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Mr Hendricks

Comments on the Integrated Development Plan

The Central Karoo District Municipality herewith wish to comment on the IDP of your municipality. We first and foremost wish to thank you for sending us your IDP for our comment as the district. We truly appreciate that.

We further herewith appreciate the fact that we all are in our second review of our five-year (2022-2027) and 5th Generation IDPs. We have noted your reviewed IDP document and have noted the changes in statistical data and additional programmes and projects.

The review has, importantly so, not strategically changed your direction as a municipality. It has been noted that you are planning to make some impactful changes in your municipality both on infrastructure and socially.

We have noted that your document is not as long as the number of pages suggest as there are a lot of pages that could have been removed from your document to make much shorter in terms of your number of pages.

In the light of the legal expectations in the way and methodology followed to both develop and review such document we have unfortunately identified and regretfully noted that our District IDP forum as an IDP engagement platform did not function optimally as expected and supposed to be.

It is at this platform where we would be expected to ensure that better alignment and input happens to improve on our IDPs.

There are definitely more challenges that are hindering our progress and general development, that we will have to deal with as we move forward. The experiences we had in the recent or long-term past will have to be dealt with.

We all as the district, as Local Government, have to Unite and find each other.

We wish to express the hope and wish that this critical platform and all others will better function in the coming financial year of 2024 / 2025.

The district municipality has in essence and in all practicality taken the posture that suggests that we all as municipalities within the district should in the main focus on the implementation of our Integrated Development Plans – IDPs.

It is in focusing on the implementation, that we will thereby deal with the challenges and / or rather appreciate the opportunities presented by the situational analysis or Socio – Economic Profile for Local Government – SEP-LG - document.

We once again want to thank you for inviting us to give some comment on your Integrated Development Plan – IDP for 2024/2025.

Yours in Development

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