

PROGRAMME 1: ADMINISTRATION

Purpose: The programme provides the political and administrative leadership to the Department in accordance with relevant legislations, regulations and policies and ensures appropriate support service to all other programmes.

The programme's subdivisions are:

- 1. Office of the MEC
- 2. Office of the HOD
- 3. Corporate Services
- 3.1. Human Resource Management
- 3.2. Financial Management
- 3.3. Communication and IT
- 3.4. Legal Services

PROGRAMME 2: INTEGRATED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Purpose: To advance economic growth create an enabling environment for the development and growth of sustainable SMMEs and Cooperatives to ensure contribution on economic growth, job creation and empowerment that prioritise historically disadvantaged groups and individuals in partnership with Stakeholders through:

- 1. Enterprise Development
- 2. Regional and Local Economic Development, and
- 3. Economic Empowerment

The programme's actual intervention services offered to enterprises include Business Turnaround Solutions, the Business Incubation Support Programme, the Empowerment Fund, the Establishment of Trade Markets and Enterprise Information Centres, and Collaborative Events.

PROGRAMME 3: TRADE AND SECTOR DEVELOPMENT

Purpose: To unlock and stimulate economic growth and job creation that is inclusive in the North West province through:

- 1. Conducting a trade study to understand the patterns and dynamics of trade in the province with the findings be used for a positive trade balance and opportunity for further growth.
- 2. Facilitating the implementation of the Sectors' Skills Development and Training Programme in partnership with Private Sector to increasing skilled labour in the province.
- 3. Developing the Trade and Investment Promotion strategy for:
- Attraction of Investment for Economic Growth and to improve investor confidence.
- Promotion of Local Products and Services.
- Diversification of the Economy.
- · Enhancement of Policy Coordination.
- · Identify and Address Trade Barriers.
- Leverage Regional and Global Opportunities.
- Support Small Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMEs)

PROGRAMME 4: BUSINESS REGULATIONS AND GOVERNANCE

Purpose: To create measures that are geared to promote and protect the rights and interests of consumers, effective and efficient regulation of liquor industry and Business Sector in general, and to facilitate the creation of an equitable, socially responsible business environment that allows for predictability and an inclusive economy.

The Programme's mandate is executed through the following sub-programmes, which, among other responsibilities, conduct education and awareness campaigns, regular inspections to enforce adherence to applicable regulations, and adjudicate disputes and complaints arising from regulatory prescripts:

Consumer Protection Office and Consumer Affairs Court.

- 2. Liquor Regulations Directorate and North West Liquor Board.
- 3. Business Regulation Services and North West Business Licensing Board.

PROGRAMME 5. ECONOMIC PLANNING

Purpose: To lead integrated provincial economic planning through evidence based research:

• The programme's core functions include conducting research studies in collaboration with academic institutions, developing a comprehensive economic development plan to guide provincial interventions, and producing economic intelligence reports to inform stakeholders. It also contributes to job creation and establishes strategic partnerships to enhance collaboration with stakeholders. These efforts aim to support enterprise development, drive economic recovery and growth, and mitigate the impact of economic crises on the provincial economy.

PROGRAMME 6: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Purpose: This programme is responsible for contributing to a safe and healthy living environment, within a regulatory framework for promoting sustainable use and the conservation of natural processes and biological diversity. The Programme consists of the following five sub-programmes:

- 1. Environmental Policy, Planning and Coordination
- 2. Compliance and Enforcement
- 3. Environmental Quality Management
- 4. Biodiversity Management
- 5. Environmental Empowerment Services

The objectives of these directorates are – To contribute towards job creation; Implement National Environmental Education and Training Strategy and Action Plan; Build a climate resilient province; Develop Environmental Management Instruments and planning tools for District Municipality Environmental Management Framework; Develop the North West Environment Outlook Report and create awareness on critical issues and trends outlined in the report; Develop the North West Environmental Implementation Plan; Develop Infrastructure Development Plan for provincial World Heritage Sites; Develop and implement the North West Hunting Regulations. Develop and maintain the following Environmental Information Management Systems:

- i) Geographic Information System (GIS).
- ii) The Compliance and Enforcement Tool.
- iii) The North West Integrated Permit Administration System (NW NIPAS).
- iv) The Biodiversity Sector Plan web tool.

PROGRAMME 7. TOURISM

Purpose: To create an enabling legislative and regulatory, policy and strategy environment for tourism development and growth through the following Directorates:

6.1. Tourism Planning and Sector Development

- 6.2. Research and Policy Development
- 6.3. Tourism Sector, Transformations and Education
- 6.4. Tourist Guiding and Regulatory Services
- 6.5. Tourism Growth and Development

The programme's core responsibilities include the development of the Tourist Safety Plan, the Domestic Tourism Strategy, and the North West Provincial Tourism Sector Strategy (PTSS). These strategies are designed to guide and address the following key objectives:

- Driving economic growth and job creation
- · Attracting investment and increasing revenue
- · Developing and marketing unique tourism products
- Improving infrastructure and service delivery
- Promoting sustainability and responsible tourism
- Strengthening crisis preparedness and recovery
- · Aligning with national and global tourism goals

Additional responsibilities include providing oversight of the North West Parks and Tourism Board, conducting tourist guiding compliance inspections, and supporting the development of a skilled and capacitated tourism workforce. This includes training industry participants in customer care, offer grading support to tourism establishments, facilitate the launching of Women in Tourism District Chapters, whose responsibility is to advance business interests and capacitate women within broader tourism industry, and Conduct feasibility study on industries, on how they impact tourism product diversification and eventually job creation.

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North West Development Corporation

Services

The mission of the North West Development Corporation SOC Ltd (NWDC) is to create wealth and facilitate job creation for the people of the North West province.

From its head office situated in Mahikeng and supported by ten regional branches, the NWDC fulfils its economic development mandate through: economic development and infrastructure projects, attracting investment and facilitating trade opportunities, developing and supporting SMMEs and cooperatives, managing its property portfolio, and leveraging strategic partnerships.

The NWDC's operational programmes create a synergy towards fulfilling its vision of promoting trade, attracting investment, and ensuring sustainable inclusive economic growth and transformation in the North West province. The NWDC's programmes are administration, property development and management, SMME development and management, trade and investment facilitation. Its subsidiary is Bojanala Special Economic Zone SOC Ltd.



North West
Parks and Tourism
Board

Services

The North West Parks and Tourism Board (NWPTB) is established by the NWPTB Act 2 of 2022, and registered as a Section 3C state-owned entity reporting to the North West Department of Economic Development, Environment, Conservation and Tourism (DEDECT).

The NWPTB is mandated to manage the 14 protected areas (nature reserves) in North West Province. These include two world renowned reserves, the Pilanesberg and Madikwe Game Reserves. It is also mandated to provide hospitality training conducted in two hotel schools, one in Mahikeng and the other in Taung. The last mandate is tourism destination promotions, where the entity markets the province as a tourist destination to local and international markets.

The vision of the North West Parks and Tourism Board is to create a sustainable biodiversity and tourism economy that creates jobs and protects the environment. Its mission is to uplift the lives of the people of the province through management of state-owned protected areas, for sustainability, and growth of an inclusive biodiversity and tourism economy.



North West Gambling Board

Services

The vision of the North West Gambling Board is to be a leading and socially conscious authority in the regulation of gambling and contribute towards economic growth in the North West Province. The mission of the Board is to provide effective and efficient gambling regulatory services, which contributes to socio-economic development in the North West Province.

The Entity's strategic goal is to regulate business activities in the province to create a conducive legal, business and socio-economic environment.











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