

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

[By Municipal Manager]

The Municipal Systems Act 2000 introduced the IDP processes of district and local municipalities, through which the IDPs are developed.

In order to deepen local democracy, participatory planning through ward committees, and other stakeholders need to be enhanced.

Umjindi Municipality has compiled its IDP document using the community based planning process for the following reasons:

- To improve the quality of plans
- To improve the quality of services
- To improve the community's control over development
- To provide useful information in guiding the IDP and satisfies the requirement for participation of the MSA, 2000.

The IDP document produced through the CBP is user-friendly, specific and implementable. The commitment of Councillors, Ward Committees and Administration is commendable.

The priorities identified during IDP process will then be budgeted for 2008/2009 financial year, thus improving services delivering to the community of Umjindi Municipality.

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