

ANNUAL REPORT: FINANCIAL YEAR 2017/18

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Office of the Municipal Manager

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Annual Report 2017/18 is to:

- (a) Provide a record of the activities of the Sedibeng District Municipality during the financial year 2017/18
- (b) Provide a report on performance against the budget of the Sedibeng District Municipality for the 2017/18 financial year reported on.
- (c) Promote accountability to the local community for the decisions made throughout the year by Sedibeng District Municipality.

2. INTRODUCTION

Section 121(1) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003 (MFMA) stipulates that: "Every municipality and municipal entity must for each financial year prepare an Annual Report in accordance with its guidelines."

That Annual Report includes:

- a) The annual financial statements of the Municipality, and consolidated annual financial statements, submitted to the Auditor-General for audit in terms of section 126 (1) of the MFMA;
- b) The Auditor-General's audit report in terms of section 126 (3) of the MFMA and in accordance with section 45 (b) of the MSA; on the financial statements in (a) above;
- c) The annual performance report of the Municipality as prepared by the Sedibeng District Municipality in terms of section 45(b) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 (MSA);
- d) An assessment of the arrears on municipal taxes and service charges;
- e) An assessment of the Municipality's performance against the measurable performance objectives referred to in Section 17 (3)(b) of the MFMA for revenue collection from each revenue source and for each vote in the Municipality's approved budget for the financial year ;
- f) Corrective action taken in response to issues raised in the audit reports referred to in paragraphs (b) and (d); and
- g) Recommendations of the Municipality's Audit Committee.

3. DISCUSSION

Annual reports are the key reporting instruments for the Municipality to report against the performance targets and budgets outlined in their strategic plans.

This Annual Report contains information on service delivery, in addition to Annual Financial Statements and the Audit Report. It is a backward-looking document, focusing on performance in the financial year that has just ended. It reports on how the budget for that financial year was implemented. It further assists other Stakeholders and oversight bodies to measure the performance of the institution.

4. ALIGNMENT WITH COUNCIL STRATEGIES

The Annual Report 2017/18 is submitted as a summative reflection of the performance of the municipality over the financial year under review

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications in the report given that it is a reporting document; expenditure has already been incurred during implementation of the set targets in line with the municipal budget in the year under review.

6. LEGAL/CONSTITUTIONAL IMPLICATIONS

This report is in accordance with Section 121(1) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003 (MFMA)

7. COMMENTS BY FINANCE

8. COMMENTS BY COMMUNITY SERVICES

9. COMMENTS BY STRATEGIC PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

10. COMMENTS BY TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

11. CONCLUSION

That Annual Report 2017/18 be regarded as the primary instrument of accountability, in which the Executive Mayor and Accounting Officer report on implementation performance in relation to the budget and the SDBIP, and the progress being made in realising the IDP priorities.

12. RECOMMENDED

It is therefore recommended

12.1. THAT the contents of this Draft Annual Report, attached as Annexure "A" be hereby considered.

12.2. That the Accounting Officer ensures that the Annual Report are circulated and placed in public libraries and other places for access to public