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**Performance Agreement
for the period 1 July 2023 – 30 June 2024**

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

Performance agreement made and entered into by and between

The Breede Valley Municipality and represented by the Executive Mayor (*herein and after referred as Employer*)

and

D. McThomas the Municipal Manager (*herein and after referred as Employee*) for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024

Where as

- a. The Employer has entered into a contract of employment with the Employee in terms of section 57(1)(a) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 ("the Systems Act"). The Employer and the Employee are hereinafter referred as "the Parties";
- b. Section 57(1)(b) of the Systems Act, read with the Contract of Employment concluded between the parties, requires the Parties to conclude an annual performance agreement;
- c. The Parties wish to ensure that they are clear about the goals to be achieved, and secure the commitment of the Employee to a set of outcomes that will promote local government goals; and
- d. The Parties wish to ensure that there is compliance with Sections 57(4B) and 57(5) of the Systems Act.

1. INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 In this Agreement the followings terms will have the meaning ascribed thereto:
 - 1.1.1 "this Agreement" – means the performance agreement between the Employer and the employee and the Annexures thereto;
 - 1.1.2 "the Executive Authority" – means the Mayoral Committee of the Municipality constituted in terms of Section 60 of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act 117 of 1998 ("the Structures Act") as represented by its chairperson, the Executive Mayor;
 - 1.1.3 "the Employee" means the Municipal Manager appointed in terms of Section 54A of the Systems Act;
 - 1.1.4 "the Employer" means the Municipality; and
 - 1.1.5 "the Parties" means the Employer and Employee.

2. PURPOSE OF THIS AGREEMENT

- 2.1 To comply with the provisions of Section 57(1)(b), (4B) and (5) of the Systems Act as well as the Contract of Employment entered into between the Parties;
- 2.2 To specify objectives and targets established for the Employee and to communicate to the Employee the Employer's expectations of the Employee's performance targets and accountabilities;
- 2.3 To specify accountabilities as set out in the Performance Plan (Annexure A);
- 2.4 To monitor and measure performance against set targeted outputs and outcomes;
- 2.5 To establish a transparent and accountable working relationship;
- 2.6 To appropriately reward the employee in accordance with section 11 of this agreement; and
- 2.7 To give effect to the Employer's commitment to a performance-orientated relationship with the Employee in attaining improved service delivery.

3. COMMENCEMENT AND DURATION

- 3.1 This Agreement will commence on 01 July 2023 and will remain in force until 30 June 2024 where-after a new Performance Agreement shall be concluded between the parties for the next financial year or any portion thereof;
- 3.2 The Parties will conclude a new Performance Agreement that replaces this Agreement at least once a year by not later than 31st of July of the succeeding financial year;
- 3.3 This Agreement will terminate on the termination of the Employee's contract of employment for any reason;
- 3.4 If at any time during the validity of the agreement the work environment alters to the extent that the contents of the agreement are no longer appropriate, the contents must by mutual agreement between the parties, immediately be revised; and
- 3.5 Any significant amendments or deviations must take cognizance of the requirements of sections 34 and 42 of the Municipal Systems Act and Regulation 4(5) of the Regulations.

4. PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

- 4.1 The Performance Plan (Annexure A) sets out –
 - 4.1.1 The performance objectives and targets that must be met by the Employee;
 - 4.1.2 The timeframes within which those performance objectives and targets must be met; and
 - 4.1.3 The competencies (Annexure B – definitions in terms of Regulation 21 of 17 January 2014) required to operate effectively as senior managers in the local government environment.
- 4.2 The performance objectives and targets reflected in Annexure A are set by the Employer in consultation with the Employee and based on the Integrated Development Plan, Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) and the Budget of the Employer, and shall include:
 - 4.2.1 Key objectives that describe the main tasks that need to be done;
 - 4.2.2 Key performance indicators that provide the details of the evidence that must be provided to show that an indicator has been achieved by the employee;
 - 4.2.3 Target dates that describe the timeframe in which the targets must be achieved; and
 - 4.2.4 Weightings showing the relative importance of the key objectives to each other.
- 4.3 The Personal Development Plan (Annexure C) sets out the Employee's personal development requirements in line with the objectives and targets of the Employer; and
- 4.4 The Employee's performance will, in addition, be measured in terms of contributions to the goals and strategies set out in the Employer's Integrated Development Plan.

5. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

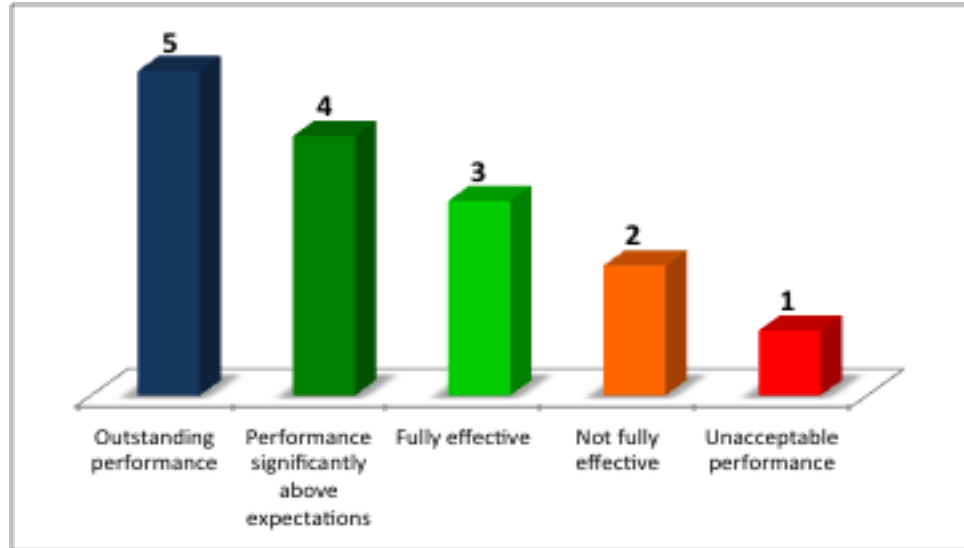
- 5.1 The Employee agrees to participate in the performance management system that the Employer adopted for the employees of the Employer;
- 5.2 The Employee accepts that the purpose of the performance management system will be to provide a comprehensive system with specific performance standards to assist the employees and service providers to perform to the standards required;

- 5.3 The Employer must consult the Employee about the specific performance standards and targets that will be included in the performance management system applicable to the Employee;
- 5.4 The Employee undertakes to actively focus on the promotion and implementation of the key performance indicators (including special projects relevant to the employee's responsibilities) within the local government framework;
- 5.5 The criteria upon which the performance of the Employee shall be assessed shall consist of two components, Operational Performance and Competencies both of which shall be contained in the Performance Agreement;
- 5.6 The Employee's assessment will be based on his performance in terms of the outputs/outcomes (performance indicators) identified as per attached Performance Plan, which are linked to the KPAs, and will constitute 80% of the overall assessment result as per the weightings agreed to between the Employer and Employee;
- 5.7 The Competencies will make up the other 20% of the Employee's assessment score. The Competencies are split into two groups, leading competencies that drive strategic intent and direction and core competencies, which drive the execution of the leading competencies.

6. PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

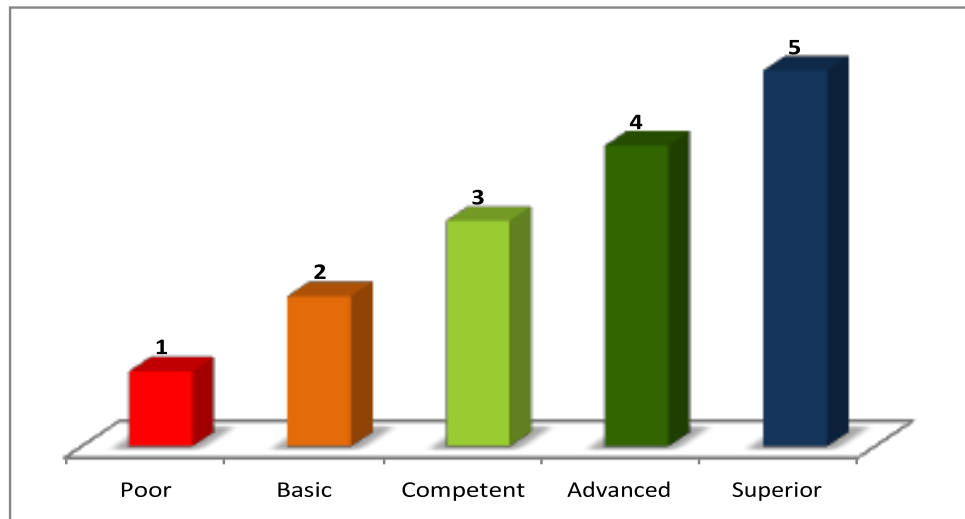
- 6.1 The Performance Plan (Annexure A) to this Agreement sets out key performance indicators and competencies that needs to be evaluated in terms of –
 - 6.1.1 The standards and procedures for evaluating the Employee's performance; and
 - 6.1.2 During the intervals for the evaluation of the Employee's performance.
- 6.2 Despite the establishment of agreed intervals for evaluation, the Employer may in addition review the Employee's performance at any stage while the contract of employment remains in force;
- 6.3 Personal growth and development needs identified during any performance review discussion must be documented in a Personal Development Plan as well as the actions agreed to and implementation must take place within set time frames;
- 6.4 The Employee's performance will also be measured in terms of contributions to the goals and strategies set out in the Employer's Integrated Development Plan (IDP) as described in 6.6 – 6.13 below;

- 6.5 The Employee will submit quarterly performance reports (SDBIP) and a comprehensive annual performance report at least one week prior to the performance assessment meetings to the Evaluation Panel Chairperson for distribution to the panel members for preparation purposes;
- 6.6 Assessment of the achievement of results as outlined in the performance plan:
 - 6.6.1 Each KPI or group of KPIs shall be assessed according to the extent to which the specified standards or performance targets have been met (qualitative and quantitative) and with due regard to ad- hoc tasks that had to be performed under the KPI;
 - 6.6.2 A rating on the five-point scale described in 6.9 below shall be provided for each KPI or group of KPIs which will then be multiplied by the weighting to calculate the final score;
 - 6.6.3 The Employee will submit his self-evaluation to the Employer prior to the formal assessment;
 - 6.6.4 In the instance where the employee could not perform due to reasons outside the control of the employer and employee, the KPI will not be considered during the evaluation. The employee should provide sufficient evidence in such instances; and
 - 6.6.5 An overall score will be calculated based on the total of the individual scores calculated above.
- 6.7 Assessment of the Competencies:
 - 6.7.1 Each Competency will be assessed in terms of the descriptions provided (Annexure B) during the mid-year and year-end reviews;
 - 6.7.2 A rating on the five-point scale described in 6.10 below shall be provided for each Competency which will then be multiplied by the weighting to calculate the final score; and
 - 6.7.3 An overall score will be calculated based on the total of the individual scores calculated above.
- 6.8 Overall rating
 - 6.8.1 An overall rating is calculated by adding the overall scores as calculated in 6.6.5 and 6.7.3 above; and
 - 6.8.2 Such overall rating represents the outcome of the performance appraisal.
- 6.9 The assessment of the performance of the Employee will be based on the following rating scale for KPIs:



Terminology	Description
Outstanding performance	Performance far exceeds the standard expected of an employee at this level. The appraisal indicates that the Employee has achieved above fully effective results against all performance criteria and indicators as specified in the PA and Performance plan and maintained this in all areas of responsibility throughout the year.
Performance significantly above expectations	Performance is significantly higher than the standard expected in the job. The appraisal indicates that the Employee has achieved above fully effective results against more than half of the performance criteria and indicators and fully achieved all others throughout the year.
Fully effective	Performance fully meets the standards expected in all areas of the job. The appraisal indicates that the Employee has fully achieved effective results against all significant performance criteria and indicators as specified in the PA and Performance Plan.
Not fully effective	Performance is below the standard required for the job in key areas. Performance meets some of the standards expected for the job. The review/assessment indicates that the employee has achieved below fully effective results against more than half the key performance criteria and indicators as specified in the PA and Performance Plan.
Unacceptable performance	Performance does not meet the standard expected for the job. The review/assessment indicates that they employee has achieved below fully effective results against almost all of the performance criteria and indicators as specified in the PA and Performance Plan. The employee has failed to demonstrate the commitment or ability to bring performance up to the level expected in the job despite management efforts to encourage improvement.

6.10 The assessment of the competencies will be based on the following rating scale:



Achievement Level	Description
Poor	Unable to apply the basic concepts and methods to prove a basic understanding of local government operations and requires extensive supervision and development intervention.
Basic	Applies basic concepts, methods, and understanding of local government operations, but requires supervision and development intervention.
Competent	Develops and applies more progressive concepts, methods and understanding. Plans and guides the work of others and executes progressive analysis.
Advanced	Develops and applies complex concepts, methods and understanding. Effectively directs and leads a group and executes in-depth analysis.
Superior	Has a comprehensive understanding of local government operations, critical in strategic shaping strategic direction and change, develops and applies comprehensive concepts and methods.

6.11 For purposes of evaluating the annual performance of the Employee, an evaluation panel constituted of the following persons will be established –

6.11.1 Executive Mayor;

6.11.2 Mayor / Municipal Manager from another municipality;

6.11.3 Chairperson of the Performance Audit Committee or in his/her absence thereof, the Chairperson of the Audit Committee;

6.11.4 The Member of the Mayoral Committee; and

6.11.5 A member of the community.

6.12 The Executive Mayor will evaluate the performance of the Employee as at the end of the 1st and 3rd quarters and document a summary of the discussions; and

- 6.13 The Executive Mayor will give performance feedback to the Employee within five (5) working days after each quarterly and annual assessment meeting.

7. SCHEDULE FOR PERFORMANCE REVIEWS

- 7.1 The performance of the Employee in relation to his performance agreement shall be reviewed for the following quarters with the understanding that the reviews in the first and the third quarter may be verbal if performance is satisfactory:

Quarter	Months
1	July - September
2	October - December
3	January – March
4	April - June

- 7.2 The Employer shall keep a record of the year-end assessment meetings;
- 7.3 Performance feedback shall be based on the Employer's assessment of the Employee's performance;
- 7.4 The Employer will be entitled to review and make reasonable changes to the provisions of Annexure A from time to time for operational reasons. The Employee will be fully consulted before any such change is made; and
- 7.5 The Employer may amend the provisions of Annexure A whenever the performance management system is adopted, implemented and/or amended as the case may be. In that case, the Employee will be fully consulted before any such change is made.

8. DEVELOPMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

The Personal Development Plan (PDP) for addressing developmental gaps is attached as Annexure C. Such Plan may be implemented and/or amended as the case may be after each assessment. In that case, the Employee will be fully consulted before any such change or plan is made.

9. OBLIGATIONS OF THE EMPLOYER

9.1 The Employer shall-

- 9.1.1 Create an enabling environment to facilitate effective performance by the employee;
- 9.1.2 Provide access to skills development and capacity building opportunities;
- 9.1.3 Work collaboratively with the Employee to solve problems and generate solutions to common problems that may impact on the performance of the Employee;
- 9.1.4 On the request of the Employee delegate such powers reasonably required by the Employee to enable him to meet the performance objectives and targets established in terms of this Agreement; and
- 9.1.5 Make available to the Employee such resources as the Employee may reasonably require from time to time assisting him to meet the performance objectives and targets established in terms of this Agreement.

10. CONSULTATION

- 10.1 The Employer agrees to consult the Employee timeously where the exercising of its powers will have amongst others-
 - 10.1.1 A direct effect on the performance of any of the Employee's functions;
 - 10.1.2 Commit the Employee to implement or to give effect to a decision made by the Employer; and
 - 10.1.3 A substantial financial effect on the Employer.
- 10.2 The Employer agrees to inform the Employee of the outcome of any decisions taken pursuant to the exercise of powers contemplated in clause 12.1 as soon as is practicable to enable the Employee to take any necessary action with delay.

11. REWARD

- 11.1 The evaluation of the Employee's performance will form the basis for acknowledging outstanding performance or correcting unacceptable performance;
- 11.2 The payment of the performance bonus is determined by the performance score obtained during the 4th quarter;
- 11.3 The performance bonus will be awarded pro-rata according to the period of this agreement based on the following scheme:

Performance Rating		Bonus Calculation
0% - 64%	Poor Performance	0% of total package
65% - 69%	Average Performance	5% of total package
70% - 74%	Fair Performance	9% of total package
75% - 79%	Good Performance	11% of total package
80% - 100%	Excellent Performance	14% of total package

- 11.4 In the event of the Employee terminating his services during the validity period of this Agreement, but only after three months after the start of this agreement's inception date, the Employee's performance will be evaluated for the period during which he/she was employed and he/she will be entitled to a pro-rata performance bonus based on his/her evaluated performance for the period of actual service; and
- 11.5 The employer will submit the annual evaluation outcome of the employee to Council for approval of such evaluation as a reward for outstanding performance.

12. MANAGEMENT OF EVALUATION OUTCOMES

- 12.1 Where the Employer is, any time during the Employee's employment, not satisfied with the Employee's performance with respect to any matter dealt with in this Agreement, the Employer will give notice to the Employee to attend a meeting;
- 12.2 The Employee will have the opportunity at the meeting to satisfy the Employer of the measures being taken to ensure that his performance becomes satisfactory and any programme, including any dates, for implementing these measures;
- 12.3 Where there is a dispute or difference as to the performance of the Employee under this Agreement, the Parties will confer with a view to resolving the dispute or difference; and
- 12.4 In the case of unacceptable performance, the Employer shall –
- 12.4.1 Provide systematic remedial or developmental support to assist the

Employee to improve his performance; and

12.4.2 After appropriate performance counselling and having provided the necessary guidance and/or support as well as reasonable time for improvement in performance, the Employer may consider steps to terminate the contract of employment of the Employee on grounds of unfitness or incapacity to carry out his or her duties.

13. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

13.1 Disputes will be dealt with in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government: Municipal Performance Regulations for Municipal Managers and managers directly accountable to Municipal Managers (Regulation 805 of August 2006).

13.2 Any disputes about the nature of the employee's performance agreement, whether it relates to key responsibilities, priorities, methods of assessment and/or salary increment in the agreement,
(a) must be mediated by the MEC for local government in the province within thirty (30) days of receipt of a formal dispute from the employee,
(b) or any other person designated by the MEC whose decision shall be final and binding on both parties

13.3 Any disputes about the outcome of the employee's performance evaluation,
(a) must be mediated by the MEC for local government in the province within thirty (30) days of receipt of a formal dispute from the employee,
(b) or any other person designated by the MEC whose decision shall be final and binding on both parties.

14. GENERAL

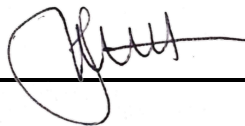
14.1 The contents of this agreement and the outcome of any review conducted in terms of Annexure A may be made available to the public by the Employer; and

14.2 Nothing in this agreement diminishes the obligations, duties or accountabilities of the Employee in terms of his contract of employment, or the effects of existing or new regulations, circulars, policies, directives or other instruments.

Thus, done and signed at Worcester on the 28th day of July 2023.

AS WITNESSES:

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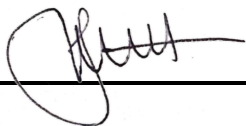


EXECUTIVE MAYOR

Thus, done and signed at Worcester on the 28th day of July 2023.

AS WITNESSES:

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER

Performance Plan

Municipal Manager

The Performance Plan sets out:

- a) Key Performance Areas that the employee should focus on, performance objectives, key performance indicators and targets that must be met within a specific timeframe; and
- b) The Competencies required from employees prescribed in the Regulations on the appointment and conditions of employment of senior managers, R21 of 2014.

Performance should be evaluated:

- a) Quarterly of which the annual evaluation must be done by the panel as constituted in paragraph 6.11 of the agreement;
- b) Performance should be assessed on a scale of 1 – 5 as outlined in paragraphs 6.9 – 6.10 of the agreement;
- c) In the instance where an indicator do not have a target or is not applicable due to valid reason or where the performance could not be delivered for a valid reason outside of the control of employee, the indicator will not be evaluated, the weighting will be cancelled and the score total will be re-calculated to calculate the final score;
- d) The employee must submit his/her assessment of his/her own performance to the employer three days prior to the assessment date.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The key performance areas, the performance objectives, key performance indicators and targets that must be met within the agreed timeframe are described below. The assessment of these performance indicators will account for **eighty percent** of the total employee assessment score.

Ref No	National KPA	Key Performance Indicator (KPI)	Unit of Measurement	Portfolio of Evidence	Baseline	Targets				Weight
						Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
SDBIP Graph	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Manage and achieve 80% of the KPI's of the Directorate: Financial Services	80% of the KPI's of the directorate have been met as per Ignite Dashboard report	Updated SDBIP and report	95%	80%	80%	80%	80%	6
SDBIP Graph	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Manage and achieve 80% of the KPI's of the Directorate: Strategic Support Services	80% of the KPI's of the directorate have been met as per Ignite Dashboard report	Updated SDBIP and report	83.83%	80%	80%	80%	80%	6
SDBIP Graph	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Manage and achieve 80% of the KPI's of the Directorate: Community Services	80% of the KPI's of the directorate have been met as per Ignite Dashboard report	Updated SDBIP and report	92.86%	80%	80%	80%	80%	6
SDBIP Graph	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Manage and achieve 80% of the KPI's of the Directorate: Engineering Services	80% of the KPI's of the directorate have been met as per Ignite Dashboard report	Updated SDBIP and report	94.59%	80%	80%	80%	80%	6
SDBIP Graph	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Manage and achieve 80% of the KPI's of the Directorate: Public Services	80% of the KPI's of the directorate have been met as per Ignite Dashboard report	Updated SDBIP and report	64.44%	80%	80%	80%	80%	6
SDBIP Graph	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Manage and achieve 90% of the KPI's of the sub-directorate: Internal Audit	90% of the KPI's of the sub directorate have been met as per Ignite Dashboard report	Updated SDBIP and report	100%	90%	90%	90%	90%	6
SDBIP Graph	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Manage and achieve 90% of the KPI's of the sub-directorate: Enterprise Risk Management (ERM)	90% of the KPI's of the sub directorate have been met as per Ignite Dashboard report	Updated SDBIP and report	92.31%	90%	90%	90%	90%	5
T45	Good Governance and Public Participation	Compile a Risk Based Audit Plan and submit to the Audit Committee by 30 June 2024	RBAP submitted to the Audit Committee	Agenda of the AC meeting	1	0	0	0	1	5

Ref No	National KPA	Key Performance Indicator (KPI)	Unit of Measurement	Portfolio of Evidence	Baseline	Targets				Weight
						Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
T46	Good Governance and Public Participation	Compile a strategic risk report and submit to Council by 31 May 2024	Strategic risk report submitted to Council	Proof of submission of Strategic Risk Report item to Council	1	0	0	0	1	5
T47	Municipal Financial Viability and Management	The percentage of the municipal capital budget spent on capital projects as at 30 June 2024	% of the municipal capital budget spent	Capital Expenditure/Progress Reports for mentioned quarters (SAMRAS extract) and/or Draft Annual Financial Statements as at 30 June 2024	92.08%	0%	30%	60%	90%	3
D1	Good Governance and Public Participation	Approve the departmental SDBIP within 28 days after the approval of the main budget by council to ensure the implementation of the municipal budget	Departmental SDBIP approved	Approved departmental SDBIP	1	0	0	0	1	4
D2	Good Governance and Public Participation	Monitor the implementation of the MGRO to address all the issues raised in the management letter of the Auditor-General and submit progress reports to the Audit Committee quarterly	Number of progress reports monitored and submitted to the audit committee	Proof of submission of the report	4	1	1	1	1	3
D3	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Formal evaluation of the performance of directors in terms of their signed agreements	Number of formal evaluations completed	Evaluation report and signed scoring sheets	2	1	0	1	0	5
D4	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Section 57 performance agreements signed by the end of July	Number of performance agreements signed	Signed performance agreements	5	5	0	0	0	5
D5	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Conclude performance agreements with all permanent employed staff by 30 July	% of performance agreements concluded	Report	100%	100%	0%	0%	0%	3
D6	Municipal Transformation and Institutional Development	Conduct mid-year evaluation of all permanent employed staff by 31 January	% of evaluations conducted	Report	100%	0%	0%	100%	0%	3
D7	Good Governance and Public Participation	Attend to Collaborator inbox items within 30 days of receipt	% of items attended to within 30 days	Collab report	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	3
TOTAL										80

COMPETENCIES

The competencies required from employees prescribed in the Regulations on the appointment and conditions of employment of senior managers, R21 of 2014. The assessment of these competencies will account for **twenty percent** of the total employee assessment score.

Annexure B describes the different achievement levels for each Competency and should therefore form part of this section of the Performance Plan.

Competency	Definition	Weight
LEADING COPETENCIES		
Strategic direction and leadership	Provide and direct a vision for the institution and inspire and deploy others to deliver on the strategic institutional mandate. It includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact and influence Institutional performance management Strategic planning and management Organisational awareness 	1.67
People management	Effectively manage, inspire and encourage people, respect diversity, optimise talent and build and nurture relationships in order to achieve institutional objectives. It includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human capital planning and development Diversity management Employee relations management Negotiation and dispute management 	1.67
Programme and project management	Able to understand program and project management methodology; plan, manage, monitor and evaluate specific activities in order to deliver on set objectives. It includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program and project planning and implementation Service delivery management Program and project monitoring and evaluation 	1.67
Financial management	Able to compile, plan and manage budgets, control cash flow, institute financial risk management and administer procurement processes in accordance with recognised financial practices. Further to ensure that all financial transactions are managed in an ethical manner. It includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget planning and execution Financial strategy and delivery Financial reporting and delivery 	1.67
Change leadership	Able to direct and initiate transformation on all levels in order to successfully drive and implement new initiatives and deliver professional and quality services to the community. It includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change vision and strategy Process design and improvement Change impact monitoring and evaluation 	1.67

Competency	Definition	Weight
Governance leadership	<p>Able to promote, direct and apply professionalism in managing risk and compliance requirements and apply a thorough understanding of governance practices and obligations. Further, able to direct the conceptualisation of relevant policies and enhance cooperative governance relationships. It includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy formulation • Risk and compliance management • Cooperative governance 	1.67
CORE COMPETENCIES		
Moral competence	Able to identify moral triggers, apply reasoning that promotes honesty and integrity and display behavior that reflects moral competence.	1.67
Planning and organising	Able to plan, prioritise and organise information and resources effectively to ensure the quality of service delivery and build efficient contingency plans to manage risk.	1.67
Analysis and innovation	Able to critically analyses information, challenges and trends to establish and implement fact-based solutions that are innovative to improve institutional processes in order to achieve key strategic objectives.	1.67
Knowledge and information management	Able to promote the generation and sharing of knowledge and information through various processes and media, in order to enhance the collective knowledge base of local government	1.67
Communication	Able to share information, knowledge and ideas in a clear, focused and concise manner appropriate for the audience in order to effectively convey, persuade and influence stakeholders to achieve the desired outcome.	1.67
Results and quality focus	Able to maintain high quality standards, focus on achieving results and objectives while consistency striving to exceed expectations and encourage others to meet quality standards. Further, to actively monitor and measure results and quality against identified objectives.	1.67
TOTAL		20

Competency Framework

CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Strategic Direction and Leadership			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Provide and direct a vision for the institution, and inspire and deploy others to deliver on the strategic institutional mandate			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Understand Institutional and departmental strategic objectives, but lacks the ability to inspire others to achieve set mandateDescribe how specific tasks link to institutional strategies but has limited influence in directing a strategyHas a basic understanding of institutional performance management, but lacks the ability to integrate systems into a collective wholeDemonstrate basic understanding of key decision makers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Give direction to a team in realising the institution's strategic mandate and set objectivesHas a positive impact and influence on the morale, engagement and participation of team membersDevelop action plans to execute and guide strategy implementationAssist in defining performance measures to monitor the progress and effectiveness of the institutionDisplays an awareness of institutional structures and political factorsEffectively communicate barriers to execution to relevant partiesProvide guidance to all stakeholders in the achievement of the strategic mandateUnderstand the aim and objectives of the institution and relate it to own work	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Evaluate all activities to determine value and alignment to strategic intentDisplay in-depth knowledge and understanding of strategic planningAlign strategy and goals across all functional areasActively define performance measures to monitor the progress and effectiveness of the institutionConsistently challenge strategic plans to ensure relevanceUnderstand institutional structures and political factors, and the consequences of actionsEmpower others to follow the strategic direction and deal with complex situationsGuide the institution through complex and ambiguous concernUse understanding of power relationships and dynamic tensions among key players to frame communications and develop strategies, positions and alliances	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Structure and position the institution to local government prioritiesActively use in-depth knowledge and understanding to develop and implement a comprehensive institutional frameworkHold self-accountable for strategy execution and resultsProvide impact and influence through building and maintaining strategic relationshipsCreate an environment that facilitates loyalty and innovation. Display a superior level of self-discipline and integrity in actionsIntegrate various systems into a collective whole to optimise institutional performance managementUses understanding of competing interests to maneuver successfully to a win/win outcome	

CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	People Management			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Effectively manage, inspire and encourage people, respect diversity, optimise talent and build and nurture relationships in order to achieve institutional objectives			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participate in team goalsetting and problem solving• Interact and collaborate with people of diverse backgrounds• Aware of guidelines for employee development, but requires support in implementing development initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seek opportunities to increase team contribution and responsibility• Respect and support the diverse nature of others and be aware of the benefits of a diverse approach• Effectively delegate tasks and empower others to increase contribution and execute functions optimally• Apply relevant employee legislation fairly and consistently• Facilitate team goalsetting and problem solving• Effectively identify capacity requirements to fulfill the strategic mandate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify ineffective team and work processes and recommend remedial interventions• Recognise and reward effective and desired behavior• Provide mentoring and guidance to others in order to increase personal effectiveness• Identify development and learning needs within the team• Build a work environment conducive to sharing, innovation, ethical behaviour and professionalism• Inspire a culture of performance excellence by giving positive and constructive feedback to the team• Achieve agreement or consensus in adversarial environments• Lead and unite diverse teams across divisions to achieve institutional objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop and incorporate best practice people management processes, approaches and tools across the institution• Foster a culture of discipline, responsibility and accountability• Understand the impact of diversity in performance and actively incorporate a diversity strategy in the institution• Develop comprehensive integrated strategies and approaches to human capital development and management• Actively identify trends and predict capacity requirements to facilitate unified transition and performance management	

CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Program and Project Management			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to understand program and project management methodology; plan, manage, monitor and evaluate specific activities in order to deliver on set objectives			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Initiate projects after approval from higher authoritiesUnderstand procedures of program and project management methodology, implications and stakeholder involvementUnderstand the rational of projects in relation to the institution's strategic objectivesDocument and communicate factors and risk associated with own workUse results and approaches of successful project implementation as guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Establish broad stakeholder involvement and communicate the project status and key milestonesDefine the roles and responsibilities of the project team and create clarity around expectationsFind a balance between project deadline and the quality of deliverablesIdentify appropriate project resources to facilitate the effective completion of the deliverablesComply with statutory requirements and apply policies in a consistent mannerMonitor progress and use of resources and make needed adjustments to timelines, steps and resource allocation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Manage multiple programs and balance priorities and conflicts according to institutional goalsApply effective risk management strategies through impact assessment and resource requirementsModify project scope and budget when required without compromising the quality and objectives of the projectInvolve top-level authorities and relevant stakeholders in seeking project buy-inIdentify and apply contemporary project management methodologyInfluence and motivate project team to deliver exceptional resultsMonitor policy implementation and apply procedures to manage risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Understand and conceptualise the long-term implications of desired project outcomesDirect a comprehensive strategic macro and micro analysis and scope projects accordingly to realise institutional objectivesConsider and initiate projects that focus on achievement of the long-term objectivesInfluence people in positions of authority to implement outcomes of projectsLead and direct translation of policy into workable action plansEnsures that programs are monitored to track progress and optimal resource utilisation, and that adjustments are made as needed	

CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Financial Management			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to compile, plan and manage budgets, control cash flow, institute financial risk management and administer procurement processes in accordance with recognised financial practices. Further to ensure that all financial transactions are managed in an ethical manner			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Understand basic financial concepts and methods as they relate to institutional processes and activitiesDisplay awareness into the various sources of financial data, reporting mechanisms, financial governance, processes and systemsUnderstand the importance of financial accountabilityUnderstand the importance of asset control	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Exhibit knowledge of general financial concepts, planning, budgeting and forecasting and how they interrelateAssess, identify and manage financial risksAssume a cost-saving approach to financial managementPrepare financial reports based on specified formatsConsider and understand the financial implications of decisions and suggestionsEnsure that delegation and instructions as required by National Treasury guidelines are reviewed and updatedIdentify and implement proper monitoring and evaluation practices to ensure appropriate spending against budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Take active ownership of planning, budgeting and forecasting processes and provides credible answers to queries within own responsibilityPrepare budgets that are aligned to the strategic objectives of the institutionAddress complex budgeting and financial management concernsPut systems and processes in place to enhance the quality and integrity of financial management practicesAdvise on policies and procedures regarding asset controlPromote National Treasury's regulatory framework for Financial Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Develop planning tools to assist in evaluating and monitoring future expenditure trendsSet budget frameworks for the institutionSet strategic direction for the institution on expenditure and other financial processesBuild and nurture partnerships to improve financial management and achieve financial savingsActively identify and implement new methods to improve asset controlDisplay professionalism in dealing with financial data and processes	

CLUSTER:		LEADING COMPETENCIES	
COMPETENCY NAME:		Change Leadership	
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:		Able to direct and initiate institutional transformation on all levels in order to successfully drive and implement new initiatives and deliver professional and quality services to the community	
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS			
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Display an awareness of change interventions and the benefits of transformation initiatives• Able to identify basic needs for change• Identify gaps between the current and desired state• Identify potential risk and challenges to transformation, including resistance to change factors• Participate in change programs and piloting change interventions• Understand the impact of change interventions on the institution within the broader scope of local government	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Perform an analysis of the change impact on the social, political and economic environment• Maintain calm and focus during change• Able to assist team members during change and keep them focused on the deliverables• Volunteer to lead change efforts outside of own work team• Able to gain buy-in and approval for change from relevant stakeholders• Identify change readiness levels and assist in resolving resistance to change factors• Design change interventions that are aligned with the institution's strategic objectives and goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Actively monitor change impact and results and convey progress to relevant stakeholders• Secure buy-in and sponsorship for change initiatives• Continuously evaluate change strategy and design and introduce new approaches to enhance the institution's effectiveness• Build and nurture relationships with various stakeholders to establish strategic alliance in facilitating change• Take the lead in impactful change programs• Benchmark change interventions against best change practices• Understand the impact and psychology of change and put remedial interventions in place to facilitate effective transformation• Take calculated risk and seek new ideas from best practice scenarios and identify the potential for implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sponsor change agents and create a network of change leaders who support the interventions• Actively adapt current structures and processes to incorporate the change interventions• Mentor and guide team members on the effects of change, resistance factors and how to integrate change• Motivate and inspire others around change initiatives

CLUSTER:	LEADING COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Governance Leadership			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to promote, direct and apply professionalism in managing risk and compliance requirements and apply a thorough understanding of governance practices and obligations. Further, able to direct the conceptualisation of relevant policies and enhance cooperative governance relationships			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Display a basic awareness of risk, compliance and governance factors but require guidance and development in implementing such requirements• Understand the structure of cooperative government but requires guidance on fostering workable relationships between stakeholders• Provide input into policy formulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Display a thorough understanding of governance and risk and compliance factors and implement plans to address these• Demonstrate understanding of the techniques and processes for optimising risk taking decisions within the institution• Actively drive policy formulation within the institution to ensure the achievement of objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Able to link risk initiatives into key institutional objectives and drivers• Identify, analyse and measure risk, create valid risk forecasts and map risk profiles• Apply risk control methodology and approaches to prevent and reduce risk that impede on the achievement of institutional objectives• Demonstrate a thorough understanding of risk retention plans• Identify and implement comprehensive risk management systems and processes• Implement and monitor the formulation of policies, identify and analyse constraints and challenges with implementation and provide recommendations for improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrate a high level of commitment in complying with governance requirements• Implement governance and compliance strategy to ensure achievement of institutional objectives within the legislative framework• Able to advise local government on risk management strategies, best practice interventions and compliance management• Able to forge positive relationships on cooperative governance level to enhance the effectiveness of local government• Able to shape, direct and drive the formulation of policies on a macro level	

CLUSTER:	CORE COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Moral Competence			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to identify moral triggers, apply reasoning that promotes honesty and integrity and consistently display behaviour that reflects moral competence			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Realise the impact of acting with integrity, but requires guidance and development in implementing principlesFollow basic rules and regulations of the institutionAble to identify basic moral situations, but requires guidance and development in understanding and reasoning with moral intent	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conduct self in alignment with the values of local government and the institutionAble to openly admit own mistakes and weaknesses and seek assistance from others when unable to deliverActively report fraudulent activity and corruption within local governmentUnderstand and honor the confidential nature of matters without seeking personal gainAble to deal with situations of conflict of interest promptly and in the best interest of local government	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify, develop and apply measures of self-correctionAble to gain trust and respect through aligning actions with commitmentsMake proposals and recommendations that are transparent and gain the approval of relevant stakeholdersPresent values, beliefs and ideas that are congruent with the institution's rules and regulationsTakes an active stance against corruption and dishonesty when notedActively promote the value of the institution to internal and external stakeholdersAble to work in unity with a team and not seek personal gainApply universal moral principles consistently to achieve moral decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Create an environment conducive of moral practicesActively develop and implement measures to combat fraud and corruptionSet integrity standards and shared accountability measures across the institution to support the objectives of local governmentTake responsibility for own actions and decisions, even if the consequences are unfavorable	

CLUSTER:	CORE COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Planning and Organising			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to plan, prioritise and organise information and resources effectively to ensure the quality of service delivery and build efficient contingency plans to manage risk			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Able to follow basic plans and organise tasks around set objectives• Understand the process of planning and organising but requires guidance and development in providing detailed and comprehensive plans• Able to follow existing plans and ensure that objectives are met• Focus on short-term objectives in developing plans and actions• Arrange information and resources required for a task, but require further structure and organisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Actively and appropriately organise information and resources required for a task• Recognise the urgency and importance of tasks• Balance short and long-term plans and goals and incorporate into the team's performance objectives• Schedule tasks to ensure they are performed within budget and with efficient use of time and resources• Measures progress and monitor performance results	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Able to define institutional objectives, develop comprehensive plans, integrate and coordinate activities and assign appropriate resources for successful implementation• Identify in advance required stages and actions to complete tasks• Schedule realistic timelines, objectives and milestones for tasks and projects• Produce clear, detailed and comprehensive plans to achieve institutional objectives• Identify possible risk factors and design and implement appropriate contingency plans• Adapt plans in light of changing circumstances• Prioritise tasks and projects according to their relevant urgency and importance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focus on broad strategies and initiatives when developing plans and actions• Able to project and forecast short, medium- and long-term requirements of the institution and local government• Translate policy into relevant projects to facilitate the achievement of institutional objectives	

CLUSTER:	CORE COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Analysis and Innovation			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to critically analyse information, challenges and trends to establish and implement fact-based solutions that are innovative to improve institutional processes in order to achieve key strategic objectives			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Understand the basic operation of analysis, but lack detail and thoroughnessAble to balance independent analysis with requesting assistance from othersRecommend new ways to perform tasks within own functionPropose simple remedial interventions that marginally challenges the status quoListen to the ideas and perspectives of others and explore opportunities to enhance such innovative thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Demonstrate logical problem-solving techniques and approaches and provide rationale for recommendationsDemonstrate objectivity, insight and thoroughness when analysing problemsAble to break down complex problems into manageable parts and identify solutionsConsult internal and external stakeholders on opportunities to improve processes and service deliveryClearly communicate the benefits of new opportunities and innovative solutions to stakeholdersContinuously identify opportunities to enhance internal processesIdentify and analyse opportunities conducive to innovative approaches and propose remedial intervention	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Coaches team members on analytical and innovative approaches and techniquesEngage with appropriate individuals in analysing and resolving complex problemsIdentify solutions on various areas in the institutionFormulate and implement new ideas throughout the institutionAble to gain approval and buy-in for proposed interventions from relevant stakeholdersIdentify trends and best practices in process and service delivery and propose institutional applicationContinuously engage in research to identify client needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Demonstrate complex analytical and problem-solving approaches and techniquesCreate an environment conducive to analytical and fact-based problem solvingAnalyse, recommend solutions and monitor trends in key challenges to prevent and manage occurrenceCreate an environment that fosters innovative thinking and follows a learning organisation approachBe a thought leader on innovative customer service delivery and process optimisationPlay an active role in sharing best practice solutions and engage in national and international local government seminars and conferences	

CLUSTER:		CORE COMPETENCIES	
COMPETENCY NAME:		Knowledge and Information Management	
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:		Able to promote the generation and sharing of knowledge and information through various processes and media, in order to enhance the collective knowledge base of local government	
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS			
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collect, categorise and track relevant information required for specific tasks and projects• Analyse and interpret information to draw conclusions• Seek new sources of information to increase the knowledge base• Regularly share information and knowledge with internal stakeholders and team members	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use appropriate information systems and technology to manage institutional knowledge and information sharing• Evaluate data from various sources and use information effectively to influence decisions and provide solutions• Actively create mechanisms and structures for sharing information• Use external and internal resources to research and provide relevant and cutting-edge knowledge to enhance institutional effectiveness and efficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Effectively predict future information and knowledge management requirements and systems• Develop standards and processes to meet future knowledge management needs• Share and promote best-practice knowledge management across various institutions• Establish accurate measures and monitoring systems for knowledge and information management• Create a culture conducive of learning and knowledge sharing• Hold regular knowledge and information sharing sessions to elicit new ideas and share best practice approaches	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create and support a vision and culture where team members are empowered to seek, gain and share knowledge and information• Establish partnerships across local government to facilitate knowledge management• Demonstrate a mature approach to knowledge and information sharing with an abundance and assistance approach• Recognise and exploit knowledge points in interactions with internal and external stakeholders

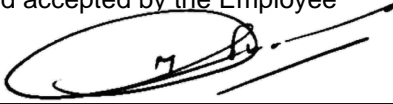
CLUSTER:	CORE COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Communication			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to share information, knowledge and ideas in a clear, focused and concise manner appropriate for the audience in order to effectively convey, persuade and influence stakeholders to achieve the desired outcome			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrate an understanding for communication levers and tools appropriate for the audience, but requires guidance in utilising such tools• Express ideas in a clear and focused manner, but does not always take the needs of the audience into consideration• Disseminate and convey information and knowledge adequately	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Express ideas to individuals and groups in formal and informal settings in a manner that is interesting and motivating• Able to understand, tolerate and appreciate diverse perspectives, attitudes and beliefs• Adapt communication content and style to suit the audience and facilitate optimal information transfer• Deliver content in a manner that gains support, commitment and agreement from relevant stakeholders• Compile clear, focused, concise and well-structured written documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Effectively communicate high-risk and sensitive matters to relevant stakeholders• Develop a well-defined communication strategy• Balance political perspectives with institutional needs when communicating viewpoints on complex issues• Able to effectively direct negotiations around complex matters and arrive at a win-win situation that promotes Batho Pele principles• Market and promote the institution to external stakeholders and seek to enhance a positive image of the institution• Able to communicate with the media with high levels of moral competence and discipline	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regarded as a specialist in negotiations and representing the institution• Able to inspire and motivate others through positive communication that is impactful and relevant• Creates an environment conducive to transparent and productive communication and critical and appreciative conversations• Able to coordinate negotiations at different levels within local government and externally	

CLUSTER:	CORE COMPETENCIES			
COMPETENCY NAME:	Results and Quality Focus			
COMPETENCY DEFINITION:	Able to maintain high quality standards, focus on achieving results and objectives while consistently striving to exceed expectations and encourage others to meet quality standards. Further, to actively monitor and measure results and quality against identified objectives			
ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS				
BASIC	COMPETENT	ADVANCED	SUPERIOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Understand quality of work but requires guidance in attending to important mattersShow a basic commitment to achieving the correct resultsProduce the minimum level of results required in the roleProduce outcomes that is of a good standardFocus on the quantity of output but requires development in incorporating the quality of workProduce quality work in general circumstances, but fails to meet expectation when under pressure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Focus on high-priority actions and does not become distracted by lower-priority activitiesDisplay firm commitment and pride in achieving the correct resultsSet quality standards and design processes and tasks around achieving set standardsProduce output of high qualityAble to balance the quantity and quality of results in order to achieve objectivesMonitors progress, quality of work and use of resources; provide status updates and make adjustments as needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Consistently verify own standards and outcomes to ensure quality outputFocus on the end result and avoids being distractedDemonstrate a determined and committed approach to achieving results and quality standardsFollow task and projects through to completionSet challenging goals and objectives to self and team and display commitment to achieving expectationsMaintain a focus on quality outputs when placed under pressureEstablishing institutional systems for managing and assigning work, defining responsibilities, tracking, monitoring and measuring success, evaluating and valuing the work of the institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Coach and guide others to exceed quality standards and resultsDevelop challenging, client-focused goals and sets high standards for personal performanceCommit to exceed the results and quality standards, monitor own performance and implement remedial interventions when requiredWork with team to set ambitious and challenging team goals, communicating long- and short-term expectationsTake appropriate risks to accomplish goalsOvercome setbacks and adjust action plans to realise goalsFocus people on critical activities that yield a high impact	

Personal Development Plan

Skills Performance Gap	Outcomes Expected	Suggested training and/or development activity	Suggested mode of delivery	Suggested Time Frames	Work opportunity created to practice skill/development area	Support Person
1. Higher Education	Relevant Higher Education	Relevant Higher Education	Distance/ Part-time Learning	As per institution	Local Government	Executive Mayor
2. Transversal matters within Local Government, specifically strategic & operational management as contemplated in section 55 of the Municipal Systems Act	Keeping abreast with transversal developments, trends and best practices within municipal strategic and operational management	N/A	Various workshops, seminars and training hosted by government departments and/or agencies	As and when scheduled	Local Government	Executive Mayor

Signed and accepted by the Employee



Date: 28 July 2023

Signed by the Executive Mayor on behalf of the Municipality



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