

SECTION I INTRODUCTION

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The preparation of an Integrated Development Plan is a legal requirement in terms of the Municipal Systems Act (Act 32 of 2000). The IDP is a strategic instrument that guides and informs all planning, budgeting, management and decision making in the municipality. The Mogale City Local Municipality (LM) has successfully completed the first round of the review of its Integrated Development Plan (IDP) in terms of the Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000).

The first stage of review was in response to the Department of Local Government and Development Planning assessment of the Mogale City Integrated Development Plan (IDP). The MEC raised a number of comments with regard to the structure and the content of the IDP document. The comments were discussed in depth and addressed during the subsequent IDP review process.

Another phase of the process entailed both internal and external review and input. In this regard the various departments monitored and evaluated their work and reported back on progress made, deviations and improvements. In addition, Road Shows were conducted as part of the review process. The aim of the latter was to inform and report back to the communities on the IDP. They also provided a forum to consult communities on the performance of the municipality. All the information, consultation and feedback sessions were effective and informative. The outcomes were noted and taken into consideration in the review process.

A third phase of the process also included both vertical and horizontal alignment of the IDP with the District and provincial departments. A workshop was convened by the Mogale City Local Municipality where the District and Provincial Departments participated.