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## **PUBLIC NOTICE:**

### **CORONA VIRUS (COVID 19) AND THE DECLARATION OF A NATIONAL STATE OF DISASTER**

The municipality welcome the announcement made by the President on Sunday 15 March 2020 and we will be following the instructions issued and put measures in place to give meaning to those instructions. The municipality will work closely with national and provincial governments to ensure that the municipal services and processes are aligned with what is required.

#### **1. Municipal Services**

All municipal services will provisionally continue as normal.

Residents are urged not to visit any of the municipal offices and centres including libraries, unless absolutely necessary to do so. Kindly submit all queries where possible telephonically and/or electronically as follows:

- [rekords@bvm.gov.za](mailto:rekords@bvm.gov.za)
- (023) 348 2600 (during office hours)
- 0860 12 12 12 (24 hour municipal contact centre)

#### **2. Payment of Municipal Accounts, fines and other payments.**

The public must ensure that municipal accounts, fines and other required payments are still made as required. These payments can still be made at municipal offices and traffic centres.

The public are also encouraged to use online electronic payments and payments at retail vendors.

Details for electronic payments of municipal accounts and fines:

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- Breede Valley Municipality
- NEDBANK
- Account No: 116 075 5019
- Branch Code: 198765
- Reference No: Municipal account number / Fine (notice number)

**Pre-paid Electricity purchases will remain available at all retail vendors.**

### **3. Public Participation Processes**

The municipality must adjust its approach to public participation processes for the immediate future as we will not be able to have public meetings.

We encourage residents to please use emails, social media platforms, our website and telephone to engage the Council, rather than in person.

### **4. Public gatherings and communal facilities**

All public gatherings and events at municipal sports grounds, communal facilities (Town Halls, Community Halls and Thusong Centre) and libraries are cancelled or postponed until further notice or as advised by the National and Provincial Disaster Management Centres.

**All municipal swimming pools, Community Halls/Civic Centres, sports grounds and resorts are closed until further notice.**

### **5. Additional internal administrative measures**

The municipality introduced additional measures to maintain a clean and healthy environment in our offices and sites. These measures include:

- a) An increase in the frequency with which our cleaning staff wipe-down high touch point surfaces.
- b) Providing hand sanitisers for staff at workstations and to visitors at entrances.
- c) The municipality advised staff to adhere to all health, safety and personal hygiene recommendations to limit the spread of the virus.
- d) Immediate travel bans for all staff and councillors for all nonessential travel outside the municipal area.
- e) The municipality has designated its Central Health and Safety Committee to be its internal Corona Virus Task Team who will meet regularly to assess the situation and advise of any additional measures that need to be put in place.

**6. Funeral gathering at municipal cemeteries**

Funeral undertakers and families are encouraged to liaise with the municipal offices in order to do pre-bookings for anticipated funeral gatherings at the municipal cemeteries in order to avoid congestion. To accommodate as many gatherings as possible at each cemetery, a time slot of maximum 30 minutes per booking will be allocated.

7. The Executive Mayor encourages our residents to please pay attention to official announcements, and follow the instructions being made. By working together, we can limit the spread of this virus.



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**ALDERMAN A STEYN**

**EXECUTIVE MAYOR**

18 March 2020