



SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

SPESIALE VERGADERING VAN DIE RAAD

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MINUTES / NOTULE /

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DATE / DATUM / UMHLA : 29 MAY / MEI / MEYI 2026
BANQUETING HALL,
CIVIC CENTRE,
HERMANUS

TIME / TYD / IXESHA : 10:00

OVERSTRAND

MUNICIPALITY / MUNISIPALITEIT / U-MASIPALA

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE BANQUETING HALL ON 29 MAY 2026, AT 10:00

PRESENT: Councillors were present as per attached attendance register.

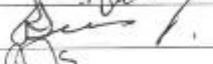
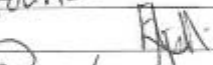
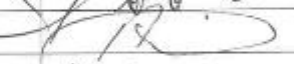
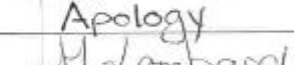
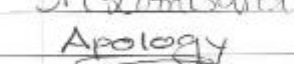
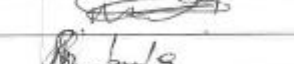
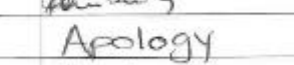
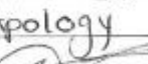
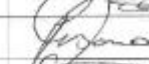
OFFICIALS PRESENT: Dr D O'Neill, Municipal Manager
Mr S Müller, Chief Engineer : Infrastructure Services
Ms D Arrison, Director: Corporate Services
Ms E Wassermann, Acting CFO
Mr R Kuchar, Divisional Manager : Town & Spatial Planning
Mr H Blignaut, Principal Engineer : Civil Infrastructure Planning
Mr. L Smith, Chief : Fire, Rescue & Disaster Management
Mr R Fraser, Chief : Traffic
Mr J du Toit, Chief : Law Enforcement
Mr P Marais, Regional Inspector : K9 Unit
Ms G Bucchianeri, Manager : Budgeting
Mr L Tait, Accountant : Budget
Ms K Johnson, Accountant : Budget
Ms L Botma, Accountant : Budget
Mr A Gcotyelwa, Manager : Integrated Human Settlements and Development
Ms H van Tonder, Manager : Administrative Support Services
Ms R Steenekamp, Assistant Media and Social Media Liaison Officer
Mr A Lekay, Senior Clerk
Ms G Erasmus, Superintendent : Facilities
Ms S Swart, Senior Committee Officer

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the Public

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OVERSTRAND MUNICIPALITY
ATTENDANCE REGISTER

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING : 29 MAY 2026

ALDERMEN/COUNCILLORS	SIGNATURE
AFRICA, F	Apology
BANDEZA, V	
BEYI, S	
BRICE, KD	
COETZEE, DP	
COHEN, G	
DE CONING, CA	
DEES, RM	
ELS, T	
FOURIE, SH	
GILLION, E	
GRIMBEEK, MD	
KLAAS, AG	
KOMANI, AS	
LERM, CH	Apology
LOMBARD, H	H. Lombard
NGQANDANA, K	Apology
NOMATITI, M	
NOMBULA, BG	
NQINATA, NNT	Apology
NTSABO, L	Apology
NUTT, R	
RESANDT, CT	
SIHLAHLA, M	
TAFU-NWONKWO, CC	
VAN STADEN, JA	
WILLIAMS, SH	

1. OPENING

The Speaker, Ald G Cohen, opened the meeting and welcomed those present. The Municipal Manager, Dr D O'Neill, read the notice convening the meeting and Ald D Coetzee opened the meeting with prayer.

2. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Ald F Africa
Ald N Nqinata
Ald L Ntsabo
Cllr C Lerm
Cllr K Ngqandana

RESOLVED:

that the above-mentioned applications for leave of absence, **be granted.**

3. STATEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE SPEAKER/EXECUTIVE MAYOR

None

4. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS**4.1****RECESS: JUNE/JULY 2026**

H van Tonder
21 May 2026

Manager : Administrative Support Services
(028) 313 8037

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of the report is to obtain confirmation of Council's recess from 24 June 2026 **(directly after the Council meeting)** to 22 July 2026 **(the latter included)** and related matters.

RESOLVED (SUPPORTED BY 22 COUNCILLORS):

1. that a period of recess, ie from **24 June 2026 (directly after the Council meeting) to 22 July 2026 (the latter included)** be approved;
2. that, during the period of recess, all urgent matters / emergency situations be dealt with by the Executive Mayor in consultation with the Municipal Manager, except those reserved by law for full Council; and
3. that it be noted that a **Special Council Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, 29 July 2026 at 10:00**.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL :

H VAN TONDER

IMPLEMENTATION DATE :

24 JUNE 2026

4.2**FINAL INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP) REVIEW AND AMENDMENT FOR 2026/27****R Louw Divisional Manager: Strategic Support Services****11 May 2026****(028) 313 8071**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present the final reviewed and amended Integrated Development Plan (IDP) for the 2026/27 financial year. This will be the 4th and final reviewed document and 5th amendment for the 2022/2027 IDP cycle.

Cllr H Lombard requested that the wording under the Ward 7 Reviewed Priorities should change to 'Beautification and Paving of Ward 7'.

Cllr S Fourie requested that the R50 000 allocated to Street Calming in Eluxolweni be moved to Stormwater for Franskraal = R250 000 for Ward 11 Specific Projects.

RESOLVED (SUPPORTED BY 22 COUNCILLORS):

that the final IDP review and amendment for 2026/27 **be approved.**

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL :**R LOUW****TARGET DATE FOR IMPLEMENTATION :****1 JULY 2026**

4.3

FINAL DRAFT DISASTER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR 2026/2027

L Smith
13 May 2026

Chief: Fire, Rescue & Disaster

(028) 313 5041

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for Council to approve the final draft Disaster Management Plan for 2026/2027.

RESOLVED (SUPPORTED BY 22 COUNCILLORS):

that the Final Draft Disaster Management Plan for 2026/2027 **be approved.**

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL:

L SMITH

TARGET DATE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

1 JULY 2026

4.4**FINAL DRAFT WATER SERVICES DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 2026/27****H Blignaut**
8 May 2026**Principal Engineer: Civil Infrastructure Planning****(028) 313 5047**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present the Final Draft Water Services Development Plan (WSDP), also known as the IDP Water Services Sector Input Report, for the 2026/27 financial year for approval by Council.

RESOLVED (SUPPORTED BY 22 COUNCILLORS):

that the Final Draft Water Services Development Plan (WSDP) for 2026/27 **be approved.**

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL:**H BLIGNAUT****TARGET DATE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:****1 JULY 2026**

4.5

FINAL BUDGET OF OVERSTRAND MUNICIPALITY : 2026/2027 MTREF

BA King
20 May 2026

Divisional Manager: Financial Accounting

(028) 313 8154

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents the proposed budget of Overstrand Municipality for the 2026/2027 to 2028/2029 MTREF (Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure Framework) period.

THE SPEAKER, ALD G COHEN, AFFORDED THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR, ALD A KLAAS, THE OPPORTUNITY TO DELIVER HIS BUDGET SPEECH, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED AS ANNEXURE A TO THESE MINUTES.

CLLR S FOURIE LEFT THE MEETING AT 10:44 WITH PERMISSION FROM THE SPEAKER

THE FOLLOWING BUDGET AMENDMENTS WERE REQUESTED BY THE RESPECTIVE WARD COUNCILLORS FOR WARD-SPECIFIC PROJECTS:

- **Ward 7 : Change wording to: 'Beautification and Paving of Ward 7;**
- **Ward 11 : R50 000 allocated to Street Calming in Eluxolweni must move to Stormwater for Franskraal = R250 000;**
- **Ward 1 : Mill Stream Project (R130 000) must be removed. The projects to be divided as follows on the Capital Budget:**

- New playpark equipment : Village Green	R80 000
- Speed control : new housing development	R20 000
- 2 New brush cutters/weedeaters	R25 000
- Resource Centre : chairs and tables	R60 000
- Swing bins at Die Kop and Stanford	R30 000
- Replace broken playpark equipment next to Volmoed Dienssentrum	R35 000

THE DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE REQUESTED A CAUCUS AT 10:50

THE MEETING RESUMED AT 11:00

THE FREEDOM FRONT PLUS REQUESTED THAT IT BE NOTED THAT THEY DO NOT AGREE WITH THE PROPERTY RATES

RESOLVED (SUPPORTED BY 21 COUNCILLORS):

1. that, in terms of section 24 of the Municipal Finance Management Act, (Act 56 of 2003), the annual budget of the Municipality for the 2026/2027 to 2028/2029 MTREF (Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure Framework) period **be approved** as set out in the following schedules:

Schedule 1:	Budgeted financial performance (revenue & expenditure by municipal vote)
Schedule 2:	Budgeted financial performance (revenue by source & expenditure by type)
Schedule 3:	Budgeted multi- and single year capital appropriations by standard classification (vote) and funding by source
Schedule 4:	Budgeted financial position
Schedule 5:	Budgeted cash flow
Schedule 6:	Cash backed reserves and acc. surplus reconciliation
Schedule 7:	Asset management
Schedule 8:	Basic service delivery measurement

2. that the property rates **be imposed** for the budget year 2026/2027;
3. that tariffs and charges **be approved** for the budget year 2026/2027;
4. that the Municipal Manager be authorised to sign the necessary documents to give effect to the 3rd draw down of the proposed three-year borrowing programme for external loans amounting R70 million;
5. that the Municipal Manager be authorised to sign the necessary documents to give effect to an additional amount of R30 million borrowings to fund the 2026/2027 capital budget;
6. that the following schedules be noted:

Schedule 9:	Budgeted financial performance (revenue & expenditure by standard classification)
Schedule 10:	Budgeted capital appropriations by municipal vote
7. that **cognisance be taken** of the schedule of comments from the community and the SIME: LG MTEC Assessment Report by Provincial Treasury and the Provincial Department of Local Government; and
8. that the Final Budget Report for 2026/2027 **be noted**.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS:

**E WASSERMANN
D LOUW
BA KING**

TARGET DATE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

1 JULY 2026

4.6

REVISION OF ALL BUDGET RELATED POLICIES OF THE OVERSTRAND MUNICIPALITY**BA King
24 May 2026****Divisional Manager: Financial Accounting****(028) 313 8154**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of the report is to present council with the amended budget related policies for approval and implementation with effect from 1 July 2026.

RESOLVED (SUPPORTED BY 21 COUNCILLORS):

that the budget-related policies **be approved** and implemented with effect from 1 July 2026.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL :**CFO****TARGET DATE FOR IMPLEMENTATION :****1 JULY 2026**

THE MEETING STOOD DOWN AT 11:21 TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC AND OFFICIALS TO LEAVE THE BANQUETING HALL

THE MEETING RESUMED AT 11:31

4.7

WRITING OFF OF IRRECOVERABLE DEBT

This item was distributed under separate cover.

In terms of Section 20(1) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, No 32 of 2000, read with Rule 17 of the Overstrand Municipality's By-law on Rules of Order for Internal Arrangements, this item was considered "in committee".

The resolutions under this item shall be minuted in a separate minute book in terms of section 20(1) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, No 32 of 2000 read with Rule 17 of the Overstrand Municipality's By-law on Rules of Order for Internal Arrangements.

The meeting adjourned at 11:38

DATE

THE SPEAKER – G COHEN

BUDGET SPEECH – EXECUTIVE MAYOR – ALD ARCHIE KLAAS – 29 MAY 2026

Speaker of Council, Alderman Grant Cohen; Municipal Manager – Dr Dean O’Neill; Deputy Executive Mayor - Alderman Elnora Gillion; Members of the Budget Steering Committee (BSC), the Members of the Mayoral Committee (MMCs), the Finance Portfolio Committee[DL1.1], all Finance related committees, All Directors, the Staff from the Budget Office and Strategic Services for the IDP; the Proportional Representative (PR) Councillors; Ward Councillors; Ward Committee Members present; the public; the Media and all those who can hear my voice. Please receive my warm greetings. Molweni. Goeie dag.

Acting CFO El mari Wassernann accepted our call to come help us during the hard time. The Executive Mayor of Swellendam Municipality agreed to the request. Thank you so much. The Finance team, thank you for walking this journey with us and the Municipal Manager. It has been one of the most challenging Budgets to put around. The last-minute announcement by the MPC of the South African Reserve Bank just had to take away our peaceful sleep yesterday and turn our morning upside down! Balancing a Budget within so many moving fiscal elements, is no child’s play! Is nie maklik nie! Akukho lula! Yet God has carried us thus far.

Thank you God! Dankie Here! Enkosi Thixo!

According to an S&P Global Market Report of April 2026, growth forecasts for 2026 and 2027 have been lowered for most economies while GDP contractions are expected in many of Europe’s largest economies, including Germany, France, Italy and the UK. S&P has also revised inflation expectations upwards not only as a result of higher energy prices, but also broadening price pressure as reflected in producer price data. Regardless of whether a deal is struck between the US and Iran, it will take months for oil production and supply to normalize. The impact of the war is already reflected in the cost of fuel, transport and food for South Africans which is weakening spending power. The South African economy is also exposed to US trade tariffs and the overall negative GDP impact of tariffs is estimated at around 0.2%.

Speaker, the compilation of the Budget comes at a time when the impact of the war is already reflected in the cost of fuel, transport and food for South Africans which is weakening spending power. The South African economy is also exposed to US trade tariffs and the overall negative GDP impact of tariffs is estimated at around 0,2%. Can you believe it that few steps from here, the United States Ambassador to South Africa, Leo Brent Bozell III? The South African economy is exposed to all the global macro-economic uncertainties. The Minister of Finance recently announced in his Budget Speech that the GDP growth forecasts were adjusted downwards and are projected at 1.6% in 2026 and 1.8% in 2027.

The South African economy is further constrained by high debt levels with rising borrowing costs. Accordingly, the fiscal pressure on local municipalities and the risk of

reduced grant allocations remains a stark reality. The South African Reserve Bank's inflation forecasts are set to be 3.4% in 2026, 3.3% in 2027 with a further decline to 3.2% projected for 2028. The South African Reserve Bank (SARB) Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) increased the repo rate by 25 basis points to 7%, with the prime lending rate increasing to 10,5%. This rate hike, effective 29 May 2026, was driven by mounting inflation risks.

Speaker, infrastructure development, economic development and job creation continue to shape our priorities. The finance, insurance and business services are the largest contributor to our GDP, accounting for 32.2% of real GDP of R6,3 Billion in 2023. With the 2nd largest sector being manufacturing, contributing R902 Million (accounting for 14.2%). Overstrand has maintained a very strong and positive trade balance with exports amounting to R1,1 Billion compared to imports of only R154,5 Million with the Top 3 export destinations being Hong Kong, the United Arab Emirates and Taiwan. Having Hong Kong Consulate to have offices in our area is worth considering if we want to further improve our export growth!

Speaker, in the current economic climate, consumer spending is constrained and the ability of households to pay for municipal services is a real threat to sustainability. This, coupled with reduced fiscal transfers, in real terms, must be managed through optimal revenue collection and spending efficiencies without compromising on the quality of our service delivery. Whilst we have noted concerns and a public outcry that municipal tariff increases are above inflation, it is important to understand the concept that municipal cost drivers are different and therefore the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is not representative of increases in municipal cost.

Employee related costs, which represent roughly 30.7% of the total budget has seen an increase of 7.2% which has been agreed upon at national bargaining council level. Electricity bulk purchases representing about 27% of total operating expenditure has increased by 9.01%.

Speaker, before I turn to the new Budget and tariffs for the next financial year, allow me to briefly reflect on our Budget preparation process. And in particular the comments, objections and representations received after the tabling of the Draft Budget on 31 March 2026.

Speaker, we have held public meetings in all our wards where the Budget was discussed, and the community was afforded the opportunity to submit comments on the Draft Budget and the Draft IDP by no later than 30 April 2026. A total of 44 written budget comments were received by the closing date. And these were all subsequently considered by the Budget Steering Committee (BSC). The comments and objections were in the main focussing on the proposed tariff increases, the affordability of the municipal bill, electricity tariffs, baboon management, etc.

Speaker, I have already alluded to the cost drivers impacting on the municipal tariffs. And wish to further emphasize that an important consideration in compiling the Budget was to ensure cost reflective tariffs, while at the same time limiting the increases to soften the blow on our consumers and the community at large. We have an Indigent Support programme in terms of which households with an income of less than 4 times the old age SASSA grant plus R1 will qualify for a basket of free basic services consisting of 70kwh of electricity, 10kl of water, 7kl of wastewater and free refuse removal services. With regards to electricity tariffs, it must be noted that the Overstrand Municipality's tariffs are informed by a detailed cost of supply study as required by the regulatory body NERSA and the proposed increase is based on a phasing in of the cost of supply study. The primary aim of the cost of supply study is to ensure fair apportionment of costs among the different categories of consumers while ensuring cost reflective tariffs.

In respect of the comments received on the baboon management programme, I can confirm that the current baboon management programme has been extended until January 2027 and the Municipality will engage Cape Nature as part of the review of the baboon management programme. This review process will allow for public participation before a final decision is taken. In addition to the comments and objections received from the public, the Provincial Treasury also conducted an assessment of the Budget and IDP. The full report is included in the Budget report.

FINAL BUDGET 2026/2027

A The budget for the 2026/2027 financial year:

1. The budgeted Revenue, excluding Capital Grants received, amounts to R2,092 Billion.
2. The budgeted Operational Expenditure amounts to R2,199 Billion – this includes non-cash items like depreciation.
3. The Capital budget amounts to R242,5 Million. It is to be used for very specific Capital projects.

B. Employee and Councillor related remuneration. In the Budget, a provision of R690,4 Million is made for employee related costs and the remuneration of Councillors. This is 31.39% of the total operating expenditure and is within the National Treasury norm of 25 – 40%. The proposed increase in the salary budget is 4,75% and a further 2.4% average for notch increases have also been provided for. Staff vacancies are still frozen and may only be filled following a motivation to the Municipal Manager.

Overtime - The overtime budget has increased over the past few years, in comparison with the salary budget increases for various reasons including disasters, demolishing illegal structures and other law enforcement related functions. The municipality is currently implementing controls to contain spending on overtime including monthly monitoring and reporting on stand-by and overtime.

C. Before announcing the new tariffs on services for the next financial year, we need to provide background on the cost of rendering services. With regards to electricity, our total expenditure (including overheads) is R803,6 Million and our income R839,8 Million

which allows for a surplus of R36,3 Million or a surplus margin of only 4.32% which is decreasing over the MTREF. In the case of water, our expenditure is R211,4 Million against an income of R245,1 Million resulting in a surplus margin of 13.77% or R33,8 Million. Wastewater management are now reflecting a surplus of 6.63%. This is an improvement directly attributable to improved efficiencies and the acquisition of critical vehicles for the sewerage tanker service.

The budgeted income amounts to R165,5 Million with the expenditure budget at R154,5 Million. Waste management, is projected to realize a surplus of R16,2 Million or 10.9% with a total income of R149,3 Million against an expenditure of R133 Million.

D. We now deal with the tariffs for the next financial year. The Final Budget for 2026/27 Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure Forecast (MTREF), provides for tariffs increases for the respective municipal services ranging between 5% and 9%, the details as follows:-

- Property Rates: 5% (applied as a percentage increase in the cent in the Rand based on the property valuation from 0.004988 to 0.005237 for residential properties)
- Water: 5% • Sewerage: 5% • Refuse Removal: 5% Electricity tariffs, Electricity increases for 2026/27 was originally recommended at an average revenue increase of 8.5% and applied in conjunction with the 3rd phase of cost reflective CoS tariffs for the respective brackets of the Inclining Block Tariffs, basic charges and capacity charges. Electricity increases at various tariffs for the different usage components.

An important principle of the CoS tariffs will be the option for individual consumers to migrate to, or to choose the most cost-effective capacity charge tariff, allowing consumers to manage this portion of electricity costs, as well as consumption levels, which are already managed by the consumer. Following a public participation and in response to public comments regarding affordability tariffs, the increase in the capacity charge was significantly reduced from 65% to 20%. The electricity revenue and expenditure projections will be closely monitored throughout the 2026/27 financial year to ensure that sustainable electricity provision is achieved.

Sundry tariffs will increase with 5%, unless circumstances indicate either a lesser Increase, or cost reflective tariff, or alternatively a punitive tariff level. Availability charges are needed to ensure that the fixed costs to have a 365-day operational service and networks in place to provide a service to every property across the Overstrand at any time that the service is required and at the capacity and place where it is needed.

Improved Additional relief to vulnerable groups. As part of the drive to protect the vulnerable and to provide some form of relief to the poor, the municipality has considered the following:

- Owners of residential properties with a total municipal valuation below R350 000 (Three hundred and fifty thousand Rand). This will in effect mean that no property rates will be payable on residential properties with a total municipal valuation up to R350 000

(Three hundred and fifty thousand Rand). Please note that vacant properties do not qualify for this relief. The following rebates on Property Rates will also be maintained: -

- i. A rebate of R15 000 on the rateable value of on all residential properties is awarded.
- ii. An additional rebate of R35 000 on improved residential properties is awarded.
- iii. i. A further 20% rebate on the calculated property rates as calculated, if improved properties are used for residential purposes only.[DL2.1]

E. Division of Revenue Allocation (DORA) grants have been published and are therefore receivable from the National and/or Provincial Governments in total R304,8 Million, thus a decreased allocation in comparison with the final budget allocations published for the 2025/2026 final budget a year ago (R368.4 Million). The allocations are as follows:

NATIONAL EQUITABLE SHARE	188,321,000
FMG	1,900,000
EPWP	2,062,000
MIG	26,568,000
INEP	30,139,000
WATER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT	26,242,000
	275,232,000
PROVINCIAL RESOURCE FUNDING FOR ESTABLISH & SUPPORT K9 UNIT	4,473,000
RESOURCE FUNDING FOR ESTABLISH LE REACTION UNIT	4,516,000
HUMAN SETTLEMENTS DEVELOPMENT GRANT	5,957,000
INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS UPGRADING PARTNERSHIP GRANT	3,000,000
CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE	140,000
COMMUNITY LIBRARY SERVICES GRANT	9,288,000
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKERS	78,000
TITLE DEEDS RESTORATION GRANT	250,000
MUN FIRE SERVICES CAPACITY SUPPORT GRANT	1,025,000
THUSONG SERVICE CENTRES GRANT	150,000
REGIONAL SOCIO- ECONOMIC PROJECTS (RSEP)	700,000
	29,577,000
TOTAL (NATIONAL & PROVINCIAL)	304,809,000

It is important to note that these amounts consist of both operational and capital budget transfers. MIG, INEP, Water Infrastructure grants and a portion of the Housing grant are examples of capital grants.

H. CAPITAL BUDGET. The Overstrand Capital budget amounts to R242.5m for 2026/27. The capital programme is funded from national and provincial grants and transfers, public contributions and donations, borrowing and internally generated funds from previous year surpluses. For 2026/27, capital transfers total R91.6 million. Borrowing

has been provided at R101.1 million (inclusive of rollover borrowing) and internally generated funding totalling R49.8 million. For 2026/27 an amount of R166,9m has been appropriated for the development of services infrastructure which represents 68.8 per cent of the total capital budget of R242.5m –

- Water infrastructure has the highest allocation at R74.8m in 2026/27, which equates to 44.9 per cent of the basic services infrastructure allocation,
- followed by electricity at 39 per cent, R65.1m,
- wastewater management 13.9 per cent, R23.3m and
- waste management allocation at 2.2 per cent, R3.7m.

Over the 3-year MTREF, the capital housing grant expenditure relating to housing infrastructure provision amounts to R80.7m. While the preparation of this budget has been a daunting task, the truly critical work now lies ahead – the implementation. It is through implementation that we will fulfil our constitutional mandate and the high standard of service delivery our community expect. It is incumbent upon all of us to redouble our efforts, to work with diligence and unity, and to continuously improve so that this budget translates into tangible progress for the people we serve.

ENKOSI! BAIE DANKIE! THANK YOU!