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BREEDE VALLEY

Reference: COVID\_19 BVM Arrangements

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**PUBLIC NOTICE:** 

## CORONA VIRUS (COVID 19): THE DECLARATION OF A NATIONAL STATE OF DISASTER AND RESULTING NATIONAL LOCKDOWN

The municipality welcome the announcement made by the President on Monday 23 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

Only the most essential municipal services will continue subject to the limitations as issued by the President. Essential services which will continue are law enforcement/traffic, fire & rescue, the provision of water, sewerage, refuse removal and essential electricity supply.

All municipal offices will be closed as part of the national lockdown. The municipal call centre as part of the Joint Operations Centre (JOC) will be operational 24 hours and all essential and life-threatening complaints can be directed to:

- ssc@bvm.gov.za
- 0860 12 12 12

## 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. During the lockdown period, these payments can still be made at supermarkets and other food vendors that are open.

The public is also encouraged to use online electronic payments. Details for electronic payments of municipal accounts and fines:

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 food 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 and our website to engage the Council. For inputs to the IDP, residents can use the following e-mail address: idp@bvm.gov.za

**4.** 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. PLEASE STAY HOME! AND WASH YOUR HANDS REGULARLY. PLEASE.

Our website ( <a href="www.bvm.gov.za">www.bvm.gov.za</a> ) and social media-channels will be updated often with necessary information. Also visit the website of the Western Cape Government ( <a href="https://www.westerncape.gov.za/department-of-he.../coronavirus">https://www.westerncape.gov.za/department-of-he.../coronavirus</a> ) for critical information.

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EXECUTIVE MAYOR

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