
MEDIA STATEMENT

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POST-COUNCIL STATEMENT - POLKWANE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL APPROVES 2025/26 IDP/BUDGET AND KEY SERVICE DELIVERY INSTRUMENTS TO DRIVE DEVELOPMENT

Polokwane Municipality, at its Council sitting held on Friday, 30 May 2025, adopted a series of critical instruments aimed at enhancing the City's development trajectory and improving service delivery across communities. Key among these was the approval of the **2025/26 Medium-Term Revenue and Expenditure Framework (MTREF) Budget**, the **2025/26 Integrated Development Plan (IDP)**, and the **2025/26 budget** of the **Polokwane Housing Association**.

The adopted MTREF budget amounts to **R6.4 billion** and will be officially unpacked by the Executive Mayor, Cllr. Makoro John Mpe, during the **2025 State of the City Address**, scheduled for **Thursday, 05 June 2025** at **Jack Botes Hall**.

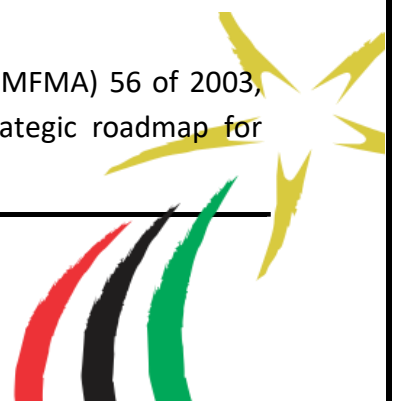
2025/26 FINAL BUDGET AND RELATED POLICIES

The Council, acting in terms of Section 75A of the Municipal Systems Act (Act 32 of 2000), approved the **2025/26 annual budget** together with its associated policies and tariffs for municipal services, which are set to take effect from **01 July 2025**.

The adoption of the budget is supported by recommendations from the Audit and Performance Audit Committee, which confirmed that the municipality's financial position, including its cash flow, reserves, asset management and service delivery targets, is sound and within compliance parameters. Furthermore, allocations outlined in the 2025 Division of Revenue Bill published on 21 May 2025 have been duly incorporated into the final budget.

2025/26 FINAL INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP)

In line with Section 16(2) of the Municipal Finance Management Act (MFMA) 56 of 2003, Council has also adopted the **2025/26 IDP**, which serves as the strategic roadmap for



development in the municipality. The approved IDP will now be submitted to both the National and Provincial Treasuries as well as the Provincial Department of Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs (CoGHSTA).

OTHER COUNCIL APPROVALS

Council further adopted the following:

- The **2025/26 Corporate Calendar**, which will also be submitted to the relevant oversight departments for review.
- The **Revised 2024/25 Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP)**, aligned to recent budget adjustments.
- Financial reports for the periods ending **31 March 2025** and **30 April 2025**, including revenue performance reports for the same months.

It was resolved that **all Councillors, municipal employees and Ward Committee Members** must fulfil their obligations and ensure that any municipal debt owed is settled. The municipality will take the necessary measures to enforce compliance in this regard, as non-payment undermines service delivery.

STRATEGIC SPORTING PARTNERSHIPS

The Council also considered a report on the strategic partnership with the South African Football Association (SAFA) for the hosting of FIFA international friendly matches at the New Peter Mokaba Stadium. The matches will feature Bafana Bafana vs Tanzania on 06 June 2025 and Bafana Bafana vs Mozambique on 10 June 2025. Council has mandated the City Manager to formalize the partnership with SAFA in this regard. This initiative will boost local tourism, support economic activity and promote the City as a preferred sporting destination.

The approval of the 2025/26 budget and development instruments marks a significant milestone in accelerating the municipality's service delivery mandate and shaping a better future for all residents.



With sound financial governance, strategic partnerships and community-driven planning at the centre of its agenda, the municipality remains focused on delivering sustainable infrastructure, economic opportunities and improved quality of life.

The municipality invites all stakeholders, residents, and partners to join us on 05 June 2025 at Jack Botes Hall for the 2025 State of the City Address, where the Executive Mayor will outline the City's developmental outlook and priorities.

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