

DITSOBOTLA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING / PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM & BUDGET PROCESS PLAN 2025/2026

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1. INTRODUCTION

In terms of section 25 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act (Act No.32 of 2000) a municipal council must adopt a single, inclusive and strategic plan for the development of the municipality within a prescribed period after its elected term. Ditsobotla Local Municipality has accordingly adopted its integrated development plan in line with this provision during the 2022/2023 financial year following the local government elections.

Section 28 of the Municipal Systems Act further provides that a municipal council, within a prescribed period after the start of its elected term must adopt a process set out in writing to guide the planning, drafting, adoption and review of its integrated development plan. The strategic importance of the process plan is to guide and inform good governance and service delivery by providing for a deliberate process intended at streamlining activities associated with municipal planning. It provides for the establishment of appropriate structures for the planning (including roles and responsibilities), mechanisms for public participation and monitoring of the process.

The process activities contained in this document are aligned to the district framework as part of ensuring that the planning processes between the Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality and local municipalities are mutually linked and seamlessly coordinated. This process plan is also prepared in accordance with section 21 of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act (Act No.56 of 2003) which provides for the mainstreaming of the integrated development planning and budget activities into a single and mutually inclusive process.

It is intended to guide the planning process which will culminate in the final adoption of both the 2025/2026 Integrated Development Plan, Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure Framework Budget and compliance with statutory provisions regulating the overall management of performance of the municipality.

2. KEY ELEMENTS TO BE ADDRESSED DURING THE PLANNING PROCESS

The current IDP review will be undertaken within the broader context of achieving the objectives outlined in the Financial Recovery Plan. Some of the activities to be undertaken in achieving this objective include among others the following:

2.1. Aims and Objectives of the IDP in terms of Council Priorities

The overarching aim of this process plan is to guide the review of the IDP focusing on key council priorities in order to inform municipal budgeting and the achievement of the strategic objectives identified in the Municipal Finance Recovery Plan. It intends to achieve the following summary aims and objectives:

- Reviewing the IDP and developing (or updating where applicable) key sector plans *i.e.* Spatial Development Framework, Housing Sector Plan, Integrated Waste Management Plan, Energy Master Plan, Roads and Stormwater Master Plan) in order to adequately address the developmental needs of Ditsobotla Local Municipality.
- Updating the *status quo* analysis report based on new available statistical data and performance reports. In this regard the municipality will rely on statistics provided by Statistics South Africa and other government agencies.

- Review the objectives and strategies in line with national performance targets and alignment with the municipal performance management system. To establish a system of performance management giving effect to this objective.
- To develop a priority list detailing capital and operational projects to be undertaken for the medium term in line with the Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure Framework 2025/2026 – 2027/2028 and the Financial Plan developed to give effect to the Financial Recovery Plan.
- Facilitation of stakeholder engagements primarily aimed at incorporating community needs and concerns into the broader development agenda of the municipality.
- To ensure the overall alignment of the municipality's development agenda to the District Development Model (DDM) *One Plan*.

2.2. Analysis of the Gaps

In order to improve the credibility of the Integrated Development Plan it is crucial to undertake the following activities as part of the analysis phase:

- Review of the IDP in order to give effect to recommendations contained in the MEC's Assessment Report which incorporates the gaps identified by sector departments.
- Development and/or review of the sector plans (i.e. Spatial Development Framework, Integrated Human Settlement Plan, Integrated Waste Management Plan etc.).
- Focused sessions (i.e. IDP Representative Forum) with government sector departments, ward committees, NGOs, NPOs, religious leaders, traditional leaders, the local business community, organised youth structures and interested and/or affected stakeholders.
- Identification of the organisational shortcomings in terms of the applicable key performance areas; and
- Addressing areas that require additional attention in terms of new developments in relation to legislative requirements (i.e. Municipal Staff Regulations, 2022).

2.3. Developing a Financial Plan as part of the MFR Process

Developing a suite of financial interventions to give effect to municipal financial viability in line with the objectives of the Financial Recovery Plan requires the municipality to develop a Financial Plan to demonstrate how its MTREF Budget will be funded. The Financial Plan is intended to reflect on revenue enhancement and debt reduction strategies and will be adopted as part of the 2025/26 – 2027/28 MREFT Budget.

3. INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

3.1. Management of the Process Plan

Section 30 of the Municipal Systems Act places the responsibility on the executive committee to manage the drafting of the municipality's integrated development plan; assign responsibilities in this regard to the municipal manager; and submit the draft plan to the municipal council for adoption in accordance with section 29 (this process plan).

In giving effect to this legislative requirement Ditsobotla Local Municipality herewith establishes three critical structures for the management of the IDP process plan. These structures are the Municipal Manager, IDP Steering Committee and the IDP Representative Forum. The Municipal Manager may, additional to these structures, establish technical teams aimed at enhancing the integrated development planning process.

3.1.1. The Municipal Manager

The Municipal Manager is responsible for the following tasks:

- Preparation of the IDP, PMS and MTREF Budget Process Plan;
- Ensuring a participatory and strategic planning process aligned to sector planning requirements;
- Responsible for the day-to-day management of the process;
- Documentation of the results of the integrated development planning processes and Budget;
- Incorporation and responding to the public and MECs' (responsible for local government and finances) comments on the draft IDP and Budget

3.1.2. The IDP Steering Committee

Constituted of the Municipal Manager, Directors and Unit Managers the steering committee is responsible for the following:

- Provision of strategic support in the management and coordination of the planning process.
- Provides leadership in the crafting of objectives and strategies;
- Arrange for the vertical and horizontal alignment of key programmes to the municipality's strategic direction;
- Making inputs into the crafting of plans and technical recommendations; and
- Assists and support the municipal manager with the documentation of outputs arising from the planning process as well as IDP content.

3.1.3. The IDP Representative Forum

The IDP Representative Forum is constituted of the Mayor as Chairperson; IDP Office and Budget as Secretariat; Councillors of Ditsobotla Local Municipality; sector departments; State-owned companies and communities of Ditsobotla Local Municipality. Its responsibilities include among others the following:

- Represents the interests of their various constituencies in the municipal planning processes;
- Provide organizational mechanisms for discussion/negotiation and decision making between all stakeholders;
- Ensure communication between all stakeholders;
- Monitor performance of the planning and implementation process;
- Consideration of the MEC comments and those of affected parties; and
- Ensure incorporation of these comments in the final integrated development plan and MTREF Budget.

4. TIME SCHEDULE

The IDP, Budget and PMS key activities and deadlines are provided in the next pages in line with the relevant legislative provisions and guidelines.

4.1. IDP and MTREF Budget Key Timelines

IDP/BUDGET PROCESS TIME-LINES								
Legislative	Deliverables/Outputs	Activities	Responsibility	Time-frames	Quarter			
Requirements Preparatory Phase								
Section 28, 29 & 34 of the MSA ¹ Section 21(b) of the	IDP/PMS/Budget Process Plan	Tabling of the Process Plan to Executive Committee & Council	Mayor	27 August 2024 Amended: 20/10/24	Quarter 1			
MFMA		Public notification of the IDP/PMS and Budget Process Plan	Municipal Manager (IDP Manager)	28 August 2024 Amended: 23/10/24				
		 Submit adopted Process Plan to the Department of Local Government & Human Settlements 	Municipal Manger	30 August 2024 Amended: 23/10/24				
Analysis Phase								
Section 26(b) and (c) of the MSA	Situational Analysis	Technical Working Session of the IDP Steering Committee: • Socio-economic assessment undertaken per municipal function or KPA to determine existing levels of development, priority issues, root-causes of issues, and available resource frames	Municipal Manager Senior Managers Unit Managers	01 – 30 September 2024 Amended: To be completed by 5/11/24	Quarter 2			

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¹ Local Government: Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000

Legislative Requirements	Deliverables/Outputs	Activities	Responsibility	Time-frames	
Analysis Phase					
Section 16(1)(a) of the MSA Section 29(1)(b) Section 26 of the	Situational Analysis	Public Consultations and Engagements (Performance Feedback & Priority Needs Identification)	Offices of the Mayor & Speaker Management	10 October – 10 November 2024 Amended: 6 – 21/11/24	Quarter 2
MSA		Consolidation of Public Inputs & compilation of the Public Participation Outcome Report	Municipal Manager	22 November 2024	
		Consolidation and submission of the Socio-economic Analysis / Status Quo Report (Chapter) to the Steering Committee and Executive Committee	Municipal Manager	30 November 2024	
Section 28 of the MFMA	Adjustment Budget Guidelines	Issue Adjustment Budget guidelines to management	Chief Finance Officer	November 2024	
	Budget Adjustment	Capturing and submission of the Adjustment Budget	Chief Finance Officer All Managers	November – December 2024	
Strategies Phase					
Section 26 of the MSA	Strategic Planning	Management Strategic Planning Formulating short to medium interventions for inclusion in the 2025/26 IDP review and Budget proposals – Discussion of strategic focus areas	Municipal Manager	September – December 2024	Quarter 2
		Council Strategic Planning Session Priority and Agenda Setting for the MTREF 2025 – 2028/2029	Municipal Manager Mayor Executive Committee	September – December 2024	

s74 & 75 of the MSA	Tariffs setting and	Finalize tariffs (rates and service	Chief Finance Officer	December 2024	
& Budget Circular	Policies	charges) setting and policies			
Dualizat Dhaga					
Project Phase		<u> </u>			T
Internal process	Indicative capital	Issuing of indicative capital	Chief Finance Officer	November 2024	Quarter 3
	expenditure	expenditure allocations			
	allocations				
Sections 16 & 19 of	Draft capital projects	Submission of capital budget to the	Project Management	December 2024 – January	
the MFMA	and expenditure	Budget and Treasury Office	Unit	2025	
	projections				
Regulation 2(b), (c)	Capital and	Incorporate capital projects	Municipal Manager	January 2025	
& (d) Planning &	Operational	implemented by other spheres of			
Performance	Programmes	government into the IDP			
Management 2001					
Section 72(1) of the	Midterm Performance	Submission of the Mid-year	Chief Finance Officer	25 January 2025	
MFMA	Assessment Report	Performance Assessment Report to	Mayor		
		the executive committee and council			
		for consideration and approval - will			
		inform a need for adjustment budget			
		and SDBIP adjustment			
Section 54(1)(c)	Adjustment to the	Consideration by council of the	Manager: PMS	February 2025	
	2024/25 Service	proposed adjustments to the 2024/25			
	Delivery and Budget	SDBIP			
	Implementation Plan				

Legislative Requirements	Deliverables/Outputs	Activities	Responsibility	Time-frames	Quarter
Integration/Alignmer	nt Phase				
Section 52(c) of the MFMA	IDP and Budget Planning Sessions	Executive Committee Workshop: Confirmation of capital expenditure priorities and alignment to the IDP	Municipal Manager	10 February 2025	Quarter 3 - 4 Quarter 4
		Councillors Workshop: Draft Integrated Development Plan, Budget and SDBIP	Municipal Manager Mayor	15 March 2025	
Section 16 & 17 of the MFMA	Tabling of the 2025/26 draft IDP, Budget and SDBIP	Council Meeting: Tabling of the draft Integrated Development Plan and Budget for noting by council	Mayor Executive Committee	28 March 2025	
Section 22 & 23 of the MFMA Section 21A of the Systems Act	Public Participation	Publicise the draft IDP and Budget for public comments and participation on the newspapers and municipal website	IDP Manager, CFO, Communications Manager	04 – 30 April 2025	
Sections 31 & 32 of the MSA	Provincial monitoring	Submission of the draft IDP and Budget to the Department of Local Government & Human Settlements as well as National and Provincial Treasuries for assessment	IDP Manager Accounts Officer: Budget	04 April 2025	
Section 23 of the MFMA read together with Regulation 15 of the Municipal Budget and Reporting Regulations	Provincial monitoring and support	Provincial Treasury Engagement on the 2025/2026 draft integrated development plan and MTREF Budget	Provincial Treasury Executive Committee Senior Management	April – May 2025	

Legislative	Deliverables/Outputs	Activities	Responsibility	Time-frames	Quarter
Requirements					
Section 29(b) of the	Incorporation of inputs	Consideration and incorporation of the	IDP Manager	02 – 20 May 2025	Quarter 4
MSA	of the local community	community inputs into the draft IDP and			
		Budget (final document)			
Sections 16, 19, 24	Adoption of final IDP	Council Meeting:	Mayor	30 May 2025	
and 53 of the MFMA	and Budget	Final IDP and Budget adopted by Council	Executive Committee		
Section 69(3(a) of	Approval of the final	Mayor approves the 2025/2026 Service	Municipal Manager	28 June 2025	
the MFMA	2025/2026 Service	Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan			
	Delivery and Budget				
	Implementation Plan				

4.2. Annual Performance Report 2023/2024 Time-lines

Section 127 of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act (Act No.56 of 20023) requires the mayor to table in the municipal council the annual report of the municipality within seven months after the end of the financial year. In practice this implies that the mayor must table the annual report in January 2025 which will be followed by council oversight processes and consideration of the Oversight Report in March 2025. The Annual Report will be submitted, for auditing, to the Auditor General at the end of August 2025.

Activity		Legislative	Process	Key Deadline
-		Requirement	Owner	
Finalisation of the 2023/2024	•	s52(d) of the	All Directorates	July 2024
fourth quarter progress report		MFMA		
reflecting actual annual	•	s46 of the		
performance (Annual Report)		Systems Act		
Annual Performance Report	•	s46(1) and (2) of	All Directorates	August 2024
2023/2024		the Municipal		
		Systems Act		
	•	MFMA Circular 11		
Submission of unaudited Annual	•	Internal	Municipal	August 2024
Financial Statements 2023/2024		processes	Manager/CFO	
Consideration of the draft Annual	•	Assessment of	Audit	August 2024
Report by the Audit Committee		non-financial and	Committee;	
		financial	Municipal	
		performance	Manager; CFO	
Approval of the draft Annual	•	Internal process	Mayor;	August 2023
Report			Municipal	
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Submission of the draft Annual	•	s126(1)(a) of the	Municipal	31 August 2024
Report to the Auditor General for auditing		MFMA	Manager	
Submission of AFS to the Auditor	•	s126 of the	Municipal	31 August 2024
General for auditing		MFMA	Manager	
Receipt of the audit report from	•	s126(3)(b) of the	Municipal	November 2024
the Auditor General		MFMA	Manager	
Tabling of the Annual Report to	•	Internal	Municipal	January 2025
the Audit Committee		processes	Manager	
Tabling and noting of the Annual	•	s127(2) of the	Municipal	January 2025
Report to the executive		MFMA	Manager	
committee				
Tabling of the Annual Report to	•	s127(2) of the	Mayor	January 2025
council		MFMA		
Submission of the tabled Annual	•	s127(5)(b) of the	Municipal	January 2025
Report to the Auditor General,		MFMA	Manager	
Provincial Treasury and				
CoGHSTA				

Activity	Legislative Requirement	Process Owner	Key Deadline
Submission of the Annual Report	s127(5)(a) of the	Speaker of	January 2025
to the Municipal Public Accounts	MFMA	council	
Committee for oversight and			
public participation			
Conducting Oversight on the	s127(5)(a) of the	Municipal	1 February – 30
2023/2024 Annual Report by	MFMA	Public	March 2025
calling for and considering public		Accounts	
comments and formulating the		Committee	
Oversight Report			
Consideration and adoption of	s129(1) of the MFMA	Council	30 March 2025
the Annual Report and Oversight			
Report			
Submission of the Annual Report	s129(2)(b) of the	Municipal	30 March 2025
and Oversight Report to the	MFMA	Manager	
Auditor General, Provincial			
Treasury and CoGHSTA			
Submission of the Annual Report	s132(1) and (2) of the	Municipal	30 March 2025
and Oversight Report to the	MFMA	Manager	
North West Provincial			
Legislature			
Publication of the Annual Report	s129(3) of the MFMA	Municipal	30 March 2025
and Oversight Report on the		Manager	
municipal website including			

4.3. Generic PMS Timelines

Activity	Key Deadline
Approval of the Performance Management Framework	March – April 2025
Advertise and adopt PMS Framework (as part of IDP and Budget)	31 May 2025
Advertise 2025/2026 SDBIP	10 June 2025
2023/2024 Annual Performance Report to SMT	31 August 2025
Signing of Performance Agreements by senior managers	31 July 2025
SDBIP performance assessment and organizational performance reporting (Jul	31 October 2025
- Sept)	
Sect 57 Managers formal mid-year report to Council	25 January 2025
Mayor tables 2022/2023 Annual Report to Council	31 January 2025
SDBIP performance assessment and organizational performance reporting	31 January 2024
(October – December)	
Auditing of mid-year performance assessment	March 2025
SDBIP performance assessment and organizational performance reporting	10 April 2025
(January – March)	
Publicise the Annual Report and invite community inputs into report	20 February 2025
Council to adopt Oversight Report	31 March 2025
Publicize Annual Report (and Oversight Report) and submit copy to North West	5 April 2025
Provincial Legislature	

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Section 16(1) of the Municipal Systems Act 2000 states that municipality must develop a culture of municipal governance that complements formal representation. This means that the municipality must create conditions for the local community to participate in its affairs, including their involvement in the preparation, implementation and review of IDPs. Public participation is crucial in the identification of community needs; the development of appropriate development solutions; ensuring community ownership and buy-in; and community empowerment.

Community-based Planning (CBP) is considered the preferred form of participatory planning designed to promote community action and to link IDP/Budget/PMS as it provides a mechanism for entrenching participatory planning and management at ward level. As part of embracing the CBP approach Ditsobotla Local Municipality will employ the following public participation methods:

- Ward committee meetings;
- Ward-based community meetings;
- Targeted stakeholder engagement (i.e. business formations); and
- Social media interaction with the public.

6. CONCLUSION

The 2025 IDP/Budget/PMS Process Plan is submitted to guide the review of the integrated development, the Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure Budget and municipal performance management in a coordinated and seamless manner. The Plan also outlines the roles and responsibilities of the key actors and provides for institutional arrangements necessary for the coordination of the drafting process and stakeholder engagement. The Plan places the overall political management of the planning process on the executive committee with the day-to-day management thereof on the Municipal Manager.

The Office of the Speaker in consultation with the Mayor will develop a public participation schedule giving effect to the legislative requirement envisaged in section 16 of the Municipal Systems Act (Act No.32 of 2000) – involvement of communities in the development of the integrated development planning process.