The finance sector, which also accounted for a noticeable share of economic activity (21 per cent), is estimated to have grown at much slower pace in 2018.

The constraints associated with energy supply disruptions have contributed to the economic woes of the country and its regions, Sedibeng's economy contracted by 0.3 per cent in 2019 and this was driven mainly by the contraction in the mining.

With the decline of the manufacturing sector in the Southern Corridor, the municipalities of Sedibeng have experienced significant slowdown in economic activity, particularly Emfuleni where manufacturing activity is dominant. This had major negative effects on the region's economic growth rate.

The decline in economic activity in the Sedibeng region was mainly due to a decline in the mining, electricity and the dominating manufacturing sector. Output growth in other sectors was outweighed by the contraction in the economic activity in the three sectors. In 2019, the manufacturing sector accounts for about 25 per cent of the total Sedibeng economic activity.

COMMENT ON LOCAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES:

The district comprises high levels of poverty and low levels of employment, however there are opportunities in the rural economy such as tourism and agriculture. These two (2) sectors should lead the economy recovery plans of the region and supported by logistics and manufacturing

TOURISM

The Sedibeng District Municipality has embarked upon a major drive to promote and develop the Tourism Industry in the region as a direct result of the decline in economic activity in the Steel and related sectors of the region. Special emphasis is on the development of township tourism.

The Sedibeng region, with its diverse tourism offerings, embedded in rich cultural and natural heritage products, has the potential to grow into a major tourism destination. Sedibeng district has been classified as an area with above average tourism potential.

A Tourism Development Strategy for the area was developed and adopted in 2003 and principles, programmes and projects were encapsulated in the Sedibeng Growth and Development Strategy (2004) and the Sedibeng 2010 strategy (2007).

The Tourism Strategies have the following goals:

- Develop a common understanding of the tourism industry, defining the roles and responsibilities of government in particular and the broader stakeholder groups, in growing the Tourism Industry in Sedibeng;
- Develop and formulate strategies to be implemented by each stakeholder group in relation to their respective roles taking the strengths and weaknesses of the Sedibeng Tourism Sector into consideration;
- Build the capacity of the three major stakeholder groupings (Government, Private Sector and Community) to grow tourism and subsequently create economic and job opportunities.

In order to realize these objectives, the following deliverables have been identified:

- Tourism Institutional Arrangements
- Tourism Demand: Destination Marketing
- Tourism Supply: Product and Skills Development
- Promote the Development of Tourism Infrastructure

Tourism Institutional Arrangements

Support Regional Tourism Organisation (Vaal River City Tourism Promotion Company (SOC)

The Sedibeng District Municipality has coordinated the establishment of a Regional Tourism Organisation, with Public, Private and Community Stakeholders, to create an enabling and facilitating environment for the Tourism Industry in the Sedibeng Region as informed by the National Growth Path, the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and the National and Provincial Tourism Development Strategies.

A state-owned company (Vaal River City Promotion Company (SOC)) was registered in August 2013. The objective of the Vaal River City Tourism Promotion Company (SOC) is to promote and develop the Sedibeng Region as the destination of choice for domestic and international tourists, through various coordinated marketing initiatives, such as promoting Vaal River City as a brand and encourage the hosting of unique integrated events.

The Board consists of five Board Members, chaired by Advocate G Malindi.

- o Provided technical support to the Municipal Manager
- Tourism demand through targeted tourism marketing initiatives
- Marketing and Exhibitions

The Tourism Department is involved with many exhibitions and events on an annual basis. This platform is an excellent marketing tool to raise the tourism profile of the region. A Generic Tourism Brochure, profiling the tourism offering in the region, is distributed. A Sedibeng tourism website has been developed, which includes accommodation establishments, tourism attractions, packages and events.

Listed graded establishments are linked to their respective websites. Sedibeng District Municipality submits information to the National Department of Tourism, Gauteng Tourism Authority, N3 Gateway and Vaal Meander to be included on their respective websites and digital platforms. The Sedibeng District Municipality and tourism stakeholders participated in numerous exhibitions, such as the International Tourism Indaba, World Travel Market 2018. One hundred and eighty-three (183) Events and Packages in the region were submitted to the N3 Gateway Association, Gauteng Tourism Authority, Vaal Meander, the Sedibeng, External Communications Department and Emfuleni, Midvaal and Lesedi Tourism Departments for inclusion in marketing initiatives.

Accommodation and Tourism Product Audit:

The Tourism Department has conducted an audit on the graded and non-graded accommodation facilities in the region. This is an on-going process. A total of 19 databases have been developed and maintained regularly.

- There are 94 graded establishments in the region and 132 non-graded establishments. Approximately 4426 beds (2700 Graded and 1726 Non-Graded), ranging from luxury to budget accommodation, are on offer to tourists.
- There are 75 Conference and Function venues with capacity for 20 to 4000 pax.

Tourism Product Development:

The Sedibeng District Municipality has participated or submitted inputs for the development of National and Provincial policies, strategies, studies and plans. These include the Gauteng Suikerbosrand Repositioning Strategy, Gauteng Township Tourism Programmes, and Tourism Signage for Gauteng Township Destinations.

Tourism Training, Capacity Building and Skills Development.

Sedibeng, in partnership with the National Department of Tourism, Gauteng Enterprise Propeller, Gauteng Tourism Authority and tertiary institutions, conducts skills development and tourism awareness workshops on a regular basis for emerging and established tourism establishments. The Sedibeng Tourism Department, with relevant stakeholders, facilitated and participated in the following workshops:

- ✓ Gauteng Positioning and Working Group Workshop
- ✓ Economic Township Tourism Stakeholder Engagement Session
- ✓ Gauteng Global City Region Seminar
- ✓ BBBEE Awareness Workshop
- ✓ Township Tourism Coordination Workshop
- ✓ Women in Tourism Workshop
- ✓ Gauteng Tourism Safety Monitors

- ✓ GDED Awareness Workshops
- ✓ Sedibeng Cookout Event
- ✓ My Run Programme

Information on training, capacity building and skills development opportunities by tourism departments and organisations, such as the National Department of Tourism, Gauteng Department of Economic Development, Gauteng Tourism Authority, FEDHASA, N3 Gateway, SAHRA, etc. are sent to all stakeholders to participate.

The Sedibeng District Municipality facilitated the implementation of a National Training Programme, namely The Tourism Youth Hospitality Programme. 47 learners graduated in the programme and 8 got permanent employment.

- Promote the Development and Maintenance of Tourism Infrastructure
- ✓ Facilitated a Township Tourism site audit with the Gauteng Department of Economic Development for the development of Township Tourism.
- ✓ Facilitated the application for the approval and installation of Tourism Directional signage of 3 tourism products in Sharpeville.
- ✓ Submitted information to the Gauteng Department of Economic Development for the inception report on tourism signage for Gauteng Township destinations.
- ✓ An audit on Tourism Infrastructure in the region was conducted and submitted to the Emfuleni Tourism Routes Working Committee, Midvaal and Lesedi Local Municipalities, Gauteng Department of Economic Development, Gauteng Tourism Authority and the Sedibeng Heritage Department for the consideration in the planning of tourism routes and the maintenance of infrastructure.

Employees: Local Economic Development Services										
	Year -1		Year 0							
Job Level	Employees	Posts	Employees	Vacancies (fulltime equivalents)	Vacancies (as a % of total posts)					
	No.	No.	No.	No.	%					
0 - 3	0									
4 - 6	3	3	4	0	0%					
7 - 9	2	2	2	0	0%					
10 - 12	0	0	0	0						
13 - 15	6	6	3	3	50%					
16 - 18	0	0	0	0						
19 - 20	0	0	0	0						
Total	11	11	9	3	27%					

Totals should equate to those included in the Chapter 4 total employee schedule. Employees and Posts numbers are as at 30 June. *Posts must be established and funded in the approved budget or adjustments budget. Full-time equivalents are calculated by taking the total number of working days lost (excluding weekends and public holidays) while a post remains vacant and adding together all such days lost by all posts within the same set (e.g. senior management') then dividing that total by 250 to give the number of posts equivalent to the accumulated days.

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	Year -1		Year	0	
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget
Total Operational Revenue					
Expenditure:					
Employees	2,603	2,761	3,181	3,040	9%
Repairs and Maintenance					
Other	72	64	76	56	-14%
Total Operational Expenditure	2,675	2,825	3,257	3,097	9%
Net Operational Expenditure	2,675	2,825	3,257	3,097	9%

Capital Expenditure Year 0: Economic Development Services									
R' 000									
			Year 0						
Capital Projects	Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual Expenditure	Variance from original budget	Total Project Value				
Total All	0	0	0						
Project A									
Project B									
Project C									
Project D									
Total project value represents the									
and future expenditure as appropri	T 3.11.10								

COMMENT ON LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PERFORMANCE OVERALL:

The district municipality is a granted dependent municipality and therefore currently does not have capital budget to either implement projects or execute programmes. This consequently limits the municipality to coordinate and facilitate local economic development in the region.

COMPONENT D: COMMUNITY & SOCIAL SERVICES

Introduction

This is a community-based cluster which seeks to release human potential from low to high skills and build social capital through united, non-racial, integrated and safer communities. This is done by providing support services to various areas such as disaster management services, community safety, health care services, social development, youth development, sports, recreation, arts, culture and heritage in the region. Key priority areas of this cluster include the following:

- Promoting and building safer communities
- Promoting disaster resilient communities

- Promoting efficient delivery of primary health care, social development and gender and women programs
- Promoting sports, recreation, arts and culture
- Preserve heritage and museums, including promotion of historical commemorative days
- Facilitate geographical name change process

Children and Older Person Programmes

One of the key delivery areas of SDM is to promote social development of our communities, support and facilitate implementation of youth development programmes across the region. The services relating to children, and older persons are primarily the responsibility of the Provincial Department of Social Development. However; Sedibeng District Municipality's key role is to coordinate and give support to the Local Municipalities in collaboration with the province, to give effect for this implementation of programmes. Various programmes have been implemented in conjunction with the Local Municipalities focusing on the designated groups i.e. youth, children, women and gender and people with disability.

Facilitate Implementation of Gender and Women Programmes

Gender equality is not only a fundamental human right, but a necessary foundation for a peaceful, prosperous and sustainable nation. Commitment and a bold action are needed to accelerate progress, including promotion of laws, policies, budget and institutions that advances gender equality.

Gender equality and women's empowerment has received much attention in South Africa workforce with concerted efforts being made to bridge the gender inequality gap. However, a lag remains between women and their male counterparts. Women in South Africa have been experiencing gender-based discrimination for many years, especially when they are striving towards executive positions.

Women's access to employment and positions is very important for development, poverty alleviation and promoting gender equality, for women to gain access and participate economically, socially and politically, they need to be capacitated and skilled.

In line with the above, Sedibeng District Municipality with the limited resources continually coordinate, support and implement gender and women programmes; the following programs were implemented for the financial year 2022/23:

On the 8th August 2022 training course on Scientology Tools for life Community and Economic Development was held at Kyalami facilitated by the Church of Scientology. Thirteen (13) participants including officials and Councillors attended the course, from the thirteen participant five (5) completed the sixteen (16) modules and two (2) delegates graduated NQF Level 5 on the 19th September 2022, the three delegates graduated in October 2022.

Localising Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) through gender mainstreaming workshop was held on the 6th October 2022 at Riverside Sun Hotel in Vanderbijlpark, the workshop was supported and facilitated by the Commission for Gender Equality. One of the objectives of the workshop was to promote the use of standard indicators and collaboration amongst South African National Statistics Systems (SANSS) partners, thereby mitigating challenges related to reporting.

On the 24th May 2023, Women and Gender Family Law Workshop was held in Evaton West, facilitated by FAMSA and the Family Law Advocate. The main objective was to sensitise the participants on domestic violence and the reporting processes, thereof. Thirty-seven (37) participants attended the workshop.

Support Social Development Programmes

There are engagements with relevant stakeholders to revive the Sedibeng People with Disability Forum, which collapsed during the Covid-19 period.

Sedibeng has eight (8) residential facilities for older persons, per sub-district are as follows:

- Emfuleni Local Municipality has five residential facilities funded by DSD.
- Lesedi local Municipality has two residential facilities, one funded and the other one is unfunded.
- Midvaal local Municipality has one funded residential facility.
- The residential facilities were visited by family physicians from Sedibeng District Health.
- Food distribution is done to the homes of older persons.

Facilitate Youth Development Programmes through the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA)

The Sedibeng District Municipality continue to reaffirm its commitment in delivering and identifying holistic interventions that seeks to capacitate and empower the Youth in the region. For over the years, the Municipality has established strategic partnerships with various agencies such as the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) and government departments, this was done to accelerate the implementation of Youth Development programmes across the district.

The district acknowledges that Youth development still remains a critical area that needs continuous attention to ensure that sustainable development, active participation and skill growth is achieved. As a result, various interventions were implemented by the District and the NYDA to curb the alarming rate of Youth unemployment and vulnerability.

The following activities took place during January October to December 2022

Programme	Annual Target	Annual Performance
Business Management Training	600	217
Mentorship	41	35
Grant	81	78
Voucher	47	50

SUMMER SEASON INITIATION SCHOOL OPENING

On the 24 October 2022, Gauteng Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs released Circular of 2 of 2022(Annexure *B*) that allowed cultural communities to be permitted to submit applications as per requirement of the Customary Initiation Act. Based on the provincial recommendations to different municipalities, SDM delegated two officials to oversee and monitor the initiation schools across the region.

Objectives as per requirement of the Act are to: -

- to protect, promote and regulate initiation and for this purpose
 - (a) to provide acceptable norms and standards; and
 - (1) To provide initiation oversight and coordinating structures at three spheres of government with a view to ensure that initiation takes place in a controlled environment
 - (b) to provide for protection of life, the prevention of injuries and the prevention of all forms of abuse that initiates may be subjected to as results of initiation practices
 - (c) to address the governance aspects of initiation and the roles of all relevant roleplayers and
 - (d) to protect the customary practice of initiation and ensure that it is practiced within the Constitutional and other legal prescripts.

OUTPUT

Number of application forms issued	Number of application forms returned	Number of applications approved	Number of applications declined	Number of illegal schools found	Number of illegal schools destroyed by SAPS	Number of registered initiation schools visited and monitored
63	42	43 (21 females + 22 males	19	6 (2)SDM initiation schools located in Sedibeng (29 initiates); (2) COJ (36 initiates) (2)West Rand (56 initiates)		

Initiates report

Number of initiates enrolled at registered initiation schools	Number of reported missing children	Number of missing children recovered	Number children returned to parents/ guardians	Number of recovered children sent to registered initiation schools
Males	119	119	119	unknown
Females	0	0	0	0

Incidents

 Death of a 38 year old female initiate in Boipatong, inquest opened at Barrage Police Station Case no. 9/12/22

Achievements

- All 40 Initiation schools were successfully visited and monitored
- Most lost children were recovered and the region became stable

Challenges

- Cross borders initiation schools by non-complying criminal elements who make use of missing children
- Trespassing by illegal initiation schools
- Failure and refusal of SAPS to open cases on missing children and against illegal initiators
- Delay by CoGTA Provincial Initiation Coordinating Committee (PICC) to send approvals to the region
- Use of firearms and other dangerous weapons by youth involved in the cultural practice
- Commercialisation of the cultural practice that goes along with unregulated fees charged from parents/ guardians
- 9 Under aged children found among illegal initiation schools
- Recruitment of children is made in schools through the influence of initiation school principals
- Entitlement by habitual initiation schools' principals who on annual basis demand to open initiation schools
- Gangsterism caused by competition among initiators
- Under resourced municipality officials (dedicated transport and officials)
- None participation of local municipality officials in the programme
- Local courts' failure to implement the Customary Act

Service Delivery Budget and Implementation Plan (SDBIP) Performance Report

Key Strategic Communities	Objective: Pror	note the ef	ficient d	elivery of P	rimary Hea	Ith Care	and Socia	al Developi	ment of our
Service	Outline	Year 01		2022/2023			Year 02	Year 03	
Objectives	Service	Target	Actual	Target		Actual	Target		
Service	Targets	Previous	(iv)	*Previous	*Current	(vii)	*Current	*Current	*Following
Indicators	(ii)	Year	, ,	Year	Year	, ,	Year	Year	Year
(i)		(iii)		(v)	(vi)		(viii)	(ix)	(x)
Service Object	tive: To ensure e	effective ser	vice deli	very					
District Health Council meetings held	Facilitate District Health activities	04	04	04	04	04	03	03	03
Gender and women programmes supported	Facilitate implementation of gender and women programmes	03	06	04	03	03	03	02	03

Youth	Facilitate the	04	04	04	07	04	08	04	08
Development	implementation								· ·
programmes	of youth								
	programmes								
	through NYDA								
N.B: Youth Development programmes migrated to the office of the Executive Mayor from the Health and								T3.22.3	
Social development									

Staff Complement

Employees: Health and Social Development									
	Year 01	Year 02							
	Employees	Posts	Employees	Vacancies (Fulltime equivalents)	Vacancies (as a % of total posts)				
	No	No	No	No	%				
0 – 03	01	01	01	0	0%				
04 – 06	02	04	02	02	0%				
07 – 09	12	15	12	05	0%				
Total	15	20	15	0	0%				
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The performance of child care, aged care, social programmes overall

The overall performance of Social Services for this period has been successful. The department units have respectively achieved most of its objectives as stipulated in the service delivery and budget implementation plan (SDBIP) for 2022/23 financial year.

The expected outcome of coordination and support to promote social development of our communities has been achieved through collaboration with various stakeholders from our communities including the local municipalities and the provincial departments relevant for empowerment of our communities.

Number of programmes such as forum meetings, awareness programmes and stakeholder technical engagements were implemented during this period. These includes of the Regional IGR structures and the provincial IGR forum chaired by the DSD HOD in preparation of the MEC/MMC IGR.

Issues relating to children care services are a core functionality of the province in accordance to the Child Care Act. The district continues to provide relevant support in conjunction with the locals including the ECD Steering Committee, and the ECD migrated from the DSD to the Department of Basic Education as of April 2022, this emanated from the Honorable President Cyril Ramaphosa speech of Nation Address of February 2019.

COMPONENT F: HEALTH

Promotion of Effective Delivery of Primary Health Care Services

Effective Delivery of Primary Health Care Services

In accordance with the Health Act No. 61 of 2003, health care services are the priority and the mandate of Provincial Department of Health. However; Local government as the closest sphere of government to communities is also expected to coordinate and support this function, as a result Sedibeng District Municipality coordinate and support the function through the District Health Council as stipulated in the chapter five in the Act.

As a result; Council has established an intergovernmental relations structure in the form of a District Health Council for coordination and support the District health Services in the region. This council is appointed by the MEC for Health, and it sits on quarterly chaired by the SDM: MMC for Health and Social Development. It is at this forum whereby various stakeholders from health sector provide regular reports that give synoptic overview of health care services in the region and where resolutions are taken to advise the MEC for health.

For the Financial year 2022/23 District Health Council was held during quarter 1 and 3. Throughout the DHC meetings all the relevant stakeholders from the three hospitals within the region i.e. the Chief Executive Officers (CEO) presented their report and the Emergency Medical Services Director, including the acting chief director of Sedibeng District health Services and from all the presentations through the 2022/23 financial year the critical challenges which were referred to MEC was the infrastructural challenges and the shortage of human resource to enhance service delivery.

In support and coordination of Primary Health Care services SDM MMC for Health and Social Development together with the locals and the Sedibeng District Health Services took an over sight visit to the regional Sebokeng hospital, Kopanong and Heidelberg district hospitals and most of Midvaal: Kookrus; Randvaal; Pontshong; Mayorton clinics and Lake side health post, at Emfuleni oversight visit was done at the following PHC Primary Health Care facilities: Retswelape clinic and Sharpeville MOU. Lesedi Ratanda and Ext 7 PHC facilities were visited and the other 7 facilities will be visited in the 2023/23 financial year. Challenges like infrastructural issues and shortage of human resource issues were noted and escalated to the office of the MEC

The National Department of health has a policy mandate for the National health Systems of South Africa, while the health services rendered by the District Health Systems that are managed by Provincial Department of Health. The District Health Plan is informed by the National and Provincial Annual Performance Plans. The purpose of the DHP is to set goals and strategies to enable the health district to the best meet the health needs of its population.is done on an annual basis, In line with these the District Health Plan for 2022/23 was developed and adopted by Province

District Health Council will continue to do their oversight role to enhance improved quality delivery of Primary Health Care services to the betterment of our communities. Intergovernmental work stream structures functional to strengthen District Development Model that will improve the quality of health care services.

Primary Health Care Facility (PHCFC)

Primary Health Care Facility Committees known as Clinic Committees are statutory bodies appointed by the Member of Executive Council (MEC) for Health and this is stipulated in Section 42 of the National Health Act, No. 61 of 2003.

Their main objectives amongst the others includes:

- Promoting effective and efficient governance through public participation.
- To assist the clinics in addressing the health needs of the communities served.
- To ensure accountability and effective management of facilities and
- To ensure that the Primary Health Care Facility, known as a clinic is responsive to community needs that they serve.

Sedibeng has since played a pivotal role in ensuring that efficient delivery of Primary Health Care services in the region is achieved through public participation, which means governance structure in the form of Primary Health Care Facility Committees (PHCFC) thus known as clinic committees.

The term of office for the current PHCFC is three years i.e., 2021/2024 and the application was published from MEC for Health and the nominations were send to all the health facilities in the region, the process went well and Sedibeng PHCFC were appointed and received the appointment letters signed by the MEC for Health

Below is the PHCFC Appointment Status report For Sedibeng from 1st April 2021 to End of Term (31st March 2024)

Total Number of Clinics	38
Clinic with no submissions of nomination forms	17
Clinic with less than 5 members	11
Clinic with five members	08
Total number of clinic committees with appointment	74 out of 190 committee members
letters	
Total Percentage	38,9%

Since the establishment and appointment of PHCFC in April 2021, the first training facilitated by the office of the MEC for health was held on the 28th March 2023. The table below indicate the number of clinics that participated in the training per sub district:

Sub District	No of Facilities Participated in the training
Emfuleni	11
Midvaal	02
Lesedi	0
Sedibeng	12

3.12 LIBRARIES; ARCHIEVES; MUSEUMS; GALLERIES; COMMUNITY FACILITIES; OTHER (THEATRES, ZOOS, ETC)

Part A schedule 4 and 5 of the Constitution of South Africa, 108 of 1996 lists the following as provincial competencies: Archives, other than National Archives, Libraries, other than National Libraries, Museums, other than National Museums, Provincial Cultural matters, Provincial Recreation amenities and Provincial Sports.

The Gauteng Department of Sports, Arts, Culture and Recreation operate within the Constitutional Mandate. Part B of the same schedule lists competencies in which the Provincial Department has a role to support and monitor local government i.e., amusement facilities, local amenities, sports facilities, municipal parks and recreational facilities

Financial Performance Year 0: Libraries; Archives; Museums; Galleries; Community Facilities; Other									
					R'000				
	Year -1		Yea	ar O					
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget				
Total Operational Revenue	312	382	382	394	3%				
Expenditure:									
Employees	17,335	19,697	18,831	18,694	-5%				
Repairs and Maintenance									
Other	531	488	554	506	4%				
Total Operational Expenditure	17,866	20,186	19,385	19,201	-5%				
Net Operational Expenditure	17,554	19,804	19,003	18,806	-5%				
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.	Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances are calculated by dividing the difference between the Actual								
and Original Budget by the Actual.									

3.13 CEMETORIES AND CREMATORIUMS

This function is performed by Local Municipalities

COMPONENT E: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Environmental protection within the District is covered by a number of Clusters. The district has a specific role to play in terms of air quality management in terms of licensing of listed activities and is performed by the air quality officer of the District. Pollution control is a program within Municipal Health Services and which is rendered by the District Municipality.

The poor air quality in Sedibeng District to a number of sources; industrial sources, domestic fuel burning, windblown dust, and biomass burning.

Air Quality Management objectives are to:

- (i) Manage the Section 21 industries through Atmospheric Emission Licensing,
- (ii) Ensure the availability of air quality data through Ambient Air Quality Monitoring and National Atmospheric Emission Inventory System (NAEIS); and
- (iii) Provide awareness and education on the impacts of air pollution on health to the communities through Awareness Programmes, Implementation Task Teams, and multi-stakeholders engagement.

In order to tackle the Air Quality Management problems in the district, two coordinators were appointed in October 2019 under Ambient Air Quality Monitoring and Atmospheric Emission Licensing. This brings the total number of employees under Air Quality Management to three.

3.15 POLLUTION CONTROL

3.15.1 MUNICIPAL HEALTH SERVICES

The Pollution control programme is managed by Sedibeng District Municipality as one of the nine programs under Municipal Health Services. The service is rendered through a service level agreement with the local municipalities who perform the function on behalf of the District. Pollution control activities do not differentiate between communities and the service is rendered equally throughout the District. Priority is given to all related complaints and referred to relevant departments (where applicable) for attention and action. Most of the complaints relating to solid waste removal and sanitation were referred to the responsible service departments only in instances where Environmental Health Practitioners could not resolve the matter and needed assistance.

Table: Environmental pollution complaints

Data element	Emfuleni	Midvaal	Lesedi	Total District
Air pollution	1	13	3	17
Unhygienic conditions	6	0	3	9
Food related	5	0	0	5
Insects/ Pests	0	0	0	0
Noise	4	48	2	54
Sanitation	3	5	1	9
Illegal burning	4	59	1	64
Offensive odour	2	47	0	49
Keeping of animals	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	26	172	10	208

All communities in the district, including the socio-economically disadvantaged (poverty) population have access to the Municipal Health Services. The top three pollution control priorities within the program are:

- Water pollution control
- Air pollution control
- Noise control

Water quality monitoring: There is a water sampling program in place that ensures water sampling takes place as scheduled within the district. The main objective of water monitoring is to ensure that the water provided to the communities is safe and sound for consumption, including in compliance with the South African National Standard (SANS) 241:2015. Therefore, water samples are taken at the points of the end user (taps, boreholes, and reservoirs). A **total number of 448** water samples were taken. Unfortunately, a total number of 5 samples from a borehole in Midvaal area were non-compliance. As a result, the owner was advised to boil the water before use. However, no water-borne diseases were reported to the Sedibeng District Municipality during this period.

Table: Water Sampling

Data element	Emfuleni	Midvaal	Lesedi	Total District
Drinking Water	80	67	268	415
Bore hole	0	13(*5)	15	28 (*5)
Storage tanks	0	3	0	3
Municipal Reservoir	0	0	2	2
TOTAL	80	83	285	448

^{*}Samples not in compliance

Of great concern are the pollution of the Vaal River and Rietspruit with raw sewerage from the municipal pump stations or water care works. All complaints are handled in line with the complaints protocol and referred to the relevant authorities where and when applicable. Major efficiencies can be summarized as follows:

- Air pollution complaints, including indoor air pollution are covered on a routine basis. All complaints are
 addressed and referred to the relevant departments for further interventions where necessary. A total number
 of 17 air pollution related complaints were received and managed by the Environmental Health Practitioners.
- Noise pollution complaints are handled and resolved or referred where applicable. A total number of 54
 noise-related complaints were received and managed by Environmental Health Practitioners. Most of the
 cases refer to the playing of loud music, festivals, parties, industrial equipment, barking dogs or the keeping of
 roosters. All of the complaints were duly handled and resolved.

Financial Performance Year 0: Pollution Control							
	Year -1		Yea	r 0			
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget		
Total Operational Revenue	174	1,575	1,575	212	-643%		
Expenditure:							
Employees	3,072	3,090	3,188	3,201	3%		
Repairs and Maintenance							
Other	57	55	62	55	1%		
Total Operational Expenditure	3,129	3,145	3,250	3,256	3%		
Net Operational Expenditure	2,955	1,570	1,675	3,044	48%		
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T	5.1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances	are calculated by divid	ding the difference be	etween the Actual			
and Original Budget by the Actual.					T 3.15.5		

3.15.2 AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Sedibeng District Municipality features a wide variety of landmarks such as the Vaal River, Vaal Dam, Suikerbosrand Nature Reserve, the Sasol refinery, ArcelorMittal, as well as the Emerald Casino. It is an urban and an industrial heartland of the South of Gauteng and is home to many industries which includes steel manufacturing, ceramics and tiles manufacturing, foundries, etc. The combination of industrial, domestic, transportation, biomass burning, agricultural and other emission sources have led to degraded air quality over the area.

Sedibeng District Municipality is the only region in South Africa which is part of air quality priority area. An area is declared an air quality priority area if the ambient air quality monitoring standards are being or may be exceeded, or a situation exists which is causing or may cause the negative impact on the quality of the air in the area. The two local municipalities under Sedibeng District Municipality, namely Emfuleni and Midvaal Local municipalities, forms part of the Vaal Triangle Airshed Priority Area (VTAPA) declared by the Minister of the then Department of Environmental Affairs in 2009, now Department of Forestries and Fisheries and Environment (DFFE). Following this declaration, DFFE developed an Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) for the VTAPA and Sedibeng adopted this AQMP as the guide to combat air pollution in the area. Based on the air quality assessment results from simulated concentrations verified with ambient monitoring data of the area, it was evident that the main pollutants of concern in the Sedibeng District Municipality are inhalable particulate matter (PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}) as well as Sulphur Dioxide (SO₂). Manufacturing in the District is dominated by the fabricated metal and chemical sectors. The remaining part of Sedibeng District Municipality which is Lesedi Local Municipality forms part of another air quality priority area called Highveld Priority Area (HPA). Highveld Priority Area is made up of Lesedi Local Municipality, Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality, and a large part of the municipalities in the Mpumalanga Province.

THE PERFORMANCE OF POLLUTION CONTROL OVERALL:

MUNICIPAL HEALTH SERVICES

Despite the shortage of personnel and resources the Environmental Health Practitioners at local municipalities have continuously investigated and managed Environmental Pollution complaints on behalf of the Sedibeng District Municipality.

Most of the pollution within communities relates to dumping of household waste and issues relating to sanitation which are attended to by the relevant services department.

The several successes have been recorded in the management of air quality in the district. The municipality has appointed two coordinators. The draft VTAPA AQMP has been published for comments, bringing the process closer to completion. In line with Section 105A of the Criminal Act of 1977, the municipality and DEFF instituted a case against Arcellor Mittal SA (Vanderbijlpark Works) and won the case.

After being non-operational due to a lightning incident that occurred in May 2018, the Meyerton Station has finally being brought back to operation, although not yet reporting valid data to SAAQIS. Preplanned stakeholder engagements, awareness campaigns and other engagement have been cancelled due to Covid 19 regulations.

AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Air Quality Management unit is made up of three personnel, a Manager / District Air Quality Officer, a Coordinator for Ambient Air Quality Monitoring, and a Coordinator for Licensing and Permitting.

Atmospheric Emission Licensing

Atmospheric emission licensing is one of the key tools in the management and regulation of air quality activities. The challenge however is the lack of a dedicated Environmental Compliance and Enforcement unit to monitor and enforce compliance of the AEL conditions.

AEL is used to regulate the activities of listed activities that has potential to release emissions that may have harmful effects on the environment, health and socio-economy. During the financial year 2021/2022, the list of the AELs below were processed.

APPLICANT	TYPE OF APPLICATION	LISTED ACTIVITY	STATUS
Sandy Sandy	Renewal	4.2; 4.10	Issued
Meyerton Galvanizing	Renewal	4.10	Issued
Cape Gate Pty Ltd	Renewal	4.2; 4.7; 4.22	Issued
Flexilube Pty Ltd	Renewal	2.4; 7.2	Issued
Rockfibre SA Pty Ltd	Renewal	5.8	Issued
Dense Media Separation	Transfer and Variation	4.1; 4.9	Issued
Powder SA Pty Ltd			
Terra Nova Ceramics	Renewal	4.13; 4.19	Issued
Indigo Foundry	Renewal	4.1; 4.2; 4.10	Issued
National Asphalt	Renewal	5.10	Issued
Yellow Star Manufacturing	Renewal	4.10	Issued
Naledi Ring rollers Pty Ltd	Renewal	4.2	Issued
PPC Cement SA Meyerton	Renewal	5.2; 5.4	Issued

APPLICANT	TYPE OF APPLICATION	LISTED ACTIVITY	STATUS
Samancor Managnese Pty	Renewal	1.4; 4.9; 4.11;5.1	Issued
Ltd			
Gryphon Tile Factory	Renewal	5.2; 5.9	Issued
Vereeniging Foundries	Renewal	4.10	Issued

Table 1: AELs PROCESSED

Ambient Air Quality Monitoring

Sedibeng District Municipality has two ambient air quality monitoring stations; Vanderbijlpark and Meyerton ambient air quality monitoring stations. Vanderbijlpark Monitoring station is located on the school grounds of Laerskool Hendrik Van Bijl, while Meyerton monitoring station is located on the premises of Meyerton Sports Ground (Meyerton Bowling Club). The two stations over the years aremmeasuring PM2.5, PM10, Ozone, NOx, Black Carbon and SO2 as well as the metereolgical data (Rainfall, wind speed, wind direction, relative humidity, ambient temperature, pressure and solar radiation).

Both Meyerton and Vanderbijlpark stations are fully operational and reporting to SAAQIS. Vanderbijlpark remains under the management of the DEFF-NAQI project until the end of third quarter 2023/2024 after the NAQI contract was extended for another year at its completion in March 2023,. Meyerton station is under the management of Sedibeng District Municipality and requires a substantial budget for the maintenance of the station in order to report credible data at all times to SAAQIS. An insufficient budget for the maintenance and maintenance of the ambient air quality monitoring stations remains a concern.

Table 2: THE DISTRICT'S STATIONS

STATION NAME	LOCATION	RATIONALE	POLUTANTS
MEYERTON MONITORING	Meyerton Bowling Club, 9	Industrial	PM2.5, PM10, Ozone,
STATION	Doc Immelman Street,		SO2, Black Carbon, NOx
	Meyerton, 1961		
VANDERBIJLPARK	Laerskool Hendrik Van der	industrial	PM2.5, PM10, Ozone,
MONITORING STATION	Bijl,6 Stephenson Street,		SO2, Black Carbon, NOx
	CW5, Vanderbijlpark, 1900		

The station's performance

Table 3: THE STATION'S PERFORMANCE

	Q1 data recovery	Q2 data recovery	Q3 data recovery	Q4 data recovery	Annual data recovery	COMMENTS
MEYERTON MONITORING STATION	69%	50%	70%	71%	65%	The station's data recovery is below the recommended level of 75% because of (I) During rain season the station had to be switched off at times to prevent damage to equipment as the shelter has leaks; (II) loadshedding.
VANDERBIJLPARK MONITORING STATION	94%	87%	85%	39%	76%	The station's data recovery is above the recommended level of 75% except for Q4 due to challenges with power at the station. The annual average however remains above 75%.

3.16 BIO-DIVERSITY; LANDSCAPE (INCL. OPEN SPACES); AND OTHER (EG. COASTAL PROTECTION)

Sedibeng District Municipality has various critical biodiversity areas and protected areas which play critical role in biodiversity conservation. The biodiversity areas include Suikerbosrand Nature Reserve (situated in the north eastern edge of Midvaal Local Municipality and north western portion of Lesedi Local Municipality), Alice Glockner Nature Reserve (Located in the south of Heidelberg in Lesedi Local Municipality, The Kliprivier, Vaal Dam and Vaal River). The Sedibeng District Municipality falls within priority areas identified in the National Spatial Biodiversity Assessment (NSBA, Driver et al. 2004), and is home to a disproportionately high percentage of rare and threatened species and threatened ecosystems.

It is therefore critical that Sedibeng District Municipality develops a Bioregional Plan for the conservation of biodiversity in the region. Bioregional Plan is one of a range of tools provided for in the Biodiversity Act that can be used to facilitate biodiversity conservation in priority areas and outside the protected area network. The purpose of a bioregional plan is to inform land-use planning, environmental assessment and authorizations, and natural resource management.

The priority service delivery projects are as follows:

- Wetlands rehabilitation
- Clear River campaign and
- Maintenance of open space area.

The progress made thus far linked to service delivery priorities include the following:

Conducting education and awareness as follows: (04 August 20222 at Sharpeville George Thabe stadium, 05
August 2022 at Powerville, 17 November 2022 at Ratanda ext 7 Library and 29 March 2023 at Golden
Gardens) in addressing illegal dumping at wetlands sites, open spaces, and rivers.

COMMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE OF BIO-DIVERSITY; LANDSCAPE AND OTHER OVERALL:

There were no capital projects under these focus areas due to lack of budget allocation.

COMPONENT F: HEALTH

3.17 CLINICS

Promotion of Effective Delivery of Primary Health Care Services Primary Health Care (PHC): Addresses the main health problems in the community that provides and promote preventative, curative and rehabilitative services. According to the World Health Organisations (WHO's) 1978 Alma Ata Declaration, "primary health care is essential healthcare based on practical, scientifically sound and socially acceptable methods and technology made universally accessible to individual and families in the community through their full participation and at a cost that the community and country can afford to maintain at every stage of their development in the spirit of self-reliance and self-determination. It forms an integral part on both of the country's health system, of which it is the central function and main focus, and of the overall social and economic development of the community. It is the first level of contact of individuals, the family and community with the national health system bringing healthcare as close as possible to where people live and work, and constitutes the first element of a continuing health care process".

In accordance with the Health Act No. 61 of 2003, health care service is a competency of Provincial Department of Health. However; Local government as the closest sphere of government to communities is also expected to coordinate and support this function.

As a result; Council has established an intergovernmental relations structure in the form of a District Health Council (DHC) for support and over sight purposes. This DHC structure was established and appointed by the MEC for Health, the meetings for this Council are held on quarterly basis and chaired by the MMC for Health and Social Development of. It is at this forum whereby various stakeholders from multidisciplinary health sector provide regular reports that give synoptic overview of health care services in the region.

The DHC Microsoft visual meeting chaired by District MMC for Health and Social Development was held on Tuesday 01st September 2020, with section 80 councillors in attendance and Local MMC's for Health and Social Development. The discussion in this meeting was around the readiness of the hospitals in relation to Covid 19 and four (4) critical reports were discussed form Sebokeng, Heidelberg, and Kopanong Hospitals inclusive with the Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

From April 2020 to date the daily Coordination of Health screening and testing for COVID -19 within the region was done and all the daily reports formed part of the situational report that was compiled daily and send to Gauteng Disaster Management Council, Provincial Command Council, Local Government Work stream, District Command Centre and Council.

The second meeting covered the period of April to June 2021 as one of the DHC function is an oversight role as outlined in the Health Act 61 of 2003, on the 18th May 2021 DHC had an oversight visit to verify Covid-19 registered vaccination sites at Sebokeng hospital and Levai Mbatha clinic. The Sebokeng hospital lacked water and the Emfuleni MMC for Health and Social Development contacted Metsi a Lekoa immediately and water tanks were dispatched. Levai Mbatha clinic was faced with more patients and less vaccines and there was a meeting held with the facility manager and the matter was resolved with pharmacist to deliver additional vaccine. All Covid-19 protocols were adhered to. The picture below is the vaccination site at Sebokeng Hospital.

Clinic Committees are statutory bodies appointed by the Member of Executive Council (MEC) for Health, according to Section 42 of the National Health Act, No. 61 of 2003. Their main objectives include promoting effective and efficient governance through public participation, to assist the clinics in addressing the health needs of the communities served, to ensure accountability and effective management of facilities and to ensure that the Primary Health Care Facility, known as a clinic is responsive to community needs.

On Tuesday the 8th June 2021 the Sedibeng District Municipality MMC for Health and Social Development and Emfuleni MMC convened a hand over appointment letter for PHCFC at Thusong Service Centre Mafatsane NYDA offices in Evaton and Palm Springs. Later the meeting continued to be at Sebokeng Masoheng Municipal building for all the Sebokeng clinics including Boitumelo. Lastly the meeting was held in Bophelong library to meet with the clinic committee members from Sharpeville, Bophelong, Boipatong and Johan Heyns. All Covid 19 protocols were adhered to. The term of office is from 2021 to 2024.

The picture below, depicts handing over of Appointment letters by MMCs of Health and Social Development from both Sedibeng District and Emfuleni Local Municipalities to Johan Heyns PHCFC members.

Sub District	No of Clinics
Emfuleni	28
Midvaal	04
Lesedi	08
Total Sedibeng	40

Key Strategic Object	Key Strategic Objective: "Promote the efficient delivery of Primary Health Care"									
Service	Outline Service	Year	01	2	2022/2023		Year 02	2 Year 03		
Objectives	Targets	Target	Actual	Tar	get	Actual		Target		
Service Indicators	(ii)	Previous	(iv)	*Previous	*Current	(vii)	*Current	*Current	*Follow	
(i)		Year		Year	Year		Year	Year	ing	
		(iii)		(v)	(vi)		(viii)	(ix)	Year	
									(x)	
Service Objective:	To ensure effective s	ervice delive	ry							
District Health	Facilitate District	04	04	04	04	04	03	03	03	
Council meetings	Health activities									
held										
Gender and	Facilitate	03	06	04	03	03	03	02	03	
women	implementation of									
programmes	gender and women									
supported	programmes									

3.18 AMBULANCE

It is noted that Ambulance services are a provincial competence; therefore, this service was migrated to province some years ago.

3.19 HEALTH INSPECTION; FOOD AND ABBATOIR LICENSING AND INSPECTION; ETC

According to Schedule 4 Part B of the Constitution, Municipal Health Services (MHS) is a function of a Metropolitan and District Municipality. Subsequently, Municipal Structures Act defines Municipal Health Services as a function of a District or Metropolitan. However, according to the Municipal Systems Act, a Municipality may determine if it can render a service by itself to the communities (if it has the capacity to do so) or can appoint a service provider to render the service on its behalf. The Sedibeng District Municipality opted for the latter option and resolved in 2004 to appoint the local municipalities (Emfuleni, Lesedi and Midvaal) to render the service as "Agents" for the Sedibeng District Municipality. This arrangement is formalized through a service level agreement and is renewed on annual basis by the parties to this agreement. The Service Level agreements with the three local municipalities were signed for the 2021/2022 financial year. The Service is coordinated at Sedibeng District Municipality. The local municipalities are contracted to render the nine (9) components of Municipal Health Services as defined in the National Health Act, 2003 (Act 61 of 2003). Namely;

- Water quality monitoring
- Food control
- Waste Management
- Health surveillance of premises
- Surveillance and prevention of communicable diseases excluding immunization.
- Vector Control
- Environmental pollution control (Noise, air, water and land)
- Disposal of the dead
- Chemical safety and hazardous substances control

The National Environmental Health Norms and Standards as approved by the Minister of Health forms the basis of the agreement between the District and its local municipalities and serve as a guideline on how services are to be rendered and at what frequency.

The top 3 service delivery priorities are:

- water quality monitoring
- Health surveillance of premises
- Disposal of the dead

Water quality monitoring

This comprises of the monitoring and surveillance of water quality and availability thereof that is intended for human consumption, recreational, commercial and industrial use. Continuous monitoring of drinking water throughout the District is a preventative measure and serves as an early warning system in the control, management and provision of water to communities which is safe and sound for human consumption.

The health surveillance of premise

This programme concerns the identification, monitoring and evaluation of health risks, nuisances, hazards and the instituting remedial and preventive measures at all premises. Food premises are prioritizing due to the impact that noncompliance can have on the health of people. Compliance of food premises, including spaza shops in terms of regulation 638: Regulations Governing General Hygiene Requirements for Food Premises, the Transport of Food and Related Matter in the township areas is a challenge. Persons in control of premises are informed of non-compliance issues and requested to rectify the problem areas. Statutory notices or prohibition orders are issued as a last resort where there is continuous non-compliance that needs to be addressed. A total number of **7142** food premises were inspected for this period.

Table: Inspection at food premises

Data element	Emfuleni	Midvaal	Lesedi	Total District
Food premises inspected (Number of inspections)	1933	1439	3770	7142

In an effort to improve the general hygiene standards and assist owners in getting their premises to comply with the minimum environmental health standards, Environmental Health Practitioners targeted Early Childhood Development facilities for inspections.

The district was able to perform the required inspection intervals as prescribed in the National Norms and standards. A total number of **1172** inspections were conducted at Early Childhood Development premises during this period. The Environmental Health Practitioners continued to strengthen the collaboration with other enforcement and compliance stakeholders such as social development in the monitoring of Early Childhood Development premises in the District.

A total number of **ninety-seven (97)** Early Childhood Development premises were issued with Health Certificates. As a result, the approved Early Childhood Development premises owners were able to apply for the social grant in the Department of Social development.

Disposal of the dead

This refers to compliance monitoring of funeral undertakers, mortuaries, embalmers, crematoria, graves and cemeteries, including the management, control and monitoring of the exhumations and reburial or disposal of human remains. The premises were monitored in compliance with regulation 363: regulation relating to the management of human remains.

The premises are monitored in compliance with regulation 363: regulation relating to the management of human remains. A **total number of 291** funeral undertakers were monitored or inspected. In addition, a total **number of fifteen (15)** Certificates of Compliance were issued during the period under review. Moreover, a **total number of 4** exhumations were monitored by the Environmental Health Practitioners.

Table: Surveillance of premises (inspections)

Data Element	Emfuleni	Midvaal	Lesedi	Total District
Funeral undertakers	170	37	84	291

Chemical Safety

Chemical safety includes the monitoring, identification, evaluation and prevention of the risks of chemicals that are harmful to human health. This includes the following but is not limited to:

- Complaint investigation.
- Monitoring safe disposal of chemical waste.
- Law enforcement by serving compliance notices where necessary
- Compliance monitoring in terms of legislative requirements and provisions and instituting remedial and preventative measures including the removal of chemical spillages.
- Health promotion and training.

Although the provincial Department of Health is responsible for management and control of hazardous substances, Environmental Health Practitioners routinely conduct inspections at all hardware stores, supermarket chain stores, paint dealers, spray painters and other related industrial activities to monitor the safe storage and handling of chemical products. The Monitoring of Chemical safety is part and parcel of the inspection protocol and is applied during all inspections on premises. Data is not specifically kept for these premises as chemicals are available on all premises.

THE PERFORMANCE OF HEALTH INSPECTIONS

The resource constraints, including personnel has impacted the delivery of the service within the district. In addition, the COVID-19 pandemic exacerbated the situation where the Environmental Health Practitioners were expected to continuously monitor the compliance to COVID-19 protocols during the public gatherings and special events, including funerals. However, Environmental Health Practitioners were consistent and fair in rendering the Service in the district. The Service was rendered in accordance to the National Environmental Health Norms and Standards.

Financial Performance Year 0: Health Inspection and Etc								
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	Year -1		Yea	ır O				
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment	Actual	Variance to			
			Budget		Budget			
Total Operational Revenue								
Expenditure:								
Employees	999	980	1,045	878	-12%			
Repairs and Maintenance								
Other	18,795	18,376	18,376	17,975	-2%			
Total Operational Expenditure	19,793	19,356	19,422	18,853	-3%			
Net Operational Expenditure	19,793	19,356	19,422	18,853	-3%			
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances are calculated by dividing the difference between the Actual								
and Original Budget by the Actual.					T 3.19.5			

COMPONENT G: SECURITY AND SAFETY (COMMUNITY SAFETY)

3.20 POLICE

This service is a national competence; however, the district plays a coordination and facilitation role to enhance and enable smooth Police operations.

COMMUNITY SAFETY

Promote and build safer communities

In terms of Section 152 (1) (d) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Act, 108 of 1996, municipalities are required to provide safe and healthy environments for the residents. As a result; an intergovernmental relations structure, namely; Sedibeng Community Safety Forum was established to ensure proper coordination for the implementation of this key object.

It is common knowledge that community safety should be every person's concern. Various organizations, community groups and the residents are expected to contribute to the creation of a safe and cohesive living environments. As a result; Sedibeng District Municipality through its Community Safety IGR Forum which meets on monthly basis, has been actively involved in fostering joint crime and violence prevention across the region. These safety programmes include schools' safety, community police relations, community corrections, gender-based violence, social crime prevention, stakeholder relations and road safety programmes.

NB: It should further be noted that Sedibeng District Municipality does not have a competency for Traffic Police Services, Fire and Rescue Services, and Emergency Medical Services. These competencies are located at the Local Municipality and Provincial levels, respectively.

The following achievements have been recorded during the financial year: 2022-2023.

Support implementation of Ward-Based Crime and Violence Prevention Initiatives

Implementation of the Ward Based Crime and Violence Prevention in aligned to the District Development Model adopted by the Municipality through its "DDM One Plan.". This pal is aimed at facilitating integrated planning, delivery and monitoring of Government programmes across the three spheres of Government. As a result; Ward Based Crime Prevention Forums were established in Sebokeng and Evaton, which falls within the Emfuleni Local Municipality jurisdiction. The roll-out of the programme is on-going to cover all the wards within the district municipality.

Review of the Community Safety Strategy 2018 - 2022

Community Safety Strategy serves as guiding document for the development and implementation of community safety programmes across the region. This process is led by the Community Safety Forum which serves as an Intergovernmental Relations Structure on Justice, Crime Prevention and Security Cluster within the Sedibeng Region. This process was activated through a stakeholders' consultative workshops which were held during the periods; 07 – 08 March 2023 at the Emerald Casino and Conference, Vanderbijlpark, 25 April 2023 at the Vaal Technorama, Vereeniging, and 14 – 15 June 2023 at the Riverside Sun Hotel, Vanderbijlpark. A draft Community Safety Strategy 2023 – 2028 has been developed and awaits Council approval and adoption for implementation.

Facilitate implementation of road safety initiatives across the region

Road safety promotion requires multi-disciplinary approach to create an understanding of associated challenges. It is common knowledge that there is a general ignorance of road rules by road users, vandalism of road signs, including creation of unauthorized taxi ranks. Intervention measures such as intensive road safety education is required for road users and general communities. Scholar transport, public and private transport therefore; needs regular monitoring and law enforcement for road ordinances compliance. As a result; the following road safety programmes were implemented with focus being on the jurisdiction of Lesedi and Midvaal Local Municipalities, respectively.

- 28 July 2022 Road Safety Awareness Programme conducted in Meyerton CBD
- 16 August 2022 Child Learner in Traffic Workshop held at Meyerton Pre-schools
- 09 September 2022 Law Enforcement Operation on Pedestrians along R59 Highway bridges, namely; Johan Le Roux and Sicelo (Meyerton)
- 23 September 2022 Road Safety Awareness Programme conducted at the White House in Meyerton

Monitor and evaluate the impact of adopted interventions towards elimination and reduction of crime within our communities

The SAPS Crime Analysis Report showed a significant increase of violent and contact crimes across the region. This includes crimes such as murder, attempted murder, assault GBH and common assault. From these crimes, murder alone, has recorded an alarming increase across the district, which is also a major concern at national level. Research shows that often murders are the outcome of aggressive verbal disagreements between young men, as a result; of excessive alcohol consumption and intoxication, or during the perpetration of another crime, such as robbery. This type of crime is further amplified by men living in communities where there are generally high levels of interpersonal violence; and where firearms are easily obtainable, such as participating in gangsters' activities.

The crime analysis report shows a huge increase of robberies with aggravating circumstances around Boipatong area, with Vaal Marina recording a significant decrease in these types of crimes. A minimal increase has been recorded in property related crimes, such as house burglaries, business burglaries, theft of motor vehicles, theft out of motor vehicles and stock theft in the region. Even though there is a minimal increase in sexual offences across the region, there are positives recorded with regard to rape incidents, where there is an overall decrease of rape incidents in most areas across the district. Recorded rape incidents seem to be taking place in areas classified as remote and semi-rural areas, comprising of vast and isolated plots. The causal factors for this significant increase of rape cases may be derived from associated socio-economic conditions such as poverty levels, excessive alcohol consumption, and general criminality often associated with these types of areas. There has also been a marginal increase of rape incidents in areas such as Vanderbijlpark, Sharpeville and Sebokeng, which may be attributed to entertainment places such as taverns and night clubs, and mostly taking place on weekends and at nights.

Service Delivery Budget and Implementation Plan (SDBIP) Performance Report

Service	Outline	Year 01		2022/2023			Year 02	Year 03		
Objectives	Service	Target	Actual	Target		Actual	Target			
Service	Targets	Previous	(iv)	*Previous	*Previous *Current (v		*Current	*Current	*Following	
Indicators (i)	(ii)	Year		Year	Year		Year	Year	Year	
		(iii)		(v)	(vi)		(viii)	(ix)	(x)	
Service Objective:	To conduct com	munity aware	ness camp	aigns						
Implement	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	
community safety	Community									
programmes	Safety									
	Programmes									
		•		•		1			T3.22.3	

Staff Complement

	Year 01	Year 02			
	Employees	Posts	Employees	Vacancies (Fulltime equivalents)	Vacancies (as a % of total posts)
	No	No	No	No	%
0 – 03	01	0	01	0	0%
04 – 06	04	01	03	01	0%
07 – 09	01	02	01	02	0%
10 – 12	01	0	01	0	0%
Total	07	03	06	03	0%
	'	•	1	•	T3.23.3

Comment on the performance of Community Safety overall

There is a high level of damage to assets and infrastructure such as cable theft across district, and this is negatively impacting on economic development of the region. Regular maintenance of infrastructure such as streetlights, potholes, cutting and removal of tall vegetation and bushes, house numbering and strengthening community police relations is highly encouraged, as this could eliminate existing opportunistic gaps often exploited by criminals.

COMPONENT G: DISASTER MANAGEMENT & FIRE SERVICES

3.21 FIRE SERVICES

Introduction to Fire Services

Firefighting services in terms of Schedule 04, Part B of the South African Constitution is the responsibility of local government with national and provincial oversight. The Fire Brigade Services Act (FBSA), 1987 (Act No. 99 of 1987) is the primary piece of legislation regulating fire services and provides for the establishment, maintenance, employment, co-ordination and standardization of fire brigade services. In terms of the FBSA, local authorities are allowed to establish and maintain a fire brigade service for the following purpose:

- Preventing the outbreak or spread of a fire;
- Fighting or extinguishing a fire;
- The protection of life or property against a fire or other threatening danger;
- The rescue of life or property from a fire or other danger;

In terms of Section 85 of the Municipal Structures Act No. 117 of 1998, the MEC has the power to adjust certain powers and functions between category B and C municipalities, which includes firefighting services. The MEC for Local Government in Gauteng opted to make adjustment/divisions for the function and accordingly, Sedibeng District Municipality is only responsible for Section 84 (1) (j) of the Municipal Structures Act 117 of 1998, which includes:

- planning, co-ordination and regulation of fire services;
- specialized firefighting services such as mountain, veld and chemical fire services;
- co-ordination of the standardization of infrastructure, vehicles, equipment and procedures; and

Training of fire officers.

During the year in question key Delivery Priorities of the district were as follows:

- Provision of specialized firefighting services. No claims were received from the local municipalities regarding specialized firefighting services as per Section 84 (1) j.
- Emergency Services Forum sittings. The main objective of this forum is to strengthen relations amongst all the
 Emergency Services within the region and also assist in planning and standardization of the function, inclusive
 of resources. Only two sittings took place. The third one was scheduled; however, it did not sit due to absence
 of two Local Municipalities.

Comments on the performance of fire services overall

Sedibeng District Municipality is only responsible for Section 84 (1) (j) of the Municipal Structures Act and does not render Fire brigade operational duties. In ensuring that principles of cooperative governance are promoted as well as integrated and coordinated efforts, the Emergency Services Forum met 2 times for the year under review. All the sittings were convened by the Sedibeng Disaster Management Directorate.

3.22 INTRODUCTION TO DISASTER MANAGEMENT

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the Disaster Management Directorate, which is established within Community Services cluster, is to promote an integrated; coordinated and multi-disciplinary system of disaster prevention, mitigation and risk management aimed at lessening impacts of natural hazards and related environmental, technological and biological hazards. The presentation of the 2022-2023 Sedibeng Disaster Management Centre Annual Report is in compliance with Section 50 of the Disaster Management Act (Act 57 of 2002, as amended). Section 50 (2)(a) of the Disaster Management Act stipulates that a Municipal Disaster Management Centre must, at the same time that its report is submitted to the municipal council, submit a copy of the report to the National Centre and the Disaster Management Centre of the province concerned. The purpose of the annual report is to present:

- An overview of the status of Disaster Management in the region
- Activities that were undertaken during the year under review, with regard to implementation of the Act and the Disaster Management Policy Framework.
- Challenges experienced during the term in question

Legislative mandate of the Sedibeng Disaster Management Centre

The Sedibeng Disaster Management Centre draws its legislative mandate from:

- Disaster Management Act (Act 57 of 2002), which provides for an integrated and coordinated approach to
 Disaster Management that is focused on rapid and effective response; recovery from disasters as well as
 reduction of Disaster Risk.
- Disaster Management Amendment Act (Act 16 of 2015), which seek, among others to clarify the policy focus on rehabilitation and functioning of Disaster Management Centres. The Act focuses on the crucial

role of Traditional Leaders, the impact of climate change and roles and responsibilities of local municipalities in Disaster Management.

The Sedibeng Disaster Management Plan and the Sedibeng Disaster Management Framework (2020) which comprises four (4) key performance area (KPAs) and three (3) supportive enablers required to achieve the objective set out in the KPAs. The KPAs and enablers are informed by specified objectives and, as required by the Disaster Management Act 2002, as amended, key performance indicators (KPIs) to guide and monitor progress.

Key performance area 1: Focuses on establishing the necessary institutional arrangements for implementing disaster risk management within the national, provincial and municipal spheres of government.

Key performance area 2. Addresses the need for disaster risk assessment and monitoring to set priorities, guide risk reduction action and monitor the effectiveness of our efforts.

Key performance area 3. Introduces disaster risk management planning and implementation to inform developmentally –orientated approaches, plans programmes and projects and reduces disaster risks.

Key performance area 4: Presents implementing priorities related to the establishment of an integrated and comprehensive information management and communication system for disaster response and recovery and rehabilitation.

- Enabler 1: Focuses on priorities related to the establishment of an integrated and comprehensive information management and communication system for disaster management.
- Enabler 2: Addresses disaster risk management priorities in education, training, public awareness and research.
- Enabler 3: Sets out mechanism for the funding of disaster risk management in South Africa.
- Fire Brigade Services Act (No. 99 of 1987): Provides for the establishment, maintenance, employment, coordination and standardisation of fire brigade services and matters connected therewith
- The White Paper of Fire Services (2020): Provides the current context in which the programme
 functions and the revised role of provincial fire services including the establishment strengthening of
 institutional capacity, intergovernmental/ advisory committees and the provision of research,
 education and training, among others.
- National Disaster Management Framework 2002: Recognises a diversity of risks and disaster that
 occur in South Africa, and gives priority to developmental measures that reduces the vulnerabilities and
 households. Also, in keeping with international best practice, the National Disaster Management
 Framework places explicit of disaster risk reduction concepts of disaster prevention and mitigation as the
 core principles to guide disaster risk management in South Africa.
- Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030: This is a non- binding voluntary framework
 whose main focus is on the reduction of disaster risk. It is the successor to the Hyogo Framework of
 Action (HFA) 2005-2015 and emphasises the importance of understanding disaster risk in all its aspects.
 The main focus is on understanding different dimensions of exposure, vulnerability, hazard, strengthening

of disaster risk governance, and accountability. The Sendai governance, and accountability. The Sendai seven Campaign-7 Targets, 7 years, was launched in 2016 with the main objectives of promoting the seven targets of the Sendai Seven Campaign over seven years. This is an advocacy initiative to encourage implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction with the goal of saving lives, reducing disaster losses and improving management of disaster risk.

- The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa (1996): Chapter Two of the Constitution of South Africa: All spheres of government are obliged to ensure the social and economic development of its citizens while preserving the ecosystem for future generations. If these rights are achieved it will increase the livelihood of the most vulnerable, protect the environment from degradation and stimulate economic development that will contribute to the necessary infrastructure that could reduce the risk of disasters or the impact of disasters. The SDM needs to promote disaster risk reduction initiatives that ensure sustainable ecological development in Sedibeng, while prompting economic and social developments.
- Local Government: Municipality System Act (No: 32 of 2000): This Act provides guidance to the PDMC's strategic intent and operations:
- To provide the core principles, mechanisms and processes necessary to allow for progressive municipal
 growth towards the social and economic upliftment of local communities, and ensure affordable universal
 access to essential services for all.
- To provide for the manner in which municipal authority and functions are exercised and performed.
- To establish a simple and enabling framework

ACTIVITIES ACCOMPLISHED DURING THE REPORTING TERM

INTERGOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURES/FORUMS

The Directorate has established several structures for effective planning, coordination and implementation of disaster management initiatives in the SDM.

The integrated institutional capacity is required to establish the necessary institutional measures for disaster risk management, which are formed within the principles of cooperative governance and stakeholder involvement in strengthening the municipal capacities to reduce the likelihood and severity of disaster.

2.1.1 Sedibeng Disaster Management Advisory Forum

In the spirit of co-operative governance (Chapter 3 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Act 108 of 1996) and in order for all relevant role players in disaster management in the municipal area to co-ordinate their actions on matters relating to disaster management as prescribed in Section 44 of the Disaster Management Act 57 of 2002, a Sedibeng District Municipality Disaster Management Advisory Forum (DMAF) has been established/restored as provided for in Section 51 of the above-mentioned Act, during the reporting term in question.

The aim of the DMAF is to provide a consultative medium through which all relevant disaster management role-players in the district can consult one another and co-ordinate their actions. The DMAF must make recommendations to the district Council on matters concerning disaster management. The Forum must also advice different organs of state, statutory functionaries, the private sector, non-governmental organisations or communities on any matter relating to disaster management.

During the reporting term, and in efforts to comply with the legislation, the Disaster Management directorate held the Sedibeng Disaster Management Advisory Forum in April 2023 and August 2022. The focus of the sittings were on different themes offered through presentations and deliberations.

PRESENTATIONS	KEY FOCUS AREAS
Role of National Organs of State in	Legal obligations for National Organs of State
Disaster	Role Players in the Advisory Forum
Management	National Disaster Management Policy Framework
February 2023 Emfuleni Floods	 Background on the floodings Summary statistics based on the assessment conducted Impacts Intervention measures Challenges
South African Weather Services:	Products offered by the South African Weather Services
Seasonal Forecast	Daily weather forecast for 7 days period
	Impact Based Warnings, Advisories & Fire Danger Warnings
	Seasonal Climate watch
	SAWS: Social Media pages
Disaster relief, declaration & Funding	Powers and Duties of MDMCs
	Coordination of relief efforts
	Disaster Assessment
	Powers and duties of sector Departments
	Disaster Declaration and Classification
	Disaster Grant Funding
Disaster Management Overview	The presentation highlighted the following:
	-The Disaster Management terminologies -The constitutional and legislative frame work - The overview on the provincial Disaster Management Centre (PDMC) • -The status of Sedibeng District Municipality Disaster Management: Functionality Assessment, reflecting also on challenges.
Disaster Management Advisory	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Disaster Management Advisory Forum Formation:	The purpose of the forum is to make provision for all relevant role players and stakeholders in disaster risk management in the District Municipality to integrate and co-ordinate their actions on matters relating to disaster risk management as prescribed in Section 51 of the Disaster Management Act No. 57 of 2002 and to further give effect to the principle of co-operative governance in the Sedibeng District Municipality
	The presentation highlighted the following:
	-The legislative mandate -Composition of the MDMAF -Management of MDMAF -Scope of Responsibilities

PRESENTATIONS		KEY FOCUS AREAS
		-Draft Terms of Reference
Seasonal Climate watch: S	outh	The presentation highlighted the following:
Africa Weather Services		-The recent rain -Rainfall Accumulation -Current Seasonal Rainfall prediction Aug-Sep-Oct 2022 -minimum temperature predictions Summary and conclusions Above normal rainfall expected for Gauteng for the next few months leading into summer Above normal temperatures expected for Gauteng Entering into severe thunderstorm season Optimal use of WhatsApp group Weekly weather outlooks

2.1.2. Emergency Services Forum

The Emergency Services forum is a forum that deals with Emergency Services in the region. The role of the forum is to provide leadership and guidance to ensure that the fire and rescue services, inclusive of Emergency Medical Services operate efficiently, remain capable and are able to adapt and respond to the ever-changing environment of emergency services. The committee proactively supports and promote the development of common processes, practices and procedures that enable Emergency Services in the region to provide a safe and effective operations to meet the range of incidents which they may encounter.

In the last financial year, the Sedibeng Disaster Management Centre convened two ESF sittings, with key focus on the floodings that were taking place in the region.

2.2. PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

The Disaster Management directorate facilitates and continues to accelerate disaster awareness and education campaigns within communities in the region. Such programs are aimed at educating community members on the prevalence of most of the top identified risks and also to create disaster resilient communities. Moreover, the programs are focused on addressing local disaster risk dynamics and even response to disaster incidents. Through the programs, there is also fostering of partnerships with relevant stakeholders to enhance Disaster Management education and training programmes.

In implementation of the programmes the directorate and other relevant stakeholders strives to instill the culture of risk avoidance, improve response mechanisms and even share indigenous knowledge in dealing with incidents. Hence, the efforts are multi-disciplinary in focus and continuous in nature. Section 44 (1) (h) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) calls for the MDMC to "promote disaster management capacity building, training and education, including in schools, in the municipal area. Advocacy and public awareness, as defined in Enabler 2 of the Disaster Management Policy Framework, mandates us to promote the culture of risk avoidance through integrated education, training and public awareness. It is for this reason that the Sedibeng Disaster Management Centre held different initiatives to address this.

During the year under review, the directorate initiated and carried out various disaster prevention and mitigation initiatives. These include the commemoration of commemoration of special days with intention of

informing, educating and empowering communities, disaster management campaigns, etc. The initiatives are prescribed by Enabler 2 of the Disaster Management Policy Framework, which recognizes advocacy and public awareness as effective measures for Disaster Risk Reduction.

In efforts to combat disaster risks, some of the key programmes that were implemented during the year under review are as follows:

THE BUCKET BRIGADE TRAINING PROGRAMME AT PILLIS FARM, KLIPRIVIER: MIDVAAL LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

In advocating for Community capacitation and self-reliance, the Sedibeng Disaster Management Centre, coordinated training of community bucket brigades for Fire fighting. The programme took place at Pilisi Farm: Kliprivier, under the Midvaal Local Municipality. 50 community members were trained as bucket brigades, 62 community members were in attendance of the program and all provided with buckets, as contributed by the Provincial Disaster Management Centre.

The bucket brigade technique involves passing of water in a bucket from one person to another so as to suppress a fire, especially in informal settlements. This technique is very effective and proactive because fires, especially in informal settlements develops very fast that even a fire truck ready and waiting at a nearest fire station will not reach before a home is destroyed. The effectiveness of the bucket brigade technique however depends on adequate water supply and the flow rate of water.

Moreover, during the Bucket Brigade programme and as part of fire risk reduction, 30 smoke alarms, as fire preventative measure (early warning mechanism) were installed in the homes of people with disabilities, elderlies and child headed households. The Smoke alarms were provided by SANTAM. The third session of the programme encompassed distribution of whistles, again, as early warning measure for alerting community members on any incident emanating and when assistance/response is needed.

All the above initiatives were in collaboration with AGAPE NGO, Provincial Disaster Management Centre, Midvaal Local Municipality Traffic and Road Safety unit, Working on Fire (WOF), as part of the SANTAM fire awareness initiatives.





2022 INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR DISASTER RISK (IDDR) COMMEMORATION

The annual commemoration of the International Day for Disaster Reduction (IDDR) is a celebration of how people across the globe are reducing their risk to disasters, advocating for risk reduction and raising awareness about the

importance of mitigating the disasters they face. This commemoration provides a platform for encouraging individuals, communities, government and civil society to contribute and become agents of change in building disaster resilient communities, countries and regions.

The IDDR is celebrated on 13 October every year as per Resolution 64/200 of the United Nations General Assembly; which, amongst other deliverables, reaffirmed the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction as the primary mechanism for development, promotion and improvement of disaster reduction method. The need to build capacities of institutions at local, national and regional levels as a way of building resilience was also highlighted, as well as systematic incorporation of DRR approaches in the implementation of emergency preparedness, response and recovery programmes, as well as long term development plans.

The 2022 IDDR is under Target G which is "Substantially increase the availability of and access to multi-hazard early warning systems and disaster risk information and assessments to the people by 2030".

The Sedibeng Disaster Management collaborated with the Provincial Disaster Management Centre in physical events in commemorating the IDDR day. The commemoration was on the 17th of November 2022 and was carried out in two-folds. Firstly, the MEC, Executive Mayor and MMC: Health & Social Development, Local Councillors and community members together with Officials from different fraternities (Fire Services, Rand Water, Department, GDARD, SDM, PDMC, etc) embarked on a Risk assessment ground-truthing tour (Community Based Risk Assessments and physical site visits) at Soul City informal settlement in Tshepiso: Ward 22, Emfuleni. Saul City is an informal Settlement comprising of over 100 households. The primary purpose of this community risk assessment was to provide *data* to better inform local decisions on implementation of risk reduction measures. Such effective Community Risk Assessment contributes to a greater understanding of:

- The nature and level of risks that Soul City community is faced with;
- where these risks come from;
- who will be worst affected;
- what means are available at all levels to reduce the risks:
- what initiatives can be undertaken to reduce the vulnerability and strengthen the capacities of people at risk.

The Community Based Risk Assessment revealed that the Ward 22 community has settled on Rand Water Pipelines, Eskom and Sasol Servitudes. This is termed encroachment. Encroachment is when an individual who knowingly or unknowingly occupies, settles on or trespasses on servitudes, culverts, valve chambers, etc.

These encroachments have the following associated risks:

- Potential danger to people's lives and properties if a pipe burst should occur (life threatening);
- A fault anywhere on the power lines of Eskom may cause very high current to flow towards the ground, which may hurt or kill people;
- A conductor might break due to strong winds or bad weather and land on an informal house or a person and cause loss of life or serious injuries;
- Gas leakages from the SASOL pipelines may cause loss of life or serious injuries;
- access to infrastructure is virtually impossible in certain points for maintenance and repairs;
- Safety risks to personnel patrolling and/or servicing the pipelines/pylons.

The outcome of the tour revealed that the community of Soul City is faced with life threatening hazards that can lead to loss of lives and properties, serious injuries and even major damages to properties.





2022 IDDR Commemoration: 2nd phase

The second phase of the Commemoration included Ward Councillors from the 3 local Local Municipalities with the main objective being to capacitate and to empower them on the dissemination of early warning systems and mechanisms, in line with the 2022 IDDR Commemoration. The second phase was held at Emerald Casino Resort. The following presentations were done during the session:

- South African Weather Services
- 2. Rand Water
- 3. SASOL

All the presentations emphasized on early warning systems and risk reduction. The outcomes of the IDDR event included:

- Understanding and interpreting Early Warning Systems
- Dissemination of Early Warning information
- Understanding the hazard profile of the District and Local Municipality
- Collaboration with relevant stakeholders to prepare and mitigate incidents





RAND WATER EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WORKSHOP

Rand Water as a National Key Point (NKP) is obliged to ensure safety of its employees and also that of the general community in terms of their operations. The entity needs to be at all times ready and prepared for any eventualities that may happen like gas leakages, which may affect the general public. Disaster Risk Management activities on the other hand must be integrated into the routine activities of important sectors or entities like NKPs, so as to ensure safety of the general public.

In pursuit of promoting disaster resilient environment and also ensuring that Rand Water as a National Key Point comply to safety measures, the Disaster Management directorate held a one-day Emergency Preparedness workshop for Rand Water employees as part of the Rand Water 120 years celebration.

The key focus of the workshop was on the following themes:

- Alerting Workers and nearby communities of an emergency
- Establishment of Emergency Plan and appointment of Emergency Coordinators
- Fire Safety
- Road Safety





SEDIBENG DISASTER MANAGEMENT EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRES RISK REDUCTION AWARENESS PROGRAMME: MIDVAAL LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

In advocating for community capacitation, the Sedibeng Disaster Management Centre held a Risk Reduction awareness programme on the 19th of April 2023 focusing on Early Childhood Development Centres (ECDs) in Midvaal Local Municipality: Sicelo Community Hall, with beneficiaries being children from the age of 3 to 6 as well as their caregivers, educators, school counsellors, and principals.

Number of ECD'S	Principals	Practitioners	Children
33	34	66	745

The key purpose of the programme was to make the ECD Practitioners and the learners aware of the risks that they may be faced with on a day-to-day basis within the schooling environments and even at homes. The programme focused on reduction of vulnerability to incidents/disasters and Preparedness for when incidents/disasters occur, with emphasis on:

- Increasing awareness on the hazards and possible risks related to fire and road safety
- Reducing the likelihood of child entering an unsafe situation
- Clear demonstration of how to respond to an unsafe situation, like fire applying the STOP, DROP AND ROLL TECHNIQUE
- Emergency Evacuation
- First Aid Training

Role players that took part in the programme are as follows:

- The Gauteng Department of Education
- Gauteng Social Development
- Road Traffic Management Corporation

- Sedibeng Disaster Management
- Sedibeng Community Safety Forum
- Rand-water
- Eskom
- Midvaal Traffic Department
- Midvaal Fire Department
- Working on Fire





INCIDENTS THAT OCCURED IN THE REGION DURING THE YEAR IN QUESTION AND RESPONSE INTERVENTIONS

One of the key competencies of Disaster Risk Management is the response, recovery and the provision of relief for communities affected by severe emergency or tragic conditions that are related to disasters. In the definition of "Disaster Management", as entailed in the Disaster Management Act, Act 57of 2002 & as amended Act No. 16 of 2016, it is stipulated that:

"Disaster management" means a continuous and integrated multi-sectoral, multi-disciplinary process aimed at planning and implementation of measures aimed at:

- a) Preventing or reducing the risk of disasters;
- b) Mitigating the severity or consequences of disasters;
- c) Emergency preparedness; and
- d) Post -disaster recovery and rehabilitation.

Since the beginning of the financial year 2022/2023, the region has experienced numerous disastrous occurrences resulting from hazards such as fires, floods and severe storms which have resulted in significant losses of properties, lives, infrastructure and even ecosystems.

DECEMBER 2022 MIDVAAL LOCAL MUNICIPALITY FLOODS

On the 10th of December 2022 in the morning, Kliprivier areas in Midvaal Local Municipality were hit by floodings, whereby some houses were flooded. The causal factor was the over-flow of the Kliprivier.

Type0 of	Areas affected & No.	Damages	Immediate Interventions	Current Status		
incident, Date &	of families					
LM						
Midvaal Floods: 10 Dec 2022	Klipriver: Everite 10 Families	Houses under water.	3 tents pitched by Midvaal Fire Services, SDM provided Midvaal with the tents. 18 blankets and 9 mattresses were provided. SDM officials did assessment in the area, together with Midvaal Officials	Families moved back into houses; the houses belong to Everite Company have insurance		
	Klipriver: Khayelitsha 25 families affected	Informal Houses under water.	Incidents reported to Foodbank Some of the people relocated to upper lying areas, 4 tents were pitched, 10 mattresses provided and 20 blankets. Incidents reported to Foodbank	All informal houses that were affected have been moved to higher grounds at the same property. The move was done by Midvaal Development & Planning and with assistance from the Red Ants		
	Daleside 10 families	Houses under water.	SDM did assessment in the area, no relief material was required as families moved in with relatives/neighbours	5 of the affected families are not insured and a preliminary costing of R500 000 is estimated for damaged.		
	Infrastructure Damages (Roads)	Potholes, other damages	None	Estimated cost of R500 000 proposed for repairs.		





FEBRUARY 2023 EMFULENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY FLOODS

In February 2023, Emfuleni Local municipality was hit by incidents floodings. The assessment findings indicated that a total of 1626 people and 657 households were affected by the floodings and 104 people were displaced and

accommodated in different established temporary shelters (54 people at Boikago school: Evaton and 50 in Lochvaal temporary shelter) and others moved in with families and relatives. There were no confirmed fatalities emanating from the flooding incidents according to the assessment. There were however two drowning cases reported in the area and also 98 sheep and goats that were killed.

The table below illustrates the severity of the disaster impact based on number of households, number of people affected and humanitarian relief provided per area. It must be noted that the analysis of the affected areas and incidents statistics and interventions are based on:

- Submission from Ward Councillors, community members and CDWs (Verified by assessors through ground truthing)
- Physical assessments and site visits

Affected Areas and relief provided

Area	Ward	Affected House Holds	Affected People	No of displaced people	Food Packs	Blankets	Matrasses	Sand Bags	Tents	Sails
Evaton	43/44	137	276	50	50	54	54			
Palm Springs	20/43	38	183		50					
Small Farm	18/29	30	91		35					
Kanana	29	18	4							
Evaton West	24/26/28	18	12	4	15	12	12			
Polokong	25	28	84		50					
Sonderwater	28	33	123		35					
Beverly Hills	28	39	110							
Lakeside	41	7	22							
Boitumelo	27	29	74		29					
Hostel Sebokeng	2	5	21							1
Golden Gardens	17	3	7							
Zone 3	41	7	21							
Tshepiso P3	11	40	85		40					
Boipatong	8	4	10			1	1			
Barrage Informal Houses	25	53	127		31	127	127			2
Lochvaal/Rietspruit	25	119	225	50	18	67	67	67	5	
Bloempark	25	28	70			70	70	83	5	2
Miravaal	25	11	51		0	51	51			
Rosashof	25	4	6		5	6	6			
Nanascol	25	6	24		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		657	1626	104	358	388	388	150	10	5

Statistics based on the assessment conducted

- Total number of structures damaged = Small farms 2 mud houses partially damaged and 1 Informal house in Evator
- Ward 28 (Evaton West, Beverly Hills and Dubai Informal settlement were assessed) most houses were waterlogged. Calls were handed over to Emfuleni roads and storm water.



Picture 1 above depicts a flooded house Adam Str



Picture 2 depicts shacks built next to river banks in Hamilton



Picture 9: dead livestock



Picture 10:Farm Workers assesing loss



Picture 7: Disaster Management officials conducting damade assessment conducting damade assessment



Picture 8: Disaster Management officials

Infrastructure Damages and Road Closures

Impact assessment conducted revealed that several infrastructure and public facilities are affected:

Schools	Roads & bridges	Closed & damaged Roads
Radipeu School Mitchen for feeding scheme flooded program Four classrooms flooded and study material Entrance washed away	Road no: p175/1 Road name: Potchefstroom Road Section: km 5,0 Defects: Road layers and embankment washed away around the bridge. Road completely closed to traffic.	 Golf Road: Flooded (closed) Brand Muller: Flooded (closed) General Hertzog: Flooded (closed) Boy Louw: Flooded (closed) Plaas kombuis road (Glen Donnald road): Flooded (closed)
	Road no: p24/1 Road name: r54 Potchefstroom Road Section: km 60,00 Defects: Road embankment washed away around the bridge. One lane of the single carriageway is closed to traffic.	Falcon Road (between Palm Springs and Evaton): Damaged Road layers washed away

Loss of Livestock

It must be noted that 98 sheep and goats were also killed due to the floods in Evaton and GDARDE has already done Verification assessment, with the following key findings and interventions:

- Positioning of the farm is vulnerable as it is situated on a floodline.
- Erected the structures within the riverbed.
- Keeping and breeding of animals is not allowed in the township hence the township farmers are not supported by GDARDE.
- Zoonotic diseases are caused by livestock farmers who keep their animals within the township.
- The farmer owns another farm in Poortjie which is bigger and safer for livestock keeping and breeding.
- The team also found out that the farmer is not registered on the GDARDE database for farmer support.
- The farmer was given forms to fill and submit them at GDARDE head office.

Summary of Incidents and Relief provided

Overall Affected People	Type of Incidents	Total of Incidents
2253	Informal House Fires	71
	Formal House Fires	37
	Roofs Blown off	43
	Water Logged Yards	476
	Houses Flooded	42
	Block of Flats Fire	29
	Tree falling on informal House	1
	Other	0
'	Total of Incidents	699

Type of Relief Material	Total of
	Relief
Blankets	987
Food Parcel	408
Tents	23
Mattress	919
Tarpaulins	51
Sand Bags	150
Total Relief	
Provided	2538

	Total
Fatalities	1 (drowning)
Injured	5 (fire injuries)

SUPPORT RECEIVED FROM PDMC ON RELIEF MATERIAL

MONTH	QUANTITY
December 2022	80 Blankets
January 2023	1500 blankets
	1000 mattrasses
	100 roof sheets
June 2023	300 blankets
	40 roof sheets

MAJOR CHALLENGES IN IMPLEMENTING THE LEGISLATION

While the Functionality Assessment conducted by the Provincial Disaster Management Centre reflects some improvement for the district in terms of Disaster Management, there are still some critical challenges that impede on effectiveness of the Sedibeng Disaster Management Centre.

Challenges	Impact of the challenge	Proposed remedial action
Lack of Fully- Fledged Disaster Management Centre	 Contravention of sec 43 (1) of the DMA Ineffective Coordination and Liaison 	 Request provincial and National Intervention
Misalignment with local Municipalities (ELM)	Inopportune decision- making/consultation	 Inclusion of LM Portfolio in Decision-making structures
Lack of provision of Disaster Management Grant (Funding)	 Inability to provide support during disaster (contribute to response efforts) 	 Request to Province to allocate grant for disaster Management.
Linear Departmental structure (Organogram)	■ No Specialization	 Restructuring
DM: unfunded mandate	No Funding	
Ailing Resources (very old vehicles)	 Affect promptness of response and rolling out of other functions 	 Request assistance from PDMC
No Disaster Management Liaison at Emfuleni Local Municipality	 Poor repository and conduit for information pertaining to Disaster Management, disasters, emergencies for the Local municipality and poor Coordination between SDMC an Emfuleni 	 Emfuleni to establish a Disaster Management Unit

Service Delivery Budget and Implementation Plan (SDBIP) Performance Report

Promote disaster resilient communities	Disaster management awareness	Implement Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) programmes.	G3	Number of Disaster Risk Reduction awareness programmes	G3.1
		P9		conducted	
Promote disaster resilient communities	Disaster Relief and Response efforts	To Establish Response Stakeholder Directory		Number of Response Directory	
Promote disaster resilient communities	Revive Disaster Management Advisory Forum	Effective arrangements for Disaster Management stakeholders' participation		Number of Forums sitting	

Staff Complement

	Year 01	Year 02			
	Employees	Posts	Employees	Vacancies (Fulltime equivalents)	Vacancies (as a % of total posts)
	No	No	No	No	%
0 – 03	01	02	01	1	0%
04 – 06	02	02	02	0	50%
07 – 09	02	02	02	0	0%
10 – 12	09	09	09	0	0%
Total	14	14	14	0	0%
		1	1	•	T3.23.3

Financial Performance Year 0: Disater Management, Animal Licencing and Control, Control of Public Nuisances, Etc R'000							
	Year -1 Year 0						
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget		
Total Operational Revenue							
Expenditure:							
Employees	9,039	9,059	8,667	8,514	-6%		
Repairs and Maintenance							
Other	195	170	184	154	-10%		
Total Operational Expenditure	9,234	9,229	8,851	8,668	-6%		
Net Operational Expenditure	9,234	9,229	8,851	8,668	-6%		
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances are calculated by dividing the difference between the Actual							
and Original Budget by the Actual.	and Original Budget by the Actual.						

Comment on the performance of Disaster Management

The directorate achieved its objectives as stipulated in the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) for the financial year in question. For the region to enhance compliance and to ensure effective implementation of the guidelines as set by the NDMC, it is critical that there is a move towards ensuring that all KPAs are implemented. The KPAs are informed by specific objectives and KPIs to guide and monitor progress.

FIRE SERVICES

Introduction to Fire Services

Firefighting services in terms of Schedule 04, Part B of the South African Constitution is the responsibility of local government with national and provincial oversight. The Fire Brigade Services Act (FBSA), 1987 (Act No. 99 of 1987) is the primary piece of legislation regulating fire services and provides for the establishment, maintenance, employment, co-ordination and standardization of fire brigade services. In terms of the FBSA, local authorities are allowed to establish and maintain a fire brigade service for the following purpose:

- Preventing the outbreak or spread of a fire;
- Fighting or extinguishing a fire;

- The protection of life or property against a fire or other threatening danger;
- The rescue of life or property from a fire or other danger;

In terms of Section 85 of the Municipal Structures Act No. 117 of 1998, the MEC has the power to adjust certain powers and functions between category B and C municipalities, which includes firefighting services. The MEC for Local Government in Gauteng opted to make adjustment/divisions for the function and accordingly, Sedibeng District Municipality is only responsible for Section 84 (1) (j) of the Municipal Structures Act 117 of 1998, which includes:

- planning, co-ordination and regulation of fire services;
- specialized firefighting services such as mountain, veld and chemical fire services;
- co-ordination of the standardization of infrastructure, vehicles, equipment and procedures; and
- Training of fire officers.

During the year in question key Delivery Priorities of the district were as follows:

- Provision of specialized firefighting services. No claims were received from the local municipalities regarding specialized firefighting services as per Section 84 (1) j.
- Emergency Services Forum sittings. The main objective of this forum is to strengthen relations amongst all the
 Emergency Services within the region and also assist in planning and standardization of the function, inclusive
 of resources. Only two sittings took place. The third one was scheduled; however, it did not sit due to absence
 of two Local Municipalities.
- The Provincial Disaster Management Centre allocated grants to the three local municipalities in the region during the year in question for capacitation of Fire Services in the region. The amounts allocated were as follows:

Emfuleni Local Municipality: R7.8 million Midvaal Local Municipality: R7.8 million Lesedi Local Municipality: R4.2 million.

Comments on the performance of fire services overall

Sedibeng District Municipality is only responsible for Section 84 (1) (j) of the Municipal Structures Act and does not render Fire brigade operational duties. In ensuring that principles of cooperative governance are promoted as well as integrated and coordinated efforts, the Emergency Services Forum met 2 times for the year under review. All the sittings were convened by the Sedibeng Disaster Management Directorate.

COMPONENT H: SPORT AND RECREATION

3.23 SPORT AND RECREATION

Financial Performance Year 0: Sport and Recreation						
	Year -1		Yea	r0		
Detaile	Actu al	Origin al Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actu al	Variance to Budget	
Total Operation al Revenue						
Expenditure:						
Employees	1,631	1,722	1,903	1,952	12%	
Repairs and Maintenance						
Other	13	13	20	21	37%	
Total Operation al Expenditure	1,644	1,735	1,923	1,972	12%	
Net Operational Expenditure	1,644	1,735	1,923	1,972	12%	
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1	1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances	are calculated by divi	ding the difference b	etween the Actual		
and Original Budget by the Actual.					T 3.23.4	

Promote, support and resuscitate sport and recreation in the South Corridor.

The slow re-emergence and aftermath recovery of the COVID 19 Pandemic since March 2020 to 2022, had produced serious impact challenges across the entire spectrum of our sport and recreation operations, as most activities across all spheres of government, the private sector and to a large degree the economy domestically and globally shut down to a minimum never experienced before, which created conditions that impacted negatively on various sectors of sport and recreation fraternities as numerous sporting codes, facilities and recreation activity seized to operate under these conditions.

The impact assessment of the Pandemic over this period revealed numerous abrupt dysfunctionality of well-structured sectors of sport and recreation that came to a complete halt that requires a complete reset/re-establishment of various sporting codes including the resuscitation of primary recreation facilities that experienced the impacts of the functional adjustments during this period as very limited opportunities existed to continue to support the various impacted sectors to re-invent there capacity and functionality which took a long protracted development approach in developing the growth of these sectors including massive fiscal and capacity influences over the past, that now requires new strategic approaches to augment its resurgence of its former advances in these sectors.

The Sport and Recreation division had to migrate to digital virtual platforms to effectively continue to facilitate the coordinating functions with strategic stakeholders/partners in pursuance of performance targets as per the SDBIP and IDP operational prescriptions which remained unadjusted to the reality of the impact of the Pandemic, however despite these conditions the Sports and Recreation Division sought to comply with the strategic outcomes of the SDBIPs to the best of its ability and continued with its coordination role by assisting and supporting Provincial DSACR, DE, Tert0iary Institutions and Local Municipalities in assessing their development trajectory in the 09 Prioritized Sporting Development Codes identified, including giving priority to reinvigorate the functionality of Sports Council's in creating a climate conducive in achieving strategic developmental outcomes of the various sports disciplines which is at different phases of development and maturity within Sedibeng region.

The overall impact across all spheres of Government has necessitated the re-think of how business continuity remains viable in the current conditions and the natural migration to a digital platforms using Al technological advancements has brought very interesting and dynamic innovations to the resuscitation strategies of re-building the various sectors to their former glory would require complete migration and/or partial re-invention of how to be more effective and sufficient in a

re-worked environment influenced by modern technology in regaining advances or quick wins in normalising the status quo more holistically that can create a conducive environment in fulfilling the Vision and Mission through identified new/modified options in giving effect to these strategic outcomes.

A major new concern analysed during this period was the consistent vandalism culture that had emerged during the complete shutdown of operations as numerous sports and recreation facilities became targeted areas of asset stripping to the point of complete operational collapse, as many stadiums and other sporting or recreational facilities became victims of this new culture, which exposes the challenges of custodianship and ownership of these facilities within the communities that have been fortunate to have had the advantage of having this opportunity, the need to establish a workable solution in the future is probably fast becoming a focussed area to resolve this misguided culture from creating unwarranted destruction and delays in the restoration of the sectors.

The Provincial DSARC has embarked on a programme in all five corridors of Gauteng to focus on the establishment of out-door community gymnasiums, artificial Turf development programmes along with some facility infrastructure assistance grants that has an 8% maintenance clause, set aside for future maintenance that would greatly assist our financially strapped Local Government institutions, Provincial DSACR has embarked on a program with the Department of Education to develop 69 combi-courts and sports facilities at schools within our communities that could seriously impact on the challenge of managing the culture of vandalism in our communities and has also established a support grant program in developing swimming pools and libraries/memory centres in our areas of jurisdiction.

Our Core Responsibilities of Sports and Recreation Division remains constant:

- Coordinate developmental sports programs of the 11 priority Sporting Codes as identified in Gauteng Province.
- Facilitate the development of a Recreational Policy for the South Corridor that focusses on the geographic natural landscape aligned to the Provincial Policy.
- Establish strategic partnerships to advance our holistic Sport and Recreation developmental agenda of creating academia of excellency for specific codes.
- Identify sport talents that would require specific development in our National Colours Program, including Olympic status.
- Develop the turnaround strategy of our Region through a Revised Sports Plan.
- Facilitate the impact of the Recreational Policy for the Region once approved.
- Facilitate the identification of Sporting Facilities that can assist in developing our variable Sporting Codes more appropriately.
- The Vitality Netball World Cup scheduled a massive country wide, province to province and region to region awareness marketing expose of exhibiting the Netball World Cup Trophy which the Provincial MEC of Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture had presented the World Cup Trophy to the Executive Mayor of SDM, Cllr. Lerato Maloka who handed it over to the Executive Mayor of Midvaal Local Municipality at Sicelo Sports ground and Executive Mayor of Emfuleni at Saul Tsotetsi Sports Complex in Sebokeng in separate presentations of the program in that lasted from the morning to the evening because of the tour route that incorporated presentations at the various venues mentioned in the report.
- 30th of May 2023, in Sedibeng District Municipality the nostalgia and hype created by the hosting of the Netball World Cup in Cape Town during August 2023 has produced an element of excitement as Sedibeng and the rest of the Country as the pre-marketing program of taking event to each Province has stimulated the interest in the growing sporting code of Netball in South Africa noting the portfolio of evidence of some of our successes regarding Sport and Recreation.





Summary of the annual performance of Sport and Recreation Division

The Hanyani Wellness Programs was hosted in Sedibeng District Municipality in collaboration with Provincial DSARC on the following dates and areas.

- On the 9th of July 2022, at the Boipatong Stadium in ward 8, as a build-up program of the Commemoration of the Boipatong Massacre on the 17th of June 2022 in Emfuleni LM, targeted participation was 500 people, however 830 people participated.
- On the 15TH of July 2022, at the Vischkuil, Kwazanzele Stadium in Lesedi LM, targeted 500 participants, however 952 people participated, and
- On the 11th of August 2022, the third addition of the program was held in Evaton Zone 3, Stadium as a build-up program for the Presidential Imbizo on the 12th of August 2022, at the Sharpeville Cricket Pitch, targeted audience participation was 500 and 828 people participated, noting that all three programs focused on the following sporting codes:
 - 5 km Fun Walk, Aerobics, Active Ageing Program, Football and Netball with overwhelming community support and participation
- The O R Tambo Soncini Social Cohesion Games, hosted at Germiston Stadium on the 29 30 October 2022, produced the following sporting codes:
 - a. Football (Male & Female and Intellectually impaired males,
 - b. Netball (Male & Female)
 - c. Rugby (Male & Female)
 - d. Basketball (Male & Female)
 - e. Athletics (Male, Female Intellectually Impaired and Physical Disabled)
 - f. Swimming (Male, Female and Physically Disabled)
 - g. Chess (Male, Female, and the Physical Disabled).
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Promote and Support Arts & Culture Programmes

The SRACH Directorate which include the Arts and Culture Division was highly impacted under the current period of review and suffered the impact consequences of the Pandemic as mentioned before in the report, however ongoing strategic partnerships with loyal patrons and the Provincial DSACR programs within the Arts & Culture fraternity continue to resuscitate the fledging sector, however emphasis should be placed on defining a strategic partnership agreement to restore, build and operate the theatres at a more tactical operations level that would attract Theatre development standards across theatres under our jurisdiction especially the Vereeniging Theatre in the centre of the Constitutional Square that has to be restored to its former glory to resuscitate audience development and exposure to the different genres of the performing arts, this must include our previous approaches of the "Arts to the People programs' round robin approach that expands the opportunity to all our theatres in the South Corridor which has been highly vandalized and inoperable currently in Sharpeville, Boipatong, and Mphalatesane Theatre in Sebokeng that could all act as talent identification centres in the Arts and Culture Fraternity that would lay the foundation of eventually establishing a Region School of the Arts to develop the entire South Corridor sufficiently as Arts and Culture has a huge potential to become a New Economic Driver through the developmental opportunities with the underprivileged communities who have consolidated and registered capable institutions and NPO who has tremendous funding opportunities in processing

support from donor agencies that could augment operational strategic partners in developing the Arts and Culture sector into futuristic Industry within the South Corridor by giving our communities the expediency necessary to develop within their preferred sectors of the Arts and Culture Industry by focusing on the following since we have just established a professional Officer capacity in the Division of Arts and Culture by:

- Facilitating a proper due diligence on our facilities to determine the best operational options for our facilities to operate more effectively, professionally, and developmental in enhancing the sector.
- Establish the Development of the Creative Industries as a New Economic Driver in the South Corridor by implementing strategic developmental programs.
- Develop the turnaround strategies with our practioners for Arts & Culture and Theatres in our Region.
- Develop the South Corridor "School of the Arts' in our Region at our major facilities in a more nuanced method associated to our 'Arts to the People Program
- Facilitate Strategic Partnerships and peculiar adoptions of specific sectors/programs through Social Responsibility mechanisms around taxation and the issuing of this types of exemptions as a strategy to overcome under development in our various Divisions within SRACH Holistically (5% write off) as we pay a lot of taxes on salaries but cannot apply for most Government support grants.
- Consider Public, Private, Partnerships that can create mutual beneficiation opportunities for all our operations to advance the development of our various sectors and divisions within SRACH.

The current period of review comes at a time when we have just started our slow recovery after the Pandemic, focussing on re-operationalising our facilities and functions to an area of acceptable standards and practises, aligned to the DDM model that could facilitate a holistic impact assessment of powers, functions and management of specific functions within the change management envisaged, noting the dire conditions of our facilities which needs major refurbishment and maintenance to remain effective in moving forward in the Arts and Culture Division to restore confidence in the sector which impacts on the strategic emphasis of how it it impact on the final adjustments in the re-design:

- Implement the National Arts Council Act 56 of 1997
- Cultural Institutions Act 119 of 1998
- National Film and Video Foundations Act 73 of 1997
- Cultural Laws Amendment Act 36 of 2001

Summary of the Annual performance of Arts and Culture

- From the 6th to 13th of August 2022, <u>Show Your Talent Competition</u>: Hosted by the Arts and Culture Division in collaboration and partnering with Show Your Talent Group, Curro School in Vanderbijlpark, Talent Africa and DBV Productions, which focussed on the following genres of the Arts:
 - o Dancing, Acting, Creative Works, Modelling, Photogenic, Singing, Variety Arts and Instruments.
 - The top ten finalist received trophies/certificates and the overall grand Prize winner received a cheque of R10,000-00.









- 22ND of November 2022, The Creative Productions Mentorship Program, of DSARC and SDM/Arts and Culture
 was hosted at Boipatong Memorial and Youth Centre where 182 community members participated.
- 22nd of February 2023, The First PMT meeting of the Human Rights Month Programme met at the Vereeniging Library and the SDM, Arts and Culture Division participated in the establishment of the joint Provincial, District and Local Municipalities Events Coordinating Committee (ECC) that was responsible for the Arts & Culture disciplines, noting that weekly PMT meeting where held, which still required the separate meetings of the working group and through weekly reports and implementation to the plenary of the PMT.
- 7th of March 2023, a Stake Holder engagement with the Concerned Arts and Culture, Heritage Foundation from Evaton was held at the Vereeniging Theatre to develop common understandings of the different needs in various genres of Arts and Culture disciplines in the region.
- 17th of March 2023, the ECC met to adjudicate on the artist and performers associated to the Main Event on Human Rights Day and preliminary programs that included preparations for a dry run-on the 20th of March 2023 at George Thabe Stadium.

- 18th of March 2023, the Imbalwa Story Telling Program of Survivors & a Film expose was held at the Sharpeville Monument in collaboration with the Khulumani Group, DSACR, Gauteng Film Commission and SDM- Arts & Culture
- 21st of March 2023, in collaboration with DSARC, Craft Hub Division and SDM-Arts & Culture Held a
 successful Arts and Craft Exhibition and Market at the Old Sharpeville Police Station and the Sharpeville
 Monument, including the procurement of the following Artist and Performers for the 21st of March 2023, Human
 Rights Day
 - -Lesedi Gospel Choir, participated in the morning wreath laying ceremony at Phelindaba Cemetery
 - St. John Brass Band at the ceremony at the Sharpeville Monument second phase program.

The following artists performed at George Thabe Sports Ground, were procured by the ECC, and paid by Gauteng Province Department of Sport, Art, Culture and Recreation: for the main event **formal program** being:

- Director: Makhwekhwe
- DJ: Paya (from Sharpeville)
- Artists: -Brazo
- Jus Sam (From Sharpeville)
- City Boz (From Sharpeville)
- Dance
- Maths (Dipalo)(From Sharpeville
- Sello Malete (Gospel artist) (From Vaal/Sedibeng
- Poet: Tsoana Nhlapo (From Sharpeville)
- Choir: singing RSA national Anthem and AU Anthem (African Sweet Melodies (Sebokeng)
- 24th of March 2023, SDM Arts & Culture in partnership with Gauteng Province Department of Arts and Culture and Emfuleni SRAC organized a "Dry run" for **Puisano Jazz festival**. Dry run at Dlomo Dam, Sharpeville
- 25th of March 2023, Sedibeng District Municipality SRAC & H, Emfuleni SRAC and Gauteng Province Sport Arts, Culture & Recreation held the **Puisano Jazz Festival**, (the following Six (6) development Jazz Band groups performed for payment through SDM/SRACH including VIP Catering during the Human Rights programme at Dlomo Dam:
 - -Sharpeville Swingsters
 - -Black 3 jazz band
 - -Inganekwane jazz band
 - -Arch of art jazz band
 - -Bongani Jazzman Majola
 - -Preeminent Antics Jazz band

Gauteng Province, Department of SACR (Sport, Arts, Culture & Recreation) was responsible for procurement and payment of stage, sound, and marshals. including the following artists were paid by Gauteng DSACR, (Directorate of Creative Performance):

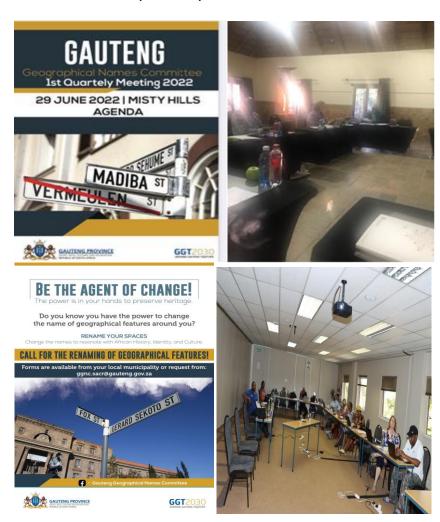
- Mccoy Mrubata,
- DJ. Tank,

- JT The Voice
- Programme Director: T Bose.

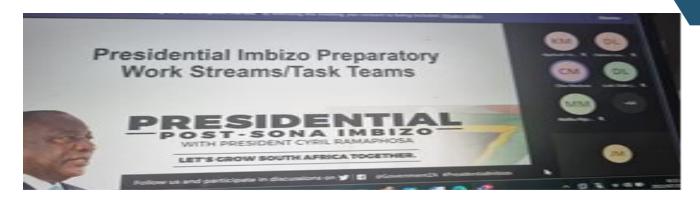
Promote and support Heritage & Museums in the Sedibeng Region:

Defining the period under review the Heritage and Museums Division of SRACH had a mixed reaction to successfully implementing all its involvement with programs because of capacity and budgetary constraints and the holistic re-set of normalising after Covid 19, We managed to implement a series of activities within its scope of performance in relation to some key associated events aligned to our core responsibilities aligned to the Heritage & Museums functions including important additional programs that we participated in besides activities prescribed by our SDBIP performance review of which we successfully implemented the following outcomes:

30th June to 1st of July 2022, Misty Hills, West Rand



 3rd of August 2022 to 12th of August, we hosted a joint Presidential Imbizo, preceded by a joint Ministerial/Mec interaction with the Local Government in our Region.



- The joint hosting of the Signage of the Constitution on the 10th December 2022 created quite a challenge as the National Department of Justice pulled out of the event on the eve of the event due to unfortunate misunderstandings and its relationship with an NPO in our Region, however We managed to continue the process with support of DSACR successfully in the Banquet Hall, however very valuable lessons was gained to avoid similar challenges.
- The Sebokeng Night Vigil Massacre on the 12th of January 2023, was hosted successfully with the families and survivors of the tragic event.



In March 2023, a series of build-up programs for the Human Rights Month were successfully hosted. These
programmes included among others Imbawula Storytelling, Candlelight and Cleaning of the Graves. These

build-up programmes led to the main event that was hosted by the Sedibeng District Municipality in collaboration with Gauteng Provincial Government and the families of the victims and survivors.

- 8th of March 2023, Heritage & Museum, South Corridor DSACR collaborated with the Provincial Department of Education hosted 15 schools in Gauteng.
- 12th of March 2023, Heritage & Museums hosted the Ahmed Kathrada Foundation as a build-up program







• 10th of March 2023, Cleaning of the Graves Program with the Khulumani Group, Survivors & Heritage Division





• 21st of March 2023, Human Rights Day Activities



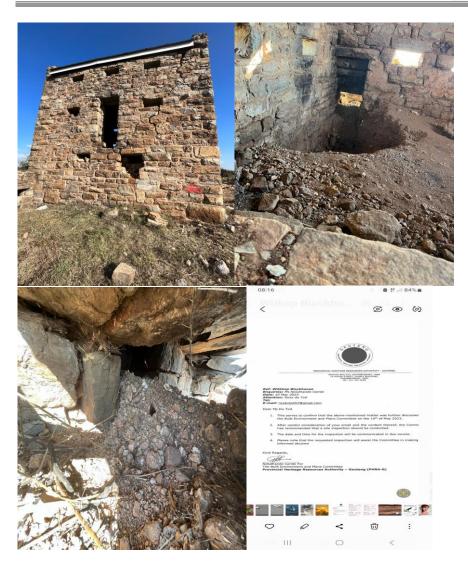




 8th of May 2023, The Heritage Division Established a Multi-Disciplinary Task Team for the UNESCO Serial Nomination of Sharpeville as part of the Cabinet Presidential Project of the Nelson Mandela Legacy across the Country, Major Work on cleaning and maintenance and repairs in collaboration with National, Provincial & Local Governments in impacted areas of the holistic project.



 31st of May 2023 Commemoration of Peace Treaty of Vereeniging was commemorated in partnership with Midvaal Municipality and Afrikaner entities at the Blockhouse where very serious vandalization of the Blockhouse structure was noticed that completely needs intervention to circumvent collapse of the entire structure.



- Unfortunately, the Commemoration of the Boipatong Massacre on the 17th of June 2023 had to be postponed
 due to circumstances beyond our control in mitigating specific challenges which is currently receiving attention
 from both the Political and Administrative Leadership in resolving the general challenges.
- The Heritage & Museums Division had engaged with numerous Webinars on programs and process planning with various National, Provincial and Local Governance structures on processing support for a range of our SDBIP Programs in particular the Commemorative Days program, Geographic Name Change Programs, Identification and registration of Heritage Sites in the Region and direct interactions with both the National Heritage Council and PRAG around source work related to UNESCO for Sharpeville and Boipatong Museum respectively.

3.24 EXECUTIVE AND COUNCIL

On the 3rd of August 2016, South Africa conducted Local Government Elections. Emanating from this process, there were changes in the municipality; where new Councillors were ushered in Council. Subsequently Sedibeng Council was established on the 18th of August 2016; with new political parties constituting Sedibeng Council. Effective corporate governance is a central focus that distinguishes Sedibeng District Municipality from other municipalities. The District Municipality has established important committees to encourage compliance with all legislation and to enhance ethical consideration by all its employees and Councillors.

INTRODUCTION TO EXECUTIVE AND COUNCIL

The Executive and Council include all administrative support that is provided to the offices of the Executive Mayor, the Speaker of Council, the Municipal Public Accounts Committee Chairperson and Councilors. Normally these would include all meetings of Council and those of other committees of council.

The support is rendered by the Committee Section within the Corporate Services Cluster. The primary function of this unit is to ensure support to the Executive Mayor and Speaker of Council; ensuring efficient, well-coordinated and smooth running of the meetings, including minutes recording and archiving of all Mayoral, Council and other Committees of Council minutes.

COMMENTS ON THE PERFORMANCE OF EXECUTIVE AND COUNCIL

For the period under review, Executive performed well, albeit under financial constraints.

Financial Performance Year 0: The Executive and Council						
	Year -1 Year 0					
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget	
Total Operational Revenue						
Expenditure:						
Employees	48,172	49,976	52,709	51,767	3%	
Repairs and Maintenance						
Other	6,455	2,445	2,699	2,104	-16%	
Total Operational Expenditure	54,626	52,422	55,408	53,871	3%	
Net Operational Expenditure	54,626	52,422	55,408	53,871	3%	
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in Co	hapter 5. Variances	are calculated by divid	ding the difference b	etween the Actual		
and Original Budget by the Actual.					T 3.24.5	

3.25 FINANCIAL SERVICES

This Cluster is regarded as the aorta for the municipality; hence prudent, effective and efficient service is the blood within this cluster. It is divided into two Directorates, namely, the Financial Management Directorate and the Supply Chain Management Directorate, all reporting the Chief Financial Officer.

The Cluster sees to it that there is prudent spending on all municipality projects. The cluster is highly regulated and ignorance is no excuse in executing duties and responsibilities. Below is graphical and tables enunciating what transpired in terms of financial movements.

Employees: Financial Services							
	Year -1 Year 0						
Job Level	Employees Posts Employees		Vacancies (fulltime equivalents)	Vacancies (as a % of total posts)			
	No.	No.	No.	No.	%		
0 - 3	3	4	3	1	25%		
4 - 6	7	9	8	1	11%		
7 - 9	8	8	7	1	13%		
10 - 12	1	6	3	3	50%		
13 - 15	2	2	2	0	0%		
16 - 18	0	0	0	0			
19 - 20	0	0	0	0			
Total	21	29	23	6	21%		

Totals should equate to those included in the Chapter 4 total employee schedule. Employees and Posts numbers are as at 30 June. *Posts must be established and funded in the approved budget or adjustments budget. Full-time equivalents are calculated by taking the total number of working days lost (excluding weekends and public holidays) while a post remains vacant and adding together all such days lost by all posts within the same set (e.g. senior management) then dividing that total by 250 to give the number of posts equivalent to the accumulated days.

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Financ	ial Performance Y	ear 0: Financial S	Services					
Year -1 Year 0								
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget			
Total Operational Revenue	317,037	299,197	299,280	301,636	1%			
Expenditure:								
Employees	12,668	12,870	14,209	14,742	13%			
Repairs and Maintenance								
Other	6,339	7,945	8,621	7,654	-4%			
Total Operational Expenditure	19,007	20,815	22,830	22,396	7%			
Net Operational Expenditure	(298,030)	(278,382)	(276,450)	(279,241)	0%			
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in	Chapter 5. Variances	are calculated by divi	ding the difference b	etween the Actual				
and Original Budget by the Actual.					T 3.25.5			

3.26 HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES

The strategic objective of the Sedibeng District Municipality's human resource services is to recruit and retain competent human capital and sound labour relations effectively and efficiently. This objective was pursued through the following projects, which were achieved as at the end of the year under reviews:

- Successfully submitted Workplace Skills Plan and Training Plan with LGSETA within prescribed time period;
- Capacitated employees on code of conduct, including conditions of employment;
- Established Job Evaluation Committee;
- Migrating Job Descriptions to Tuned Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (TASK) format
- Established Occupational Health and Safety Committee;
- Participated in the Local Labour Forum meetings and the implementation of its resolutions;
- Capacitating employees through internal bursaries;
- Recorded yet again zero fatalities and injuries in the workplace.
- Continued with Wellness programmes aimed at empowering employees on a variety of socio-economic issues
 or challenges faced by employees; including personalised one-on-one Psycho-social support;
- · Recruitment and selection of suitable candidates for positions;
- Hazard identification and risk assessment:
- Capacitation of young people in the district with regard to learnership and experiential training;
- Timeous submission of the Employment Equity Report.

Through active participation and cohabitation with organised labour, the Municipality has successfully maintained harmonious workplace relations by proactively preventing disputes, disruptive workplace activities and resolving workplace disputes by application of various dispute resolution mechanisms; for which the testimony is the zero protests by employees.

SERVICE STATISTICS FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES

Employees: Human Resource Services									
	Year -1		2022/2023						
Job Level	Employees	Posts	Employees	Vacancies (fulltime equivalents)	Vacancies (as a % of total posts)				
	No.	No.	No.	No.	%				
Level 0-3	3	3	3	0	0%				
Level 4-6	5	15	5	10	0%				
Level 7-9	4	6	4	2	0%				
Level 10-12	0	0	0	0	0%				
Level 13- 15	2	3	0	0	33%				
Level 16-18	0	0	0	0	0%				
Level	0	0	0	0	0%				
Total	14	14	13	1	7%				

Financial Performance Year 0: Human Resource Services								
	Year -1	R'(
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget			
Total Operational Revenue	473	508	758	481	-6%			
Expenditure:								
Employees	11,125	11,873	12,904	12,830	7%			
Repairs and Maintenance								
Other	1,194	927	1,547	1,396	34%			
Total Operational Expenditure	12,320	12,800	14,451	14,225	10%			
Net Operational Expenditure	11,847	12,291	13,692	13,744	11%			
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in Chapter 5. Variances are calculated by dividing the difference between the Actual								
and Original Budget by the Actual.					T 3.26.5			

COMMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE OF HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES OVERALL: Add content

3.27 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) SERVICES

Information technology is critical for the Sedibeng District Municipality's (SDM) mission and its successful operations, and information technology is needed to create a strategic advantage for the municipality. When information technology initiatives align with the strategic goals of SDM, the impact can be transformative – empowering Departments to improve business operations to deliver quality services, and fomenting change through the intelligent use of data.

Accountability and responsibility for the corporate governance of ICT in SDM is assigned to the following:

- The Accounting Officer (MM) is accountable for implementing the Corporate Governance of ICT;
- The Executive Director Corporate Services is responsible for implementing the Corporate Governance of ICT; and
- The SDM Governance Champion is assigned to the Executive Director Corporate Services and is responsible for the operationalization of the Corporate Governance of ICT.

The Directorate of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Services is situated in the Corporate Services Cluster and reports to directly to the Executive Director: Corporate Services. The Department is headed by the Director ICT and supported with a staff compliment of fourteen. The staff compliment consists of highly skilled technical support personnel, administrative personnel as well as switchboard operators.

The priorities of the Directorate for the year included the following:

3.27.1.1 The corporate governance of ICT

ICT Governance (Information and Communication Technology Governance) is a process used to monitor and control key information technology capability decisions - in an attempt -to ensure the delivery of value to key stakeholders in an organization. The Corporate Governance of ICT is about ICT decisions that have an impact on business value. The Directorate endeavoured to control and monitor objectives to deliver key value. The imperatives for alignment were identified and responded to as follows:

Affordability - the ICT Directorate contained costs and focused on value for money.

Ease of use – the Directorate endeavoured to ensure that the ICT technology would be easy to use for all users and supported end-users in numerous ways. Through the Help Desk 802 users were assisted with ICT related queries and 42 audio visual meetings were supported. Training of users in the use of MS Teams is ongoing to ensure compliance with work-from-home requirements through reducing physical contact.

Reliability - Systems need to functions as intended at all times. ICT supported this objective vigorously and sustained high uptime of systems, servers and hardware. For the period server services were available at 99.916%, internet and electronic mail access at 99.416% and fibre connectivity at 97.583%. Indeed, excellent achievement within budget and scope.

Security - Firewalls, anti-virus programs and facilitation of administrators' rights are in place and monitored on an ongoing basis. No security breaches or uunusual activities were detected during for the period. Licenses were renewed on time as to ensure a secure environment. The anti-virus system functioned fully in the period and patches and updates are downloaded on a continuous basis to both servers and other tools of the trade.

3.27.1.2 Management of the fibre optic infrastructure.

The Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Department of the Sedibeng District Municipality (SDM) maintains approximately 110 km of fibre underground for fibre-optic communication purposes. This network connects buildings and offices throughout the Sedibeng region and facilitates communication, data sharing and exchange. The functionality of the fibre is vital to ensure connectivity throughout the district, as this infrastructure forms part of the vital fibre optic backbone linking SDM and its local municipalities.

Fibre and radio communication availability to end-users remained high at 95%. The fibre break at the Market is not repaired and a tender process will be needed to effect repairs. The appointment of a service provider to deliver specialised services in terms of the wide and local area network is outstanding. The budget allocated in terms of capital on the network vote will not be sufficient should a major fibre fault occur. The fibre infrastructure is not insured.

3.27.1.3 Securing the ICT operating environment

The ICT Department is tasked with securing the data and electronic communications environment of Sedibeng. Securing the environment requires physical and technical efforts to build resistance to prevent unauthorised access to servers, data and information. To mitigate any attempt at breaching security, dedicated ICT staff members maintain and regularly review system access violation logs to identify possible hacking attempts. Threats identified are investigated, reviewed and reported to implement a suitable action plan to thwart and prevent any unsolicited attack/breach.

The Sentinel Log Manager application logs and reports such events. In the period the log manager did not report any attempt at infiltration and successfully quarantined any malicious software that attempted to infiltrate the ICT environment.

The ICT Department succeeded in protecting the ICT assets of SDM in the period. Not only was the physical hardware protected, but also information stored on computers and networks were protected from unauthorised access and malicious attacks. Daily monitoring of systems is ongoing.

3.27.1.4 Approving and implementing the SDM ICT Strategic plan

The Information and Communication Technology Strategic Plan (ICTSP) for 2020-2025 provides a blueprint for achieving the vision of leveraging reliable and emerging technologies and information resources to support the mission and vision of the SDM.

The Strategic plan, as approved by Council, was monitored and reported on quarterly. All financial responsibilities in terms of licensing and other operational expenses were timely met and expenditure on votes remained within the approved budget.

The twelve approved objectives stipulated in the Strategic Plan were all reported on and were successfully met. Policies were continuously enforced and monitored, whilst change management took place within the ambit of approved policies. Service delivery on all objectives were high and the Directorate was dedicated to the implementation of the strategic plan to ensure the achievement of goals and objectives.

3.27.1.5 Review and monitor approved contracts in the ICT Department

The ICT Department currently have six operational service level agreements in place. A summary of the service level agreements is as follow:

VPN2021 - VPN Technologies provide IT networking engineering support and internet services. The contract is valid until 2024 and quarterly performance review took place along with monthly security meetings. Service delivery on this contract is in line with service deliver objectives stipulated in contract.

TMD2021- High-mast rental through TMD Communications. The contract is valid until 2023 and service availability on this contract was 100% uptime in the period.

AMYSA2021, PAL2021, MUL12021 – Provision of printer cartridges. Three appointed vendors supply printer consumables on a rotational basis. The contracts are valid until Janaury 2024 and service delivery on contracts are in line with service delivery objectives as stipulated in the original contracts.

Performance reviews of all contracts took place. Performances are in line with objectives as set out in the approved contracts and performance agreements with the respective vendors. The ICT and SCM Departments continue to work together with all role-players to ensure that contracts are valid, authorised and compliant. The ICT Department works tirelessly with vendors ensuring proper service delivery on approved contracts.

3.27.1.6 Performance and improving risk

The ICT risk assessment register was completed with input from the Gauteng Provincial Government Audit Services (GAS). The objective of the ICT risk assessment was to identify ICT risks that could influence the achievement of organisational achievements. To this effect, ten (10) risks were identified. Of these, three had a lower inherent risk rating and the remainder had a high residual risk rating.

Both the software and hardware environment remained stable in the quarter, with no exceptions reported. All software is synchronised and current with vendor releases. It is important to ensure that all software remain current as new releases will aim to either fix bugs, fix security vulnerabilities, provide new features or improve performances and usability. This reduces the risk of unauthorized access and loss/corruption of data (identified risk 1)

The matter concerning the appointment of members to the ICT steering committee is still outstanding. The ICT Department has prepared letters to all heads of political offices and senior managers (MANCO) to ask for the appointment of members to the committee. The Municipal Manager approved and signed the memos and nominations from the different clusters are expected. Inability to support business effectively through ICT operations and the ineffective monitoring of governance processes and policies are mitigated by a functional and effective ICT Steering Committee (identified risks 2 – 4).

Inadequate environmental controls are identified risk 5. The lack of maintenance and budgetary constraint effect risk reductions on the item. Currently fire alarm system is not functional and the automatic fire extinguisher system is faulty. A request for a replacement system was submitted, but budgetary constraints effected rollout.

Insufficient infrastructure capacities are driven by warranty lapses on hardware (servers and ICT tools of the trade) and the failure to maintain an upgrade plan due to budgetary constraints (risk 6).

The Disaster Recovery Plan (DRP) is not aligned to business operations. A review of the policy is in process to facilitate alignment with the current environment and resource availability to ensure a stable recovery environment (identified risk 7).

The risk of failure to implement Audit finding of AG are supported by the availability of resources and management support (identified risk 9). Progress was made with resolving items raised by the Auditor General. On finding 18 – regarding the ICT Steering Committee, letters were forwarded and nominations are awaited. Two members of staff are currently studying towards networking qualifications, supporting finding 19 in terms of specialised training. Findings 21, 23, 24 and 26 are currently being reviewed and recommendations implemented. AG finding 25 was resolved, and backup processes are ongoing and backup logs reviewed.

External suppliers failing to deliver on agreed service are fully mitigated by regular performance reviews (identified risk 10). Six vendor contracts are in place and reviewed quarterly. Vendors are all performing in line with service objectives stipulated in performance agreements.

Progress was made on improving some of the identified risks. The lack of budget allocation hampered achieving significant improvement in high-risk areas as reducing the risk in these identified areas requires substantial capital investment in ICT. The lack of specialist training of ICT is also of concern (identified risk 8).

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SERVICE STATISTICS FOR ICT SERVICES

ICT Service Statistics 2021/2022

ICT Governance

Reporting on the status quo of the ICT operational environment regarding the compliance with the corporate governance of information and communication technology (ICT) policy framework (CGICTPF) as approved by Council.

Imperative	Operational Requirements	ICT Environment						
		ICT expenditure included (in Rand):						
		Mobile communication	428,231					
		Telephony	1,861,373					
		High mast rental	104,501					
	SDM require ICT costs to	Internet and firewall services	396,474					
A 66 1 1 111	be low and are focused	Software license fees	4,081,399					
Affordability	on value for money	DSTV & SABC TV Licenses	12,439					
		Repair and maintenance of hardware	115,950					
		Repair and maintenance of network infrastructure	167,713					
		Printing peripherals	254,616					
		Capital expenditure computers and peripherals	917,576					
		Capital expenditure networking/fibre	8,521					
		In the period a total of 1,126 calls were logged a	and resoled through the ICT help desk. The help desk software had a 100%					
		availability during the year.						
Ease of use	The ICT technology should be easy to use for all users.							

		A total of 102 audio and visual support events were hosted.
		Fibre optic availability: 98.75% The fibre optic infrastructure delivered consistent performance in the period under review. Downtime caused by operational infractions.
		ICT Operational environment availability: 99.66% The servers continue to deliver high uptime and functionality. Downtime occurred due to a sustained power outage and system
		maintenance.
Reliability	Systems need to functions as intended at all times	
		The servers continue to deliver high uptime and functionality. On 13 – 14 June 2022, the main building had a breakdown on an electrical phase that feeds the substation in the basement. Because a single phase dropped, the generator and UPS malfunctioned and tripped as well. The server room lost power completely and power was only restored after Emfuleni Technician came on site to resolve the fault in the Substation room. This only happened a day later. Therefore, all services were down for 25 hours. Investment in upgrading the aging hardware is essential and should be observed as recommended in the approved ICT Strategic Plan.
		Internet an electronic mail availability: 99.6%
		Overall, the performance was excellent with the software and systems continuing to provided very high uptime to users.

		Firewalls, anti-virus programs and facilitation of administrators' rights are in place and monitored.				
Security Unauthorized access to data should be prevented and integrity of data/system protected		Firewall version: Release 2.6.0 current, no change, latest release 4/06/2022 at 00:13 Free BSD 12.2 and stable. Eset Nod32 updated to version 9.0.2046.0 with build 25522 on 30/06/22 22:00. New releases are loaded automatically from Eset server. License renewed for period 16/03/2022 – 16/03/2023. No breaches in security occurred in the year 2021/2022 as reflected in the statistics				
Audit and internal controls	An accurate reflection of processes and procedures is vital to ensure compliance to best practices, ICT standards and regulatory requirements	Progress was made with resolving items raised by the Auditor General. On finding 18 – regarding the ICT Steering Committee, letters were forwarded and nominations are awaited. Two members of staff are currently studying towards networking qualifications, supporting finding 19 in terms of specialised training. Findings 21, 23, 24 and 26 are currently being reviewed and recommendations implemented. AG finding 25 was resolved, and backup processes are ongoing and backup logs reviewed. No internal audit review of ICT services took place in the period.				
ICT Operational Services						
		n place for the supply and delivery of equipment and services. Vendors were evaluated in September 2021, November 2021, March				
vendor performance 2022 and June 2023		22 and all performed within the requirements of contract. ix vendors met and exceeded their performance metrics.				

ICT Services Policy Objectives Taken From IDP									
Service Objectives	Outline Service Targets	Year	·-1	2022/2023		Year 1	Ye	ear 3	
		Target	Actual	Target Actual		Target			
Service Indicators		*Previou s Year		*Previou s Year	*Curren t Year		*Curren t Year	*Curren t Year	*Followin g Year
(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)
WORLD-CLASS ICT INFRASTRUCTUR	RE IN SUPPORT OF A "SMART SEDIBEN	IG"							
Implement ICT Governance Framework	Report on repairs, maintenance and performance of optic fibre network	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Implement ICT Strategy	Number of municipalities participating in the ICT related shared services	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Implement ICT Security Controls	To provide oversight to ICT operations	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Identify and manage identified ICT risks			•		•				T 3.27.3

	Employees: ICT Services								
	Year -1			2022/2023					
Job Level	Employees	Posts	Employees	Vacancies (fulltime equivalents)	Vacancies (as a % of total posts)				
	No.	No.	No.	No.	%				
Level 0-3	4	3	3	0	0%				
Level 4-6	5	7	7	0	0%				
Level 7-9	0	0	0	0	0%				
Level 10-12	2	2	2	0	0%				
Level 13- 15	2	3	0	0	33%				
Level 16-18	0	0	0	0	0%				
Level	0	0	0	0	0%				
Total	14	14	13	1	7%				

Fin	ancial Performanc	e Year 0: ICT Ser	vices		R'000
	Year -1		Yea	nr 0	
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget
Total Operational Revenue					0%
Expenditure:					
Employees	11,125	11,484	11,522	11,467	0%
Repairs and Maintenance	1,250	1,226	168	125	-882%
Other	10,205	12,263	10,962	8,792	-39%
Total Operational Expenditure	22,580	24,973	22,651	20,384	-23%
Net Operational Expenditure	22,580	24,973	22,651	20,384	-23%
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in and Original Budget by the Actual.	Chapter 5. Variances	are calculated by divi	ding the difference b	etween the Actual	T 3.27.5

COMMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE OF ICT SERVICES OVERALL

Overall, the Directorate performed excellent with the resources apportioned. The Department ensured delivery of high availability of systems, data and tools of the trade. Resources were available 99.6% in the year with downtime due to an electrical fault in the basement substation.

Fibre and radio communication availability to end-users remained high at 95%. The fibre break at the Market is not repaired and a tender process will be needed to effect repairs. The appointment of a service provider to deliver specialised services in terms of the wide and local area network is outstanding. The budget allocated in terms of capital on the network vote will not be sufficient should a major fibre fault occur. The fibre infrastructure is not insured.

Compliance with the austerity measures implemented by the Accounting Office ensured that the Department remained within the budget allocated. All software licenses are current and paid timely to ensure compliance with contractual obligations and end-user license agreements.

Server infrastructure and software resources consistently performed well, but as technology age and newer technology becomes available, it is inevitable that upgrades will need to be made, which will require increased capital allocation to ICT capital votes. The fibre infrastructure availability remained in the high throughout. The operational environment remained safeguarded from a security perspective, and software as well as the firewall and supporting resources performed excellent.

Proper governance, like any other aspect of ICT, requires management to be more involved in setting direction and overseeing the management of risk. It is therefore essential to take action to ensure that the importance of information security is communicated to all and that policies are enforced to underpin activities in a changing environment. The ownership and responsibility for information security is not only the responsibility of ICT staff members, but should be accepted by all staff members of Sedibeng.

The final audit report from the Auditor General (AG) was received. Target dates for implementation were agreed with the AG, and quarterly reports on the progress are submitted. Significant progress has been made in implementing the recommendations.

It is also imperative that any shortage of skilled resource in the ICT area is addressed, as it may be impossible to retain all the necessary skills and functions in-house. Specialist training of staff is essential and also identified in the risk register as a high-risk area that could lead to a breakdown of services or at minimum hamper the effective delivery of ICT services.

The successful implementation of the approved strategic plan hinges on the allocation of resources. The budget allocation approved in the policy is conservative, and considers the scarcity of financial resources within Sedibeng. However, technology is a tool that enhances output exponentially, and therefor allocation to specified projects is necessary to achieve the set objectives of this document. The approval of the ICT strategic plan paved the way to implement an extensive plan, but with the limited financial resources allocated to the ICT Department in the 2021/2022 financial year, limited resources were available to implement the strategic objectives of the plan.

3.28 PROPERTY; LEGAL; RISK MANAGEMENT AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES

Legal Services:

The key objective for Legal Services is to ensure an enabling legal environment for Council to operate in. This is achieved by rendering support in the drafting and vetting of contracts, the provision of legal advice to council committees and other functionaries, the perusal of reports and other documents and providing legal comments thereof, policies and other documents. Legal Services is also tasked with the management of legal cases instituted by the municipality and the defence of actions that are instituted against the municipality.

The overall objective for the department is ensuring the proper management of Council business and ensuring that Council is legislatively compliant. Its other divisions are the committee administration section which renders effective secretarial services to Council and its committees, the records section which continues to be the best nationally and auxiliary services, which provides a courier service and a printing service to the organisation, and the communications sections which services Council as a whole.

The presence of Legal Services is felt in every aspect of Council work, municipalities being a highly regulated environment with a myriad of legislation and regulations that need to be complied with. Legal Services assist in this regard by providing advice when called upon to do so, maintaining a presence at meetings, providing advice in relation to the interpretation of legislation and other legal instrument, and drafting legal opinions on requests from internal Stakeholders

\ that form part of Council..

A crucial part of the service that this unit provides is in the drafting and vetting of contracts. This function is potentially fertile ground for legal challenges and consumes a lot of time and expertise to perform effectively. Contract management and administration in particular, and legal services in general cannot be done by the staff in the department. It is a support services department and its work feeds off the inputs and instructions provided by the rest of the organisation. The quarterly contract management meetings which is a dual function of Legal Services and Finance department is an example of the symbiotic relationship the department has with the other offices, and are aimed at improving the understanding of each functionary of what contract administration entails, the red flags that all should be on the look-out for. It is intended that information sessions that go beyond the administration and management of contracts be held going forward, in order to improve performance, efficiencies and cooperation among the internal stake-holders. The key objective

is to provide legal services to the political and administrative arms and to ensure an enabling legal environment for Council to operate in. This can be achieved by ensuring that Legal Services performs its core functions accurately. The core functions of the directorate include, but are not limited to the following

Litigation management

- Defending all legal action/applications instituted against SDM by third parties,
- Instituting legal action/applications on behalf of the SDM against third parties,
- Management of external attorneys and service providers.

Corporate and Council legal compliance

 Providing legal comments on all reports submitted to SDM committees, the Mayoral Committee and the Council,

- Providing legal opinions to the Council and the Directorates,
- Drafting and reviewing of SDM by-laws and promulgation thereof and assisting directorates with policy-making that are pertinent to the Municipality,
- Providing legal support to the Council and its functionaries,
- Providing legal services in respect of projects or initiatives of the SDM and serving on the technical task teams concerned.
- Providing legal support in respect of commercial ventures and related contracts,
- Defending litigation cases and managing the legal process to defend or recover damages from third parties regarding SDM property Alienation, acquisitions and development law,
- Administering and rendering effective secretarial services to Council and its committees,
- Drafting, reviewing and implementation of the System of Delegation,
- Vetting, developing and managing all Council contracts,
- Providing legal support in respect of the review process of Council Policies,

Updating or keeping the Council and its functionaries abreast with the new or legislative amendments affecting Local Government.

Procurement Services

The Supply Chain Management Unit resides within the Finance Cluster. The Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act (Act 56 of 2003) requires the municipality to have and implement a Supply Chain Management Policy (SCM Policy) which gives effect to the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 11 of the Act that deals with 'Supply Chain Management'.

In addition, the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act 5 of 2000) requires an organ of state to determine its Preferential Procurement Policy and to implement it within the framework prescribed. The following bid committees were established and are fully functional:

- · Bid Specification Committee;
- · Bid Evaluation Committee; and
- Bid Adjudication Committee.

All municipal procurement is conducted against the annual procurement plan that has been approved by the Accounting Officer. Demand management performance has been monitored and reported on a monthly basis to the senior management team for oversight and control purposes.

SERVICE STATISTICS FOR PROPERTY; LEGAL; RISK MANAGEMENT AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES

A number of contracts were drafted and vetted. Monthly Mayoral and Council meetings are attended. Ad hoc committee meetings are also attended. There were litigation matters for the financial year. Some of these matters were against the municipality; while other matters were the municipality instituting proceedings against third parties.

Financial Performance Yea	r 0: Property; Le	gal; Risk Manag	ement (Corporat	e Services)	
		·			R'000
	Year -1			ir 0	
Details	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget
Total Operational Revenue		382	382	394	3%
Expenditure:					
Employees	57,345	65,016	59,938	59,779	-9%
Repairs and Maintenance	1,794	1,130	1,277	1,244	9%
Other	29,768	29,867	26,013	29,768	0%
Total Operational Expenditure	82,378	85,780	83,513	86,722	1%
Net Operational Expenditure	82,378	85,398	83,131	86,328	1%
Net expenditure to be consistent with summary T 5.1.2 in C	hapter 5. Variances	are calculated by divi	iding the difference b	etween the Actual	
and Original Budget by the Actual.					T 3.28.5

COMPONENT J: MISCELLANEOUS

There are two Airports within Sedibeng District, namely manages both the Vereeniging and Heidelberg Airports. The Vereeniging Airport is currently without operating licensing after the Airport Authority suspended the license due to non-compliance issues, mainly safety and security. The Airport has since also halted the selling of fuel due to fuel tank's safety concerns. This has resulted in the loss of revenue for the municipality.

The Heidelberg Airport is operated by the local flying club and a pilot training school is also based at the facility. The former Vanderbijlpark Airport has been deregistered.

COMPONENT K: ORGANISATIONAL PERFOMANCE SCORECARD

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary analysis of Sedibeng District Municipal performance for the 2022/2023 financial year. The Municipal Systems Act, Act 32 of 2000, in terms of Section 46 requires Council to comply with the provisions of the said legislation, to annually prepare a Performance Report. The format and structure of the report is determined according to the said section. The said section reads as follows:

- 1) A municipality must prepare for each financial year a performance report reflecting
 - a. the performance of the municipality and of each external service provider during that financial year;
 - b. a comparison of the performances referred to in paragraph (a) with targets set for and performances in the previous financial year; and
 - c. measures taken to improve performance.
- 2) An annual performance report must form part of the municipality's annual report in terms of Chapter 12 of the Municipal Finance Management Act."

This is dictated to by the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000; which prescribes that the municipality must establish performance management system that is:

- a. Commensurate with its resources
- b. Best suited to its circumstances and:
- c. In line with its priorities, objectives, indicators, and targets as contained in the Integrated Development Plan

Currently, Sedibeng is implementing a manual organisational performance management system; in line with and compatible with all the legislation that governs performance. The system has been in use for about 3 years now, albeit with some challenges with regards to principles of objectives and indicators; which we hope to improve on going forward.

The municipality performance system is in line with the vision and mission of the municipality; and also juxtaposed with the 5Rs+2 of the second generation GDS III; which are:

- Reinvent the Economy;
- Renew our Communities; Reviving a Sustainable Environment;
- Reintegrating our Region;
- Releasing Human Potential;
- Good and Financial Sustainable Governance; and

• Vibrant Democracy.

Progress is tracked every quarter and is accompanied by POEs, signed off by the HOD of respective Clusters and PMT offices. Although there was a notable improvement in performance, there are still challenges with regard to implementing the principles underpinning objectives and indicators. We subsequently developed Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to guide and support objectives and indicators against the targets.

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The tabulation below illustrates that the overall Annual Performance of the Municipality 2022/23 Financial Year. The Administration office had 244 planned targets compared to 99 in the previous Financial Year.

Year and achieved 82 % compared to 68% in the previous Financial Year.

The performance has since improved due to changes in leadership where a permanent Municipal Manager has been employed in May 202122 FY, with the intention to strengthen processes within the municipality's internal control environment.

It also be noted that the calculations done are correct, as per the targets as set out in the SDBIP.ADMINISTRATION Calculation of the annual achievement was based on the overall achievement of targets set as supported by evidence made available for the purposes of this report.

	2022/2	3 ADMINISTRAT	TON			2021/22 FY ADMINISTRATION						
OFFICES/CLUSTERS	TOTAL TARGETS PLANNED	TOTAL TARGETS ACHIEVED	VARIANCE	PERCENTAGE (%)	OFFICE	S/CLUSTERS	TOTAL TARGETS PLANNED	TOTAL TARGETS ACHIEVED	VARIANCE	PERCENTAGE (%)		
Office of the Municipal Manager	26	22	4	85%	Office o Manage	f the Municipal r	15	8	7	53%		
Finance	25	22	3	88%	Finance		9	9	0	100%		
Corporate Services	97	68	29	70%	Corpora	te Services	36	18	18	50%		
Community Services	28	26	2	93%	Commu	nity Services	16	8	8	50%		
Transport, Infrastructure & Environment & Licensing	26	23	3	88%		ort, Infrastructure & ment & Licensing	9	7	2	78%		
Strategic Planning & Local Economic Development						c Planning & Local iic Development	13	10	3	77%		
	42	38	4	90%								
OVERALL ADMINISTRATION PERFORMANCE	244	199	45	82%		LL ADMINISTRATION RMANCE	99	62	37	68 %		

CHAPTER 4 - ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PERFORMANCE (PERFORMANCE REPORT PART

The Organizational Development Unit in the Human Resources Directorate serves as key transformation agent dealing with the structure of the Municipality. This is done to ascertain that the municipality remains relevant and is aligned to its strategy, job description and evaluation process; including paradigm shift by all in the municipality; hence the unit operates separately within the Human Resources Department. The municipality needs to change to enable its responsiveness to citizen's needs, sustainability and resilience; including competitive edge. The municipality has to develop strong competitive advantage for impending evolution, including adoption of the 4th Industrial Revolution aspects.

The municipality therefore subscribes to the notion that "clearly defined and espoused organisational values as the compass for the journey towards organisational effectiveness. Values are the behaviours particularly valued in an organisation. They are defined as a set of core beliefs or principles that influence the way people and groups behave and are demonstrated through the behaviours they encourage. They provide a consistent point of reference to steer direction, inform decisions and measure outcomes enabling the organisation to achieve its visions". The municipality therefore aspires to consistently consult, engage and focus in a manner that is consistent with the intention of those values

COMPONENT A: INTRODUCTION TO THE MUNICIPAL PERSONNEL

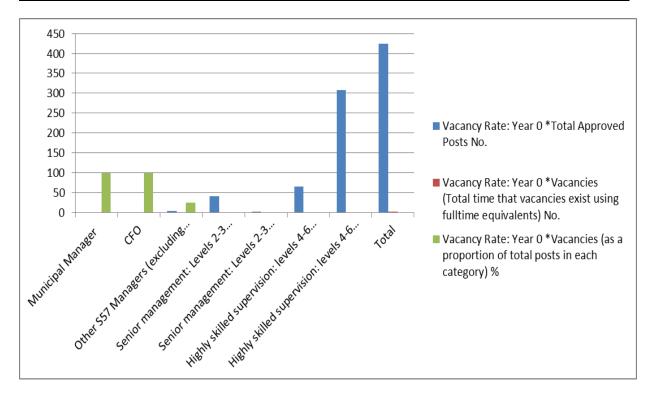
The National Development Plan impresses on the attainment of a capable and developmental state; amongst others, the right quality and quantity of human resources. Therefore, adequately balanced and skilled workforce invariably enhance the quality and sustainable provision of service by the municipality. Although currently out of reach and seems impossible, the municipality is on a concerted efforts for appropriately sized organisation; where kills would match the core functions of the municipality.

As at 30 June 2022, Sedibeng District Municipality had a total workforce of 522 employees, distributed to various departments. The Table below depicts the number of employees and vacancy rate per departments

EMPLOYEE TOTALS, TURNOVER AND VACANCIES

TOTAL NUMBER OF	STAFF INC	LUDING COUNCILL	ORS FOR JUNE 202	23							
CATEGORY					CLUSTERS						
	Councillors	Office of the Mayor	Office of the Speaker	Office of the Chief	Office of the MM	Finance	Corporate Services	TIE	Community Services	SPED	Total Number per
				Whip							Category
Permanent Staff	0	17	5	4	17	22	133	166	74	46	484
Contract Staff	0	2	6	6	0	0	0	1	3	2	20
Section 57 Staff	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	3
Interns	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	3	0	0	7
Committee Members	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Councillors	45	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	49
TOTAL	45	20	13	11	22	26	134	170	77	49	567

Vacancy Rate: 2	022/2023		
Designations	*Total	*Vacancies	*Vacancies
	Approved	(Total time that	(as a proportion
	Posts	vacancies exist	of total posts in
		using fulltime equivalents)	each category)
	No.	No.	%
Municipal Manager	1	0	100.00
CFO	1	1	100.00
Other S57 Managers (excluding Finance Posts)	4	3	75.00
Senior management: Levels 2-3 (excluding Finance Posts)	42	6	14.3
Senior management: Levels 2-3 (Finance posts)	3	0	00.00
Highly skilled supervision: levels 4-6 (excluding Finance posts)	102	26	25.00
Highly skilled supervision: levels 4-6 (Finance posts)	9	4	44.00
Total	162	40	24.7



	Turn-ov	er Rate	
Details	Total Appointments as of beginning of Financial Year	Terminations during the Financial Year	Turn-over Rate*
	No.	No.	
Year -2	518	28	5.4%
Year -1	616	21	4%
2022/2023	595	19	8%

It should be acknowledged that Sedibeng, like other municipalities in the country, experiences financial constraints. As such some vacancies, although approved, will still remain vacant until such time that the municipality's finances improve. It is also commendable that the municipality's vacancy rate is lower than 10%.

The turnover rate is also at the minimal; where in the main the attrition is caused by normal retirements, resignations and deaths, while very low percentage is due to dismissals. Otherwise, the average age of the workforce at this municipality is between 30 and 45 years of age; therefore high turnover rate is unlikely.

COMMENT ON VACANCIES AND TURNOVER

Sedibeng, like any other municipality, is experiencing staff turnover. During the year under review, in the main, staff turnover has been due to retirements and/or deaths; which unfortunately the municipality cannot fill most of them because of efforts to reduce staff.

COMPONENT B: MANAGING THE MUNICIPAL WORKFORCE

Workforce management is a core function of each line manager and supervisors; hence the consistent development and reviewal of policies, processes and standards ensure fair and reasonable standardization in managing the workforce; and those are adopted and approved by various structures within the municipality. Sec 67 of the Municipal Systems Act requires municipalities to develop and adopt appropriate systems and procedures to ensure fair; efficient; effective; and transparent personnel administration in accordance with the Employment Equity Act 1998.

In an effort to uphold the provisions of legislation, the municipality reviewed and workshops were held on policies for councilors, conducted road shows for staff to reinforce and enlighten them about some crucial systems such biometric for time and attendance, code of conduct; and procedures such as grievance procures.

4.2 POLICIES

	HR Policies and Plans			
	Name of Policy	Completed %	Reviewed	Date adopted by council or comment on failure to adopt
1	Career Pathing Policy	100%	70	5-Dec-18
2	Succession Planning Policy	100%		5-Dec-18
3	Retention Policy	100%		5-Dec-18
4	Internship Policy	100%		5-Dec-18
5	Learnership Policy	100%		5-Dec-18
6	Essential Services	100%		26-Nov-14
7	Employee Assistance / Wellness	100%		26-Nov-14
8	Employment Equity	100%		26-Nov-14
9	Exit Management	100%		26-Nov-14
10	Grievance Procedures(SALGA/Labour Collective Agreement)	100%		26-Nov-14
11	HIV/Aids	100%		26-Nov-14
12	Human Resource Development	100%	100%	1-Dec-18
13	Incapacity Policy	100%	100%	5-Dec-18
16	Occupational Health and Safety	100%		26-Nov-14
17	Official Housing	100%		26-Nov-14
18	Official Journeys	100%		26-Nov-14
19	Official transport to attend Funerals (reflected on the Bereavement Policy)	100%		26-Nov-14
21	Organisational Rights	100%		26-Nov-14
22	Bereavement Policy	100%	100%	31-Mar-15
24	Recruitment, Selection and Appointments	100%		7-Jul-10
25	Remuneration Scales and Allowances	100%		26-Nov-14
26	Resettlement Relocation	100%		26-Nov-14
27	Sexual Harassment	100%		26-Nov-14
28	Flexi Time Policy	100%		26-Nov-14
29	Smoking	100%		26-Nov-14
31	Work Organisation	100%		26-Nov-14
32	Uniforms and Protective Clothing	100%		26-Nov-14
33	Other:			

COMMENTS ON WORKFORCE POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Policies provide a regulatory framework for effective and efficient operations and management of any organisation as well as adherence to compliance with relevant legislations.

Policies are reviewed as and when it's necessary based on new developments, changes in legislation and policies. A consultative process is normally taken in the review of policies a concerted, coordinated and synergised effort; where all and sundry in the municipality should be involved.

4.3 INJURIES AND SICKNESS

Type of injury	Injury Leave Taken	Employees using injury leave	Proportion employees using sick leave	Average Injury Leave per employee	Total Estimated Cost	
	Days	No.	%	Days	R'000	
Required basic medical attention only	00	00	00	00	00	
Temporary total disablement	0	0	0%	0	0	
Permanent disablement	0	0	0%	0	0	
Fatal	0	0	0%	0	0	
Total	00	00	00	00	00	

COMMENT ON INJURY AND SICK LEAVE:

It is noted with concern that applications for sick leave is more predominant in highly skilled to senior management; which hamper smooth running of the municipality.

4.4 SUSPESIONS

	Sus	spensions				
Type of Misconduct	Number of Days	Level of employee	Proportion employees suspended	Number of Employees	Total Estimated Cost	
	Days	No.	%		R'000	
Financial Misconduct	120	Level 10	00	0,01	00	

COMPONENT C: CAPACITATING THE MUNICIPAL WORKFORCE

INTRODUCTION TO WORKFORCE CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

Like any other municipality currently in the country, there are no sufficient funds to capacitate employees that need personal development. This has to a large extent been compounded by a lack of a comprehensive, holistic and integrated framework for human capital development that will guide and integrate key processes such as training needs analysis, career pathing and planning, succession planning, management and leadership development, knowledge

exchange and innovation. However, the municipality provided financial assistance (bursary) to employees who needed to further their education; mostly in line with their Personal Development Plans.

During the year under review Council approved several policies. The municipality also complied with the Skills Development Act requirement of submitting to the Local government SETA (LGSETA) the Workplace Skills Plan (WSP) on the due date on the 30th April 2023.

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

Work Place Skills Plan was adopted by Council for the current financial year and has been implemented. The Municipality also implemented a number of skills development interventions:

- Implementation of the Workplace Skills Plan 2022/23
- National Treasury Minimum Competency Requirement for twelve (12) employees.
- National Certificate: Fire and Rescue NQF Level 5: Twenty-five (25) members of the community.
- Various Skills Programmes for 200 members of the community.
- International Digital Skills Programme for 100 members of the community.

The municipality has implemented its annual training plan for the 2022/2023 Financial Year. For the period under review Twenty-three (23) employees have received training within this financial year at a cost/budget of R500 000.00 and a total of R494 000.00 training interventions were implemented in the following fields:

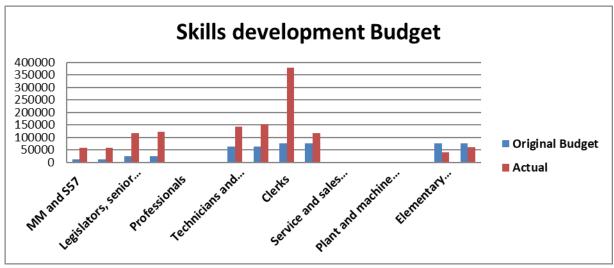
- Finance
- Administration

4.5 SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

Management	Gende	Employee			N	umber of	skilled emplo	yees require	d and actu	ual as at 30 J	une 2022/202	23					
level	r	s in post as at 30 June 2022/2023		Learnership	OS	Skills	programmes short course		Oth	er forms of ti	raining	Total					
		No.	Actual: End of Year -1	Actual: End of 2022/202	2022/202 3 Target	Actual : End of Year -1	Actual: End of 2022/202 3	2022/202 3 Target	Actual : End of Year -1	Actual: End of 2022/202 3	2022/202 3 Target	Actual : End of Year -1	Actual: End of 2022/202 3	2022/202 3 Target			
MM and s57	Female	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1			
	Male	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1			
Councillors, senior	Female	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	3	3			
officials and managers	Male	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	3	3			
Technicians and associate	Female	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	3	3			
professionals *	Male	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	2	2			
Professionals	Female	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Sub total	Female	81	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
	Male	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Total		175	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	10	10			

	Finar	ncial Competency Dev	elopment: Progres	s Report*		
Description	A. Total number of officials employed by municipality (Regulation 14(4)(a) and (c))	B. Total number of officials employed by municipal entities (Regulation 14(4)(a) and (c)	Consolidated: Total of A and B	Consolidated: Competency assessments completed for A and B (Regulation 14(4)(b) and (d))	Consolidated: Total number of officials whose performance agreements comply with Regulation 16 (Regulation 14(4)(f))	Consolidated: Total number of officials that meet prescribed competency levels (Regulation 14(4)(e))
Financial Officials						
Accounting officer	1	0	1	1	0	0
Chief financial officer	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior managers	2	0	2	2	0	0
Any other financial officials	1	0	1	1	0	1
Supply Chain Management Officials						
Heads of supply chain management units	1	0	1	1	0	1
Supply chain management senior managers	2	0	2	1	0	1
TOTAL	7	0	7	7	0	3
* This is a statutory report under the Nation	onal Treasury: Local Gove	ernment: MFMA Competer	ncy Regulations (June	2007)		T 4.5.2

		Skills	Development	Expenditure	e					R'000
		Employees		Original Bud	dget and Ad	tual Expend	ture on skills	developmer	nt Year 1	
Management level	Gender	as at the beginning of the financial year	Learnerships		Skills programmes & other short courses		Other fo		Total	
		No.	Original Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Actual
MM and S57	Female	1	0	0	0	0	12500	58000	12500	58000
	Male	2	0	0	0	0	12500	57000	12500	57000
Legislators, senior officials and	Female	47	0	0	0	0	25000	116000	25000	116000
managers	Male	70	0	0	0	0	25000	120658	25000	120658
Professionals	Female	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Technicians and associate	Female	32	0	0	0	0	62500	142792	62500	142792
professionals	Male	22	0	0	0	0	62500	153650	62500	153650
Clerks	Female	54	0	0	0	0	75000	379397	75000	379397
	Male	17	0	0	0	0	75000	117020	75000	117020
Service and sales workers	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plant and machine operators and	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
assemblers	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elementary occupations	Female	48	0	0	0	0	75000	40000	75000	40000
	Male	35	0	0	0	0	75000	60000	75000	60000
Sub total	Female	329	0	0	0	0	175000	696189	175000	696189
	Male	111	0	0	0	0	175000	448328	175000	448328
otal		440	0	0	0	0	500000	1144517	500000	1144517
% and *R value of municipal salaries (original budget) allocat	ted for workplace s	kills plan.						%*	*R
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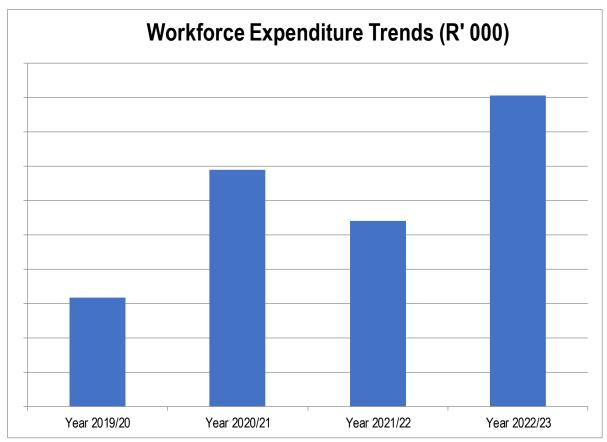
COMMENT ON SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED EXPENDITURE AND ON THE FINANCIAL COMPETENCY REGULATIONS:

Although received late, there is progress made with regards to training of youth and other individuals regarding LGSETA funds.

COMPONENT D: MANAGING THE WORKFORCE EXPENDITURE

INTRODUCTION TO WORKFORCE EXPENDITURE

4.6 EMPLOYEE EXPENDITURE



CHAPTER 5 - FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

INTRODUCTION

Chapter 5 contains information regarding financial performance and highlights specific accomplishments. The chapter comprises of three components:

- Component A: Statement of Financial Performance
- Component B: Spending Against Capital Budget
- Component C: Other Financial Matters

COMPONENT A: STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

INTRODUCTION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note: Statements of Revenue Collection Performance by vote and by source are included at Appendix K.

5.1 STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

	Financial Sur	····· · ···				R' 00
	Year -1		Current: Year 0		Year 0	/ariance
Description	Actual	Original	Adjusted	Actual	Original	Adjustments
		Budget	Budget		Budget	Budget
Financial Performance					0/	
Property rates					%	%
Service charges	4.047	0.045	0.045	0.000	%	%
Investment revenue	1,847	2,015	2,015	3,932	95.09%	95.09%
Transfers recognised - operational	301,855	314,247	315,637	311,014	-1.03%	-1.46%
Other own revenue Total Revenue (excluding capital transfers and contributions)	99,562 403,264	78,981 395,244	77,729 395,382	80,196 395,142	1.54% -0.03%	3.17% -0.06%
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Employee costs Remuneration of councillors	290,789	307,671	304,039	298,143	-3.10%	1
	12,271	14,035	14,805	14,519	3.45% -25.27%	-1.93%
Depreciation & asset impairment	11,611	11,272	11,489	8,424		-26.68%
Finance charges	-	-	-	-	%	%
Materials and bulk purchases					%	% "Dn "
Transfers and grants			-		#DIV/0!	#DIV/0
Other expenditure	77,334	79,445	80,963	77,417	-2.55%	-4.38%
Total Expenditure	392,005	412,423	411,297	398,503	-3.38%	-3.11%
Surplus/(Deficit)	11,259	(17,179)	(15,915)	(3,361)	-80.44%	-78.88%
Transfers recognised - capital	512	-	-	-	%	%
Contributions recognised - capital & contributed assets	44.774	(47.470)	(45.045)	(0.004)	%	%
Surplus/(Deficit) after capital transfers & contributions	11,771	(17,179)	(15,915)	(3,361)	-80.44%	-78.88%
Share of surplus/ (deficit) of associate					%	%
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	11,771	(17,179)	(15,915)	(3,361)	-80.44%	-78.88%
Capital expenditure & funds sources						
Capital expenditure						
Transfers recognised - capital	512	-	-	-	%	%
Public contributions & donations					%	%
Borrowing					%	%
Internally generated funds	1,294	2,445	2,633	1,540	-37.02%	-41.51%
Total sources of capital funds	1,806	2,445	2,633	1,540	-37.02%	-41.51%
Financial position						
Total current assets	26,463	8,831	22,380	34,602	291.84%	54.61%
Total non current assets	94,600	75,787	85,744	87,213	15.08%	1.71%
Total current liabilities	(229,631)	(211,538)	(232,607)	(233,376)	10.32%	0.33%
Total non current liabilities	_	_		_	%	%
Community wealth/Equity	(108,568)	(126,920)	(124,483)	(111,561)	-12.10%	-10.38%
Cash flows	(,,	(,,, ,,	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	, ,,		
Net cash from (used) operating	10,054	4,368	9,835	15,883	263.58%	61.50%
Net cash from (used) investing	(1,806)	(2,445)	(2,633)	(1,528)	-37.50%	-41.96%
	(1,000)	(2,443)	(2,033)	(1,320)	-37.30/0	-41.90 /
Net cash from (used) financing	19 420	7 577	25.620	20 702	332.65%	27.040
Cash/cash equivalents at the year end	18,429	7,577	25,630	32,783	332.03%	27.91%
Cash backing/surplus reconciliation						1
Cash and investments available	18,429	7,577	25,630	32,783	332.65%	27.91%
Application of cash and investments	-	(211,538)	(232,607)	(233,376)	%	%
Balance - surplus (shortfall)	18,429	(203,960)	(206,977)	(200,593)	-1.65%	-3.08%
Asset management						
Asset register summary (WDV)	94,600	75,787	85,744	87,213	15.08%	1.71%
Depreciation & asset impairment	11,611	11,272	11,489	8,424	-25.27%	-26.68%
Renewal of Existing Assets	_	_	-	_	%	%
Repairs and Maintenance	4,733	4,986	6,168	2,096	-57.97%	-66.02%
Free services						
Cost of Free Basic Services provided		_	_	_	%	%
Revenue cost of free services provided	_		_	_	%	%
Households below minimum service level	_		-	_	70	70
					%	0/
Water:	-	-	-	-		%
Sanitation/sewerage:	-	-	-	-	%	%
Energy:	-	-	-	-	%	%
Refuse:	-	ts budget by the	-	-	%	%

	Year -1		Year 0		Year 0 Variance	
Description	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustments Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment s Budget
Operating Cost						
Water						
Waste Water (Sanitation)						
Electricity						
Waste Management						
Housing	(1,930)	(1,755)	(1,759)	(1,759)	0.22%	-0.05%
Component A: sub-total	(1,930)	(1,755)	(1,759)	(1,759)	0.22%	-0.05%
Waste Water (Stormwater Drainage)						
Roads						
Transport	(2,577)	179	(446)	4,418	95.96%	110.09%
Component B: sub-total	(2,577)	179	(446)	4,418	95.96%	110.09%
Planning						
Local Economic Development						
Component B: sub-total	-	-	-	-		
Planning (Strategic & Regulatary)	(22,240)	(23,849)	(21,834)	(22,018)	-8.32%	0.849
Local Economic Development		_				
Component C: sub-total	(22,240)	(23,849)	(21,834)	(22,018)	-8.32%	0.84%
Community & Social Services	(30,882)	(31,427)	(30,276)	(30,190)	-4.10%	-0.29%
Enviromental Proctection	(5,058)	(4,602)	(3,897)	(3,887)	-18.38%	-0.24%
Health	(23,437)	(23,065)	(23,116)	(22,534)	-2.36%	-2.58%
Security and Safety	(5,241)	(5,146)	(5,610)	(4,920)	-4.58%	-14.019
Sport and Recreation	(3,066)	(3,208)	(3,404)	(3,455)	7.14%	1.49%
Corporate Policy Offices and Other	106,768	75,694	74,427	80,984	6.53%	8.10%
Component D: sub-total	39,084	8,246	8,124	15,998	48.45%	49.22%
Total net Expenditure	12,337	(17,179)	(15,915)	(3,361)	-411.12%	-373.50%

COMMENT ON FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

See note 42 within the financial statements for detail on variances above 10%.

5.2 GRANTS

	Gran	t Performa	ince			R' 000
	Year -1		Year 0		Year 0	Variance
Description	Actual	Budget	Adjustments Budget	Actual	Original Budget (%)	Adjustments Budget (%)
Operating Transfers and Grants						
National Government:	286,745	295,391	295,391	295,391	0.00%	0.00%
Equitable share						
Municipal Systems Improvement	_	_	_	_		
Department of Water Affairs						
Levy replacement	285,545	293,991	293,991	293,991	0.00%	0.00%
Other transfers/grants NDPG						
Other transfers/grants FMG	1,200	1,400	1,400	1,400	0.00%	0.00%
Provincial Government:	15,072	18,843	19,983	15,623		
Health subsidy						
Housing						
Ambulance subsidy						
Sports and Recreation	1,491	2,927	2,927	1,386	-111.11%	-111.11%
Aerotropolis Grant		_	1,140	1,140		
EPWP grant	1,023	1,283	1,283	1,254	-2.27%	-2.27%
LED grant						
RRAMS	2,489	2,606	2,606	2,605	-0.02%	-0.02%
HIV & AIDS grant	10,070	12,027	12,027	9,237	-30.21%	-30.21%
District Municipality:	_	_	_	_		
	_			_		
Other grant providers:	550	-	_	-		
NYDA	550	_	_	_	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Total Operating Transfers and Grants	302,367	314,234	315,374	311,014		
Variances are calculated by dividing the diffe	rence between	actual and o	riginal/adjustmen	ts budget by	the actual.	
Full list of provincial and national grants avail	able from publi	shed gazette	S.	-		T 5.2.1

COMMENT ON OPERATING TRANSFERS AND GRANTS

Roll over application was done for the HIV and AIDS grant as well as the Boipatong memorial grant

5.3 ASSET MANAGEMENT

INTRODUCTION TO ASSET MANAGEMENT

Note: Refer to Note 1.5 and 1.6 of the Annual Financial Statements for further details on asset management accounting policy, as well as notes 2 to 5 on the reconciliation of non-current assets.

The municipality is not involved in infrastructure assets projects and the bulk of the asset register is comprised of movable assets. Assets are capitalized once procured and will be depreciated over the expected life span of the asset as per the accounting policy and asset management policy. Useful lives have been adjusted during the financial year of assets fully depreciated.

NT OF THE THREE LARG	SEST ASSETS ACC	QUIRED YEAR 0				
Asse	t 1					
IT Equipmnet						
Information Technology	procurement of ICT eq	quipment				
Computer Hardware (O	wn Assets)					
Information Managemen	t Department					
2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23			
340,052	2,273,548	1,195,650	662,122			
IT Communication						
Asset Managenent- , IT	policies					
Internal Networks	-					
	dinas to link IT network	with different servers a	nd hubs.			
<u>'</u>						
January						
2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23			
			17,376			
25,. 55	,	0,022	,0.0			
IT Communication						
TT COMMUNICATION						
Asset Managenent- IT	nolicies					
	ment - Office furniture 8	& Fauinment				
	mont one armaro t	a Equipmont				
1 dollings						
2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23			
	7 77		102105			
210000	41700	101073	102100			
Furniture & Fauinment f	for offices					
i di ilidio di Equipilient i	OI OIIIOO					
Asset Management policy	<i>M</i>					
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	IT Equipmnet Information Technology Computer Hardware (O Information Management 2019/20 340,052 IT Communication Asset Managenent-, IT Asset Internal Networks Cabelling of Council buil Computer Hardware (O Information Management 2019/20 23,780 IT Communication Asset Managenent-, IT Asset Furniture & Equipment Moveable asset procure Furniture & Equipment Facilities 2019/20 218350 Furniture & Equipment	Asset 1 IT Equipmnet Information Technology procurement of ICT ed Computer Hardware (Own Assets) Information Management Department 2019/20 2020/21 340,052 2,273,548 IT Communication Asset Managenent- , IT policies Asset 2 Internal Networks Cabelling of Council buildings to link IT network Computer Hardware (Own Assets) Information Management Department 2019/20 2020/21 23,780 144,332 IT Communication Asset Managenent- , IT policies Asset 3 Furniture & Equipment Moveable asset procurement - Office furniture & Furniture & Equipment Facilities 2019/20 2020/21	IT Equipmet Information Technology procurement of ICT equipment Computer Hardware (Own Assets) Information Management Department 2019/20 2020/21 2021/22 340,052 2,273,548 1,195,650 IT Communication Asset Managenent , IT policies Asset 2 Internal Networks Cabelling of Council buildings to link IT network with different servers a Computer Hardware (Own Assets) Information Management Department 2019/20 2020/21 2021/22 23,780 144,332 8,522 IT Communication Asset Managenent , IT policies Asset 3 Furniture & Equipment Moveable asset procurement - Office furniture & Equipment Furniture & Equipment Facilities 2019/20 2020/21 2021/22 218350 41706 161075 Furniture & Equipment for offices			

COMMENT ON ASSET MANAGEMENT:

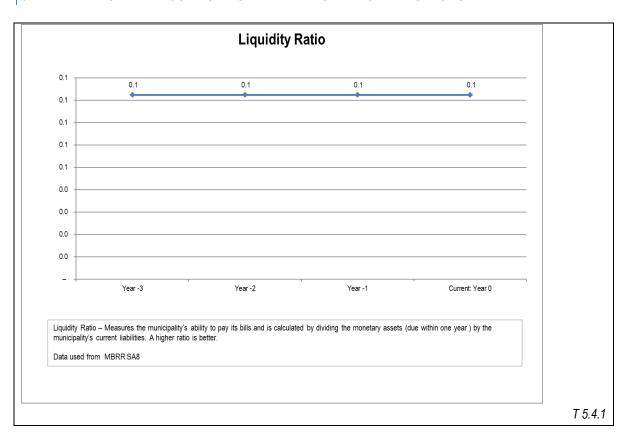
Note: Refer to Note 2 of the Annual Financial Statements for greater detail.

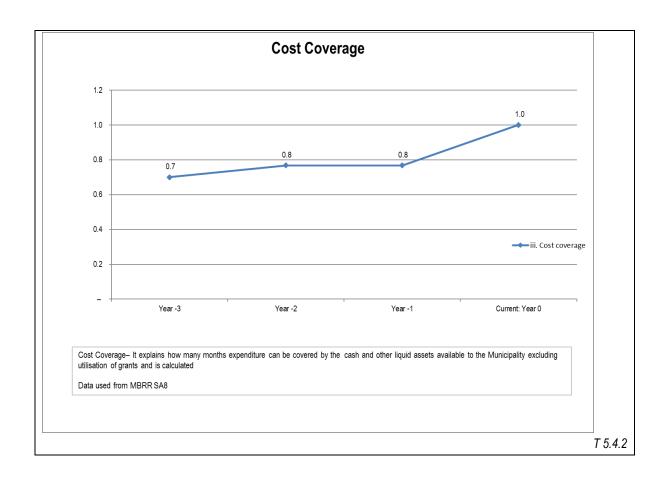
Repair and Maintenance Expenditure: Year 0							
R' 000							
	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Budget variance			
Repairs and Maintenance Expenditure	4,986	6,168	2,096	66%			
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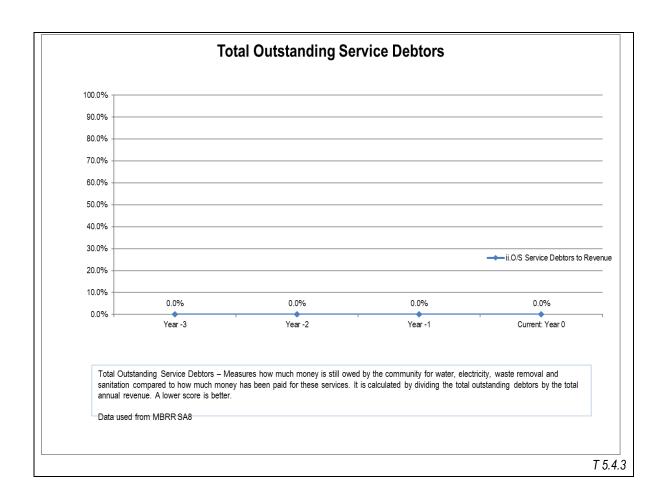
COMMENT ON REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE:

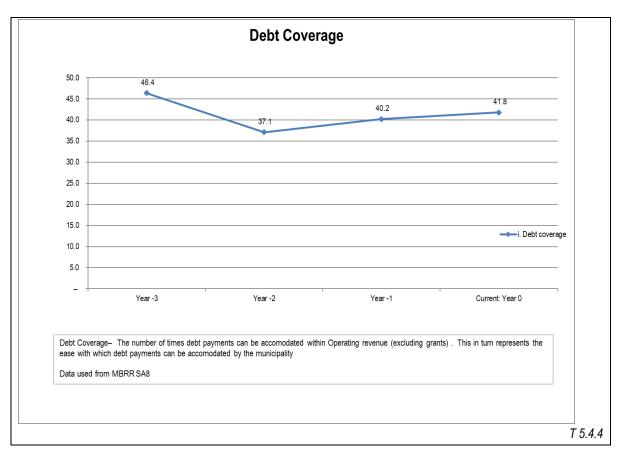
Due to financial constraints, the municipality was not in a position to budget at the 8% benchmark for repairs & maintenance as prescribed by Treasury Norms and Standards

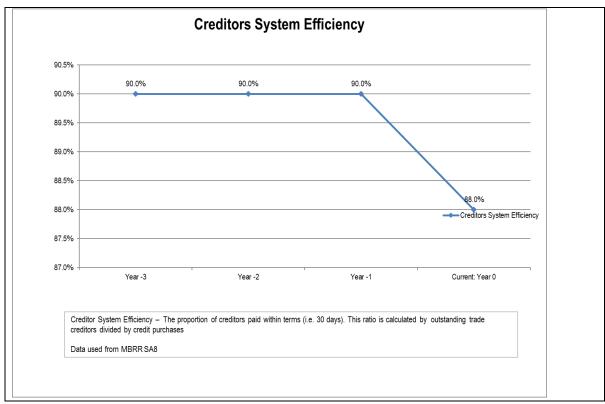
5.4 FINANCIAL RATIOS BASED ON KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

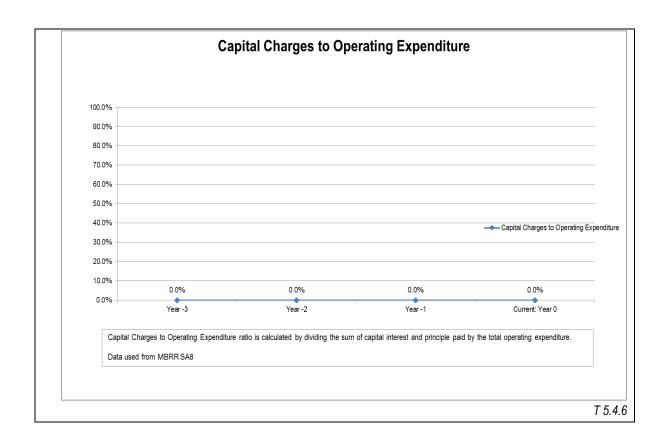


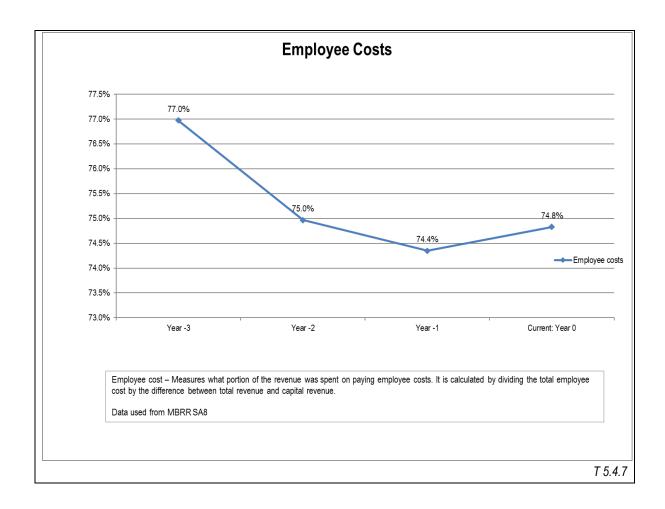


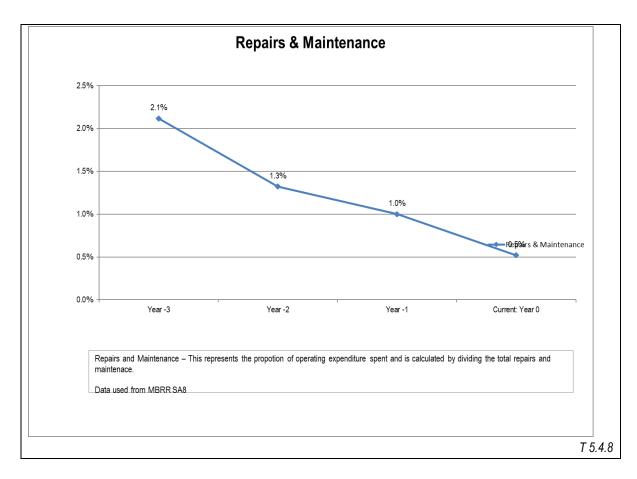












COMMENT ON FINANCIAL RATIOS:

MFMA Circular 71 issued 17 January 2014 prescribes the framework for a holistic financial analysis of the municipality of all financial aspects of the institution that should be considered. Ratios are divided into various categories to address the different financial aspects and operations of a municipality or municipal entity.

- Financial Position
- Financial Performance
- Budget Implementation

The application of financial ratio analysis enables and informs our public office bearers and stakeholders decision making with regards to:

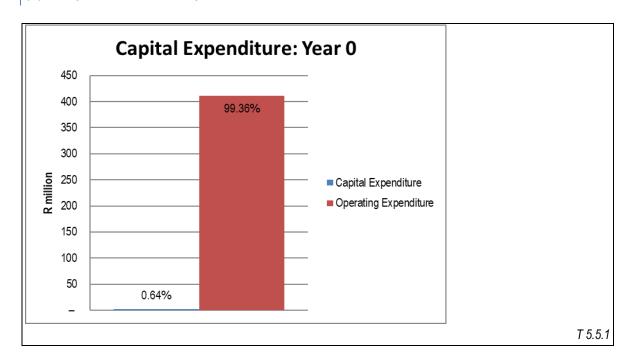
- Ability to meet long-term commitments;
- Ability to meet short-term commitments from liquid resources;
- Determine whether investments are yielding acceptable returns;
- Reduce risks arising from below average performance; and
- Make recommendations to address challenges

COMPONENT B: SPENDING AGAINST CAPITAL BUDGET

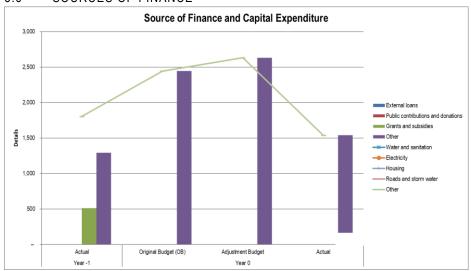
INTRODUCTION TO SPENDING AGAINST CAPITAL BUDGET

The municipality does not have any bulk infrastructure grant funding and all capital expenditure was budgeted from internal funds. Due to financial constraints, the municipality could not afford to provision for major capital works.

5.5 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE



5.6 SOURCES OF FINANCE



C	apital Expendit	ure - Funding	Sources: Year -	1 to Year 0		R' 000
	Year -1			Year 0		K 000
Details	Actual	Original Budget (OB)	Adjustment Budget	Actual	Adjustment to OB Variance (%)	Actual to OB Variance (%)
Source of finance					\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	
External loans						
Public contributions and donations						
Grants and subsidies	512				#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Other	1,294	2,445	2,633	1,540	7.68%	-37.02%
Total	1,806	2,445	2,633	1,540	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Percentage of finance						
External loans	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Public contributions and donations	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Grants and subsidies	28.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Other	71.7%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Capital expenditure						
Water and sanitation						
Electricity						
Housing						
Roads and storm water						
Other	1,806	2,445	2,633	1,540	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Total	1,806	2,445	2,633	1,540	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Percentage of expenditure						
Water and sanitation	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Electricity	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Housing	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Roads and storm water	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Other	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

COMMENT ON SOURCES OF FUNDING:

The municipality was not a recipient of capital projects grant funding and the three capital projects were funded internally

5.7 CAPITAL SPENDING ON 5 LARGEST PROJECTS

		Current: Year 0		Variance: C.	R' 000			
Name of Ductors			Variance: Current Year 0					
Name of Project	Original Budget	Adjustment	Actual	Original	Adjustment			
A Commutan Faulinment	900	Budget 800	Expenditure 662	Variance (%)	variance (%)			
A - Computer Equipment	800				0%			
B - Internal Network	100	100	17	83%	0%			
C - Transport assets	1,266	565	591	53%	55% 0%			
D - Furniture & Equipment	279	279 279 102 63% 04						
E - Name of Project								
* Projects with the highest capita	il expenditure in Year 0							
Name of Project - A								
Objective of Project	External Networking	9						
Delays								
Future Challenges	none							
Anticipated citizen benefits	IT Communication							
Name of Project - B								
Objective of Project	Internal IT Network	ing						
Delays								
Future Challenges	none							
Anticipated citizen benefits	Internal IT connecti	vity						
Name of Project - C								
Objective of Project	Transport assets							
Delays								
Future Challenges	New to further enha	ance fleet as current	fleet is old and unre	liable.				
Anticipated citizen benefits								
Name of Project - D								
Objective of Project	Furniture & Equipm	ent						
Delays								
Future Challenges	Delapidated assets	due to age of existin	g assets					
Anticipated citizen benefits	·	<u> </u>						
Name of Project - E								
Objective of Project								
Delays								
Future Challenges								
Anticipated citizen benefits								

COMMENT ON CAPITAL PROJECTS:

No major capital projects occur as they will be done at local municipality level.

COMPONENT C: CASH FLOW MANAGEMENT AND INVESTMENTS

INTRODUCTION TO CASH FLOW MANAGEMENT AND INVESTMENTS

Information about cash flows may be useful to users of the municipality's financial statements in assessing Council's cash flows, assessing Council's compliance with legislation and regulations (including authorised budgets) and for making decisions about whether to provide resources to, or enter into transactions with Council. These users and stakeholders are generally interested in how Council generates and uses cash and cash equivalents. Municipalities need cash for operations related to service delivery. Municipalities use cash to pay for the goods and services they consume, to meet ongoing debt servicing costs, and, in some cases, to reduce levels of debt. According to the standards of GRAP all entities are required to present a cash flow statement.

It must be noted that the municipality is heavily dependent on the equitable share as well as collections made on behalf of the Department of Roads and Transport its main sources of revenue and cash in-flows are determined around the triennial disbursement cycle of the equitable share. The municipality closed with a cash balance of R32,783 million which shows an increase of cash of R14,355 million from the previous year. The municipality held no investments during the 22/23 year.

5.9 CASH FLOW

Cash Flo	ow Outcome	es		
				R'000
	Year -1	(Current: Year 0	
Description	Audited	Original	Adjusted	Actual
	Outcome	Budget	Budget	Actual
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Receipts		_	_	
Ratepayers and other	357,393	320,022	323,311	405,776
Government - operating	298,363	314,247	314,247	311,092
Government - capital				
Interest	1,847	2,015	2,015	3,932
Dividends				
Payments				
Suppliers and employees	(647,549)	(631,916)	(629,739)	(704,917)
Finance charges				
Transfers and Grants				
NET CASH FROM/(USED) OPERATING ACTIVITIE	10,054	4,368	9,835	15,883
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Receipts				
Proceeds on disposal of PPE	_	-	_	12
Decrease (Increase) in non-current debtors				
Decrease (increase) other non-current receivables				
Decrease (increase) in non-current investments				
Payments				
Capital assets	(1,806)	(2,445)	(2,633)	(1,540)
NET CASH FROM/(USED) INVESTING ACTIVITIE	(1,806)	(2,445)	(2,633)	(1,528)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Receipts				
Short term loans				
Borrowing long term/refinancing				
Increase (decrease) in consumer deposits				
Payments				
Repayment of borrowing	_			_
NET CASH FROM/(USED) FINANCING ACTIVITIE	-	_	-	_
NET INCREASE/ (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD	8,248	1,923	7,201	14,355
Cash/cash equivalents at the year begin:	10,181	5,654	18,429	18,429
Cash/cash equivalents at the year end:	18,429	7,577	25,630	32,783
Source: MBRR A7	, -		,	T 5.9.1

COMMENT ON CASH FLOW OUTCOMES:

The municipality over collected against projections against revenue from exchange transactions. The municipality did not realize higher than anticipated collection on air quality license and permits. Grants and subsidies received were lower than projected due to withholding of unspent conditional grants. There was a favorable variance of R7 million between the budgeted and actual net cash flow

5.10 BORROWING AND INVESTMENTS

Not applicable as the municipality do not have ant borrowing or investments

5.11 PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

Not applicable

COMPONENT D: OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS

5.12 SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act (Act 56 of 2003) requires the municipality to have and implement a Supply Chain Management Policy (SCM Policy) which gives effect to the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 11 of the Act that deals with 'Supply Chain Management'. MFMA section 110 – 119, SCM Regulations 2005, and relevant MFMA circulars, set out required processes and guidance manuals to help ensure that SCM arrangements provide appropriate goods and services, offer best value for money and minimize the opportunities for fraud and corruption. The Supply Chain Management Unit resides within the Finance Cluster.

MFMA Supply Chain Management Regulations effected June 2005 require that in order to perform the oversight role of Council, the Accounting Officer must submit a quarterly report to the Mayor of the municipality on the implementation of the supply chain management policy. The Supply Chain Management Policy was adopted by Council resolution A1532 on 08 June 2016, in line with the prescripts of Section 111, Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act (56 of 2003). Subsequent reviews were conducted annually as follows:-

- Council Resolution A1631 of 31 May 2017;
- Item R03 of 42nd Special Council sitting on 07 June 2019;
- Council Resolution A2133 of 26 May 2021;
- Council Resolution A2275 of 26 October 2022;
- Council Resolution A2308 of 25 January 2023; and
- Council Resolution A2374 of 31 May 2023.

Reports are compiled monthly to assist Council to perform their oversight function as prescribed under MFMSCM Regulation 6, as well as to promote the municipality's procurement principles of transparency, equal treatment, effectiveness, competitiveness, fairness, ethics, proportionality, uniform application, responsibility, openness, value for money and, commitment to safety, health and the environment.

In addition, the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act 5 of 2000) requires an organ of state to determine its Preferential Procurement Policy and to implement it within the framework prescribed. The following bid committees were established and are fully functional:

- Bid Specification Committee;
- Bid Evaluation Committee; and
- Bid Adjudication Committee.

The Bid Adjudication Committee was established in terms of the provisions of MFMA SCM Regulation 29. This committee consist of officials with authority to make final recommendation to the Accounting Officer to award bids in accordance with their terms of reference.

Bids were evaluated in accordance with criteria set out in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act No: 5 of 2000), Preferential Regulations published in terms of Government Gazette No. 22549, Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Act (Act No: 53 of 2003), Construction Industry Development Board Act (Act No: 38 of 2000) and also the criteria set out in terms of Municipal Finance Management Act (Act 56 of 2003) Circular 53. Other criteria for technicality, capability and functionality are determined at the cross-functional bid specification stage, wherein due consideration is also given to achievement of Council strategy, project risk assessment, and alignment to the national Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP).

In terms of "National Treasury MFMA Circular 62 dated 20 July 2012," accounting officers must approve a plan containing all planned procurement for the financial year in respect of goods, services and infrastructure projects anticipated to exceed R200,000. An approved procurement plan for 2022/2023 had been compiled in conjunction with the approval process for the 2022/2023 MTREF of Council. The 2022/2023 procurement plan as approved by the accounting officer, had also been submitted to Gauteng Provincial Treasury. The Demand Management function then monitored procurement requests against this plan. Quarterly reporting of progress against the 2022/2023 procurement plan was submitted to Gauteng Provincial Treasury for monitoring purposes, as per "Gauteng Provincial Treasury: Municipal Supply Chain Management Circular No. 1 of 2014."

The annual procurement plan had been updated in accordance with budgetary changes effected after the MFMA section 28 annual budget adjustment, and was duly approved by the accounting officer on 27 March 2023.

The cross-functional bid committees convened on an as-and-when required basis in accordance with the requirements of the approved procurement plan.

Public bids represent acquisition of goods and/or services through a public competitive bidding process for proposals above R 30,000 (Vat Inclusive).

Tender Reference	Tender Description	Cluster	Contract Duration	Successful Bidder(s)	Contract Value
8/2/2/15-2021	Appointment of a panel of attorneys to assist Sedibeng District	Corporate Services	12 months with option to renew for another two years subject to performance and	LVA/Lizel Venter Attorneys (CSD: MAAA0083269); Meise Nkayiseng	Amount not exceeding that of the price schedules attached (VAT

Tender Reference	Tender Description	Cluster	Contract Duration	Successful Bidder(s)	Contract Value
	Municipality with legal related matters on an ad hoc basis		budget availability	Inc (CSD: MAAA0146017, CIPC: 1999/004176/21); GMI Attorneys (CSD: MAAA0028363, CIPC: 1987/002114/21); MB Mabunda Incorporated (CSD: MAAA0001841, CIPC: 2010/008956/21)	inclusive) as per written letter of instruction per transaction/ job requirement
8/2/3/1-2022	Proposal for Commercial Banking Services	Finance	Five (05) years	The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited (CSD: MAAA0065063; CIPC: 1962/000738/06)	Variable rates (VAT Inclusive) as per pricing schedule and subject to budget availability
8/2/2/5-2022	Supply and Delivery of Uniform: Two- piece continental suits and women's overalls for Sedibeng District Municipality.	Corporate Services	Once-off delivery of goods	Mleng Enterprises (Pty) Ltd (CIPC: 2017/126032/07; CSD: MAAA0547948)	R91,615.00
8/2/2/8-2022	Network Cabling, Peripherals and Cabling Repairs to Sedibeng District Municipality	Corporate Services	12 months with the option to renew for an additional 24 months subject to annual performance review (good performance rendered) and	Protect Security Installations (CSD: MAAA1184267; CIPC: 2020/452520/07)	As-and-when required basis as per the pricing matrix not exceeding the approved budget amount

Tender Reference	Tender Description	Cluster	Contract Duration budget availability	Successful Bidder(s)	Contract Value
8/2/2/10-2022	Supply, service and repair Fire Extinguishers for Sedibeng District Municipality	Corporate Services	12 months with the option to renew for an additional 24 months subject to annual performance review (good performance rendered) and budget availability	Vaal Triangle Fire Services (CSD: MAAA0185969; CIPC: 2006/042927/23)	As-and-when required basis as per the pricing matrix not exceeding the approved budget amount
8/2/6/2-2022 (re- advert)	Repairs and Maintenance of Vereeniging Fresh Produce Market Motorized and Non- Motorized Industrial Shutter Roller Doors and Motorized Sliding Gates	Strategic Planning & Economic Development	Once-off as per project plan	Bakgorogile Global Services (CSD: MAAA0232672; CIPC: 2015/363858/07)	R279,755.18 (VAT inclusive)
8/2/6/6-2022	Refurbishment of changing rooms and toilets at Fresh Produce Market	Strategic Planning & Economic Development	Once-off as per project plan	Bakgorogile Global Services (CSD: MAAA0232672; CIPC: 2015/363858/07)	R512,401.00 (VAT inclusive)

Regulation 36 of the Supply Chain Management Regulations allow for the accounting officer to dispense with the official procurement processes established by the policy and to procure any required goods or services through any convenient process, which may include direct negotiations, but only in an emergency circumstances; if such goods or services are produced or available from a single provider only) for the acquisition of special works of art or historical objects where specifications are difficult to compile; acquisition of animals for zoos; or in any other exceptional case where it is impractical or impossible to follow the official procurement processes; and to ratify any minor breaches of the procurement processes by an official or committee acting in terms of delegated powers or duties which are purely of a technical nature.

There were a total of ten (10) Regulation 36 procurement transactions approved as deviations during the 2022/2023 financial year to a value of R 365,501.19. The details per transaction and reasons are recorded and disclosed in the notes to the Annual Financial Statements.

Furthermore, SCM regulation 17(1)(c) requires a municipality to maintain a register recording the reasons where three quotations were not obtained, and report on those awards on a monthly basis. A total of twenty-two (22) procurement transactions were duly reported by Council to the total value of R 270,854.41 as minor breaches of a technical nature from procurement transactions as per Council policy and as per SCM Regulation 36(1)(b) at the time of reporting. The details per transaction and reasons are recorded and disclosed in the notes to the Annual Financial Statements.

Regulation 32 of the Supply Chain Management Regulations allows the Accounting Officer to procure goods or services for the municipality under a contract secured by another organ of the state, but only if-

- (e) The contract has been secured by that other organ of state by means of a competitive bidding process applicable to that organ of the state;
- (f) The municipality has no reason to believe that such contract was no validly procured;
- (g) There are demonstrable discounts or benefits for the municipality to do so; and
- (h) That other organ of the state and provider has consented to such procurement in writing.

There were no applications made by Sedibeng District Municipality under SCM Regulation 32 for the 2022/2023 financial year.

The SOLAR system has the database of suppliers and is updated on a daily basis through manual processes. It gives effect to all the SCM and legislative requirements. The department receives new applications on a daily basis which show the interest of suppliers in the local economy, while existing suppliers are required to update their vendor information as and when required.

An automated system has been developed in-house whereby supplier data can be extrapolated directly from CSD into the municipal financial system with the intent of automatically rotating and randomising requests for quotations. The system reduces the degree of human interference in the sourcing and selection of CSD registered suppliers, allowing for a fairer and more equitable selection process, and at the same time improving the compliance outcomes of selected suppliers. The Acquisition Unit run parallel processes for the sourcing of quotations between R1,000 up to R30,000 on both, the SOLAR database and the CSD in order to not disadvantage any existing suppliers on the municipal database set.

National Treasury have developed a centralised supplier database (CSD) to optimise the efficiency of service delivery. The CSD is interfaced to South African Revenue Service (SARS) to enable tax clearance status verification of suppliers throughout the Procure-to-Pay process and the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) for vetting of business registration and business ownership. All municipalities were required to migrate onto the CSD by 01 July 2016. Further details were tabled under the separate cover of the report on "MFMA Circular No. 81: Web Based Central Supplier Database (CSD)."

The SCM unit at the municipality is registered onto the CSD and the SCM Demand Unit has begun incorporating information from CSD onto the existing SOLAR database, on an as and when required basis.

Contract management is the function of the cross-functional Contract Management Committee which resides with Corporate Services: Legal and Support, and their reporting obligations lie under the Office of the Municipal Manager Legal Portfolio. The SCM Policy places the responsibility to conduct performance evaluation based on the vendors'

performance with regards to delivery of goods/ services against pre-determined criteria as entered into through service delivery contracts on the end-user departments as the project managers. These performance evaluations are reported on a quarterly basis through to the Contract Management Committee. The service providers are being evaluated on a scale of 01 (Poor) to 05 (Excellent) in the following criteria:

- Delivers Goods/Services Timeously; and
- Provides Products/Services That Meet Specifications/Requirements.

The Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act (53/2003) was promulgated in order to promote the achievement of the constitutional right to equality, increase broad-based and effective participation of black people in the economy and promote a higher growth rate, increased employment and more equitable income distribution. This was achieved through establishing national policy on broad-based black economic empowerment to promote the economic unity of the nation.

BBBEE scoring is conducted through accreditation agencies and points are awarded on the calculation of the following elements on the scorecard:

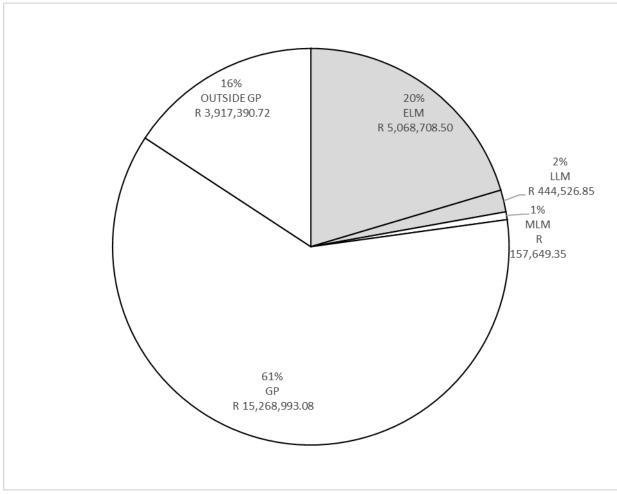
- The level of black ownership;
- The level of black management;
- Employment equity in the workplace;
- Development of skills and competencies of black people;
- The level of goods and services that a business procures from BBBEE compliant suppliers;
- The level of contribution to enterprise development; and
- Social economic development.

During the 2022/2023 financial year, the municipality expended a total of R 16,011,808.55 on three hundred and eighty (380) BEE Level 01 suppliers, equating 76.5% of the total four hundred and ninety-seven (497) municipal awards for procurement of goods and services.

In order to implement National Treasury & Provincial Treasury Reforms and to ensure the provision of business to people with disabilities, youth and women owned companies, expenditure is tracked based on the BBBEE certificates / sworn affidavits submitted by suppliers. It was further recorded that of the total of four hundred and ninety-seven (497) suppliers contracted during 2022/2023, one hundred and seventy-three (173) were women-owned businesses, fifty-three (53) were youth-owned, and, one hundred and fifty-four (154) of these suppliers are "Emerging Micro Enterprises" (EMEs) which equates to 76.5% of total awards for 2022/2023, while one hundred and eighteen (118) were township-based businesses, equating to 23.7% of total awards. The municipality did not meet the performance target for awards made to businesses owned by people with disabilities.

	Total Awards	Men Owned	Woman Owned	Youth Owned	PWD Owned	Township-Based	Emerging Micro Enterprise
Rand value	R 19,028,877.93	R 16,999,064.17	R 3,360,799.48	R 820,329.88	-	R 1,423,446.14	R 2,342,630.85
% of Rand value	100%	89.3%	17.7%	4.3%	-%	7.5%	12.3%
No. of Suppliers	497 suppliers	406 suppliers	173 suppliers	53 suppliers	nil suppliers	118 suppliers	154 suppliers

% No. of	100.0%	81.7%	34.8%	10.7%	-%	23.7%	31.0%
Suppliers							



Expenditure within the region for 2022/2023 equated to:

- 20% within Emfuleni Local Municipality (R 5,068,708.50);
- 2% within Lesedi Local Municipality (R 444,526.85);
- 1% within Midvaal Local Municipality (R 157,649.35);
- 61% outside SDM but within Gauteng Province; and
- 16% outside of Gauteng Province.

5.13 GRAP COMPLIANCE

The Municipality has implemented the GRAP standards applicable to the municipality.

CHAPTER 6 – AUDITOR GENERAL AUDIT FINDINGS

Auditor-General Report on Financial Performance: Year - 2020/2021

Audit Report Status:

Unqualified with Material Findings

Remedial Action Taken

Development of a fit-for purpose Audit Action Plan that will assist the Municipality to remediate on its short-comings in order to deliver on its core- mandate

T.6.1.1

Auditor-General Report on Service Delivery Performance: Year - 2020/2021

Audit Report Status: Material findings raised on the annual performance report

Non- Compliance Issues

The audit outcomes of the reported performance information remained stagnant as compared to prior year 2020/21. Poor quality of the performance information submitted for audit was due to inadequate reviews by senior management and slow response in addressing action plans and root causes of external audit findings. Senior management did not to ensure that actual achievements are reported in the performance report and that all performance indicators included in the Strategic Development and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) follow the SMART criteria as required by the Framework for Managing Programme Performance Information (FMPPI). As a result, reliability testing could not be performed on all material indicators.

Remedial Action Taken

Management will have a strategic session with the assistance of the province to:-

- Review and update the Performance Information KPI's, Targets and Measurement criteria to align to the Framework for Managing Programme Performance Information
- Update the Standard Operating Procedures to guide the management of PI

T.6.1.1

Auditor-General Report on Financial Performance: Year – 2021/2022					
Audit Report Status:	Unqualified with Material Findings				
		T.6.2.1			

COMPONENT B: AUDITOR-GENERAL OPINION YEAR 2021/2022 (PRIOR YEAR)

6.2 AUDITOR GENERAL REPORT YEAR 2021/2022

Report of the auditor-general to the Gauteng Provincial Legislature and council on Sedibeng District Municipality

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

- 1. I have audited the financial statements of the Sedibeng District Municipality set out on pages ... to ..., which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2022, the statement of financial performance, statement of changes in net assets, cash flow statement, and statement of comparison of budget and actual amounts for the year then ended, as well as notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.
- 2. In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Sedibeng District Municipality as at 30 June 2022, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the South African Standards of Generally Recognised Accounting Practices (SA Standards of GRAP) and the requirements of the Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003 (MFMA) and the Division of Revenue Act 9 of 2021 (Dora).

Basis for opinion

- 3. I conducted my audit in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditorgeneral's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of my report.
- 4. I am independent of the district municipality in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *International code of ethics for professional accountants (including International Independence Standards)* (IESBA code) as well as other ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit in South Africa. I have fulfilled

my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA code.

5. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Material uncertainty relating to going concern

- 6. I draw attention to the matter below. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.
- 7. I draw attention to note 35 to the financial statements, which indicates that the district municipality had accumulated deficit of R108 568 306 at 30 June 2022 and, that the district municipality's total liabilities exceed its assets by R108 568 306. As stated in note 35, these events or conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the district municipality's ability to continue as a going concern.

Emphasis of matter

8. I draw attention to the matters below. My opinion is not modified in respect of these matters.

Restatement of corresponding figures

9. As disclosed in note 34 to the financial statements, the corresponding figures for 30 June 2021 were restated as a result of an errors in the financial statements of the district municipality at, and for the year ended, 30 June 2022.

Other matter

10. I draw attention to the matter below. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Unaudited disclosure notes

11. In terms of section 125(2)(e) of the MFMA, the district municipality is required to disclose particulars of non-compliance with the MFMA in the financial statements. This disclosure requirement did not form part of the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, I do not express an opinion on it.

Responsibilities of the accounting officer for the financial statements

- 12. The accounting officer is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the SA Standards of GRAP and the requirements of the MFMA and Dora, and for such internal control as the accounting officer determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
- 13. In preparing the financial statements, the accounting officer is responsible for assessing the district municipality's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the appropriate governance structure either intends to liquidate the district municipality or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor-general's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

- 14. My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.
- 15. A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is included in the annexure to this auditor's report.

Report on the annual performance report

- 16. In accordance with the Public Audit Act 25 of 2004 (PAA) and the general notice issued in terms thereof, I have a responsibility to report material findings on the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information against predetermined objectives presented in the annual performance report. The accounting officer is responsible for the preparation of the annual performance report.
- 17. I performed procedures to evaluate the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information on selected performance indicators in accordance with the criteria developed from the performance management and reporting framework, as defined in the general notice.

- 18. I performed the procedures in accordance with the AGSA audit methodology. This engagement is not an assurance engagement. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion or an assurance conclusion.
- 19. My procedures address the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information on the selected performance indicators, which must be based on the district municipality's approved performance planning documents. I have not evaluated the completeness and appropriateness of the performance indicators included in the planning documents. My procedures do not examine whether the actions taken by the district municipality enabled service delivery. My procedures do not extend to any disclosures or assertions relating to the extent of achievements in the current year or planned performance strategies and information in respect of future periods that may be included as part of the reported performance information. Accordingly, my findings do not extend to these matters.
- 20. I performed procedures to determine whether the reported performance information was properly presented and whether the performance was consistent with the approved performance planning documents. I performed further procedures to determine whether the selected performance indicators and related targets were measurable and relevant, and assessed the reliability of the reported performance information to determine whether it was valid, accurate and complete.
- 21. I selected the following material performance indicators contained in the transport, infrastructure and environment key performance area presented in the district municipality's annual performance report for the year ended 30 June 2022, set out on pages ... to I selected the indicators that measure the district municipality's performance on its primary mandated functions and that which are of significant national, community or public interest.

Performance indicators – Transport infrastructure and environment Number of reports produced regarding compliance matters Number of reports produced regarding the implementation of integrated transport plan Number of regional infrastructure projects coordinated Number of reports produced on the implementation of licencing services Number of reports produced on the ambient air quality monitoring station Number of environmental awareness campaigns Percentage of compliance to municipal health norms and standards

22. The material findings on the usefulness and reliability of the performance information of the selected material performance indicators are as follows:

Various indicators

Performance indicator	Target	Reported achievement
Number of reports produced regarding the implementation of integrated transport plan	1	1
Number of regional infrastructure projects coordinated	4	4
Number of reports produced on the implementation of licencing services	4	4
Number of reports produced on the ambient air quality monitoring station	4	4

23. I was unable to obtain evidence that clearly defined the predetermined source information and method of collection or that related systems and processes were established to enable consistent measurement and reliable reporting of the actual achievement of the indicators listed above. This was due to a lack of measurement definitions and processes. I was unable to confirm that the indicators were well-defined and verifiable by alternative means. As a result, I was unable to verify the reliability of the achievements reported in the annual performance report of the listed indicators. Furthermore, a comparison between the planned and actual performance was not included in the annual performance report.

Various indicators

Performance indicator	Target	Reported achievement
Number of environmental awareness campaigns	4	0
Percentage of compliance to municipal health norms and standards	50%	0%

24. I was unable to obtain evidence that clearly defined the predetermined source information and method of collection or that related systems and processes were established to enable consistent measurement and reliable reporting of the actual achievement of the indicators listed above. This was due to a lack of measurement definitions and processes. I was unable to confirm that the indicators were well-defined and verifiable by alternative means. As a result, I was unable to verify the reliability of the achievements reported in the annual performance report of the listed indicators. Furthermore, a comparison between the planned and actual performance, and measures taken to improve performance against targets were not reported in the annual performance report.

Number of reports produced regarding compliance matter

Performance indicator	Target	Reported achievement
Number of reports produced regarding compliance matters		
Target 1.1: Produce four reports on assets management of the cluster	4	4
Target 1.2: Produce 12 reports on website compliance	12	Not reported
Target 1.3: Produce four reports on the management of contracts of the cluster	4	Not reported 4

25. I was unable to obtain evidence that clearly defined the predetermined source information and method of collection or that related systems and processes were established to enable consistent measurement and reliable reporting of the actual achievement of the indicators listed above. This was due to a lack of measurement definitions and processes. I was unable to confirm that the indicators were well-defined and verifiable by alternative means. As a result, I was unable to verify the reliability of the achievements reported in the annual performance report of the listed indicator. A comparison between the planned and actual performance was not included in the annual performance report. In addition, the indicator was included in the service delivery and budget implementation plan but was not reported on in the annual performance report. These changes were made without the necessary approval.

Other matter

26. I draw attention to the matter below.

Achievement of planned targets

27. Refer to the annual performance report on pages ... to ... for information on the achievement of planned targets for the under achievement of targets. This information should be considered in the context of the material findings on the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information in paragraphs 23 to 25 of this report.

Report on compliance with legislation

- 28. In accordance with the PAA and the general notice issued in terms thereof, I have a responsibility to report material findings on the district municipality's compliance with applicable legislation relating to financial matters, financial management and other related matters. The accounting officer is responsible for the district municipality's compliance with legislation.
- 29. I performed procedures to test compliance with selected requirements in key legislation in accordance with the AGSA audit methodology. This engagement is not an assurance engagement. Accordingly, I do not express an assurance opinion or conclusion.
- 30. I selected requirements in key legislation for compliance testing that are relevant to the financial and performance management of the district municipality, clear to allow consistent measurement and evaluation, while also sufficiently detailed and adequately available to report in an understandable manner. The selection is done through an established AGSA process. The selected legislative requirements are included in the annexure to this auditor's report.
- 31. The material findings on compliance with the selected legislative requirements, presented per compliance theme, are as follows:

Annual financial statement

- 32. The financial statements submitted for auditing were not prepared in all material respects in accordance with the requirements of section 122(1) of the MFMA. Material misstatements of current assets, current liabilities, revenue, disclosure items and cash flow statement identified by the auditors in the submitted financial statements were subsequently corrected, resulting in the financial statements receiving an unqualified audit opinion.
- 33. The oversight report adopted by the council on the 2020-21 annual report was not made public, as required by section 129(3) of the MFMA.

Strategic planning and performance management

34. The performance management system and related controls were inadequate, as it did not describe how the performance planning, monitoring, measurement, review, reporting and improvement processes should be conducted, as required by municipal planning and performance management regulation 7(1).

Utilisation of conditional grants

- 35. The HIV and Aids, financial management and rural roads management grants were not spent for their intended purposes in accordance with the applicable grant framework, as required by section 16(1) of Division of Revenue Act (Act 9 of 2021).
- 36. Performance in respect of programmes funded by the HIV and Aids, financial management grant, rural roads and expanded public works programme grants were not evaluated within two months after the end of the financial year, as required by section 12(5) of the Division of Revenue Act (Act 9 of 2021).

Expenditure management

- 37. Reasonable steps were not taken to prevent irregular expenditure of R42 308 948, as disclosed in note 39 to the annual financial statements, as required by section 62(1)(d) of the MFMA. The majority of the irregular expenditure was caused by non-compliance with supply chain management (SCM) processes.
- 38. Reasonable steps were not taken to prevent unauthorised expenditure of R2 666 659, as disclosed in note 37 to the annual financial statements, in contravention of section 62(1)(d) of the MFMA. The majority of the unauthorised expenditure was caused by inadequate budget processes.
- 39. Money owed by the district municipality was not always paid within 30 days, as required by section 65(2)(e) of the MFMA.

Consequence management

- 40. Unauthorised expenditure incurred by the district municipality was not investigated to determine if any person was liable for the expenditure, as required by section 32(2)(a) of the MFMA.
- 41. Irregular expenditure incurred by the district municipality was not investigated to determine if any person was liable for the expenditure, as required by section 32(2)(b) of the MFMA.

42. I was unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence that losses resulting from irregular expenditure were recovered from the liable person, as required by section 32(2) of the MFMA. This was due to proper and complete records that were not maintained as evidence to support the investigations into irregular expenditure.

Procurement and contract management

- 43. Some goods and services with a transaction value below R200 000 were procured without obtaining the required price quotations, in contravention of SCM regulation 17(1)(a) and (c). Similar non-compliance was also reported in the prior year.
- 44. Quotations were accepted from bidders who did not submit a declaration on whether they are employed by the state or connected to any person employed by the state, as required by SCM regulation 13(c). Similar non-compliance was also reported in the prior year.
- 45. Some of the quotations were accepted from bidders whose tax matters had not been declared by the South African Revenue Service to be in order, in contravention of SCM regulation 43. Similar non-compliance was also reported in the prior year.
- 46. Goods and services with a transaction value above R200 000 were procured without inviting competitive bids, as required by SCM regulation 19(a). Deviations were approved by the accounting officer even though it was not impractical to invite competitive bids, in contravention of SCM regulation 36(1). Similar non-compliance was also reported in the prior year.
- 47. Sufficient appropriate audit evidence could not be obtained that the preference point system was applied in all procurement of goods and services above R30 000 as required by section 2(1)(a) of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act.
- 48. The performance of contractors or providers was not monitored on a monthly basis, as required by section 116(2)(b) of the MFMA. Similar non-compliance was also reported in the prior year.
- 49. The contract performance and monitoring measures were not in place to ensure effective contract management, as required by section 116(2)(c)(ii) of the MFMA. Similar non-compliance was also reported in the prior year.

Human resource management

50. I was unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence that the municipal manager and senior managers had signed performance agreements within the prescribed period, as required by section 57(2)(a) of the MSA.

Other information

- 51. The accounting officer is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report. The other information does not include financial statements, the auditor's report and those selected material indicators in the scoped-in programme presented in the annual performance report that have been specifically reported in this auditor's report.
- 52. My opinion on the financial statements and material findings on the reported performance information and compliance with legislation do not cover the other information and I do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion on it.
- 53. In connection with my audit, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements and the material indicators in the scoped-in programme presented in the annual performance report, or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.
- 54. I did not receive the other information prior to the date of this auditor's report. When I do receive and read this information, if I conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, I am required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance and request that the other information be corrected. If the other information is not corrected, I may have to retract this auditor's report and re-issue an amended report as appropriate. However, if it is corrected this will not be necessary.

Internal control deficiencies

- 55. I considered internal control relevant to my audit of the financial statements, reported performance information and compliance with applicable legislation; however, my objective was not to express any form of assurance on it. The matters reported below are limited to the significant internal control deficiencies that resulted in the basis for the opinion, the findings on the annual performance report and the findings on compliance with legislation included in this report.
- 56. The accounting officer did not adequately exercise their oversight responsibility for financial reporting, performance reporting, compliance with laws and regulations, and implementing consequence management for poor performance and transgressions.
- 57. Senior management did not ensure adequate controls over daily and monthly processing and reconciling controls were implemented for the preparation of the

financial and performance reports. In addition, management did not regularly monitor and implement action plans that were developed to curb repeat findings.

Auditor-General

Johannesburg

05 December 2022



AUDITOR-GENERAL

SOUTH AFRICA

Auditing to build public confidence

Annexure to the auditor's report

The annexure includes the following:

- the auditor-general's responsibility for the audit
- the selected compliance requirements for compliance testing

Auditor-general's responsibility for the audit

As part of an audit in accordance with the ISAs and the AGSA audit methodology, I
exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout my
audit of the financial statements and the procedures performed on reported
performance information for selected performance indicators and on the district
municipality's compliance with selected requirements in key legislation.

Financial statements

- 2. In addition to my responsibility for the audit of the financial statements as described in this auditor's report, I also:
 - identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error; design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks; and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control
 - obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the district municipality's internal control
 - evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the accounting officer
 - conclude on the appropriateness of the accounting officer's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements. I also conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists relating to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability

of the Sedibeng District Municipality to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements about the material uncertainty or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion on the financial statements. My conclusions are based on the information available to me at the date of this auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause a district municipality to cease operating as a going concern

 evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and determine whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Communication with those charged with governance

- 3. I communicate with the accounting officer regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.
- 4. I also provide the accounting officer with a statement that I have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on my independence and, where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

Compliance with legislation – selected legislative requirements

5. The selected legislative requirements are as follows:

Legislatio	n						Sections or regulations
	Finance	Management	Act	56	of	2003	MFMA 122(1)
(MFMA)							MFMA 122(2)
							MFMA 126(1)(a)
							MFMA 126(1)(b)
							MFMA 127(2)
							MFMA 127(5)(a)(i)
							MFMA 127(5)(a)(ii)
							MFMA 129(1)
							MFMA 129(3)
							MFMA 133(1)(a)
							MFMA 133(1)(c)(i)
							MFMA 133(1)(c)(ii)
							MFMA 11(1)
							MFMA 15
							MFMA 29(1)
							MFMA 29(2)(b)
							MFMA 62(1)(d)
							MFMA 65(2)(a)
							MFMA 65(2)(b)
							MFMA 65(2)(e)
							MFMA 13(2)
							MFMA 14(1)
							MFMA 14(2)(a)
							MFMA 14(2)(b)
							MFMA 63(2)(a)
							MFMA 63(2)(c)
							MFMA 53(1)(c)(ii)

Legislation	Sections or regulations
	MFMA 1 Definition of SDBIP
	MFMA 72(1)(a)(ii)
	MFMA 24(2)(c)(iv)
	MFMA 54(1)(c)
	MFMA 1 - paragraphs (a), (b) & (d) of the definition: irregular expenditure
	MFMA 32(2)
	MFMA 32(2)(a)
	MFMA 32(2)(a)(i)
	MFMA 32(2)(a)(ii)
	MFMA 32(2)(b)
	MFMA 32(6)(a)
	MFMA 32(7)
	MFMA 170
	MFMA 171(4)(a)
	MFMA 171(4)(b)
	MFMA 95(a)
	MFMA 112(I)(iii)
	MFMA 112(1)(j)
	MFMA 116(2)(b)
	MFMA 116(2)(c)(ii)
	MFMA 117
LG: MFMA: Municipal budget and reporting	Regulations 71(1)
regulations, 2009	71(2)
	72
LG: MFMA: Municipal investment regulations, 2005	Regulations 3(1)(a)
	3(3)
	6
	7
	12(2)
	12(3)
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Legislation	Sections or regulations
LG: MFMA: Municipal regulations on financial	Reg 5(4)
misconduct procedures and criminal proceedings, 2014	6(8)(a)
	6(8)(b)
	10(1)
LG: MFMA: Municipal supply chain management	Regulation 5
(SCM) regulations, 2017	12(1)(b)
	12(1)(c)
	12(3)
	13(b)
	13(c)
	13(c)(i)
	16(a)
	17(1)(a)
	17(1)(b)
	17(1)(c)
	19(a)
	21(b)
	22(1)(b)(i)
	22(2)
	27(2)(a)
	27(2)(e)
	28(1)(a)(i)
	28(1)(a)(ii)
	29(1)(a) and (b)
	29(5)(a)(ii)
	29(5)(b)(ii)
	32
	36(1)
	38(1)(c)
	38(1)(d)(ii)
	38(1)(e)
	38(1)(g)(i)
	38(1)(g)(ii)

Legislation	Sections or regulations
	38(1)(g)(iii)
	43
	44
	46(2)(e)
	46(2)(f)
Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 (MSA)	MSA 29(1)(b)(ii)
	MSA 27(1)
	MSA 29(2)(a)
	MSA 29(2)(c)
	MSA 42
	MSA 25(1)
	MSA 26(a)
	MSA 26(c)
	MSA 26(i)
	MSA 26(h)
	MSA 41(1)(a)
	MSA 43(2)
	MSA 41(1)(b)
	MSA 34(a)
	MSA 41(1)(c)(ii)
	MSA 34(b)
	MSA 38(a)
	MSA 93B(a)
	MSA 93B(b)
	MSA 93C(a)(iv)
	MSA 93C(a)(v)
	MSA 57(6)(a)
	MSA 56(a)
	MSA 66(1)(b)
	MSA 66(1)(a)
	MSA 67(1)(d)
	MSA 57(2)(a)

Legislation	Sections or regulations
	MSA 57(4B)
LG: MSA: Municipal planning and performance management regulations, 2001	Reg 15(1)(a)(i) 2(1)(e) 2(3)(a) 9(1)(a) 10(a) 12(1) 3(4)(b) 15(1)(a)(ii) 3(5)(a) 3(3) 8 7(1)
LG: MSA: Municipal performance regulations for municipal managers and managers directly accountable to municipal managers, 2006	Regulations 2(3)(a) 4(4)(b) 8(1) 8(2) 8(3)
LG: MSA: Regulations on appointment and conditions of employment of senior managers, 2014	Regulations 36(1)(a) 17(2)
LG: MSA: Disciplinary regulations for senior managers, 2011	Reg 5(2) 5(3) 5(6) 8(4)
Annual Division of Revenue Act (Dora)	Dora 11(6)(b) Dora 12(5) Dora 16(1) Dora 16(3)
Construction Industry Development Board Act 38 of 2000 (CIDB)	CIDB Act section 18(1)
CIDB regulations	CIDB regulation 17 CIDB regulation 25 (7A)

Legislation	Sections or regulations
Municipal Property Rates Act 6 of 2004 (MPRA)	Section 3(1)
Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act 5 of 2000 (PPPFA)	PPPFA Section 2(1)(a)
2000 (FFFFA)	PPPFA Section 2(1)(f)
Preferential procurement regulations (PPR), 2011	PPR 2011 4(1)
	PPR 2011 4(3)
	PPR 2011 4(4)
	PPR 2011 4(5)
	PPR 2011 5(1)
	PPR 2011 5(2)
	PPR 2011 5(3)
	PPR 2011 5(5)
	PPR 2011 6(1)
	PPR 2011 6(2)
	PPR 2011 6(3)
	PPR 2011 6(5)
	PPR 2011 6(4)
	PPR 2011 7(1)
	PPR 2011 10
	PPR 2011 11(2)
	PPR 2011 11(4)
	PPR 2011 11(5)
	PPR 2011 11(8)
Preferential procurement regulations (PPR), 2017	PPR 2017 5(1)
	PPR 2017 5(3)
	PPR 2017 5(6)
	PPR 2017 5(7)
	PPR 2017 6(1)
	PPR 2017 6(2)
	PPR 2017 6(3)
	PPR 2017 6(5)
	PPR 2017 6(6)
	PPR 2017 6(8)

Legislation	Sections or regulations
	PPR 2017 7(1)
	PPR 2017 7(2)
	PPR 2017 7(3)
	PPR 2017 7(5)
	PPR 2017 7(6)
	PPR 2017 7(8)
	PPR 2017 8(2)
	PPR 2017 8(5)
	PPR 2017 9(1)
	PPR 2017 10(1)
	PPR 2017 10(2)
	PPR 2017 11(1)
Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act 12 of 2004 (Precca)	Precca 34(1)

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Accessibility indicators	Explore whether the intended beneficiaries are able to access services or outputs.
Accountability documents	Documents used by executive authorities to give "full and regular" reports on the matters under
	their control to Parliament and provincial legislatures as prescribed by the Constitution. This
	includes plans, budgets, in-year and Annual Reports.
Activities	The processes or actions that use a range of inputs to produce the desired outputs and
	ultimately outcomes. In essence, activities describe "what we do".
Adequacy indicators	The quantity of input or output relative to the need or demand.
Annual Report	A report to be prepared and submitted annually based on the regulations set out in Section 121
	of the Municipal Finance Management Act. Such a report must include annual financial
	statements as submitted to and approved by the Auditor-General.
Approved Budget	The annual financial statements of a municipality as audited by the Auditor General and
	approved by council or a provincial or national executive.
Baseline	Current level of performance that a municipality aims to improve when setting performance
	targets. The baseline relates to the level of performance recorded in a year prior to the
	planning period.
Basic municipal service	A municipal service that is necessary to ensure an acceptable and reasonable quality of life to
	citizens within that particular area. If not provided it may endanger the public health and safety
	or the environment.
Budget year	The financial year for which an annual budget is to be approved – means a year ending on 30
	June.
Cost indicators	The overall cost or expenditure of producing a specified quantity of outputs.
Distribution indicators	The distribution of capacity to deliver services.
Financial Statements	Includes at least a statement of financial position, statement of financial performance, cash-
	flow statement, notes to these statements and any other statements that may be prescribed.
General Key	After consultation with MECs for local government, the Minister may prescribe general key
performance indicators	performance indicators that are appropriate and applicable to local government generally.
Impact	The results of achieving specific outcomes, such as reducing poverty and creating jobs.
Inputs	All the resources that contribute to the production and delivery of outputs. Inputs are "what we
•	use to do the work". They include finances, personnel, equipment and buildings.
Integrated Development	Set out municipal goals and development plans.
Plan (IDP)	
National Key	Service delivery & infrastructure
performance areas	Economic development
	Municipal transformation and institutional development
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	Financial viability and management
	Good governance and community participation
Outcomes	The medium-term results for specific beneficiaries that are the consequence of achieving
	specific outputs. Outcomes should relate clearly to an institution's strategic goals and
	objectives set out in its plans. Outcomes are "what we wish to achieve".
Outpute	The final products or goods and convince produced for delivery. Outputs may be defined as
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	"what we produce or deliver". An output is a concrete achievement (i.e. a product such as a
	passport, an action such as a presentation or immunization, or a service such as processing an application) that contributes to the achievement of a Key Result Area.
Performance Indicator	Indicators should be specified to measure performance in relation to input, activities, outputs, outcomes and impacts. An indicator is a type of information used to gauge the extent to which an output has been achieved (policy developed, presentation delivered, service rendered)
Performance Information	Generic term for non-financial information about municipal services and activities. Can also be used interchangeably with performance measure.
Performance Standards:	The minimum acceptable level of performance or the level of performance that is generally accepted. Standards are informed by legislative requirements and service-level agreements. Performance standards are mutually agreed criteria to describe how well work must be done in terms of quantity and/or quality and timeliness, to clarify the outputs and related activities of a job by describing what the required result should be. In this EPMDS performance standards are divided into indicators and the time factor.
Performance Targets:	The level of performance that municipalities and its employees strive to achieve. Performance Targets relate to current baselines and express a specific level of performance that a municipality aims to achieve within a given time period.
Service Delivery Budget Implementation Plan	Detailed plan approved by the mayor for implementing the municipality's delivery of services; including projections of the revenue collected and operational and capital expenditure by vote for each month. Service delivery targets and performance indicators must also be included.
Vote:	One of the main segments into which a budget of a municipality is divided for appropriation of money for the different departments or functional areas of the municipality. The Vote specifies the total amount that is appropriated for the purpose of a specific department or functional area. Section 1 of the MFMA defines a "vote" as: a) one of the main segments into which a budget of a municipality is divided for the appropriation of money for the different departments or functional areas of the municipality; and b) which specifies the total amount that is appropriated for the purposes of the department or functional area concerned

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A - COUNCILLORS; COMMITTEE ALLOCATION AND COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Councillors, Committees Allocated and Council Attendance					
Council Members	Full Time / Part Time FT/PT	Committees Allocated	Ward and / or Party Represented	Percentage Council Meetings Attendance	Percentage Apologies for non- attendance
				%	
KHITHIKA MI	FT	Council Sitting (10) MPAC (9)	EFF	1 Absent, 2 Apologies 3 Absent, 4 Apologies	70%
MAMASELI NS	FT	Council Sitting (10) Gender (8)	EFF	√ 1 Apology	100%
NAKANA M	FT	Council Sitting (10)	EFF	V	100%
MOHONO S	PT	Council Sitting (5)	EFF	1 Absent 1 Apologies	80%
MALOKA MJ	PT	Council Sitting (4)	EFF	1 Absent	75%
MAPEYI M	PT	Council Sitting (10) Petitions(5)	EFF	√ 2 Apologies	100%
TSHEHLA LF	PT	Council Sitting (5)	EFF	V	100%
MONAKALI NG	PT	Council Sitting (4)	EFF	1 Apologies	75%
GOMES P	FT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	5 Apologies	50%
PARSONSON L	FT	Council Sitting (10) Gender (8)	DA	1 Apology 1 Apology	90%
MOTSOANE TD	FT	Council Sitting (10) Petitions(5)	DA	1 Absent 1 Absent, 1 Apology	90%
DYONASE S	FT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	1 Absent	90%
DAMON G	FT	Council Sitting (10) Gender (8)	DA	1 Absent 1 Apology	90%
MSIBI JS	FT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	1 Absent	90%
MTHIMKHULU T	FT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	1 Absent, 1 Apology	80%
PETERS FW	PT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	5 Apologies	50%
KRUGER M	PT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	1 Apology	90%
JANSE VAN RENSBURG S	PT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	1 Absent, 1 Apology	80%

Council Members Full Time / Committees Allocated • Ward and / or Percentage Council			Percentage		
	Part Time FT/PT		Party Represented	Meetings Attendance	Apologies for non-
				%	attendance
TLHOKWE T	PT	Council Sitting (10) MPAC (8)	DA	1 Absent, 1 Apology 1 Apology	80%
HLANYANE P	PT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	1 Absent, 1 Apology	80%
MOTLOUNG L	PT	Council Sitting (10) Petitions(3)	DA	1 Absent √	90%
RAMONGALO T	PT	Council Sitting (10) MPAC (8)	DA	2 Apologies 1 Apology	80%
MTHEMBU DN	PT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	2 Apologies	80%
HOLTZHAUSEN G	PT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	1 Absent, 2 Apologies	70%
VAN DER LITH H	PT	Council Sitting (10)	DA	V	100%
LUBBE R	FT	Council Sitting (10) MPAC (8)	FF+	2 Apologies √	80%
JONES MV	PT	Council Sitting (10)	NHM	1 Absent, 2 Apologies	70%
KANTSO MD MD	PT	Council Sitting (10) MPAC (8)	PAC	1 Absent, 1 Apology 3 Absent, 4 Apologies	80%
TSOTETSI BJ	FT	Council Sitting (10)	PAC	1 Apology, 1 Absent	80%
MAHLASELA SP	PT	Council Sitting (10)	VAAL	2 Apologies	80%
MOKHELE SG	PT	Council Sitting (10)	ACDP	1 Apology	100%
MOKOENA NF	PT	Council Sitting (10)	CSA	V	100%
MODIKENG ML	FT	Council Sitting (10) Gender (8)	ANC	√ √	100%
GAMEDE LSA	PT	Council Sitting (10)	ANC	2 Apologies	85.7%
MALOKA LF	FT	Council Sitting (10)	ANC	√	100%
MOSAI AC	FT	Council Sitting (9)	ANC	1 Apology	90%
		Petitions(5) Gender (8)		2 Apologies 1 Absent, 1 Apology	
RAIKANE DM	PT	Council Sitting (1) Petitions(1)	ANC	1 Absent	100%
MAHOMMED YJ	FT	Council Sitting (10)	ANC	V	100%
MOKONANE SFA	FT	Council Sitting (10) Petitions(5)	ANC	1 Apology 1 Apology	90%

Councillors, Committees Allocated and Council Attendance					
Council Members	Full Time / Part Time FT/PT	Committees Allocated	Ward and / or Party Represented	Percentage Council Meetings Attendance	Percentage Apologies for non- attendance
KHOMOEASERA	FT	Council Sitting (10)	ANC	% √	100%
ML		Council Sitting (10)	ANC	V	100 /6
RADEBE V	FT	Council Sitting (10)	ANC	2 Apologies	80%
BUTHONGO CT	FT	Council Sitting (14)	ANC	1 Absent √	90%
		Petitions(5) MPAC (8) Gender (8)		3 Absent 2 Absent	
MOLOI MEF	FT	Council Sitting (14)	ANC	V	100%
DONDOLO MA	PT	Council Sitting (14) Petitions(3)	ANC	√ 1 Absent, 2 Apologies	100%
KHOZA TM	PT	Council Sitting (14) Gender (8)	ANC	√ √	100%
MOCHAWE JS	PT	Council Sitting (14)	ANC	1 Absent	100%
TLADI JR	PT	Council Sitting (2)	ANC	V	100%
YONGAMA	PT	Council Sitting (14)	ANC	√	100%
NAAPO SJ	PT	Council Sitting (14)	ANC	V	100%
NDWANDWE NG	PT	Council Sitting (14)	ANC	1 Apology	100%
SEFATSA SJ	PT	Council Sitting (14) MPAC (8)	ANC	1 Apology √	90%
MKHIZE B	PT	Council Sitting (14)	ANC	V	100%

APPENDIX B - COMMITTEES AND COMMITTEE PURPOSES

Committees (other than Mayoral/Executive Committee) and Purposes of Committees		
Rules committee	Recommends rules and orders to Council concerning the smooth running of its business	
Ethics & Integrity Committee	Promote a culture within the institution which is intolerant to unethical conduct.	

Municipal Public Accounts Committee	
	Reviews the municipal annual report in line with Auditor -General's findings. Provide political oversight to financial management and accounts.
Public Participation & Petitions	
	Promotes the active involvement of the general public in municipal affairs. Receive petitions from ordinary community members on service delivery matters.
Gender Committee	
	Responsible for gender mainstreaming within the municipal environment. Monitor gender perspective of policies , programmes, projects and practices in the municipality
Section 80 Committees	Administrative oversight.
Note * Councillors appointed on a propo	ortional basis do not have wards allocation to them

APPENDIX C -THIRD TIER ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

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THIRD TIER STRUCTURE		
DIRECTORATE	MANAGERS/ASSISTANT MANAGERS (State title and name)	
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR		
KHALO NR - DIRECTOR MAYORS OFFICE	MBULAHENI RA - MANAGER ADMINISTRATION	
	KGASWANE SK - RESEARCHER & SPEECHWRITER	
	MALEKA TT - ASS.MAN.STAKEHOLDER RELAT	
	NHLENGETHWA TP - ASS.MANAGER WAR ROOM	
OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER OF COUNCIL		
DLANGAMANDLA JM - DIR: SPEAKERS OFFICCE	TSHABALALA DE - ASS.MAN.STAKEHOLDER RELATIONS	
	MOTAUNG NB - MANAGER MPAC	
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF WHIP OF COUNCIL		
TLEBERE DN - DIRECTOR CHIEF WHIP	MGUDLWA TS - MANAGER OFFICE CHIEF WHIP	
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER		
MATHE FM - MUNICIPAL MANAGER	DEYZEL GR - DIRECTOR SPECIAL PROJECTS	
	MPONTSHANE HM - DIRECTOR MUNICIPAL SYSTEM	
	PIETERSON M B - EXEC.SECRETARY MM OFFICE	
	CUNA R - MANAGER INTERNAL AUDIT	
	MASIBIHLELE MB - MANAGER RISK MANAGEMENT	
	WIESE IC - ASS.MANAGER COMPLIANCE	
FINANCE		
	LOUW DE - MANAGER:OFFICE OF CFO	
	LOUW DE - IVIAINAGER.OFFICE OF GFO	

SUPPLY CHAIN	
WIESE KZ - DIRECTOR:SUPPLY	
CHAIN	NTJEPELA MS - ASS.MANAGER LOGISTICS
	ZWEDALA S - ASS. MAN. MUN.COMPLIANCE
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	
STEYN CE - DIRECTOR FIN.MAN.&	LERATO TABANE - ASS.MAN.ASSETS&LIABILITY
BUDGET	
CORPORATE SERVICES	
HR	
LERATO G NKOLI - DIRECTOR HUMAN RESOURCES	MALOKA TS - MANAGER LABOUR RELATIONS
	MOKAKO MS - MANAGER: LABOUR RELATIONS
	HLONGWANE BN - ASSISTANT MANAGER:EAP
	MORAJANE OM - ASS.MAN.ORG.DEVELOPMENT
	SERAME MC - ASS.MAN.PERSONNEL ADMIN
LEGAL SERVICES	
MHLWATIKA RBT - DIRECTOR LEGAL & SUPPORT	NGAKE MT - SENIOR LEGAL ADVISOR
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	
CHAMDA Y - DIRECTOR INFORM.MANAGEMEN	MANS HAJ - MANAGER INFORM/OPERATIONS
	VISAGIE MC - MANAGER INFORM.MANAGEMENT
	MONGA N - ASS.MAN.NETWORKS
	XABA TM - ASS.MAN. TECHNICAL ADMIN
FACILITIES	
MARANDA KD - DIRECTOR FACILITIES	JOHNSON BW - MANAGER BUILDINGS
DROTECTION SERVICES	MOKOENA TJ - MANAGER FLEET
PROTECTION SERVICES	
MIYA TA - MANAGER: INTERNAL SECURITY	MTSHALI MB - ADMIN OFFICER VIP
RECORDS AND COMMITTEE SECTION	
TSHABALALA NN - RECORDS MANAGER	
WAIVAGEN	

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	
LED & TOURISM	DLODLO S - ASS.MANAGER COMPLIANCE
MBONGO KS - DIRECTOR ECON.DEV.& IDP	MAJOLA CH - MANAGER DEV.PLANNING
	PELSER R - MANAGER TOURISM
	VAN WYK PS - ASS.MAN.TOURISM:PRODUCTS
DE 151 OD 151 DE 111 DE	
DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT	MUTLANENG T - MAN.DEVELOPMENT PLANNING
MAKHUBU MG - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: STRATEGIC PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	PITSO SE - MANAGER HUMAN SETTLEMENT
	RAMAGAGA RD - IDP MANAGER
	DLADLA MD - ASS.MANAGER-MANUFACTURING
	MOKGATLHE MD - ASSISTANT MAN.AGRICULTURE
PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT	
NETSHIVHALE KR - DIRECTOR:PROJ.MAN.UNIT	
EDECH PRODUCE MARKET	
FRESH PRODUCE MARKET	144 717 W (2 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
TSOTETSI TJ - DIRECTOR FRESH PRO MARKET	MAZIBUKO SP - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
	RADEBE SJ - MAN. ENVIRONMENT PLANNING
TRANPORT INFRASTRUCTURE AND	
ENVIRONMENT	
NGOBESE I - ACTING EXEUTIVE DIRECTOR TIE	KHALEMA MM - MANAGER TECH SERV.
	THEKISO MF - ASS.MAN. IGR
	MOFOKENG NS - MAN. TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT
LICENSING	
	VAN ZYL E - LIC SERV CENTER MANAGER
	LENAKE TM - LSC MANAGER
	MOKOENA M - ASS.MANAGER LICENSING
AIDDODT	MAKGALE NA - ASS.MANAGER LICENSING
AIRPORT	
	MOKOENA NCE - MANAGER AIRPORT

ENVIRONMENT	
	NEMANGAYA NM - AIR QUALITY MANAGER
COMMUNITY SERVICES	
VACANT	MOETI NV - ASS.MANAGER COMPLIANCE
HEALTH	
MASUKELA DL - DIR:HEALTH&SOC.DEVELOPMEN	MOHAPELOA BP - HIV/AIDS COORDINATER
DISASTER	
MOTHAPO MS - DIR:EMERGENCY MAN.SERV.	NIEUWENHUIZEN PJ - ASS.MAN.OPERATIONS & LOGI
SRAC & H	
FELIX NJA - DIRECTOR SRAC & H	LUFHUGU NP - ASS.MAN. SPORT&RECREATION
	KHUMALO SA - ASS.MANAGER HERITAGE&MUSE
	VAN WYK A - ASS.MAN. ARTS & CULTURE
SAFETY	
LEACWE MJ - DIRECTOR:PUBLIC SAFETY	KELE PB - ASS.MANAGER CRIME PREVENT

APPENDIX D - FUNCTIONS OF MUNICIPALITY / ENTITY

Municipal / Entity Functions		I =
MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS	Function Applicable to Municipality (Yes / No)*	Function Applicable to Entity (Yes / No)
Constitution Schedule 4, Part B functions:		
Air pollution	Y	N/A
Building regulations	N	N/A
Child care facilities	N	N/A
Electricity and gas reticulation	N	N/A
Firefighting services	N	N/A
Local tourism	Υ	N/A
Municipal airports	Υ	N/A
Municipal planning	N	N/A
Municipal health services	Υ	N/A
Municipal public transport	Υ	N/A
Municipal public works only in respect of the needs of municipalities in the	N	
discharge of their responsibilities to		
administer functions specifically assigned to them under this Constitution or		
any other law		N/A
Pontoons, ferries, jetties, piers and harbours, excluding the regulation of	N	
international and national shipping and		
matters related thereto		N/A
Stormwater management systems in built-up areas	N	N/A
Trading regulations	N	N/A
Water and sanitation services limited to potable water supply systems and	N	
domestic waste-water and sewage		
disposal systems		N/A
Beaches and amusement facilities	N	N/A
Billboards and the display of advertisements in public places	N	N/A
Cemeteries, funeral parlors and crematoria	N	N/A
Cleansing	N	N/A
Control of public nuisances	N	N/A
Control of undertakings that sell liquor to the public	N	N/A
Facilities for the accommodation, care and burial of animals	N	N/A
Fencing and fences	N	N/A
Licensing of dogs	N	N/A
Licensing and control of undertakings that sell food to the public	N	N/A
Local amenities	N	N/A
Local sport facilities	N	N/A
Markets	Υ	N/A
Municipal abattoirs	Υ	N/A

Municipal parks and recreation	N	N/A
Municipal roads	N	N/A
Noise pollution	N	N/A
Pounds	N	N/A
Public places	N	N/A
Refuse removal, refuse dumps and solid waste disposal	N	N/A
Street trading	N	N/A
Street lighting	N	N/A
Traffic and parking	N	N/A
* If municipality: indicate (yes or No); * If entity: Provide name of entity		T D

APPENDIX E - WARD REPORTING

Not applicable to Sedibeng district municipality

APPENDIX F - WARD INFORMATION

Not applicable to Sedibeng district municipality

APPENDIX G - RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL AUDIT COMMITTEE 2022/2023

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27 th January 2022	Chairperson requested Ms. T Moja to open the meeting to kick-start the process of discussing matters are of concern to Audit Committee with an understanding that the Executive Mayor should be made aware of:-	In-progress
	STRATEGIC DIRECTION OF SDM	
	 Going-Concern Status of the municipality Concerns were raised by AC that the financial state at which the municipality finds itself is dire as it is technically insolvent with asset base that is less than its liabilities. What is more of a concern was the fact the assets base itself, is not the kind of asset that an organisation would immediately sell to try and recover some monetary value in it, as it a unique type of assets. Even with the long-term view, the demand for such assets would be low. For example, a city hall or theatre, would be difficult to find a buyer and sell-off the asset at least at the market value. This begs the question that how does the municipality continue to operate and function, with the "money" that id does not have? How is that case sustainable going forward? Although the municipality currently relies largely on the equitable share and conditional grants, it has been clear that these too are being granted at a declining rate meaning they decrease with time. AC has requested management to provide a solid turn-around strategy with no success. This is critical to identify areas of revenue generating streams that will assist the municipality in reducing the burden of too much reliance of Grant Management schemes. Further, this would be required because focusing on cost-reduction will be become an ineffective method of trying to stay afloat as the biggest line item in terms of expenditure is the employee costs and that by its nature is a fixed line item, that you cannot rely on going forward. Capacity with the Key-Strategic roles remains a big concerns for AC, particularly when it comes to the role of Chief Financial Officer. For more than three years this role has been acted upon by different individuals for the past two financial years. 	
	The issue of continuous Acting- Position in the strategic positions remains a risk in the municipality as it constitutes non-compliance to regulation. Where According MSA act, Section 56 an 57 employees are required to formulate Employment Contract and Performance Contracts that should be reviewed on a quarterly basis to assess performance of each, in the space where there is continuous change, not only does it constitutes non-compliance by the municipality, but also impacts the organisational morale, performance and non-	

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	accountability from the entire municipality.	
	Inability of the Audit Committee's role in performing its statutory mandate The Audit Committee is unable to review the Mid-term term and Mid-Year reports according to the compliance calendar due to Information (Financial and Non-Financial) is not submitted or is submitted late. Making it difficult for an Internal Audit Function to perform its function, so that the AC can perform its necessary oversight. This includes, inputs that needs to be provided for in the IDP process and report therein, before submission to Mayco and Council for approval.	
	Performance Information Functional Unit	
	 The municipality used to have an automated Performance Information that allowed the municipality to be efficient in reporting and measuring its performance against the SDBIP. However, the system has since been disbanded, making the process to be manual, hand-intensive with great risk of errors being introduced. Lack of staff capacitation thereof, remains an issue that has been raised by Internal Audit Unit, with no tangible action plan from the admiration. 	
	The Risk Management Function ■ This function completely collapsed, with the frequent changing Acting positions of Acting Municipal Manager (AMM), with no proper capacitation within the unit. This makes it difficult for Internal Audit Unit to produce an Annual Internal Audit Plan that is informed by a proper risk assessment process that have not taken place the past three financial years. As a result, the 2020/21 Internal Audit Plan was found to be in-adequate in that it was not informed by the Risk Based approach, where Risk Management Function has assessed and provided for both the Strategic and Operational Risk Registers required for monitoring the municipality's risks.	
	Lack of Consequence Management	
	 Lack of consequence management continues to erode the culture of accountability, where those who have been to have transgress the law, know that they will not be taken to task. 	
	Staff Morale	
	Instability in leadership, too much change in the environment has affected the morale of the municipality's staff overall.	
	 AC's Comments The AC stated that it can perform its function thoroughly if the Internal Audit, Risk Management function and Performance Information Unit is not well 	

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	capacitated. Concern regarding the Risk Management is also of a key concern, especially where concerted effort was made to request National Treasury to assist and guide the municipality of the Risk Assessment Processes. However, due to non-commitment by management, treasury pulled its participation and support thereof. As such there is vacuum left in the Risk Management unit.	
	Resolutions by AC	
	 The municipality is encouraged to review its overall strategy to focus on the following: Develop and implement the "The Turn-Around Strategic Plan" Implement, Monitor and report on the progress of the Mokhare recommendations The role and function of Risk Management should be attended to with urgency. These matters should be discussed with the Executive Mayor on a continuous basis with implementation action plans attached. 	
	Executive Mayor's Feedback	
	Executive Mayor welcomed the presentation by Audit Committee and emphasised on the following matters:-	
	 SDM was once a performing municipality with clean audit outcomes. Due to changes in the landscape, there has been change in performance and part of the reasons are due to the following:- The Powers and Function that the municipality has limits in that is main focus is more on the co-ordination role as opposed to service provision to the community. This places huge reliance on grant funding (Equity shares and conditional grants) from Treasury, where 72 % of the grants are allocated to salary of employees. 	
	 Action proposed to remediate the current challenges Provide stability within the Administration i.e. appoint full-time position in keystrategic position to ensure that there is stability and headway made to fulfil on our mandate. The municipality is the process of engaging with various partners to foster partnership that will contribute to the growth of the district and its economy. There is a plan that will revisit the workforce or employees who are 60 years and older to encourage them to take an early retirement or at the retiring age to ensure that we reduce the workforce in an attrition way. Continue to monitor closely on the Audit Action Plan to ensure that the issues are being remediated as soon as possible so that we strive towards attaining clean audits. Monitor the progress and the implementation of the Mokhare recommendations. 	

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	Resolution There be a monthly meeting between the EX and the AC to appraise the EX of the New issues identified and follow up on the issues raised previously. There be an action/resolution list created to track progress thereof Internal Audit's Feedback:-	
	The IA Manager read through the content of the Audit Committee Report and summarised the following on the effectiveness of controls:	
	Effectiveness of internal control The committee has observed that the overall control environment of the SDM has regressed compared to the previous financial year. There are a number of actions required to be taken by management to improve the status of the SDM internal control environment. It is noted that the recommendations of audit findings for both the AGSA and Internal Audit unit were not adequately attended to by management resulting in repeat and recurring findings by internal Audit and the AGSA	
	The committee has also noted a number of repeat findings relating to non - compliance with laws particularly in the Supply Chain Management and Contract Management processes. The consistent high levels of Unauthorized, Irregular, Fruitless and Wasteful expenditure (UIFW) remains a matter of concern to the committee. This includes issues that were raised in the Mokhare report, which are still to be resolved with a matter of urgency. The issue of the vacancy rate at senior management level that is not being addressed in a speedily manner remains a matter of concern and has been reported by both the internal audit unit as well Auditor General.	
	Performance Information The committee reviews quarterly performance reports prepared by management as well as performance information review reports conducted by Internal Audit. The reliability and usefulness of performance information is a concern to the committee. The committee further noted a concern relating to Key Performance Indicator (KPI) owners' not adequately complying with the developed performance information KPI Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), thus exposing the SDM to reporting shortfalls and reputational damage.	
	The committee is also concerned about the adequacy of the reporting validation procedures applied by the SDM on performance reporting relating to service level performance indicators. Lastly, the committee remains concerned about the level of performance achieved in	

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	the 2020/21 financial year.	
	Management's effort in bolstering performance and performance information management was noted, however, prolonged vacancies in critical positions coupled with inadequate systems and processes in place were an impediment to the process of achieving the intended objectives of the municipality	
	Risk Management	
	Section 62 (1) (c)(i) of the MFMA requires that:	
	 "(1) The accounting officer of a municipality is responsible for managing the financial administration of the municipality, and must for this purpose take all responsible steps to ensure - 	
	 (c) that the municipality has and maintains effective, efficient and transparent systems - of financial and risk management and internal control." 	
	Section 62(1)(d) of the MFMA provides that the Accounting Officer must take all reasonable steps to ensure that unauthorized, irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure or other losses are prevented.	
	For the period ended 30 June 2021, the noted the appointment of a risk position. However the committee remains concerned that the risk management function is still not adequately resourced and managed resulting in lapses in the key internal controls.	
	The capacity of the risk management function requires urgent attention to assist the accounting officer to exercise his responsibilities diligently.	
	Implementation of Corrective Actions	
	Internal Audit conducted continuous follow-up audit on previous reported audit findings to give reasonable assurance that committed actions plans are adequately and effectively addressing the root causes of the identified control deficiencies.	
	The committee notes and appreciates the establishment of Operation Clean Audit (OPCA) Steering Committee chaired by the Municipal Manager Office, which sit to monitor and hold accountable the respective Senior Managers on the resolution of both internal and external audit findings. However, the activities of the OPCA processed did not timely resolve prior year findings.	
	Implementation of Consequence Management	
	The Audit Committee is aware of the processes in place to remediate the findings raised regarding the Consequence Management processes in place. Furthermore, the committee acknowledges that the Consequence Management Policy and the	

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	financial misconduct disciplinary board terms of reference as required by law.has been tabled to Council. However, there should be plans in place to ensure that the action is taken to avoid repeat findings and non –compliance to regulation.	
	The Quality of S71 and S52 Reports Submitted in Terms of the MFMA	
	The Audit Committee is satisfied with the content and quality of S71 and S52 reports prepared and issued by the Municipal Manager during the year under review.	
	The committee raised concerns that, the section 52(d) reports were submitted to the committee after being approved by council. In contravention of section 166(2) of the MFMA	
	Evaluation of Financial Statements	
	 The Audit Committee has: Reviewed and discussed the unaudited the Draft 2020/21 Annual Financial Statements (AFS) to be included in the annual report with the Auditor-General and the Accounting Officer; Reviewed that there are no changes to the accounting policies and practices; Reviewed the Municipal's compliance with legal and regulatory provisions; The review notes on the draft unaudited AFS were submitted to management The Quality of S71 and S52 Reports Submitted in Terms of the MFMA The Audit Committee is satisfied with the content and quality of S71 and S52 reports prepared and issued by the Municipal Manager during the year under review. The committee raised concerns that, the section 52(d) reports were submitted to the committee after being approved by council. In contravention of section 166(2) of the MFMA Evaluation of Financial Statements Performance Information Pre-Issuance by the au 	
	 The committee has: Reviewed and discussed the audited Annual Financial Statements to be included in the Annual Report, with the AGSA and the Municipal Manager; Reviewed the Draft Audit Report of the AGSA; Reviewed the AGSA's Management Report and Management's response thereto; Noted and reviewed the AGSA's assessment of the usefulness and reliability of performance information examined Reviewed the Municipality's compliance with legal and regulatory provisions; and Reviewed significant adjustments resulting from the audit. 	

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	 Reviewed the assurance level and the assessment of Assurance Providers with concern The committee concurs with and accepts the AGSA's conclusions on the Annual Financial Statements and is of the view that the audited Annual Financial Statements be accepted and read together with the report of the AGSA. Auditor-General South Africa The committee confirms that it has met with AGSA and there are no unresolved issues with the AGSA. 	
23 rd February 2022	Draft IDP – SPED The AC noted the draft IDP, however has raised issues concerning the following	In- Progress
	 How will the issues relating to Human Resource (HR) issues in SDM enable the capacitation of the Service Delivery issues currently experienced and the support required form the Local District Municipalities? This included the skills set required to support and fulfil the mandate of the IDP commitments. From Disaster Management(DR) perspective given where the country is at with regards to Covid 19 pandemic and other natural disaster incidents- how has the IDP- catered for these to ensure there is some coverage in that space. 	
	District Development Model (DDM):- From DDM perspective - the AC requested clarity with regards to the inclusion and the co-ordination of Disaster Recovery Implementation Activity Plans.	
	 Furthermore a confirmation was required from Management to ensure that the DDM was understood by all the stakeholders of SDM. 	
	AC also required confirmation from Management to ensure that necessary Risk Assessment processes were been undertaken to ascertain the level of risk appetite that which the municipality is willing to undertake for the period of IDP execution.	
	Draft Budget - Finance	
	- The Audit Committee noted the Draft budget - although the budget was presented with recommendations – the alternative Income streams were still silent on how the municipality will have additional revenue streams. - The Unfunded mandates: The AC required clarification in terms of how will that	

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	relate to the New DDM given the current challenges.	
	 The AC is concerned with the deficit in the budget and as such requested Management to elaborate on whether they have considered the retrenchment "early retrenchment packages" that may be eligible within the legal prescribes. 	
	Airport: The AC requested clarification in terms of the leasing the airport assets to external companies in order to assist the municipality to regain additional funds and reconsider the option of re-selling of the fuel to private other partners	
	General Issues	
	The AC requested clarity from management with regards to the following issues:-	
	 Asset Management and transfer of Emfuleni resources has been finalised given that it has been some time to finalise the hand-over process. Skill Audit report- whether what is reported now - it's a new report of a follow up from what was reported previously? This includes the employees that were reported to be transferred from SDM to Emfuleni?? 	
	Noting of Internal Audit reports as such with amendments.	
	- Quarter 3 2021/22 Performance Information Management Report ; Internal Audit	
	 Asset Management Follow Report – Internal Audit Financial Discipline – Follow Up report -Internal Audit 	
	- Audit Action Plan Report	
	Risk Management strategic Report	
	- The Risk Assessment report to be noted as such with immediate effect of the Risk assessment that needs to be conducted for the New Financial year.	
	Status on the Mokhare Report- AED – Corporate Services That issues relating to Mokhare report be reported to Council for resolution	
2022/08/29	Prior the adoption of the agenda The Chairperson of the Audit Committee highlighted that it had been some time since the audit committee had a meeting and that going forward the Audit Committee Meetings should take place as regularly and as scheduled.	In-Progress
	Audit Committee Member needed clarity before she could participate in the meeting regarding the membership status in the Sedibeng District Municipality Audit	

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	Committee since the contracts had expired and if the process of extending the contract will be retrospective and duration of the extension	
	The Chairperson of the Audit Committee Meeting presented the agenda prior for it to be adopted by everyone present. And further proposed that the item number AC/22/005 "adoption of previous minutes" not to be discussed as were no minutes submitted to Audit Committee for approval	
	AGSA requested to add the engagement letter and the strategy document to the agenda of the day. AGSA highlighted that the documents were provided to management the prior the meeting.	
	Resolved,	
	Management confirmed that they had not yet commenced with the process of the extension for the Audit Committee members and that it was proposed that the duration of the extension will be for the full financial year and furthermore that the extension for the audit committee members will be retrospective.	
	Management confirmed to have received the AGSA's engagement letter and strategy document: Owing to management's oversight, the documents were not furnished to the Audit Committee for attention and the Director in the Office of Municipal Manager rendered an apology.	
	Audit Committee member proposed that the AGSA documents be discussed first so that AGSA can be excused should they wish not to sit through the meeting as there is a list of items to be further discussed and could take long.	
	 The AC chairperson then proposed for adoption of the agenda and an AC member supported the adoption of the agenda as amended. Audit Committee(AC) referenced the utilization of caaTs, stating that the municipality must not be unfairly prejudice, and that the municipality must have access to check and ensure that there are no employees doing business with the state. The municipality should also take note of the tools that AGSA will be using That ,AGSA is to revisit the reference to the Public Service Commission for reporting irregularities as it does not apply to the municipalities. AGSA is to revisit the legal interpretation or the impact of protection of personal information Act (POPIA) in relation to the Public Audit Act, where the act allows an auditor to have an unrestricted access to all other information where as POPIA on the other side prescribes that the data subject must consent to access to information, that does AGSA have a definitive legal opinion with regards to the reference AC, raised concerns over the 6% increases that it is too steep and needed clarity on the large sum of money spent on travel within the province taking note that the Municipality does not have other offices that the AGSA will be travelling 	
	to. AC requested AGSA to confirm that should there be any material irregularities	

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identified they will be raised AC, wished to know how management addresses the issues of risk as expenses that needs to be considered in the financials relating to supp contract management AC, needed confirmation form AGSA and Management if they have understanding with each other in terms of the permissible adjustment a due to the fact that the engagement letter and strategy has an element strictness on the number of adjustments they will allow and the impact adjustment as a non-compliance to be reported and as well to find out level of flexibility as with regards to the essential core elements of the engagement, if there is a room for AG and Management to agree to dis those core elements AC requested clarity on the Engagement Letter and Audit Strategy that has not indicated how they will be evaluating the audit committee, and approach on how they will handle the matter and the statutory criteria the AGSA will be using, and that it would have been better if it was incorpoint the engagement letter and strategy document so that there are no disparsing at the end of the audit Resolutions AG with reference to the Public Service Commission will take the information account as they finalising the reviews of the document The issue of POPIA, the information was shared with management in thow the AGSA interprets the issue of POPIA, the information obtained audit purposes are solemnly for the audit purposes and will not be shall anybody else other than for the consumption for the audit purposes, Ad double check and share the information with the AC members and Management to provide the confort on how the AGSA will go about de with the issue. AGSA will be applying the concept for material irregularities in the curre for that first time in Sedibeng District Municipality AGSA will be applying the concept for material irregularities in the curre for that first time in Sedibeng District Municipality AGSA will be applying the concept for material irregularities in the curre for that first time in Sedibeng District Mun	and this is tof sof such on the sagree on at AGSA the that brated in butes mation terms of for the ared with GSA will ealing tent year dit fees aving recover two tors and and in bing over costs with m working the ne 6%.	

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	engagements and going forward and will be open to engagements with the AGSA, however on the legal related matters there was an agreement that management will be susceptible to follow laws and regulations and on areas where AGSA and Management can engage and find flexibility. AGSA responded with an emphasis that should there be disagreements with Management there is escalation methods outlined in the engagement letter and audit strategy document and also the use of platforms such as audit steering committee meetings to deliberate on matters that will come out during and should there be differences it may enable early detection and to deal with issues as they arise, AGSA outlined that they will be very strict and will be granting management one opportunity in making corrections to the financial statements and the Annual Performance Report and that the opportunity granted by AGSA should be used wisely that all adjustments that will need to be processed are done correct and accurately. And that There seems to be an overreliance from the auditees where audit process keeps on picking up issues and get corrected the quality process from the audit perspective is compromised and for the current year there will be instances where management may not be granted second opportunity to make corrections and that there was a letter shared by AGSA to Management on the day indicating those instances where AGSA might have identified significant internal control deficiency reported in the current and previous years and for these reasons AGSA might not be granting opportunities to management. AC made emphasis that the management should avoid unnecessary disputes and make upfront disclosures where they are having challenges for whatever the reason may be and to give AGSA comfort that whatever that AGSA will test they will both come out with the same conclusion. AC, requested AGSA and Management to be close to the process to yand resolve issues as they arise and should not wait until the end of the process to address issues AC r	explanation)

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	emphasis on the issue of audit fees	
	Annual Financial Statements	
	Mr. C. Steyn: SDM Acting Chief Financial Officer presented the Annual Financial Statements	
	Audit Committee noted the following on the Statement of financial Position that,	
	 Page 5, The Inventory was noted as zero balance, and AC needed clarity on what is the plan, and if it came to that stage due to affordability or strategic decision by the Municipality not to run the Aerodrome any longer, furthermore that what will happen to the land and also the risks of keeping the fuel tanks empty furthermore how those risks are mitigated Receivables that are impaired each year at an amount of 954K what actions have been taken by management have to collect the revenue as the municipality is endured by the PFMA to collect all revenue due to the state and what has management done to demonstrate that. AC requested finance to check if there are no disclosure to statement or accounting standards issued 	
	with regards to heritage assets.	
	 Page 38,Note 33, contingent assets and liabilities, in the "matters of emphasis" in the audit report it was noted that there were matters of law suit and cases against the municipality and nothing has been shown of the face of the Annual Financial Statements and how it was dealt with Page 26,Property Plant Equipment during the current year it did not have disposables and whether that was it an error or that nothing was disposed in the current year and how was the issue of assets that had R1, R100 and those with zero value dealt with 	
	 Page 28 what transactions are "unprocessed bank transactions" Page 29 management to provide reasons for the increase in unclaimed salaries and unknown deposits and that does the municipalities have policies in place to give guidance to ensure that the unknown deposits are written off as there was no movement for some time Page 30 management to provide reasons for the licensing permits tax revenues decrease 	
	 Page 33 that management to add all totals as they were not balancing Note 35, correction to be made with the financial year 2021 to 2022 Note 4.8 and 4.9 move up above note 49.9 	
	Audit Committee noted the following on the Statement of Financial Performance	
	 Page 23, Note number 14.1.1 AC needed clarity on transaction relating to the income received on behalf of department of transport whether it is immediately credited as revenue and the cash is kept at the bank and at what stage does finance raise the account payable to the agency and also what transaction are involved in that process. Further clarity on the percentage that is kept by the municipality and that the 	

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	65million revenue from the transport department is included in the revenue and how is the liability raised by the municipality and what are the transactions involved in that process. That are the internal controls on the contracted services in place and all contracts are valid Page 35,Note 26 cost containment not included on the line items Accounting policies on impairment on plant and equipment as omitted Page 26, Note 2 Why is there impairment on plant and equipment as the lifespan is 5 years that what could have happened in between the 5 years that calls for impairment which is over and above the depreciation, and that 5 years is a reasonable time to able to manage any plant and equipment to an extent that there may not be a need to impairment Leave payable amount is too high, and the amount is equivalent to two months and in order for the municipality to reduce the amount, it was suggested that the municipality can use the lockdown strategies and alternate employees to take leave in order to reduce the cost. Aerotropolis- What is meant to be done with the grant and who provides the grant to the municipality Typing error Note 10, "grant received by Emfuleni" to be changed to "grant received from Emfuleni" Page 33, Note 21 Employee related cost and councilor remuneration has decreased in the current year and AC wished to know the effect and what was done differently in the current financial year. Insert rand sign on the top of AFS amounts Note 2, Why was there depreciation on land and which land is it Note 4 it was suggested that the cost, impairment and the carrying amount balance be shown in the reconcillation as well to be able to see that the current value was reduced Where there was no comparative figures for 21/22 finance needs to clean and remove those notes Page 31, Note 38 clarity on Fruitless expenditure amounts at bottom if its Interest on municipal bills Page 33, Note 24 lease rentals reasons for the large amount under adhoc line item Under the Contracted services the concern is ove	
	findings that, what effort was made by management to go back to all the	

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	findings that occurred previous year			
	Resolved			
	The grant is from the Gauteng Department Economic Development and is for the municipality to conduct a feasibility study on the possibility of having an Aerotropolis, in the region and to ascertain whether or not it would be viable for the region to have an Aerotropolis and the sole purpose of the airport is to offload the cargo for the OR Tambo international Airport and added to that is to develop the region taking into account the city river vision.			
	 AC general comments that it would be helpful for the reader to expand the explanation notes under the captions on notes discussed to further elaborate on the line items AC requested clarity as to where are the employees working from? Those are they working? Is there mechanisms in place to monitor them since are no office space? Management responded to say that, the strategy of trying to have and Aerotropolis within the area and the strategy is linked to the river city plan that is currently being implemented and also linked to the revival of the recovery of the aerodrome to the bigger airport which will also be addressing the needs within the area that, Aerodrome currently is non-functional to the extent that the fuel license has expired and also no landing is taking place due to non-compliance. The immediate intervention as management was engaging with the relevant departments was on the financial interjection for assistance because of the said bigger plans. There is commitment from the Department of Transport for assistance on the issue of re-establishing the operation of the airport The recommendations on by the AC on leave issue will be highly considered and that Management has developed a work from home policy and will be tabled in the next council meeting There are 108 total numbers of employees whom occupied the two buildings, some of those employees are working from home and others have been accommodated in the open plan offices in different directorates and are fully operational. There is an ongoing intervention program called "Ba Kae" developed by management to gradually bring back the employees and or to provide the tools of trade for those employees. There are three open spaces that have been identified and there will be a need to revamp, re-assemble and organize the furniture. The municipality will be going out on a bid for assistance with re assembling the furniture During the movement some of the furniture			
	Resolution			
	> Management confirmed that performance management report under review will			

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	be reviled under the same KPI's set as it was approved and implemented and that for the financial year 2022/23 management has revisited SDPIP and all KPI's with the participation of all clusters and have attempted to resolve all issues raised by AC and AGSA. AC recommended and advised that since management has a plans going forward and in order not to waste time, effort and spend money that management take a disclaimer approach. The earliest that the municipality has a full complement of senior management there is a need to go back to a pm reporting framework, plans and policies that are proper, a system to report and to provide sufficient training for employees to take responsibility for performance AC noted on the pm excel spreadsheet report instances where there is disagreements between the pm and internal audit that there should be consensus between units before they are tabled at AC meeting. Growth angle approach by AC total by in at, for that road intensive consultation especially a political level Disclose upfront to AGSA and have agreements Proposal and initiate the relevant engagement with the support of AC AC Cost benefit analysis and that is the reason for the approach It was concluded that, Management should in future grant the AC sufficient time to prepare for the next coming AC meetings in order to be able to accomplish what is on the agenda on time and for a successful meeting AC, Wished management the best with the audit and that they should be open minded and accept findings that will be raised and to consider them to be a system and administration enhancement for the municipality				
28 November 2022	 AC requested clarity on the following: Confirm if there are any outstanding issues and disputes and unresolved issues, which there was none except for the updated to AFS to be sent. AC indicated that the MR Report itself is comprehensive in nature based on classification AC indicted that Risk – must be allocated to the MM –with oversight responsible on AC – IA is not responsible for coordinating risk activities but to review. Risk is the responsibility of the CRO AC seeked clarity on whether the report was discussed with the Executive Mayor So that are aware on these matters incl. MPAC where their oversight was not effectively exercised AC noted that it did not influence for the positive audit outcome however based on the stagnation on progress- findings on either than Non compliance, unauthorised and irregular expenditure vs matters of emphasis (e.g uncertain in the cases, financial instability) AC required in terms of whether these will included in the report. Chairperson requested input from AC Members - members added that audit outcome of unqualified with findings for 3 consecutive financial years is a 	In-Progress			

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Municipal Audit Committee Recommendations				
3rd	Committee recommendations during 2022/2023	Recommendations adopted (enter Yes) If not adopted (provide explanation)		
	concern and as such intervention is required. Furthermore matters of emphasis not included on the MR report (i.e. contract Management and Assets Management should be reconsidered to be included in the report, Chairperson indicated the following: The unfunded budget not elevated as a biggest issue given that it was raised for a number of years Risk Management is the responsibility of the Accounting Officer – should be highlighted where there is a gap it must be highlighted CSD – always been used – as public institution should be on the csd and as asuch SDM employees are always identified in there already. Any outstanding –and unresolved issues in place to ensure that these are closed off before –closed off of the audit. Acting Chief Financial Officer (ACFO) will re-submit the adjusted AFS and this will be based on the AGSA's checklists that will assist in collating and correcting the errors raised, particularly on the "irregular expenditure" items raised. AC recommended that the issues raised should also not be based on remedial action but also to look at the "root Causes" to enable management to implement effective solutions. MM confirmed that the issues were extensively and intensively discusses wit In as far as indicating to have a "Disclaimer" approach for where the performance information was not forth coming or in a manner required – what was AGSA's approach in ensuring that no further testing is done given that information provided was not adequate. This is to ensure that no further work is done and additional costs incurred. Where there are material misstatement identified on the AFS – Management should ensure that there is a process in place to identify arears where the "opening balances" will be impacted and these should be verified accordingly. The KPI's and targets will be adjusted as such. The Capacity and Capability issues in the Performance Information Unit will be re-defined. This includes the updating of the Standard Operating Procedures. AC recommended that they commitments be fina			
	- AC recommended that that the MM facilitates the process to ensure that the			

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	Municipal Audit Committee Recommendations				
3rd	Committee recommendations during 2022/2023	Recommendations adopted (enter Yes) If not adopted (provide explanation)			
	AGSA and EX discuss the reports before the final dates. - AC accepts the MR, and where there are challenges these must be communicated on time - ACFO will ensure to update any differenced on the AFS;s - AGSA was requested to confirm the state of the report based on the adjustment required. - MM confirmed the audit process went according to the audit strategy. - Chairperson indicated that it's the biggest report issues AC appreciated the effort and working close with Management, especially the newly appointed Accounting Officer. ↓ Resolutions - An Audit report should be prepared to council highlighting key major issues_:- ○ Compliance issue including UIWE – should be noted ○ Mokhare issues that are still outstanding and council should resolve accordingly ○ Finalise appointment of Senior Management ○ Risk Management processes and embedding the processes should be implemented ○ Assisted capacity and support to Internal Audit ○ Performance evaluation of Senior Managers must be in place ○ Preparations of the draft Annual Report should be implemented to enable the oversight committees to exercise their duties.				

APPENDIX H - LONG TERM CONTRACTS AND PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

	Lon	g Term Contracts			
R' 000					
Name of Service Provider (Entity or Municipal Department)	Description of Services Rendered by the Service Provider	Start Date of Contract	Expiry date of Contract	Project manager	Contract Value
Quidity	Electronic Management of document and work-flow system.	12/02/2018	Ongoing	N Tshabalala - Records	R11 365.40 monthly license fee
Otis	Maintenance service of lifts	01/10/2021	30/09/2024	D Maranda - Facilities	R1 900 pm
Vaal Triangle Fire Services	Supply, Service and repair Fire Extinguishers	01/02/2020	31/01/2021	D Maranda - Facilities	Per SLA. The price will be determined by the quote of the service required.
Rentokil Initial	Supply and delivery of hygienic services	01/07/2020	30/06/2023	D Maranda - Facilities	R3 254 661.00
Emfuleni Local Municipality	Lease agreements for: - Sharpeville Exhibition Center - Sharpeville Hall - Teknorama - Mphatlalatsane Theater	July 2009	June 2012 Extended on a month to month basis	D Maranda - Facilities	R1 000 pm R1 000 pm R1 000 pm R1 000 pm
Emfuleni Local Municipality	Lease agreement- Old Sharpeville Police Station	July 2009	June 2012 Extended on a month to month basis	D Maranda - Facilities	R1 000 pm
Kitso Information and Development Centre	Sub -Lease agreement- Old Sharpeville Police Station	02/01/2020	01/01/2023	D Maranda - Facilities	No rental fees
Gauteng Department of Health	Lease of the fixed property known as Erf no: 2524 Evaton (Vacant Land)	01/02/2017	31/01/2018	D Maranda - Facilities	No rental fees
Tihonolofatso Old age Home (NPO)	Lease of the fixed property known as Erf no: 1248 Johandeo/Polokong in Sebokeng	01/02/2020	31/01/2021	D Maranda - Facilities	No rental fees
VPN Technologies	IT Networking Engineering Support and Internet services - Firewall	16/03/2021	15/03/2024	C Visagie - IT	R34 671.28 pm

	Lor	ng Term Contracts			
R' 000					
Name of Service Provider (Entity or Municipal Department)	Description of Services Rendered by the Service Provider	Start Date of Contract	Expiry date of Contract	Project manager	Contract Value
Amysa Stationers	Supply and deliver printing cartridges on a rotational basis	27/01/2021	26/01/2024	C Visagie	On-demand budget R800 000
Palmerton Cartridges	Supply and deliver printing cartridges on a rotational basis	27/01/2021	26/01/2024	C Visagie	On-demand budget R800 000
Mulilavhathu Trading	Supply and deliver printing cartridges on a rotational basis	27/01/2021	26/01/2024	C Visagie	On-demand budget R800 000
Diamond Corner	Supply and deliver computer hardware and related peripherals	21/01/2021	20/01/2024	C Visagie	On-demand budget R400 000
Diamond Corner	Supply and deliver mobile communications equipment and data bundles	15/07/2021	14/07/2023	C Visagie	On-demand budget over various Departmental votes
JMP Security Solutions	Protection and Security Services	01/09/2020	31/08/2023	T Miya – Protection Services	R8 907 858.96
Futuris Security Monitoring Systems	Armed response and Security Monitoring Systems.	01/06/2022	31/05/2023	T Miya – Protection Services	R27 780.00
Nedbank	Commercial banking Services.	01/09/2017	30/09/2022	Finance	Use account as and when need arises.
Silver Lake Trading 305 (PTY) LTD T/A Opulentia	Short term insurance	01/07/2021	30/06/2022, with option to renew for a further two years	Finance	R1 530 865.00 VAT Included
Payday	Supply Software	Annual		Finance	R156 967.74 pa
PricewaterhouseCoopers	Baud Asset Management System	Annual		Finance	Based on quotation if the system requires maintenance
Standard Bank	Commercial banking Services	01/06/2023	31/05/2028	Finance	As set out in the Standard bank proposal
Payday Software Systems	Computer Programme-software license	01/07/2020	30/06/2023	Finance	R363 645.55 period 2020/2021
TS4 Innovations (PTY) LTD	Usage Terms & End-user License Agreement	01/07/2022	30/06/2023	Finance	Monthly payment R40 000 Total value R480 000

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	Lor	g Term Contracts			
R' 000					
Name of Service Provider (Entity or Municipal Department)	Description of Services Rendered by the Service Provider	Start Date of Contract	Expiry date of Contract	Project manager	Contract Value
Midvaal Local Municipality	Firefighting Services.	Tasit contract (2020) concluded between the District and the Locals	Tasit contract (2020)	P Niewenhuizen – Disaster Management	
Lesedi Local Municipality	Firefighting Services.	Tasit contract (2020) concluded between the District and the Locals	Tasit contract (2020)	P Niewenhuizen – Disaster Management	
Emfuleni Local Municipality	Firefighting Services.	Tasit contract (2020) concluded between the District and the Locals	Tasit contract (2020)	P Niewenhuizen – Disaster Management	
Subtropico Market Agency	Council provide trading space to market agents for selling of fresh produce from farmers	17/03/22	16/03/2025	J Tsotetsi – Fresh Produce Market	Council receiving 5% commission on total sales of produce sold by Agent.
Freshmark Systems	Provision of computer software support and upgrade at the Fresh Produce Market	01/09/2020	31/08/2023	J Tsotetsi – Fresh Produce Market	As per schedule "A"
VM Wholesalers & Distributers (PTY) LTD	Wholesaling of household and retail commodities	01/05/2020	30/04/2023	J Tsotetsi – Fresh Produce Market	Income for Council R11 741.20 pm
VM Meat Market (PTY) LTD	Meat wholesaling	01/05/2020	30/04/2023	J Tsotetsi – Fresh Produce Market	Income for Council R9 765.00 pm
The National Department of Transport has allocated SDM the RAMS Grant to SDM for the next 3 financial years to run the program.	Development of a Rural Road Asset Management System (RRAMS)	01/07/2021	30/06/24	M Sauhatsi (Khalema) - TIE	Project Budget: 2021/22 R2 489 2022/23 R 2 606 2023/24 R 2615 Total: R7 710
EPWP Grant Agreement	The National Department of Public Works in its EPWP Programme has allocated a budget for the EPWP Integrated Grant to	01/08/2021	31/08/2022	J Rasegwete - TIE	R1 023 for 2020/2021 The Grant allocated is paid in 3 tranches. Municipalities are

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	Lor	ng Term Contracts				
	R' 000					
Name of Service Provider (Entity or Municipal Department)	Description of Services Rendered by the Service Provider	Start Date of Contract	Expiry date of Contract	Project manager	Contract Value	
	Provinces and Municipalities for the 2020/2021. MTEF period, for Infrastructure, Social & Environment & Culture programmes				required to comply in terms of DoRA for the grant to be released.	
Gauteng Provincial Government Department of Roads & Transport	Subsidised Bus Services	27/09/2017	26/09/2024	K Mofokeng - TIE	Province takes care of the subsidy payments	
Gauteng Dept. Roads and Transport (GDRT)	Agency agreement for the operation of the licensing centers in Sedibeng.	26/11/2020	31/10/2025	B Korb - Licensing	20% of the all fees collected is retained by the SDM and the rest paid over to GDRT	
Lesedi Municipality	Lease of : - Lesedi Licensing Lesedi Testing Station.	Initial period -3yrs	Extended on a month-to-month basis	B Korb – Licensing	R70 476 pm R1 000 pm Re-look at the clause when it's re-negotiated	
Emfuleni Local Municipality	Lease agreements for: - Vereeniging License and Testing - Vanderbijlpark License and Testing	Initial period -3yrs	Extended on a month-to-month basis	B Korb – Licensing	R1 000 pm	
Midvaal Local Municipality	Lease agreements for: - Meyerton License and Testing station	01/11/17 - 31/10/20	Extended on a month to-month basis	B Korb - Licensing	R21 032.20 pm plus Water and lights	
Local Municipalities (Emfuleni, Midvaal and Lesedi)	Agency Agreement for the rendering of Municipal Health Services (MHS). (The SLAs to render MHS in the 2022/2023 financial year were delivered to the three local municipalities (Emfuleni, Midvaal, and Lesedi) for signatures. Emfuleni has signed the SLA to render MHS for 2022/2023. Midvaal and Lesedi have not yet signed the	01/07/2022	30/06/2023	TIE	Differs from municipality to municipality. • Emfuleni: R13 163 148.00 • Midvaal: R3 081 089.00 • Lesedi: R3 684 549.00	

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	Long Term Contracts						
	R' 000						
Name of Service Provider (Entity or Municipal Department)	Description of Services Rendered by the Service Provider	Start Date of Contract	Expiry date of Contract	Project manager	Contract Value		
	SLAs due to inadequate budget allocations. As a result, MHS in the local Municipalities is rendered without SLA. SDM and the locals (Midvaal, and Lesedi) are still deliberating on the budget allocations.)						
Gauteng Department of Health	Funding agreement for management of HIV&AIDS Ward-based coordinators' daily door to door educational campaigns, activities and ward-based programmes.	01/07/2021	30/06/2022	B Mohapeloa – Community Services	R11 454 000.00 R120 277 000.00		
Emfuleni Local Municipality	Implementing HIV and AIDS awareness programmes within the District	01/07/2021	30/06/2022	B Mohapeloa – Community Services	2021/22 Contract between SDM and ELM not yet signed		
Midvaal Local Municipality	Implementing HIV and AIDS awareness programmes within the District	01/07/2021	30/06/2022	B Mohapeloa – Community Services	2021/22 Contract between SDM and MLM not yet signed		
Lesedi Local Municipality	Implementing HIV and AIDS awareness programmes within the District	01/07/2021	30/06/2022	B Mohapeloa – Community Services	2021/22 Contract between SDM and LLM not yet signed		

	Public Private P	artnerships Entered into du	ring Year 2022/2023	3	
					R' 000
Name and Description of Project	Name of Partner(s)	Initiation Date	Expiry date	Project manager	Value 2008/09
None					
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APPENDIX I - MUNICIPAL ENTITY/ SERVICE PROVIDER PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

None

APPENDIX J - DISCLOSURES OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS

Disclosures of Financial Interests					
Period 1 July to 30 June of Year 2022/2023 (Current Year)					
Position	Name	Description of Financial interests*			
		(Nil / Or details)			
(Executive) Mayor					
	Lerato Franscina Maloka	Declared			
Member of Mayco/Exco					
	MMC Ndwandwe Nkosinathi	Declared			
	MMC Veronica Radebe	Declared			
	MMC. Lulama Shirley-Ann				
	Gamede	Declared			
	MMC Mmadisebo Lucia				
	Khomoeasera	Declared			
	MMC Busang Joshua Tsotetsi	Declared			
	MMC Bheki Mkhize	Declared			
	MMC Nkubi Frances Mokhele	Declared			
	MMC Jimmy Sandile Mochawe	Declared			
Councillors					
	Mgidi Issac Khithika	Declared			
	Ntshadi Sarah Mamaseli	Declared			
	Mmakhumalo Nakana	Declared			
	Shawn Mohono	Declared			
	Mzwakhe Mapeyi	Declared			
	Lindiwe Tshehla	Declared			
	Phil Gomes	Declared			
	Lynda Parsonson	Declared			
	Thabo Duncan Motsoane	Declared			
	Sibusisu Dyonase	Declared			
	Grace Damon	Declared			
	Jabulani Simon Msibi	Declared			
	Thandi Mthimkhulu	Declared			
	Freddie Wilhelm Peters	Declared			
	Marianna Kruger	Declared			
	Salome Janse Van Rensburg	Declared			
	Tebego Tlhokwe	Declared			

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	Period 1 July to 30 June of Year 2	·		
Position	Name	Description of Financial interests ³ (Nil / Or details)		
	Prudence Hlanyane	Declared		
	Lehlohonolo Motloung	Declared		
	Tumelo Ramongalo	Declared		
	Duncan Nkosi Mthembu	Declared		
	Gerry Holtzhausen	Declared		
	Hein Van Der Lith	Declared		
	Riaan Lubbe	Declared		
	Mcedisi Vincent Jones	Declared		
	Mbuyiselo Daniel Kantso	Declared		
	Setlhare Petrus Mahlasela	Declared		
	Nkubi Frances Mokoena	Declared		
	Moipone Lydia Modikeng	Declared		
	Lerato Franscina	Declared		
	Andiswa Charlene	Declared		
		Declared		
	Yusuf Joseph Mahommed Serame Frederik Archie Mokonane	Declared		
		Declared		
	Cynthia Thembi Buthongo Mamohale Emmarentia Fatima-	Declared		
	Zahra Moloi	Declared		
	Mathabo Agnes Dondolo	Not declared		
	Thandi Maria Khoza	Declared		
	Jacob Rebone Tladi	Declared		
	Moti Yongama	Declared		
	Sibongile Judith Naapo	Declared		
	Sefatsa Sefatsa	Declared		
		Declared		
	Mgidi Issac Khithika Ntshadi Sarah Mamaseli			
A t. t I BA	Ntshadi Sarah Mamaseli	Declared		
Municipal Manager	I se se constitue de la consti			
Delet Fire and del Office	Mr. Motsumi Mathe	Declared		
Chief Financial Officer	I M. Olivita Oliv	I B. J. J.		
	Mr. Charles Steyn	Declared		
Executive Directors	[=			
	Ms F M Mokgobu	Declared		
	Mr. J.Hammer	Declared		
	Mr. Bheki Ngobese	Declared		
	Mr. G Makhubu disclosed even if they incurred for only pa	Declared		

APPENDIX K: REVENUE COLLECTION PERFORMANCE BY VOTE AND BY SOURCE

APPENDIX K (i): REVENUE COLLECTION PERFORMANCE BY VOTE

	Revenue Collection Performance by Vote									
						R' 000				
Vote Description	Year -1		Current: Year 0	Year 0 Variance						
	Actual	Original Budget	Adjusted Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustments Budget				
Vote 01 - Executive & Cound	_	-	-	_						
Vote 02 - Budget & Treasury	322,251	304,758	304,864	307,264	1%	1%				
Vote 03 - Corporate Service:	10,547	12,043	12,075	9,290	-30%	-30%				
Vote 04 - Roads And Transp	66,529	70,980	70,980	74,002	4%	4%				
Vote 05 - Planning & Develo	2,489	2,606	2,606	2,605	0%	0%				
Vote 06 - Community & Socia	2,527	4,897	4,897	1,993	-146%	-146%				
Example 7 - Vote 7										
Example 8 - Vote 8										
Example 9 - Vote 9										
Example 10 - Vote 10										
Example 11 - Vote 11										
Example 12 - Vote 12										
Example 13 - Vote 13										
Example 14 - Vote 14										
Example 15 - Vote 15										
Total Revenue by Vote	404,342	395,284	395,422	395,154	-0.03%	-0.07%				
Variances are calculated by dividing the difference between actual and original/adjustments budget by the actual. This table is aligned to MBRR table A3										

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APPENDIX K (ii): REVENUE COLLECTION PERFORMANCE BY SOURCE

	Year -1		Year 0	Year 0 Variance			
Description	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustments Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustments Budget	
Property rates							
Property rates - penalties & collection charges							
Service Charges - electricity revenue							
Service Charges - water revenue							
Service Charges - sanitation revenue							
Service Charges - refuse revenue							
Service Charges - other	_	_	_	_			
Rentals of facilities and equipment	367	166	453	549	70%	17%	
Interest earned - external investments	1,847	2,015	2,015	3,932	49%	49%	
Interest earned - outstanding debtors							
Dividends received							
Fines							
Licences and permits	174	1,575	1,575	174	-805%	-805%	
Agency services	66,529	70,980	70,980	74,002	4%	4%	
Transfers recognised - operational	302,065	314,247	315,450	311,014	-1%	-1%	
Other revenue	33,058	6,261	4,721	5,471	-14%	14%	
Gains on disposal of PPE	_	40	40	12	0%	0%	
Enviromental Proctection							
otal Revenue (excluding capital transfers nd contributions)	404,039	395,284	395,234	395,154	-0.03%	-0.02%	
Variances are calculated by dividing the difference MBRR table A4.	between actual an	nd original/adjust	ments budget by th	e actual. This tab	le is aligned to	T K.2	

APPENDIX L: CONDITIONAL GRANTS RECEIVED: EXCLUDING MIG

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Conditional Grants: excluding MIG											
Details	Budget	Adjustments Budget	Actual	Variance		R' 000 Major conditions applied by donor (continue below					
				Budget	Adjustments Budget	if necessary)					
Finance Management grant	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	0%	0%	Financial Management and Internship support					
Expanded Public Works Prograame	1,283,000	1,283,000	1,254,495	-2%		Training of unskilled community					
Rural roads Asset management grant	2,606,000	2,606,000	2,605,457	0%		Rural roads assessments					
HIV and AIDS	12,027,000	12,027,000	9,236,629	-30%	-30%	HIV and AIDS awareness					
Sport and recreation	2,927,000	2,927,000	1,386,473	-111%	-111%	Community training and development					
Org Plus	-	250,000	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	Organizational Development System					
Aerotropolis Grant	-	1,140,435	1,140,435	100%	0%	Aerotropolis Feasibility Study					
Total	20,243,000	21,633,435	17,023,489								
* This includes Neighbourhood Devel	opment Partne										
Grant and any other grant excluding	Municipal Infra										
see T 5.8.3. Variances are calculated	by dividing the										
by the actual. Obtain a list of grants fi	rom national a	TL									

APPENDIX M: CAPITAL EXPENDITURE - NEW & UPGRADE/RENEWAL PROGRAMMES

APPENDIX M (i): CAPITAL EXPENDITURE - NEW ASSETS PROGRAMME

Description	R								
·	Year -1		Year 0	Planned Capital expenditure					
	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual Expenditure	FY+1	FY + 2	FY + 3		
Capital expenditure by Asset Class									
<u>leritage assets - Total</u>	_	_		=	-	_	_		
Buildings									
Other									
nvestment properties - Total	_	_		_	_	_			
Housing development									
Other									
Other assets	270	1,266	1,266	682		_			
General vehicles	204	1,266	565	591	_				
	204	1,∠00	505	591					
Specialised vehicles	66	_	701	90					
Plant & equipment Computers - hardware/equipment	00	_	701	90					
Furniture and other office equipment									
Abattoirs									
Markets									
Civic Land and Buildings									
Other Buildings									
Other Land									
Surplus Assets - (Investment or Inventory)									
Other									
Agricultural assets	_			_					
List sub-class									
Biological assets	_	_		-	-	_			
List sub-class									
<u>ntangibles</u>	170	_	188	77	_	_			
Computers - software & programming	170	-	188	77					
Other (list sub-class)									
Total Capital Expenditure on new assets	440	1,266	1,454	759	_	_			
Specialised vehicles	_	-		-	_	_			
Refuse									
Fire									
Conservancy									
Ambulances									

FAPPENDIX M (ii): CAPITAL EXPENDITURE - UPGRADE/RENEWAL PROGRAMME

	Year -1		Year 0	R '00 Planned Capital expenditure			
Description	Actual	Original Budget	Adjustment Budget	Actual Expenditure	FY+1	FY + 2	FY + 3
Capital expenditure by Asset Class							
Investment properties	_	_	-	-	-	-	-
Housing development							
Other							
Other assets	1,357	1,079	1,079	764	670	670	_
General vehicles	1,001	.,	.,0.0		0.0		
Specialised vehicles							
Plant & equipment	161	279	279	102			
Computers - hardware/equipment	1,196	800	800	662	490	490	
Furniture and other office equipment	1,190	000	000	002	180	180	
Abattoirs					100	100	
Markets							
Civic Land and Buildings							
Other Buildings							
Other Land							
Surplus Assets - (Investment or Inventory)							
Other							
Agricultural assets	_	_	-	_	-	_	_
List sub-class							
Biological assets	_	_		_	_	_	_
List sub-class							
Intangibles	_	_		_	-	_	_
Computers - software & programming							
Other (list sub-class)							
Total Capital Expenditure on renewal of existing assets	1,357	1,079	1,079	764	670	670	
<u> </u>	,	,					
Specialised vehicles	-	-	-	_	-	_	
Refuse							
Fire							
Conservancy							
Ambulances							

APPENDIX N – CAPITAL PROGRAMME BY PROJECT 2022/2023

Not applicable

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APPENDIX O - CAPITAL PROGRAMME BY PROJECT BY WARD 2022/2023

Not applicable

APPENDIX P - SERVICE CONNECTION BACKLOGS AT SCHOOLS AND CLINICS

Not applicable

APPENDIX Q - SERVICE BACKLOGS EXPERIENCED BY THE COMMUNITY WHERE ANOTHER SPHERE OF GOVERNMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SERVICE PROVISION

Not applicable

APPENDIX R - DECLARATION OF LOANS AND GRANTS MADE BY THE MUNICIPALITY

Not applicable

APPENDIX S - NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL OUTCOMES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Not applicable



VOLUME II: ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

To be advised after Auditor- General regulatory external audit.

VOLUME II: ORGANISATIONAL ANNUAL PERFORMANCE

To be advised after Auditor- General regulatory external audit.