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TARIFF POLICY

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PART 1: GENERAL INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVE

As per the Municipal Systems Act nr 32 of 2000 (Section 74) the Council is required to adopt and implement a Tariff Policy.

It is a duty of the District Municipality to implement tariffs as approved by the Council. These tariffs must be reviewed and approved annually as part of the budget processes. The objective of setting these tariffs are to recover all or part of the costs incurred. The District Municipality only has minor tariffs.

PART 2: GENERAL PRINCIPLES

All minor tariffs shall be standardized within the municipal region.

All minor tariffs shall be approved by the council in each annual budget, and shall, when deemed appropriate by the council, be subsidized by general revenues, particularly when the tariffs will prove uneconomical when charged to cover the cost of the service concerned, or when the cost cannot accurately be determined, or when the tariff is designed purely to regulate rather than finance the use of the particular service or amenity.

All minor tariffs over which the municipality has full control, and which are not directly related to the cost of a particular service, shall annually be adjusted at least in line with the prevailing consumer price index, unless there are compelling reasons why such adjustment should not be effected.

The following services shall be considered:

- Property rentals
- Land rentals
- Photocopies and data saving devises
- Tender documents
- Parking fees
- Internal rentals
- Access to information search fees
- Certificate for acceptability – Environmental Health

Market-related rentals shall be levied for the lease of municipal properties unless otherwise specifically approved by Council.