



EHLANZENI
DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY



**EHLANZENI DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY'S INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN,
BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK AND PROCESS PLAN
2017-2018**



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1 Introduction

“Failing to plan is Planning to fail”

Planning is the single most important task of management and leadership of an organisation. Strategic Planning determines where an organisation is moving to over the next five (5) years. It is a systematic process through which an organisation agrees on and builds commitment to priorities that are essential to its mission and responsive to the operating environment.

The Integrated Development Planning (IDP) process is a process through which municipalities prepare strategic development plans for a five year period. An IDP is a principal document for Local Government, used to guide the developmental agenda and municipal budgets, land use development, management and promotion of local economic development and institutional transformation in a consultative and systematic manner.

Strategic alignment of all key processes with the strategic plan is a requirement for successful implementation of the municipal strategy. In the context of local government, the strategic plan is the Integrated Development Plan (IDP) of the municipality. The budget is the provision of resources for the implementation of the strategy (IDP), whilst the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) is the implementation plan for the strategy. Quarterly Performance review processes provides for the monitoring of the implementation of the SDBIP. Performance agreements signed by the Municipal Manager and the Section 56 Managers, as well as the annual performance appraisal process is used for rewarding performance on implementation of the strategy.

The alignment of IDP processes between different spheres of government are critical to make sure that service delivery is attained and thus planning becomes critical for the District and its local municipalities. The District framework must ensure that planning and IDP processes are not in contrast but rather complementary and aligned with key documents for development in local government. The District Framework gives direction in which the municipalities’ IDPs should follow and drive integrated development planning within the District’s area of jurisdiction.

The plan must identify the plans and planning requirements binding in terms of national and provincial legislation on the district.

The newly ordained Council of the District Municipality will undertake the preparation of the new five (5) year IDP cycle for the term starting in the FY2017/2018 – 2021/2022.

2 Legislative Framework

The Framework is the main guiding document for aligning the planning processes between local municipalities and the district municipality. The District Framework is guided by the following legislation:

Section 27 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act No. 32 of 2000 stipulates that:

- (1) Each district municipality, within a prescribed period after the start of its elected term and after following a consultative process with the local municipalities within its area, must adopt a framework for integrated development planning in the area as a whole.
- (2) A framework referred to in subsection (1) binds both the district municipality and the local municipalities in the area of the district municipality, and must at least –
 - (a) Identify the plans and planning requirements binding in terms of national and provincial legislation on the district municipality and the local municipalities or on any specific municipality;
 - (b) Identify the matters to be included in the integrated development plans of the district municipality and the local municipalities that require alignment;
 - (c) Specify the principles to be applied and co-ordinate the approach to be adopted in respect of those matters; and
 - (d) Determine procedures-
 - (i) For consultation between the district municipality and the local municipalities during the process of drafting their respective integrated development plans; and
 - (ii) To effect essential amendments to the framework.

The District Framework is developed in a joint workshop and is binding to both the district and local municipalities. It is developed in an inter-active, mutually aligned manner during the preparation phase in order to ensure that a Process Plan of each Municipality is in line with the District Framework and does reflect the proposals of our Local Municipalities.

The function of the Framework Plan is to ensure that the process of districts IDPs and local IDPs are mutually linked and informs one another. The Framework plan specifies the roles of different role players in the IDP process and determines procedures for coordination, consultation and alignment between the district and the local municipalities. The Framework plan guides each municipality in preparing its Process plan. The Framework Plan has to be based on a consultative process with the local municipalities within the Ehlanzeni District.

In view of the integration of the other key processes mentioned within the IDP, e.g budget, SDBIP and the related performance management processes, this framework also makes provision for the dates and time frames of such processes.

The designated Process Plan of each local municipality will be submitted to the MEC of the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs after approval by their respective Councils. The District municipality will submit the District's Framework and Process plan to the MEC for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs.

2.1 Elements of the District Framework

The core elements of the IDP process correspond to the core functions of the municipalities as outlined in the Municipal Structures Act and other legislation including the DPLG's Guide Pack (2000) as well critical elements which have arisen from the preparation of and the review of the IDP's over the past years.

The elements as follows:

- Framework Programme with Time Frames
- Mechanisms and procedures for alignment
- Mechanisms and procedures for consultation and;
- Procedures and principles for monitoring the planning and amendment.

2.2 The Core Components of the IDP Process are grouped as follows:

- Areas requiring additional attention in terms of the legislative requirements
- Consideration, review and inclusion of any relevant and new information
- Shortcomings and weaknesses identified
- The preparation and review of relevant sector plans and their alignment with the IDP
- Current status of the implementation process
- Alignment of the District IDP to all relevant National and Provincial development guidelines and policies
- The basic elements of the performance management system, namely the strategic objectives, development priorities, baseline data, performance indicators, targets set and the organizational layer of the SDBIP

3 Roles and Responsibilities

Table 1: Roles and Responsibilities

ROLES	RESPONSIBILITIES
<p>Ehlanzeni District Municipality</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horizontal alignment of the IDPs of local municipalities in Ehlanzeni District Municipality’s area of jurisdiction through the District Framework and process plan • Vertical alignment of planning on the district and local level • Facilitation of vertical alignment of IDPs with other spheres of government and sector departments • The preparation of joint strategy workshops with local municipalities, provincial and national role-players and other subject matter specialists • Compilation of a District process plan based on the Framework • Management, compilation and approval of the District IDP and monitoring and evaluating the District IDP process plan as described in Chapter • Ensuring that the process plans of the local municipalities and development process adhere to the alignment issues as agreed in the Framework
<p>Local Municipalities</p>	<p>Each local municipality on the area of jurisdiction of Ehlanzeni District Municipality must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare its designated process plan based on the framework and submit the draft process plan to Ehlanzeni for assessment in terms of alignment procedures and timeframes as described in the Framework. • Amend the draft process plan according to recommendations of the District Steering Committee and decide on and adopt the process plan • Monitor, evaluate and report on its IDP process in terms of the monitoring plan described in chapter 6 • Undertake the overall management, co-ordination and monitoring of the process and drafting of the local IDP and approve the municipal IDP within the agreed time frames • Submit necessary documentation on each phase of the IDP to the District municipality according to the agreed time frames and; • Approve nominated persons to be in charge of different roles, activities and responsibilities of the process and drafting of the IDP.

ROLES	RESPONSIBILITIES
IDP Managers Forum	<p>The IDP Managers Forum will constitute of the IDP Managers (officials responsible for coordinating and managing the IDP process), Public Participation officers of each municipality and the official of the Department of Corporative Governance and Traditional Affairs. Should the IDP Manager not be able to attend the meeting, he/she must send a delegate to act on his behalf.</p> <p>The IDP Managers Forum must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convene on a monthly basis at a time and place as agreed upon at their first meeting • Submit monthly progress reports according to a format as stipulated by the forum • Where the items on the agenda relate to Performance Management systems and Monitoring and Evaluation, the invite will be extended to the respective practioners of both the District and the local municipalities.
IDP Steering Committee Forum	<p>The IDP Steering Committee Forum will constitute of the District Municipal Manager, the Departmental Section 56 Managers, IDP Manager (officials responsible for coordinating and managing the IDP process)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure horizontal alignment between the District municipality and between local municipalities within the district • Ensure vertical alignment (through the Departments of local government as an official point of entry) between municipalities in Ehlanzeni District and Provincial Government as we as National Government where relevant) • The District Municipal Manager chairs all the meetings and the secretariat responsibilities are given to the District Municipality
Stakeholders	<p>Regional stakeholders and representatives of traditional leaders will be actively involved in both the District and the Local Municipalities IDP Forums</p> <p>The main purpose of these groups is to consult with and respond to various interests of the community and contribute knowledge and ideas in the planning process. Communities, local stakeholders and traditional leaders will contribute knowledge and ideas by participating in the designated local municipality's IDP Representative Forum to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform interest groups, communities and organizations on relevant planning activities and outcomes; • Analyse issues, determine priorities, negotiate and reach consensus • Participate in the designing of project proposals and assess them • Discuss and comments on the draft IDP

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that annual business plans and budgets are based on and linked to the IDP and; • Monitor performance and implementation of the IDP.
Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs	<p>Regional stakeholders and representatives of traditional leaders will be actively involved in both the district and local municipality IDP Forum</p> <p>The main purpose of these groups is to consult with and respond to various interests of the community and contribute knowledge and ideas in the planning process. Communities, local stakeholders and traditional leaders will contribute knowledge and ideas by participating in the designated local municipality's IDP Representative Forum and will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform interest groups, communities and organizations on relevant planning activities and outcomes; • Analyse issues, determine priorities, negotiate and reach consensus • Participate in the designing of project proposals and assess them • Discuss and comments on the draft IDP • Ensure that annual business plans and budgets are based on and linked to the IDP and; • Monitor performance and implementation of the IDP. <p>A public participation strategy will be formulates as part of each local municipalities process plan</p>
Office of the Premier	<p>The Office of the Premier, Chief Directorate Macro Policy and Strategic Management has the following roles and responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To co-ordinate Medium Term Frameworks and Strategic plans of Provincial Departments, ensure that these plans have taken municipalities IDPs into consideration and must distribute information to municipalities pertaining to it; • To render support, ensure and monitor Departments of Local Governments alignment responsibilities; • To intervene where there is a lack of performance by provincial departments within the IDP process; • To investigate any issues of low performance by provincial government as may be submitted to the Office of the Premier by any municipality that deems it necessary and ; • Provide support in terms of skills advice on planning matters
Sector Departments	<p>Sector Departments must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute knowledge and ideas about planning issues in the province sectors • Contribute relevant information on the provincial sector departments plans, programmes, budgets; objective, strategies and projects in a concise and accessible manner • Ensure that their objectives, strategies, programmes and projects take the various IDPs into consideration and adjust their budgets as informed by various IDPs;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contribute sector expertise and technical knowledge to the formulation of municipal strategies and projects;• Engage in a process of alignment with district municipalities and participate in the provincial management system and co-ordination
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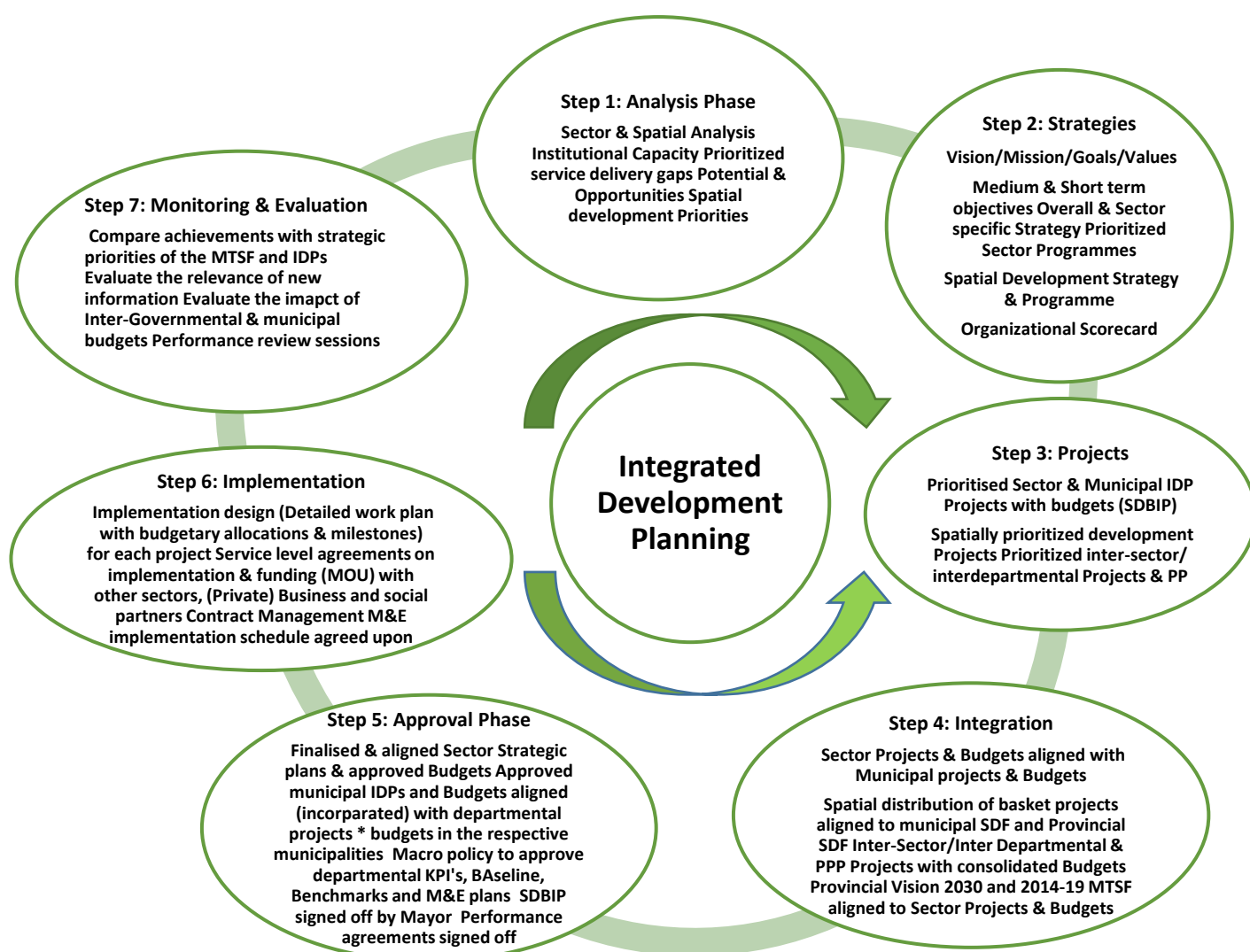
3.1 IDP Structures

Table 2: IDP Structures

Structure	Functions / Roles & Responsibilities
Ward Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ward Committees headed by ward councillors • Ward community representative to council via ward councillors • Participate in partnership with project steering committee provide feedback to community about the project progress • Participate and be in the forefront of community participation meetings
Traditional Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shaping Integrated Development Plans (IDPs) and participating in service delivery • They have roles in respect of disaster management and the promotion of indigenous knowledge systems • Traditional councils are meant to reject tribalism, promote peace and foster social cohesion and contribute to the system of cooperative governance
IDP Representative Forum	<p>The IDP Representative Forum is composed of interest group, communities and organizations. It has the following functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represent interests on relevant planning activities and their outcomes • Analyse issues, discuss, negotiate and reach consensus through a decision making process • Participate in the designing of project proposals • Monitors performance of planning and implementation
IDP Managers' Forum	<p>The IDP Managers Forum is composed the district IDP Manager, Cogta and IDP Managers/Coordinators from local municipalities in the district:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitates and coordinators IDP activities in the district • Ensures horizontal alignment between the district, municipality and local municipalities; and • Ensures vertical alignment between municipalities in the district and provincial and national government
IDP Cluster Forums a) Social Development b) Good Governance & Administration c) Economic Growth & Infrastructure Development	<p>IDP Cluster Forums are composed of departmental heads and senior managers of the district and local municipalities. IDP Cluster Forums have the following functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides technical input to the district IDP process • Promotes the alignment of strategies in the district; and • Contributes to the prioritization of the district priorities

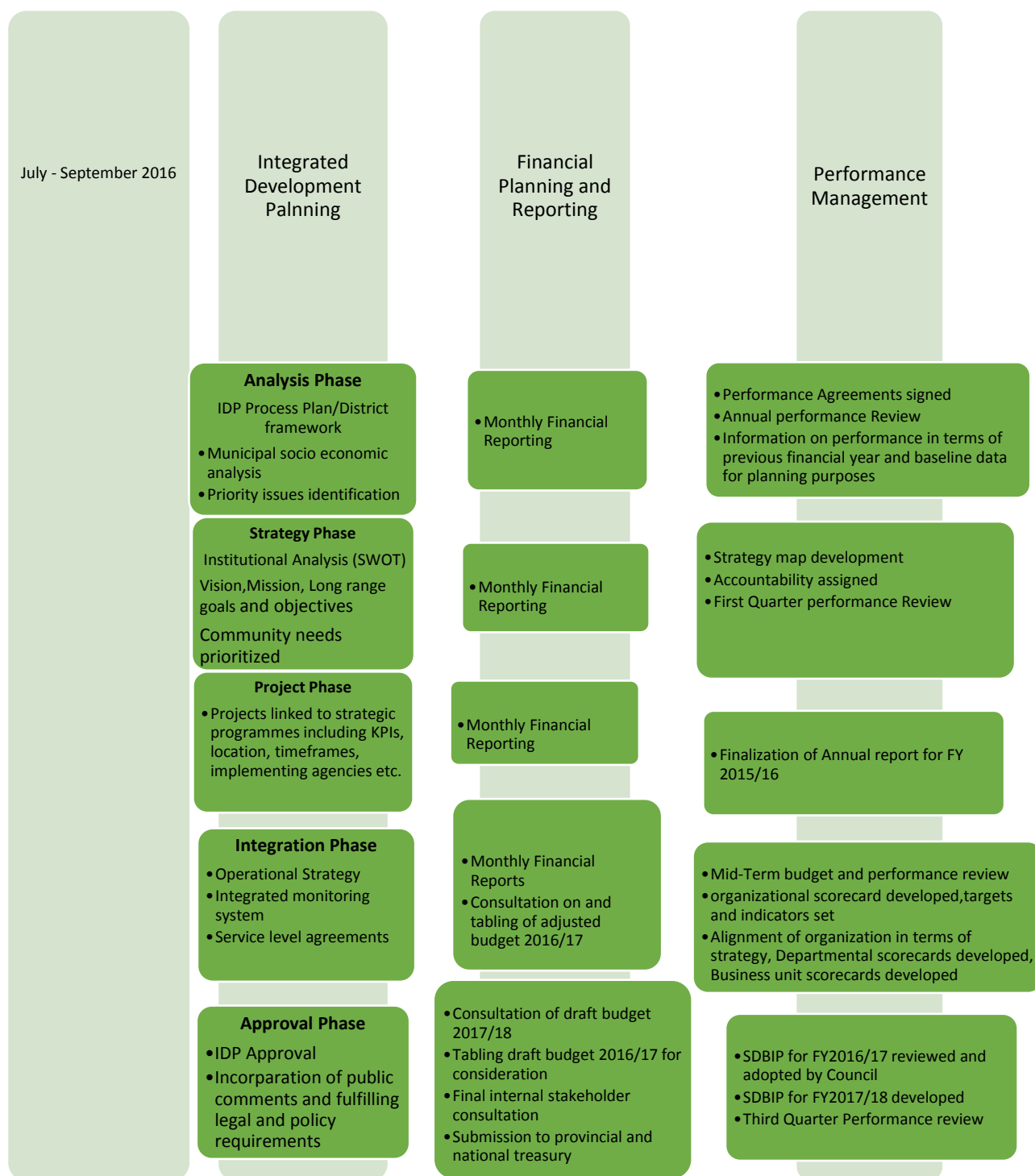
4 Framework Action Programme

The Framework programme is a summary of the District and Municipal action programme, which focuses on the districts wide activities that need to be undertaken together in co-ordinated way. The programme will thus be used as a tool for the alignment between municipalities in the district.



4.1 Phases of the IDP, Budget and Performance Management Process

All municipalities within Ehlanzeni District agreed to adhere to the following time frames of different phases for the IDP process in the district:



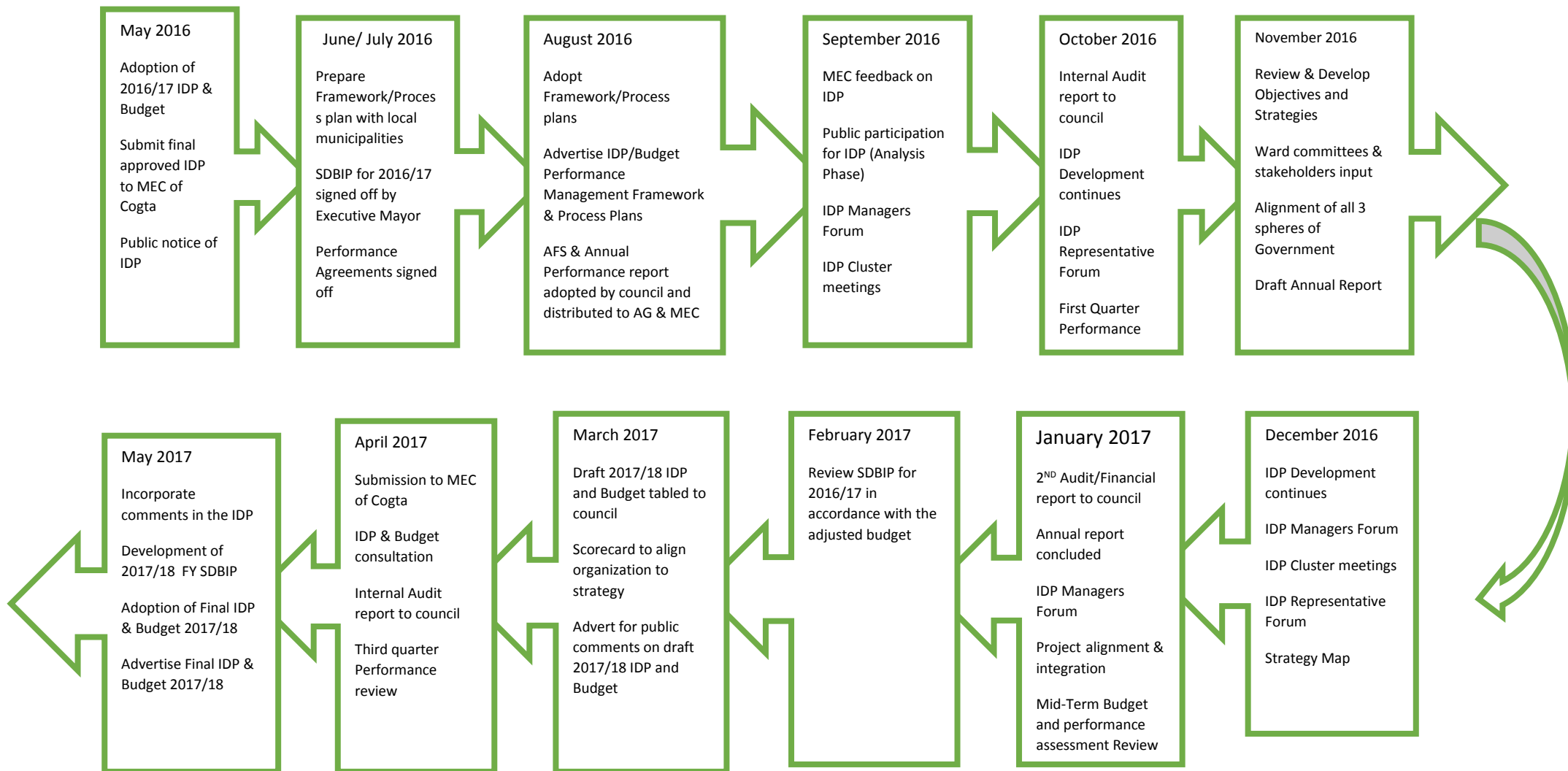
4.2 IDP and Budget Process Management Plan 2017/18

Table 3: IDP and Budget Process Plan

TASK	DATES	RESPONSIBILITIES	OUTPUT
Preparatory Phase: Submission of 2017/18 IDP Framework and Process Plan to Cogta			
Prepare 2017/18 IDP Framework for Ehlanzeni DM in consultation with Local municipalities	29 July 2016	District & Local Municipalities	Framework/Process Plan
IDP Managers Forum to discuss draft Framework	15 June 2016 & 14 July 2016		
Integrating and aligning the LM's, Cogta and EDM's process plan	14 July 2016		
Adoption of 2017/18 IDP, Budget & PMS Framework and Process Plan	31 August 2016		
Submit Framework/Process Plan to Cogta	09 September 2016		
Advertise IDP Framework and Process Plan 2017/18	September 2016		
Analysis Phase (Preparation of Status Quo Reports)			
Collect Data/Community Priorities	August- September 2016	All Municipalities	Analysis / Status Quo Report
Support LM's in the development of community based plans	October 2016	Local Municipalities & District Municipality	
Reflect on performance information from previous FY	September – October 2016	All Municipalities	
IDP Representative Forum	12 October 2016	District Municipality	
Submission of consolidated community Priorities to Cogta	28 October 2016	All Municipalities	
Strategy Phase			
Review Municipal objectives, strategies and performance indicators	October – November 2016	District & Local Municipalities	Strategies
Review/development of sector plans & policies	October – November 2016		
IDP Representative Forum	06 December 2016		
Departmental budget input	October – November 2016		
Drafting of Strategy Map	November 2016		

TASK	DATES	RESPONSIBILITIES	OUTPUT
Project Phase			
Project Review & Identification	November- December 2016	District & Local Municipalities	Project Identification
Compilation of project list	November – December 2016		
Alignment of IDP with draft capital budget estimates	January 2017		
Mid-Term Performance & budget review	January 2017		
Integrate Finalized Sector plans	January – February 2017		
Adoption and Submission of Draft 2017/18 IDP and Budget			
Presenting Draft 2017/18 IDP and Budget to the IDP Representative Forum	23 February 2017	District & Local Municipalities	2017/18 Draft IDP
Tabling Draft 2017/18 IDP and Budget to councillors	31 March 2017		
Drafting of Organisational scorecard	April 2017		
IDP Draft Submission to Cogta	07 April 2017		
Advertise Draft IDP/Budget 2017/18 for public comments	1 st – 2 nd Week of April 2017		
IDP Public participation for comments	April 2017		
Adoption and Submission of 2017/18 Final IDP and Budget			
Incorporate public comments on Draft IDP	April 2017	District & Local Municipalities	Final IDP/Budget
Incorporate comments from Cogta's pre-assessment			
Address comments from the Auditor General on the Annual Report of the previous FY			
IDP Representative Forum	10 May 2017	District Municipality	
Final IDP and Budget Adoption 2017/18	31 May 2017	District & Local Municipalities	
Advertise Final IDP and Budget	1 st – 2 nd week of June 2017		
Drafting of Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plans (SDBIP)	April – June 2017		
Submission of the Final adopted IDP and Budget to Cogta	June 2017		
Finalization of performance agreements of the Municipal Manager and Section 56 Managers	July 2017		

4.3 IDP and Budget Planning Cycle 2017/18



5 Issues, Mechanisms and Procedures for Alignment and Consultation

5.1 Introduction

Alignment is the instrument used to synthesize and integrate the top-down and bottom-up planning process between different spheres of government. Alignment should be arrived at between Local and District municipalities and all parties involved in the alignment need to be informed. There are two types of alignment procedures that have to take place in the planning process i.e vertical and horizontal alignment. Both procedures complement each other and Ehlanzeni District Municipality will ensure that both procedures are applied. The horizontal alignment, which is between municipalities, district and sector departments ensure that planning processes and issues are co-ordinated and addressed jointly. The District municipality has the responsibility to ensure that alignment between the local municipalities takes place. On the other hand vertical alignment between local government (municipalities/districts) and other spheres of government (provincial/national sector departments and other stakeholders e.g Eskom, Telkom etc) ensures that the IDP is in line with national and provincial policies and strategies so that it is considered for the allocation of departmental budgets and conditional grants.

5.2 Composition of persons to be involved in the Alignment process

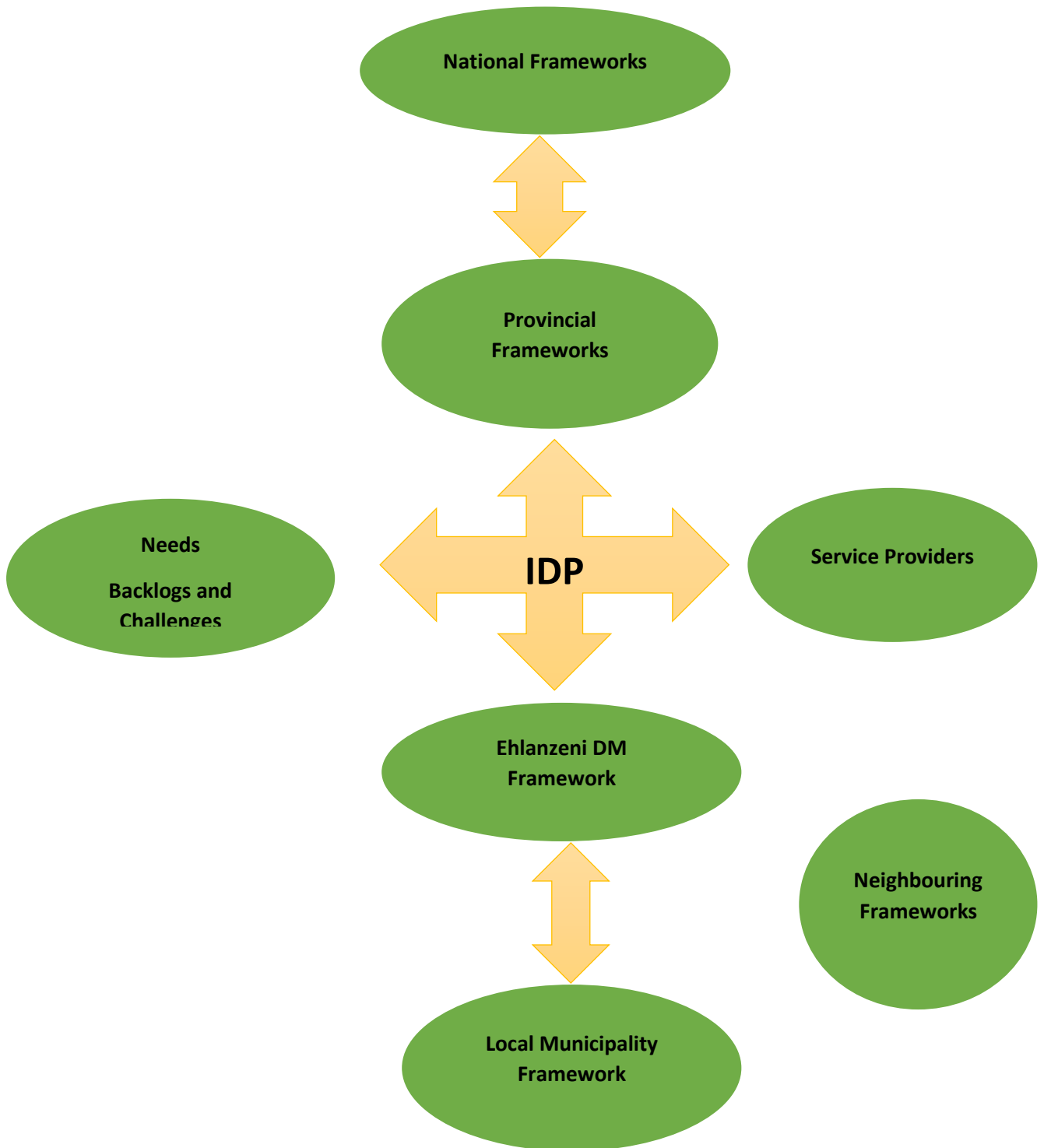
Officials and Councillors that should be involved in alignment between municipalities and district includes:

- District Municipality's IDP Managers and IDP Steering Committee;
- Local Municipality's IDP Managers and local IDP Steering committee;
- IDP Managers' Forum; and
- District IDP Steering committee and National & Provincial sector departments planners

The following stakeholders should be involved between local government and other spheres:

- Local and District IDP Managers;
- Provincial IDP Co-Ordinator;
- National/Provincial senior sector department officials;
- Senior officials of corporate service providers (Eskom, Water Boards, Telkom etc); and
- Regional Stakeholders

5.3 Horizontal and Vertical Alignment



5.4 Strategy for Horizontal Alignment

- (i) The main responsibility of horizontal alignment lies with Ehlanzeni District, but the responsibility of aligning local issues on municipal level with the designated municipalities.
- (ii) The IDP Managers Forum is responsible for alignment between the local municipalities.
- (iii) Further alignment will take place within the District Representative Forum meetings, which is a representative of the local Representative Forums.
- (iv) Municipalities, both district and local, must align on a bilateral basis with adjacent municipalities (regardless of the district area), regional stakeholders, etc for issues that affect them both. The responsibility for such bilateral alignment will depend on the magnitude of the specific issue (only affecting one municipality or various municipalities)
- (v) The procedure for alignment between adjacent local municipalities, district and local municipalities will be as follows:
 - Ehlanzeni District Municipality needs to ensure alignment between itself, adjacent district municipalities (Gert Sibande, Nkangala District, Sekhukhune and Mopani District Municipality etc, this can be achieved by working closely with the provincial IDP Co-ordinator.
- (vi) The District Municipality should submit a draft document of a specific phase to these adjacent authorities. Adjacent authorities must indicate within 14 days if there is further alignment required regarding specific issues. The District Municipality will inform adjacent authorities within a specific phase if a specific issue has an influence on that authority. The core responsibility of bilateral alignment between a specific local municipality and a directly adjacent municipality or authorities still lies with that municipality and the municipality must inform that adjacent municipality where they are affected.

5.5 Strategy for Vertical Alignment

- (i) The core component of vertical alignment will be through the Provincial Planning Forum that is established at Provincial level and the district IDP Steering committee as well as IDP Representative Forum;
- (ii) Alignment with Provincial departments may also be achieved through bilateral between the three spheres of government;
- (iii) The District IDP Steering committee, consisting of Ehlanzeni District Municipality's Heads of Departments will request submission of applications to constitute the district IDP Representative Forum through the local press. Stakeholders/community groups will be requested to indicate their goals, objectives, activities, number of members and constitution;

(iv) In cases where regional stakeholders/community groups have a direct interest in a specific municipality with regard to municipal wide issues, there should be direct interaction between these parties within the designated local IDP Representative Forum.

Due to the different nature of each phase, alignment may be more or less of importance and the suitable alignment mechanisms will differ. A framework of alignment requirements for both types of alignment per phase is indicated in Chapter 2. The framework does not exempt any further horizontal or vertical alignment and indicated only the non-negotiable stages of critical alignment.

6 Binding Plans and Planning Requirements

All relevant documents that need to be considered in the course of the planning process must be known and available. This applies especially to legal documents and to guidelines, plans and strategies from the provincial and national sphere and corporate service providers

A number of national acts and policies require local governments to produce sector plans, or to fulfil certain planning requirements when preparing an IDP. These plans and planning requirements are indicated in the table below. These sector plans and other statutory requirements should complement each other and the IDP. Effective synchronisation in their preparations should be sought, ensuring greater developmental impact and avoid duplication. This will be done by:

- Ensuring that members of the various sectoral plan-preparation teams serve on each other's teams;
- Working from the same data base set;
- Sharing draft plans/strategies throughout the planning process;
- Participating in each other's strategy formulation sessions; and
- Using the spatial Development Framework to co-ordinate and integrate proposed plans.

Table 4: Sector Requirements

Category of Requirement	Sector Requirement
For a Municipal level Plan	Water Services Development Plan, required in terms of the Water Services Act,1997
	Integrated Transport Plan, required in terms of the Land Use Transport Bill, 2000
	Environmental Management Plan with an Integrated Waste Management Plan, required in terms of the White Paper of Integrated Pollution and Waste Management, March 2000 and NEMA, 1998
	Spatial Development Framework, required in terms of DFA, 1995 (to be replaced by spatial planning requirements to be incorporated as a component of the IDP)
	Housing plan in terms of Housing act 1997 and the NSDP
	Disaster Management Plan, required in terms of the White Paper on Disaster Management, 1999 and the Disaster Management Bill,2000
	Institutional Plan
	LED Plan
For Sector planning to be incorporated as a component of the IDP	Housing Plans, required in terms of the Housing Act, 1997
	Local management issues
	Integrated infrastructure planning
	Integrated energy planning, required in terms of the White Paper on Energy Policy of RSA, December 1998
	Spatial Framework (Section 4 of the Draft IDP Regulations)
	Land Affairs Programmes such as Tenure Upgrading and Land Reform
For compliance with normative Frameworks	National Environmental Management Act (1998) Principles
	Development Facilitation Act (1995) Principles
	Environmental Management Plans
	National Millennium Goals or targets
For value adding contribution	Local Agenda 21

It is important to note that while the various plans produced in the inter-linked processes will lead to sectoral plans that will exist in their own right, the IDP must at least:

- Summarise the major features of these different plans/strategies;
- Deal with the linkages between them;
- Specify and integrate all the spending implications for a five year period in a Municipal Infrastructure Investment Programme

Municipalities need to be aware of all the National and Provincial binding strategies, policies and other legislations that may influence its IDP. A preliminary list of national and provincial documents is indicated hereunder. It should be noted that these lists are not comprehensive and needs to be updated within phase 2 (during the District Strategy Workshop)

6.1 National Strategies and other documents that could influence local strategies:

- The National development plan (Vision 2030)
- National Growth and Development Strategy (NGDS)
- Millennium Development Goals
- National Spatial Development Perspective and Principles
- Outcomes Based Planning Approach
- The 2016 January 8 Policy Statement
- The Urban and Rural development Strategies
- The Integrated Sustainable Rural Development Strategy, Nov 2000
- The National Housing Code, march 2000
- Department of Land Affairs Consolidated EI & MP, June 2000
- Department of Land Affairs Strategic Plan 2001 – 2002
- Industrial Strategy for the RSA, May 2001
- HIV/AIDS/STD Strategic Plan for SA (2000-2005), Feb 2000
- National Apex and 10-point Plan of Action for welfare and development (including National Plan of Action for Children)
- National Youth Plan

6.2 Provincial Strategies, policies and other documents that could influence local strategies

- Mpumalanga Provincial Rural and Urban Development Strategy, Dec 2000 (PRUDS)
- Mpumalanga Draft Spatial Development Framework (2012)
- Spatial Land Use Management (Act, 16 of 2013)
- Integrated Spatial Framework, 1999 (ISF)
- The Mpumalanga Provincial Growth and Development Strategy (PGDS)
- Environmental Research Information System (ERIS)
- Mpumalanga Regional Sanitation Business Plan, 2001
- Mpumalanga Environmental Implementation Plan (EIP), March 2001
- Mpumalanga Provincial Departments 5 year plans

7 The National Development Plan 2030

7.1 Background

The National Development Plan 2030 seeks to eliminate poverty and inequality by 2030 by streamlining planning and strategies in all three spheres of Government namely; National, Provincial and Local Municipalities.

Whilst this objective remains the same going into the future, it is now more clearly expressed in the country's **National Development Plan (NDP)**, which provides a detailed roadmap for development in the years leading up to 2030.

For effective implementation and meaningful impact to be derived from this plan, the country needs to be guided by a **developmental democratic state** "*capable of mobilizing all sectors and boldly intervening in the economy in favour of workers and the poor*".

Furthermore, the **objectives, targets and key considerations** of the National Development Plan must find expression in the planning processes, institutional arrangements and resource allocations of each and every Municipality.

The District Municipality aims to achieve these objectives through the **provincialisation** of the NDP through the development of **Mpumalanga Vision 2030** and the relevance of these long term planning instruments for the development of the **2014-19 MTSF**.

8 Monitoring of the process plan and amendment of the Framework

8.1 Monitoring, Evaluation and reporting of the Process Plan

- Each municipality, including Ehlanzeni District Municipality, will be responsible for monitoring its own process plan and ensuring that the Framework programme is being followed as agreed.
- Detailed mechanisms that will be used to monitor each municipality's Process plan need to be stipulated in the designated Process plan. Monitoring mechanisms may include bi-monthly progress reports to be submitted to the designated council.
- The IDP Managers Forum must ensure that all municipalities follow their process plan.

8.2 Amendment of Framework and Process Plan

In the event of any deviations from the Framework and process plan that needs to be considered, the following procedure is adopted:

- (i) Each local municipality must inform the District Municipality, within a reasonable time on deviations of the action programme that affect district wide activities
- (ii) The District IDP Manager's Forum (IDP Managers act on behalf of its designated council and steering committee and should consult them on issues of deviations where required) that meets on a monthly basis, is responsible to jointly assess progress and make recommendations on amendments to the District IDP Steering committee.

(iii) The District IDP Manager’s Forum must inform the District Steering committee has the mandate to decide when and how amendment takes place and can therefore postpone an activity or continue with the agreed programme.

9 Schedule of 2017/18 Dates for IDP and Budget Representative Development Meetings

Table 5: Schedules of IDP Development Meetings

EDM IDP REPRESENTATIVE FORUMS		
DATE	TIME	VENUE
12 October 2016	09:00	EDM Council Chamber
06 December 2016	09:00	EDM Council Chamber
23 February 2017	09:00	EDM Council Chamber
10 May 2017	09:00	EDM Council Chamber

9.1 Schedule for IDP Managers Forums

IDP MANAGERS FORUMS		
DATE	TIME	VENUE
14 July 2016	10:00	Ehlanzeni District Municipality
31 August 2016	10:00	Mbombela LM
22 September 2016	10:00	Nkomazi LM
10 November 2016	10:00	Bushbuckridge LM
11 January 2017	10:00	Thaba Chweu LM
14 February 2017	10:00	Ehlanzeni District Municipality
15 March 2017	10:00	Mbombela LM
03 May 2017	10:00	Nkomazi LM
15 June 2017	10:00	Bushbuckridge LM

9.2 Schedule for Ehlanzeni DM Cluster Meetings

EDM CLUSTER MEETINGS		
Good Governance	Social	Economic & Infrastructure
10 August 2016	11 August 2016	29 September 2016
09 November 2016	13 October 2016	02 December 2016
15 February 2017	26 January 2017	29 March 2017
	14 May 2017	

10 Conclusion

The Framework is compiled through extensive public participation by all municipalities within Ehlanzeni District as well as Provincial Sector departments. Representatives from all municipalities agreed upon issues mentioned in the Framework Plan and each municipality will develop its process plan according to the Framework and Process plan and submit its process plan for consideration by the relevant council.