



Overview of projects implemented in the 2020/2021 financial year



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Our Vision

An innovative municipality that aims to improve the quality of life of communities through integrated planning.

Our Mission

- To promote shared services and capacity building in local municipalities.
- To promote effective community and stakeholder management.
- To promote social and economic development.
- To utilize available resources economically and effectively.

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List of abbreviations

COGHSTA	-	Cooperative Governance, Human Settlement & Traditional Affairs
DMPT	-	District Municipal Planning Tribunal
DORA	-	Division of Revenue Act
EHP	-	Environmental Health Practitioner
EPWP	-	Expanded Public Works Programme
FBDM	-	Frances Baard District Municipality
FTE	-	Full-time Equivalent
GIS	-	Geographic Information System
HSSP	-	Human Settlement Sector Plans
LED	-	Local Economic Development
MHS	-	Municipal Health Services
MOU	-	Memorandum of Understanding
NCTA	-	Northern Cape Tourism Association
NDOT	-	National Department of Transport
O&M	-	Operation and Maintenance
RISFSA	-	Road Infrastructure Strategic Framework for South Africa
RRAMS	-	Rural Roads Asset Management System
SDF	-	Spatial Development Framework
SMME	-	Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises

This document reflects the work performed by the Frances Baard District Municipality for the 2020/2021 financial year.

It outlines the key projects for the district municipality, with specific emphasis on infrastructure, environmental health, disaster management, firefighting, housing, local economic development, tourism, spatial planning and geographic information systems (GIS).

Operation and Maintenance (O&M)

Funding to the value of R10m was allocated for the operation and maintenance programme for the 2020/21 financial year. In January 2021, Council approved a further R6,5m towards O&M projects, bringing the total to R16.5m for the 2020/21 financial year. Dikgatlong, Magareng and Phokwane received R1,5 million each and Sol Plaatje an additional R2 million. The following is a summary of the expenditure on operation and maintenance projects and activities:

Project description	Budget (R ‘000)	Actual expenditure (R ‘000)	Labour *			Project status
			M	F	D	
Dikgatlong Municipality						
Maintenance of electrical infrastructure	4,000	192	0	0	0	Repairing and replacement of electrical cabling.
Maintenance of streets & stormwater		2,178	0	0	0	Lease of yellow fleet.
Maintenance of waste water infrastructure		0	0	0	0	No claims submitted under this project.
Maintenance of water infrastructure		1,630	0	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trucks hired to deliver clean water to communities.• EPWP workers cleaned the water purification site.
TOTAL	4,000	4,000	0	0	0	

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Above: EPWP team repairing the fence at the Dikgatlong Water Treatment Plant.

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			M	F	D	
Magareng Municipality						
Maintenance of electrical infrastructure	4,000	97	0	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointment of a service provider for the repair of the transformer. • Acquired electrical appliances and material.
Maintenance of streets & stormwater		1,039	0	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patching of some potholes and road maintenance.
Maintenance of waste water infrastructure		991	0	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointment of service provider for the refurbishment of the N12 sewer pump station and the wastewater treatment works for a period of 3 months.
Maintenance of water infrastructure		1,873	0	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of chemicals for purification of water of the water pump station. • Installation of a fence was around the water pump station.
TOTAL	4,000	4,000	0	0	0	
Phokwane Municipality						
Maintenance of electrical infrastructure		479	0	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cherry picker fixed • Electrical vehicles fixed • Electrical material purchased.
Maintenance of streets & stormwater		670	0	0	0	The grader operated Phokwane during the second quarter.

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			M	F	D	
Phokwane Municipality						
Maintenance of waste water infrastructure	4,000	203	0	0	0	The following equipment/ vehicles had breakdowns and the FBDM carried the cost of repairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The sewerage honey sucker;• A service delivery truck; and• The main sewer pipeline in Jan Kempdorp burst
Maintenance of water infrastructure		2,648	0	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acquired water chemicals for the treatment of water at the Jan Kempdorp treatment works.• The pumps at the Hartswater and Jan Kempdorp treatment works were down and the LM sourced a service provider for the repairs of the pumps.
TOTAL	4,000	4,000	0	0	0	
Sol Plaatje Municipality						
Maintenance of electrical infrastructure	4,500	0	0	0	0	No claims under this project.
Maintenance of streets and stormwater		1,106	0	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The grader operated in Ritchie for two weeks.• FBDM paid claims for the maintenance of roads in Kimberley. This includes patching of potholes and rehabilitation of roads around Kimberley.
Maintenance of waste water infrastructure		4,084	0	0	0	The removal of UDS bags in Platfontein is a continuous project. No claims received to date.
Maintenance of water infrastructure		416	0	0	0	No claims received.
TOTAL	4,500	4,500	0	0	0	

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Rural Roads Asset Management System

The purpose of the grant as stated in the Division of Revenue Act (DORA) is to assist municipalities in setting up their rural road asset management systems. Through this programme, the extent and condition of all municipal streets are determined and reported to be used for planning for upgrading, refurbishment and maintenance of roads. The road and traffic data are collected in line with the Road Infrastructure Strategic Framework for South Africa (RISFSA). For the 2020/21 financial year, the district municipality received an allocation of R2,5m for the implementation of the RRAMS in the district.

Project description	Budget (R '000)	Actual expenditure (R '000)	Labour *			Project status
			M	F	D	
Rural Roads Asset Management System	2,543	1,503	0	0	0	This was a 3-year project, and it was successfully completed.
TOTAL	2,543	1,183	0	0	0	

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Above: Installation of steel reinforcement for concrete works at the Water Treatment Plant in Barkly West.

Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP)

We received an EPWP incentive grant of R1,1m from the Department of Public Works & Infrastructure for the 2020/21 financial year. The incentive grant agreement was conditionally granted based on the minimum of 14 full time equivalents (FTE) and a planned 50 work opportunities are created. All 50 of the work opportunities were created amounting to an FTE score of 30.17 (215,47% over-achievement). The following projects were implemented within the district:

Youth Entrepreneurship Development Programme (YEDP)

This programme is meant to capacitate youth graduates in career development and additionally offer workplace experience and enhance professionalism. This is an ongoing programme and we currently employ a total of 11 graduate interns in the sections, Local Economic Development (LED), Performance Management Systems (PMS) and Tourism for the 2020/21 financial year. Graduates are delegated supervised work-related tasks which improve workflow of the municipality and gain competency in carrying out tasks. To date the YEDP has generated 19 work opportunities, which translates into 9.56 FTE points achieved for the 2020/21 financial year.

Operation and maintenance of municipal amenities - Magareng Local Municipality

The works performed on this project include the maintenance of roads and stormwater structures within the road reserve including, grass cutting, fencing, cleaning/clearing of blocked stormwater structures, clearing of the vacuum sewer system, and general cleaning and clearing of municipal cemetery using labour intensive work methods. A total of 21 work opportunities was created, amounting to a FTE score of 16.03.

Operation and maintenance of municipal amenities - Dikgatlong Local Municipality

This project includes works in the maintenance of basic infrastructure services, including water reticulation, sanitation and dams, bolder and rock removal and clearing of illegal dumping sites using manual labour as well as other municipal amenities. The project is based in Dikgatlong Local Municipality, and the commencement was delayed due to community unrest. This project commenced on 18 January 2021. Currently this project employs 10 EPWP participants creating a total of 4.57 FTEs and generating a total expenditure of R 102 215.00, which is 34.07% of the total budget. The under expenditure is due to delayed start of the project and the remaining funds was used with the two remaining projects.



Right: Replacement of fence at Barkly West Water Treatment Works

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EPWP Projects						
Youth Entrepreneurship Development Programme	501	687	3	16	0	The project has been progressing well with the last intake of interns started in November 2020.
Operation & maintenance of municipal amenities – Magareng	300	102	6	4	0	In January 2021 the employees received contract extensions which will ensure the successful completion of the remaining works
Operation & maintenance of municipal amenities – Dikgatlong	300	369	8	13	0	Commencement date was delayed to January 2021 due to community unrest. Despite the delay operations was able to resume to complete remaining works.
TOTAL	1,101	1,156	17	33	0	



The EPWP teams who worked on the repairs at the Barkly West Water Treatment Works

Housing

Human Settlement Sector Plans (HSSP)

We did not to review the HSSP for the 2020/21 financial year as the plan for 2019/20 was only approved in June 2020 and was not yet fully implemented. The Covid-19 lockdown has presented some challenges.

Subsidy Administration

No subsidy administration has been taking place due to an IT problem that caused connection problems. This meant that the HSS forms could not be captured on the server. COGHSTA has in the meantime captured the forms on another server and will arrange for training to be provided to administrators using the new route of capturing. The roll-out of the training has unfortunately been delayed due to Covid-19.



Above: Bufferzone 220 project in Barkly West. The service provider was completing snags of 50 houses.

Environmental Health

Municipal health services at local municipalities

The district municipality renders municipal health services (MHS) in three of the local municipalities, namely Phokwane, Magareng and Dikgatlong. The municipality has entered into an MOU with Sol Plaatje Municipality in order for the local municipality to render MHS in its area of jurisdiction on behalf of FBDM. The appointment of an adequate number of Environmental Health Practitioners (EHPs) remains a challenge, as the National Environmental Health Norms and Standards prescribes a ration of 1: 10 000.

Combating Covid-19 pandemic

The Covid-19 pandemic is having a devastating effect on human health and the economy globally. The municipality responded to the call of the President that municipalities must implement measures to mitigate the spread of the virus. The municipality have procured protective clothing for the emergency and front-line workers who were involved in the decontamination of public spaces, taxi-ranks, hospitals, clinics and offices of sector departments. Facial masks, antibacterial soap and sanitisers were also distributed to vulnerable communities in the district. The municipality allocated R1m to the fight against the pandemic, of which R337,292 was spent in the 2020/21 financial year.

Awareness campaigns

Various awareness campaigns were held in the district to sensitise the communities on the symptoms and preventative measures to curb the spread of the virus. We continue to put emphasis on the importance of wearing facial masks, practicing social distancing and washing and sanitising of hands. Communities are also trained on how to wash their hands effectively with water and soap. The Department of Water and Sanitation also installed storage tanks in the communities which were daily filled with clean drinking water. Antibacterial soap and sanitisers were also distributed amongst the communities to curb the spread of the virus.



Above: EHPs overseeing a Covid-19 funera. Right: An EHP conducting health education for SANDF staff members in Jan Kempdorp on Covid-19 precautionary measures.

Disaster management and firefighting

Contingency Fund

An amount of R633,316 was spent from the contingency fund to assist destitute families within the Phokwane, Magareng and Dikgatlong local municipalities for the financial year. The contingency fund expenditure incurred per local municipality for the year is as follows:

- Phokwane R393,320 (28 indigent households were assisted);
- Dikgatlong R72,260 (15 indigent households were assisted); and
- Magareng R 167,739 (12 indigent household were assisted)

Volunteer training

No training took place, however, meetings were held with the disaster management volunteers three local municipalities, namely Dikgatlong, Magareng and Phokwane. The purpose of the meetings were to update the volunteers on identified risks and to update their Level 1 and Level 3 First Aid training.

The establishment of a satellite fire station in the Phokwane local area

A service provider was appointed to design the fire engine bays at Jan Kempdorp. Final designed sketches were submitted before the architects could finalise the plans, which must be submitted the Phokwane Municipality for approval. The service provider prepared the tender documents for the project. It is planned that the construction phase will commence in January 2022.

Review of the District Disaster Management Plan and framework

A service provider was appointed to review the District Disaster Management Plan and Framework, and Disaster Management Plan for the Dikgatlong Local Municipality. The project was successfully completed. The process included the following steps

- Consultation process with community members.
- Community based risk assessment.
- Current reality assessment, risk, vulnerability and hazards.
- Review of the District Disaster Management Framework; and
- Develop climates change adaptation strategies.



Left: Decontamination of the Department of Home Affairs offices in Barkly West.

Local Economic Development

SMME Capacitation Programme

Small enterprises are underdeveloped and appropriate support is needed so that these enterprises can play a larger role in the economic activity of the district. Despite SMME funding and access to finance as major hindrances to their development, they also suffer from poor business and management skills which are a result of lack of adequate training and education which has resulted in a high rate of business failures. To address this challenge the district municipality embarked on a series of SMME skills training and support services interventions aimed at addressing the underlying factors that affect the growth and development of local SMMEs. One such programme is the skills training and early stage support for identified SMMEs operating within the Frances Baard District Municipality. The programme was aimed at responding to the specific needs of SMEs combined with coaching and mentorship programmes.

Entrepreneurship Week

The Frances Baard District Municipality (FBDM) and its local municipalities hosted the annual Small Business Week from 16 - 20 November 2020. The entrepreneurship week serves as a platform to reflect on the state of entrepreneurship in the district and to encourage entrepreneurship, especially among our young people. The district municipality has identified the need to provide opportunities for small businesses to access available opportunities, hence the creation of the Small Business Week to coincide with the Global Entrepreneurship Week.

Machinery and Equipment Grant

The purpose of the machinery and equipment grant is to support small businesses with machinery and equipment that can improve their business productivity and efficiency. The grant is an initiative by the municipality to develop enterprises by improving their efficiency and productivity. the district municipality handed over machinery and equipment to the eight SMMEs who met all the requirements of the Machinery and Equipment Support Grant. The district municipality received more than 290 applications.

Right: On 30 September 2020 the district municipality handed over machinery and equipment to the eight SMMEs who responded to all the requirements of the Machinery and Equipment Support Grant



Tourism

N12 promotion

The annual N12 promotion campaign was hosted in partnership with NCTA and Magareng Municipality from 16 – 18 December at the Phumla petrol station (Warrenton) and Shell Ultra City (Kimberley).

The campaign was launched in 2013 to encourage summer holiday visitors to travel via the Northern Cape Province en-route to their travel destinations and to create awareness of the tourism products on offer along the N12 national road.

Right: Visitors passing through Kimberley completed a visitor register at the Shell Ultra City on the N12 route from Johannesburg



Tourism awareness campaign

FBDM in partnership with Sol Plaatje Municipality, MLab and the Northern Cape Innovation Forum hosted a tourism tech savvy workshop in June 2021. The aim of the workshop was to empower tourism SMMEs with digital skills development and introduce

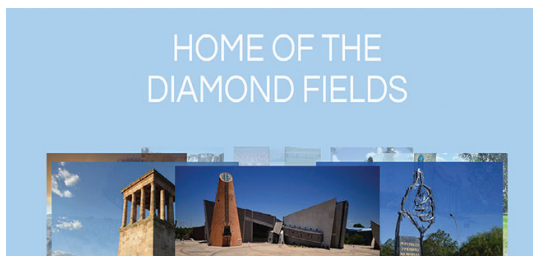
Right: Attendees of the workshop represented various tourism business owners such as guesthouses, tour guides, travel facilitators, arts & crafts and travel agents.



business technologies that can improve business productivity and business data management.

Tourism website

The tourism website of the district municipality was revamped internally, in partnership with the ICT unit. The site was re-designed with a new layout and went live in December 2020. The tourism website can be visited at www.visitdiamondfields.co.za.



Left: The tourism website homepage.

Spatial Planning

District Municipal Planning Tribunal

In the 2020/21 financial year the tribunal received and processed 24 land development applications for Magareng, Dikgatlong and Phokwane local municipalities. The DMPT is operational without any challenges.

Phokwane Infill Development

The district municipality is assisted Phokwane local municipality with infill development on erven 51280 and 21950 in Valspan, Jan Kempdorp. The project involved closure of the public open space, subdivision, re-zoning, and a cadastral survey of 39 erven. The approval by the District Municipal Planning Tribunal (DMPT) and submission to the Surveyor-General for approval and registration will be concluded in the 2021/22 financial year. The delay in appointment of the environmentalist by Phokwane Municipality delayed the project.



Above: Proposed layout plan on on erven 51280 & 21950 Valspan, Jan Kempdorp.

Frances Baard District Municipality Spatial Development Framework (SDF) review

The district municipality completed the review process of the 2014 spatial development framework in compliance with the provisions of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act (SPLUMA) 2013, Municipal System Act of 2000 and the Department of Agriculture Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) SDF Guidelines of 2017. The spatial development framework is a policy framework that guides the desired spatial form, spatial direction for the development and land use management within the district.

Spatial Development Framework Review Workshop.

The district municipality assisted Magareng local municipality with the review of its 2014 spatial development framework. The project was partly completed and will be finalised in the second quarter of the 2021/22 financial year.

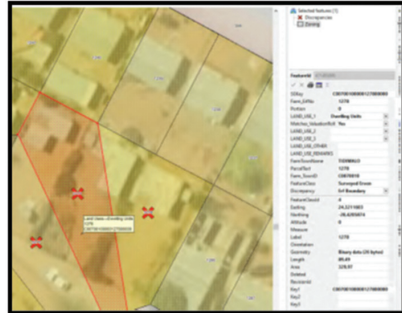


Right: The review of the Magareng SDF during a public participation program at the Warrenton library hall.

Geographic Information System (GIS)

Land Use Survey for Dikgatlong Municipality

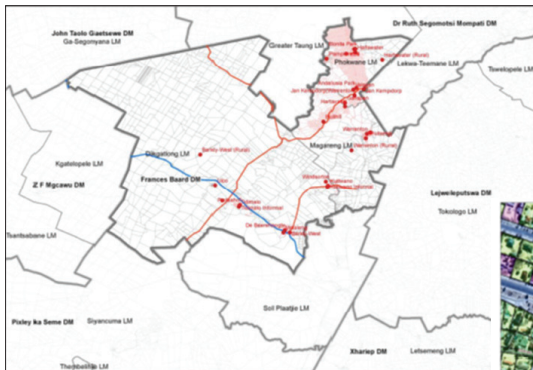
This project was initially planned for implementation in the 2019/20 financial year but due to delays in the appointment of a service provider, as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, implementation was only accomplished in the 2020/21 financial year. Through the project certain elements of the scheme was assessed which were not covered in the original study. The project was successfully completed with all deliverables and reports received. The budget for the project was R390,000.



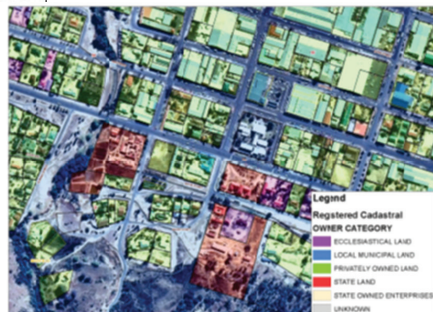
An illustration of erf boundary discrepancies flagged that cuts through the building structures.

Land Audit and cadastral update for Frances Baard District

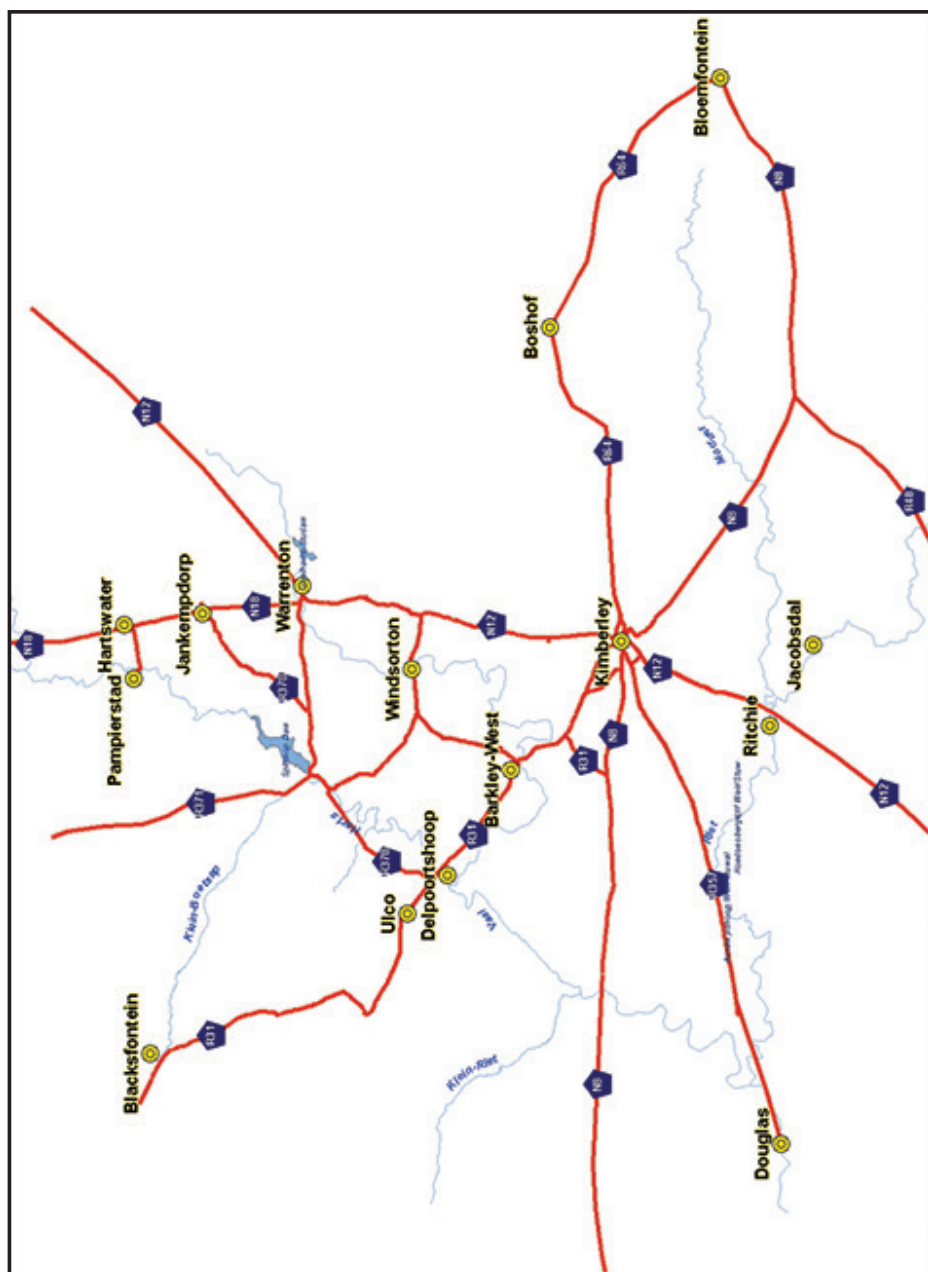
In order for local municipalities to effectively perform their municipal functions they need to have access to a spatial register of all properties that lie within their municipal area. The spatial register is populated by conducting a land audit to create cadastral datasets and an updated property ownership list. The district municipality conducted the land audit and cadastral updates to establish land ownership and to determine whether disposed properties have been properly transferred. The land audit was completed to schedule and all deliverables together with the close-out report was received. The budget for the project was R500,000.



Above: Overview map indicating the focus areas in the project implementation.



Right: Representation of the land parcels categorised according to their property ownership.



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