

# **SECTION 1**

## **INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**



## **1.1 Introduction**

This document contains the Lesedi Local Municipality Integrated Development Plan [IDP], which is reviewed annually in terms of the Municipal Systems Act, 2000 [Act No. 32 of 2000], hereafter referred to as the MSA.

The Municipal Systems Act of 2000 requires all municipalities to draw up an IDP as a single, inclusive and strategic development plan, linking and integrating other plans. It is in the IDP that one finds the policy framework on which annual budgets are based. However, this document contains much more than that.

This IDP contains development initiatives, projects, plans and programmes for the municipality. It also describes the spatial development framework (SDF), which deals with the shape of the area, its roads, its settlement patterns, its need for commercial nodes, providing a blueprint for a municipality that is sustainable, accessible and efficient.

The document describes the challenges the municipality faces – e.g. infrastructure backlog, skills shortage, the need for more housing, Early Childhood Development (ECD) and recreation facilities for the youth. It also reveals what the municipality is doing to address those challenges.

The municipality does not actually devise the IDP on its own. Consultation is mandated by the Act, and it is widespread. The right of communities to be heard, to be involved and to receive information is embedded in developmental local government. So when the IDP was in the planning stages, there was consultation at all relevant levels: inside government, among councilors and council officials, and outside, at public meetings in Shalimar Ridge (Heidelberg). The transport was arranged for all people from Devon/Impumelelo, Endicott/Kwazenzele

and Jameson Park. Public meetings were held in the evenings to accommodate members of the community who are working.

## **1.2 Sedibeng Growth and Development Strategy (SGDS 2)**

Lesedi's IDP incorporates the Sedibeng Growth and Development Strategy (SGDS 2). The SGDS 2 makes provision for bigger overarching decisions about what should be prioritized to:

- **REINVENT** the economy from old to new,
- **RENEW** our communities from low to high quality of life,
- **REVIVE** The environment from waste dumps to a green region,
- **REINTEGRATE** with Gauteng and our neighbours to move from an edge of a frontier region,
- **RELEASE** human potential from low to high skills.

## **1.3 Organizational Arrangement and Responsibilities**

Prior to the commencement of the IDP Review, LLM prepared and adopted a Process Plan that served as a guide to the overall review process.

### **1.3.1 LLM Process Plan**

The LLM Process Plan formulated and adopted detailed outlines aimed at helping Lesedi to embark on its own focused IDP Review Process. The process commenced July 2012 and will be completed in May 2013. The Process Plan outlines the time frames of scheduled events, structures involved and their respective roles and responsibilities.

### **1.3.2 LLM Review Structures**

The following are structures set-up to guide the IDP Review Process:

<b>Actor</b>	<b>Roles/Responsibility</b>
<b>Council/Speaker</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw a code of conduct for representative Forum and Steering committee</li> <li>• Approve Process Plan</li> <li>• Adjust IDP to MEC's requirements and adopt</li> <li>• Answerable to the community</li> </ul>
<b>Mayoral committee/Executive Mayor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decides on the process of the IDPs</li> <li>• Overall management</li> <li>• Political co-ordination and monitoring</li> <li>• Approval of nominated persons to run the IDP process</li> <li>• Recommend to the council</li> </ul>
<b>Municipal Manager/ Executive Manager: DP/ IDP Co-ordinator</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manage and co-ordinate the process</li> <li>• Implement the IDP</li> <li>• Answerable to council and officials</li> <li>• represents the council at district level in the IDP co-ordination committee</li> <li>• ensure that all HODs and officials are capacitated and involved in the IDP process</li> <li>• chairperson of the Steering Committee</li> <li>• responsible to establish Project Task Team</li> </ul>
<b>IDP Steering Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• consists of HODs and officials</li> <li>• chaired by Municipal Manager</li> <li>• fully involved in the planning and implementation process of the IDP</li> <li>• provides technical inputs</li> </ul>
<b>Projects Task Team</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• consists of relevant HODs, officials, Ward Councilor, project liaison officers and consultants/contractors</li> <li>• provides project-oriented inputs</li> <li>• assist in project management</li> </ul>
<b>Representative forum</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensures that priority issues of their constituents are considered.</li> <li>• Ensures that annual business plans are based on the reviewed IDP.</li> <li>• Participates and be part of the decision-making within the Representative forums.</li> <li>• Is involved in the designing of reviewed projects proposals.</li> <li>• Discusses and comments on the reviewed IDP.</li> <li>• consists of all organised formations including service providers</li> <li>• nominates representatives to the Projects Task Team</li> </ul>
<b>Ward Committees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• identify specific needs</li> <li>• addresses them at the Representative Forum</li> <li>• nominates their representatives to the representative Forum</li> </ul>

<b>Actor</b>	<b>Roles/Responsibility</b>
<b>District Council/Sedibeng</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• participates in the IDP process at all levels</li> <li>• assist with capacity building</li> <li>• fund the IDP process</li> <li>• ensure alignment</li> <li>• provide the district framework</li> </ul>
<b>National, Provincial Government Departments and Service Providers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ensure alignment</li> <li>• participate in the stakeholder forum</li> </ul>
<b>IDP Task Team</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• facilitate the IDP process</li> <li>• formulate the IDP document</li> <li>• provide analysis, strategies, identify projects and integrate the plans or programmes</li> <li>• continuously liaise with the Steering Committee</li> </ul>

## **1.6 Alignment**

Vertical and Horizontal Alignment has been achieved as follows:

### **1.6.1 Liaison with Sedibeng District**

The Lesedi Local Municipality is represented in the Sedibeng Intergovernmental Relations Forum. Meetings are held with the Sedibeng District Municipality. Interim documentation has been forwarded to Sedibeng on a regular basis, while the relevant officials and Councilors of Lesedi attended Sedibeng Steering Committee meetings as and when required. One-on-one meetings were also held when the need arose, while the Executive Managers regularly attended their relevant cluster meetings at the District. An intersectoral forum consisting of various provincial sector departments has been set up for purposes of IDP engagements.

### **1.6.2 Provincial and State Departments**

Local development strategies and programmes are informed by National and Provincial development policy, strategies and initiatives. Specific attention has been given to comments from Provincial Departments on Lesedi 2012/13 IDP - these comments have been addressed as comprehensively as possible within the budget and time constraints. Provincial Departments were invited to attend the Representative Forum meetings.

### **1.6.3 Adjacent Municipalities**

Adjacent municipalities were invited to attend the Representative Forum meetings and were consulted on any cross-border issues or projects, which may arise. The Lesedi Local Municipality has regular meetings with the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality on cross border issues e.g. the project of the Transnet-Pipeline that takes place at the area that is covering both the Municipalities.

### **1.6.4 Sectoral Alignment within the Municipality**

Alignment between the different sectoral plans, programmes and projects has been achieved during the Steering Committee Meetings, as well as inter-departmental liaison throughout the process.

## **1.7 Public Participation**

The main structure for public participation was the IDP Representative Forum and Community Based.

The database of stakeholders in the IDP Representative Forum was updated in 2013 and these stakeholders were invited in writing to the meetings. Notices of Forum meetings were put up, inviting stakeholders' organizations to nominate members to attend such meetings through the media.

The Lesedi Local Municipality funded the facilities needed for the public participation process. Financial support for traveling costs was

considered on merit basis. Meetings were held in Ratanda and Devon/Impumelelo to cater for people around rural areas. Scheduling of meetings took place to meet the requirements of the majority of participants and was scheduled in the evenings. IDP material is in English, translation will be provided as, and when the need arises.

### 1.7.1 Process Overview: Steps And Events

The steps and events in Lesedi Local Municipality 2013/14 IDP review process are summarized in the table hereunder:

Steps and Events	Major Activities	Time Frames
<b>Formulation of Process Plan</b>	This was undertaken in conjunction with the Municipal Manager and Executive Managers at the outset of the project and was submitted to Council and Sedibeng District	<b>July - August 2012</b>
<b>Internal Review</b>	<p>A technical review of the existing 2012/13 IDP was undertaken, including the following aspects:</p> <p>Review of comments from the Provincial Departments - adjustments to documentation where necessary.</p> <p>Review of strategies, programmes and projects pertaining to each priority issue, including: Project progress reports; Assessment and adjustment of development programme [project time-frames, budgets, addition/deletion of projects].</p> <p>Review of PMS and integration with IDP's. The format of project progress reports was developed in consultation with the IDP Core Team, the Executive Managers and other relevant officials.</p> <p>Aspects, which were addressed in these reports, include the status of funding, actual [measurable] progress to date, problems and concerns if applicable, and revised budgets and time frames if applicable. The results of the progress reports were incorporated into revised formats for the Project Information Sheets, the Summary List of Identified Projects and the Operational 3 Year Action</p>	<b>September – October 2012</b>
<b>IDP Steering Committee Meeting</b>	The presentation of the status quo (current situation) and projects to HOD's	<b>05 February 2013</b>
<b>IDP Political Forum</b>	The presentation of the status quo (current situation) and projects to politicians	<b>16 February 2013</b>
<b>IDP Stakeholders Representative Forum - Ratanda</b>	Presentation of the status quo and projects to the public	<b>21 February 2013</b>
<b>IDP Stakeholders Representative Forum - Devon</b>	Presentation of the status quo and projects to the public	<b>28 February 2013</b>

Steps and Events	Major Activities	Time Frames
<b>IDP Steering Committee Meeting</b>	Respond on issues raised on the Stakeholders Forum	<b>05 March 2013</b>
<b>IDP Political Forum</b>	Considering projects and report back on Projects	<b>07 March 2013</b>
<b>IDP Stakeholders Representative Forum - Ratanda</b>	Give the public feedback on issues and comments raised during the first stakeholder forum	<b>14 March 2013</b>
<b>IDP Stakeholders Representative Forum - Devon</b>	Give the public feedback on issues and comments raised during the first stakeholder forum	<b>20 March 2013</b>
<b>Council Draft Approval</b>	Submission of the Draft IDP to Council for approval	<b>26 March 2013</b>
<b>IDP Stakeholders Representative Forum – Ratanda</b>	Report on issues and comments from various provincial sector departments	<b>25 April 2013</b>
<b>IDP Stakeholders Representative Forum – Devon</b>	Report on issues and comments from various provincial sector departments	<b>02 May 2013</b>
<b>Approval of the Final IDP</b>	Submission of the Final IDP to Council for approval	<b>28 May 2013</b>

## 1.8 RESPONSE TO THE MEC COMMENTS ON THE 2012/13 IDP

The Department of Local Government and Housing (DLGH) congratulated the municipality for the timeous preparation, review and adoption of the final Integrated Development Plan (IDP) for the 12/13 financial year and its subsequent submission for commenting in line with Section 32 of the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000. The department further expressed its appreciation to the municipality for its continuous cooperation and active participation in efforts, through the July-to-July roadmap, aimed at strengthening joint planning and

budgeting among the three spheres of government in the pursuit of a globally competitive Gauteng. In terms of Section 32 (2) of the MSA, the MEC have concluded that there are no issues requiring amendment in the LLM IDP.

The MEC comments are structured in two distinct but interlinked sections

- Cross-Cutting Issues (Broad Observations)
- Municipal specific issues

<b>CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES</b>	
<b>COMMENT</b>	<b>RESPONSE</b>
<p>Municipalities are urged to take appropriate measures in dealing with migration factors. This may include allocation of serviced land for human settlement; infrastructure planning and budgeting. By-laws enforcements are also recommended to curb the spread of informal settlements.</p>	<p>The LLM has identified a suitable land that could accommodate over 7000 units for human settlement. Currently 300 houses are under construction and services are installed for further 1200 stands. A service provider has been solicited to deal with land invasion in order to curb the spread of informal settlement.</p>
<p>A need to improve investment on maintenance budget in accordance with Treasury's guideline that requires 8% of the total budget to be used for maintenance purposes.</p>	<p>10% of the total budget in Lesedi is allocated for repair and maintenance of infrastructure.</p>
<p>Municipalities are urged to continue taking initiatives aimed to better inter-municipal coordination and planning in building a Globally Competitive Gauteng City Region.</p>	<p>The LLM acknowledges the MEC's comment in this regard, and will continue to engage with the neighbouring municipalities especially Ekurhuleni to promote joint planning and collaboration for future developments.</p>
<p>There is gap in relation to intergovernmental coordination and alignment, particularly the link between the IDP and the government outcomes.</p>	<p>Inter-governmental coordination and alignment with specific reference to the national outcomes has been adequately addressed in the strategic phase of the LLM IDP document (refer to page 116 to 130).</p>
<p>The use of very old statistical data as a basis for IDP and planning is a great concern. In responding to this, municipalities are urged to make use of the recently published 2011 Census results.</p>	<p>The comment is acknowledged and the recent 2011 stats will be used in the current IDP review. However, the DLGH should begin to propose other sustainable ways of dealing with this matter beyond census 2011.</p>

<b>MUNICIPAL SPECIFIC ISSUES</b>	
<b>COMMENT</b>	<b>RESPONSE</b>
<p>The LLM is commended for the efforts of bringing the informal traders into the mainstream economy by providing appropriate infrastructure, especially in the CBDs. However, the municipality should involve relevant stakeholders during planning and execution of these initiatives. Furthermore the LLM is encouraged to liaise with SALGA and GDED on other innovative ways to support the informal sector.</p>	<p>The comment is acknowledged and efforts are made to work with other sectors of government and local stakeholders in order to promote and uplift the necessary infrastructure to support the informal traders.</p>
<p>One of the challenges identified in the IDP is illegal dumping and the LLM is therefore encouraged to engage with GDARD to assist in conducting municipal-wide clean up, recycling and awareness campaigns.</p>	<p>Various environmental programmes are implemented in the area including; Food for Waste, bontle ke botho and CWP in collaborations with different sector departments. The LLM will continue to encourage communities, through the help of Ward Councillors, to get involved in various initiatives geared towards environmental health. Furthermore, the municipality needs assistance in the implementation of relevant by-laws.</p>
<p>Pollution from big industries has resulted in the Sedibeng Region being characterized by poor air quality. Lesedi has been included in the Highveld Priority Air-shed area. The stringent application of By-Laws in monitoring air quality is critical and therefore requires urgent attention.</p>	<p>The comment is acknowledged and the LLM is working very close with Sedibeng District Municipality in executing relevant by-laws in this regard.</p>
<p>The alignment between the IDP and the outcomes remains weak. The municipality is urged to utilize the IDP review processes to integrate outcomes as a reference point with regards to planning. In doing so, the LLM is called upon to refer to Sedibeng District Municipality's IDP as a guide.</p>	<p>The alignment with specific reference to the national outcomes has been adequately addressed in the strategic phase of the LLM IDP document (refer to page 116 to 130).</p>
<p>Rural development is seen as a critical IDP priority area since about 29% of the LLM population resides in rural area. Though the high cost involved in providing services to such communities is acknowledged, the municipality should continue doing all possible within available resources to prioritize service delivery and infrastructure development in the rural areas.</p>	<p>Rural development remains a priority issue in Lesedi and a Comprehensive Rural Development Programme was launched at Devon. Subsequently, quick win projects geared towards infrastructure development were identified and implemented in Devon.</p>

### 1.9 Comments by Community/ Stakeholders During IDP Stakeholder Forums 2013

The Lesedi Local Municipality is committed to ensuring community participation in the interest of participative democracy at local government sphere. The commitment to participate is underpinned by adherence to the Municipal Systems Act, which requires municipalities to consult local communities through appropriate mechanisms, process and procedures as well as by the MFMA, which has further accentuated the role of informing the development of community participation. In addition to this legal framework, the municipality remains committed to bringing participatory democracy closer to citizens and communities and ensuring progressive improvements in the quality of participation and

the number of citizens who participate through organized formations. During the first phase, the municipality consulted with the stakeholders, seeking their inputs into the framing of the draft IDP. During this period of engagement a list of issues and comments representing stakeholders' views were drawn up.

The following template outlines a number of delivery issues that have been captured per priority issue and accordingly have been referred to the relevant departments for appropriate response and incorporation into future planning.

### Stakeholder's Forum held on the 21<sup>st</sup> February 2013 – Ratanda Old Hall

Item No.	Comments	Priority issue	Responsible Department	Response	Due date
1	The community swimming pool is not accessible in Ratanda	10	CS	The swimming pool filtration plant (this is the heart of the pool) was damaged during the service delivery protest. The process of restoring or fixing the damaged feature is underway and it will be in operation during the swimming season.  Entrance is gained through valid entry tickets sold at the municipality not at the swimming pool.	15 September 2013
2	Promotion of art and support to allow young people to showcase their talent	3	CS	Lesedi Arts, Culture & Heritage Forum was established for the mentioned purpose and the artists are encouraged to support the forum.	
3	Air pollution and health nuisance caused by an offensive odour from Karan Beef	3	CS	The municipality will engage the company and apply necessary legislation.	30 April 2013

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4	Nonpayment of municipal services including electricity by Protea hostel dwellers.	7	CFO	The restructuring of the hostel is underway upon completion this matter of nonpayment will be resolved.	30 November 2013
5	Companies in Lesedi do not invest in skills training and youth development especially in the area of technology.	3	CS	Companies such as BAT contributed enormously in the establishment of Sedibeng FET College.	
6	No bursaries are provided to local learners by the Mayor	3	CS	The Executive Mayor, through the fundraising initiatives such as Mayoral Golf, has assisted a number of learners particularly with registration fee.	
7	How is it possible to achieve the Global City Region concept when standards of our municipalities are not at same par, with regard to salaries and economies, amongst other things?	1	DP	The concept is intended to address the disparities that exist between municipalities within Gauteng. The province is in the process of establishing metropolitan system in support of the Global City Region.	
8	How is Lesedi going to benefit from the Regional Sewer Scheme	2	SD	There are no direct benefits anticipated from this project as it is taking place in the areas of Midvaal and Emfuleni Local Municipalities. However Lesedi's role is to assist the two constituent municipalities to achieve their intended goals as part of Sedibeng regional agenda.	
9	Waste removal workers are always too much in a hurry when collecting trash, such that it becomes difficult for residents to cash up and ensure that all the trash is removed.	2	SD	Residents are advised to take out their bins timeously to ensure that they are ready for collection since the area is very vast and should be covered within a specific time.	
10	High mast lights are not sufficient in extension 23	2	SD	The comment is acknowledged and attention will be given to this matter.	30 June 2013

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11	The screening committees are not conducting their work as required and to the satisfactory of the applicants.	3	CS	The matter is acknowledged and the municipality will work very closely with the community to address and attend to all issues relating registration and approval of indigents.	
12	No social responsibility investment by local companies.	1	DP	There are significant contributions, commitments and agreements entered into between the municipality and local companies.  BAT contributed a significant amount of money for the establishment of Sedibeng FET College, and continues to provide financial support to the college. Furthermore, the BAT is also sponsoring the annual award ceremony of matric learners in Lesedi.	
13	MPAC should not be chaired by a member of the ruling party, as a matter of principle and to avoid a temptation of being a player and a referee at the same time.		MM	The chairing of the MPAC remains the discretion of a Council and there is no law that prohibits the ruling party from leading this committee.	
14	Houses built in Gautrans remains empty yet there are people without proper shelter.	5	DP	The matter needs to be resolved by the Department of Housing and Gautrans. There is little that the municipality can do in this regard and this matter will be referred to the relevant department.	30 April 2013
15	National government is not in support of the 16% electricity increase by ESKOM but Lesedi is proposing to increase by 16%	7	CFO	It crucial for the municipality to project its annual tariff increase based on the ESKOM proposal as benchmark; however the final annual tariff increase will be determined by NERSA.	25 April 2013

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				It should be noted that NERSA has granted Eskom an annual increase of 8% as a result the municipality will adjust its tariff schedule in accordance with the current needs, long term liabilities and cost implications.	
16	How is the property rate determined?	7	CFO	The property rate is determined in terms of the Property Rate Act, which requires that the properties within municipal area must be evaluated every four years to determine the value upon which the levy is based.	
17	How come people at Ekurhuleni still receive free basic services yet in Lesedi such services are only provided to registered and approved indigents?	7	CFO	Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality has a bigger budget that can sustain the provisioning of free basic services to all households. Lesedi can no longer afford to provide free basic services to all residents. However the municipality will continue to provide such services to registered and approved indigent households.	
18	No development for SMMEs in the area	1	DP	SMMEs are developed through PLATO Training and Mentorship Programme.  Furthermore the municipality continues to provide infrastructure for informal traders.  The municipality has also set aside stands for SMME development.  The municipality is in the process of developing the SMMEs Enterprise Development Policy which will further	

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				assist in the development of SMMEs in the area.	
19	When will the Minister Richard Baloyi provide a report to the community concerning the issue that led to the service delivery protest?		MSS	The municipality is also waiting in anticipation for the Minister's report as it is anticipated that the report will also assist and clarify the issue of nonpayment of services by residents. The Minister established a Steering Committee to investigate and address all the concerns raised by the community. The terms of reference were clear and there was consensus that all the issues related to the municipality were dealt with appropriately by the committee.	
20	The incorporation of Lesedi into Ekurhuleni must be managed properly by involving all relevant stakeholders.		MM	A series of ward meetings were conducted in dealing with the issues of demarcation. All wards are in support of the incorporation of Lesedi into Ekurhuleni.	
21	Tenders are no longer accessible to contractors with lower grades as the municipality is no longer breaking them down to ensure accessibility by emerging contractors.	7	CFO	The comment is acknowledged and efforts will be made to ensure accessibility by emerging contractors	
22	What happened to the Local Economic Development Strategy?	1	DP	Over the past years the municipality was meant to believe that the Gauteng Department of Economic Development will assist the municipality with the development of the strategy. However the department did not live up to its promises. Therefore the municipality is left with no other choice but to budget	

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				internally for the development and implementation of the LED strategy in the next financial year.	

### Stakeholder's Forum held on the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2013 – Impumelelo Hall

Item No.	Comments	Priority issue	Responsible Department	Response	Due Date
1	When is the municipality anticipating starting with Kwazenzele phase 2 housing development?	5	DP	Building of houses in Lesedi is the responsibility of the Department of Local Government and Housing. However, all necessary studies, including the Feasibility study and the EIA were conducted on site and the results are positive so far. After the approval of the township establishment, province will then install bulk and internal services for the construction of houses. The project is expected to commence in the next financial year.	
2	The effort to initiate food for waste project is appreciated, however provision of groceries only is not enough to sustain the lives of the people	2	SD	The comment will be referred Public Works as this project is informed by their policies.	
3	Cutting of grass in Vischkuil/Endicotte	3	CS	The municipality has developed a programme for grass cutting in the area, however cutting of grass in the private properties remains the responsibility of the owner.	

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4	A need to install proper drainage system to prevent excessive flooding in Impumelelo.	2	SD	The capacity of the drainage system in Impumelelo is limited and requires upgrading in the next budget to deal with the flooding experienced during the rainy season.	
5	Finalization of street names in Impumelelo Ext.2	9	DP	Street names will be finalized through broader consultation with all relevant stakeholders. It is anticipated that the process will be finalized by the end of the year.	
6	A need for community hall in Impumelelo	10	SD	It should be noted that there are two community halls that were previously constructed in this ward and building another hall might not be feasible, however the municipality will investigate the possibilities of upgrading the present facilities.	30 June 2014
7	A need for the development of the park	3	CS	Parks and beautification of the township will be addressed through the Neighbourhood Development Partnership Grant (NDPG)  The initiatives such as Bontle ke Botho will be utilized through proper planning to identify and develop community parks in Devon.	
8	Request for church and residential sites	6	DP	Church sites will be made available in the next phases of housing development.	
9	When will the upgrading of Impumelelo stadium be finalized?	3	CS	The upgrading of Impumelelo stadium is implemented by Sedibeng District Municipality and the matter is currently at the tender process.	

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10	Establishment of industrial sites has been requested repeatedly but nothing has been done to expedite this matter.	1	DP	Industrial and business stands will be made available on phases 3 and 4 in order to meet the demand.	
11	A need for a taxi rank in Impumelelo	2	SD	This is a function assigned to the district municipality and the comment will be forward to them.	
12	A need to speed up the process of promulgation of by-laws to deal with foreigners who are conducting illegal business in the area.	1	DP	The municipality is in the process of procuring the services of an attorney to review and promulgate all sets of by-laws including illegal trading. However, it should be noted that the by-laws are not just applicable to foreigners only but to all residents of the municipality.	
13	A need to support local artists in the area.	3	CS	Lesedi Arts, Culture & Heritage Forum was established for the mentioned purpose and the artists are encouraged to support the forum.	
14	People of Devon are not benefiting from the listed companies in the IDP such as PK Farming and Mancho Range	1	DP	The matter will be brought to the attention of the said companies and the response will be forwarded in due course.	
15	A need for attraction of more investments in Devon.	1	DP	The municipality has identified the zone of opportunity along the N17 corridor to attract prospective investors, and we will continue to market the area in this regard.	
16	A need for the FET college in Devon	3	CS	Building of FET colleges is the responsibility of the National Department of Education, as a result, the comment will be forwarded to their attention.	

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17	When will the municipality commence with the development of phase 3 in Impumelelo	5	DP	Building of houses in Lesedi is the responsibility of the Department of Local Government and Housing. However, all necessary studies, including the Feasibility study and the EIA were conducted on site and the results are positive. The process of purchasing the land from the current owner is underway. After the approval of the township establishment, province will then install bulk and internal services for the construction of houses.	30 June 2014
18	A need to accommodate a health centre	3	CS	The matter will be referred to the provincial health department.	
19	A need for patients transport from Kwazenzele to Vischkuil	3	CS	The matter will be referred to the provincial health department.	
20	The soccer field is not level and there is a need for more soccer fields in the area.	3	CS	The comment is acknowledged and the relevant department will investigate and resolve the matter.	
21	A need to identify the land for recycling purposes.	2	DP	SMMEs are encouraged to submit their proposals to the municipality for Council's consideration.	
22	Toilets at the informal settlement are not maintained	2	SD	The matter is acknowledged and will be attended to. However, the major problem with regards to the VIP toilet at in informal settlements is vandalism and this is happening in the presence of the community members. It is the responsibility of the community to safe guard this infrastructure, since the municipality do not have budget for repair & maintenance of the VIP toilet.	

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23	A need for the training of youth to prepare them for the anticipated tannery	3	DP	The matter is acknowledged and the department of Agriculture and Rural Development will be informed accordingly.	
24	How far is the study for the establishment of coal mine in Devon?	1	DP	A Feasibility study was conducted at Lewenfontein, Langzekoegat and Nooitgedaght farm portions for the establishment of a coal mine in the area. The application for exploration of coal mining activities in Devon was submitted, however, there was there is still no formal application to begin the process of mining in this area. The municipality will inform the community about the progress on this matter pending the availability of the information.	
25	A need for banks in Devon	10	DP	The matter is acknowledged and the municipality will engage with the financial sector, particularly the local banking institutions in this regard.	
26	Big companies in Lesedi such as BAT do not provide learnership and bursaries to learners from Devon.	3	CS	BAT is supporting the Sedibeng FET college and learners from Devon and surrounding areas are also encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity by applying for enrolment in this institution.	
27	People who are employed under CWP are not being paid their stipends consistently.	2	DP	A series of meetings were held to deal with this matter and ensure that all problems pertaining to this programme are resolved. The issue of non-payment is also receiving serious attention.	

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28	The tariff for the grave is too expensive.	3	CS	The grave tariff in Lesedi is still considered to be reasonably lower compared to other neighbouring municipalities.	