



BEAUFORT WEST MUNICIPALITY

INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN
REVIEW 2004/2005 FOR IMPLEMENTATION 2005/2006

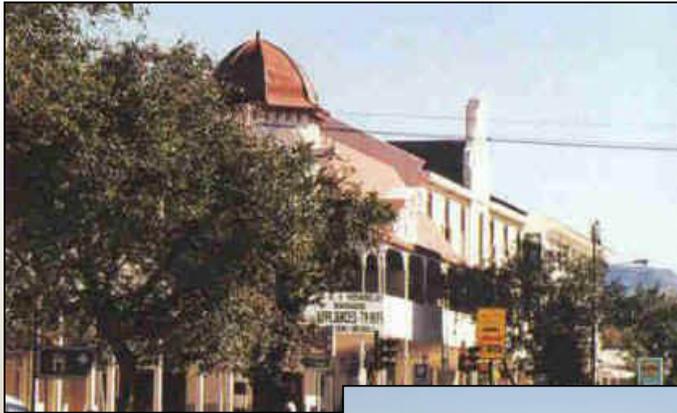


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FOREWORD: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

Beaufort West, the heartland of the Central Karoo, is faced by various challenges and opportunities.

One of the most significant assets of the town is the income potential of the thousands of tourists travelling north-south as there is no other shorter, alternative route.

Other equally significant opportunities are that the Central Karoo District has been identified as a development node (as part of the Integrated Sustainable Rural Development Strategy), the relatively high levels of established infrastructure, as well as dedicated personnel who are adequately skilled to meet the challenges within the municipal area.

Unfortunately, the municipality is also faced with some serious threats to its survival. The non-payment of services is disabling the municipality with regard to its normal functioning. Furthermore, the high level of unemployment has a significant impact on the spending patterns in the town and surrounding areas. Added to the above are the high levels of conflict within the municipality and the immediate environment. Finally, the lack of private sector investment is also impacting adversely on development in the area.

The drafting and utilization of integrated development planning techniques is a statutory obligation for all municipalities as stated by the Municipal Systems Act, 32 of 2000. These Integrated Development Plans (IDP's) are multi-functional and should, with compliance to the requirements stipulated for the drafting of IDP's, render sectoral planning a thing of the past.

I believe that the IDP is the management tool for binding all role-players on a continuous basis. The attainment of goals formulated in the IDP will improve the living quality of all residents within the jurisdiction area. This planning approach gives us the opportunity and the equipment to make the jurisdiction area of Beaufort West Municipality the most progressive in the Central Karoo.

Let us embrace this opportunity. Let us work together to create a better future for us, and our children – we owe this to the broad public.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: MR D.E. WELGEMOED

FOREWORD: MAYOR

"Time is passing.... When will our suffering bear fruit? One great thought can alter the future of the world, one revelation, one dream. But who will dream that dream? And who will make it real?"

The IDP today bears testimony of the fact that, as a community, we dare to dream. That through our tormented past we kept the dream alive. We understood then, as we do now, that the fruit of progress come slowly, one harvest a little richer than the last. Our great thought was freedom, our dream a better life for all. We dream that dream and we have the courage to make it real.

IDP's are a response to the urgent development situation in South Africa which could not be addressed any longer with mirages of the benefits of economic growth, ad hoc projects driven in an uncoordinated and therefore wasteful and unsustainable manner without local ownership and participation. The emphasis on participation must not be based on "romantic" unrealistic and oversimplified notions of communities, but on sensible lessons of rebuilding the civic culture and locking in key stakeholders in the planning process.

Development is not only about large-scale infrastructure projects, wide-reaching income support of high profile health campaigns. For many "real" development happens when people's access to services and opportunities within their own community improves. When they are able to open the door to their own house, drink water that is clean and safe from disease, switch on an electric light and watch their children kick a soccer ball around the community soccer ground.

Council and government are delivering a reconstruction and transformation of public services for sustainable growth and social development. We have had the courage to tackle the poverty and suffering imposed on our people during the long night of apartheid. Our suffering is not over, but we have overcome the despair, the fear, the feeling of powerlessness that was our passed. We have advanced the assault on poverty, inequality and unemployment. It is our measured progress in building houses, bringing water and electricity to villages, immunise children and training the unemployed. That gives our people hope and confidence in our nation's future.

Through the project in the IDP I believe that Beaufort West's economy's potential is infinitely greater. Unleashing this potential requires that we act together as a community. That we embrace the spirit of VUK'UZENZELE, and allow needs, aspirations and interests of our town and economy to shape our respective roles, responsibilities and responses. That we act now, together, energetically to realise the potential of our town. Council alone cannot take responsibility for growth and development. It is a collective responsibility. We need, all of us, to accept that, and commit to a compact that recognizes that the power to make a difference, rests with all of us.

It is my sincere hope that the IDP makes an important contribution to achieving a more caring, more compassionate, more prosperous community. A community with imagination to achieve solidarity, freedom from poverty and human dignity. A community that nurtures its children, that respects and cherish the elderly. A community that draws deeply on its history and the qualities of its struggle-resilience, humility, courage, wisdom, tolerance, assurance and an indomitable spirit of life.

We must preserve for our children the best that we have learned, they are the flower of our struggle.

MAYOR: MR D. SEPTEMBER



BEAUFORT WEST MUNICIPALITY

Introduction

Beaufort West Municipality includes the towns of Beaufort West, Merweville and Nelspoort. The largest town in the district, Beaufort West, serves as the administrative centre of the district. The municipal area has a total population of approximately 37000 residents, most of who are urbanised.

Beaufort West is strategically situated approximately 450 kilometres northwest from Cape Town along the N1 route, which connects Cape Town with cities like Bloemfontein and Johannesburg. The town is also situated on the stretch of the N1 where the N12 converges with the route, adding to the town transport potentials.

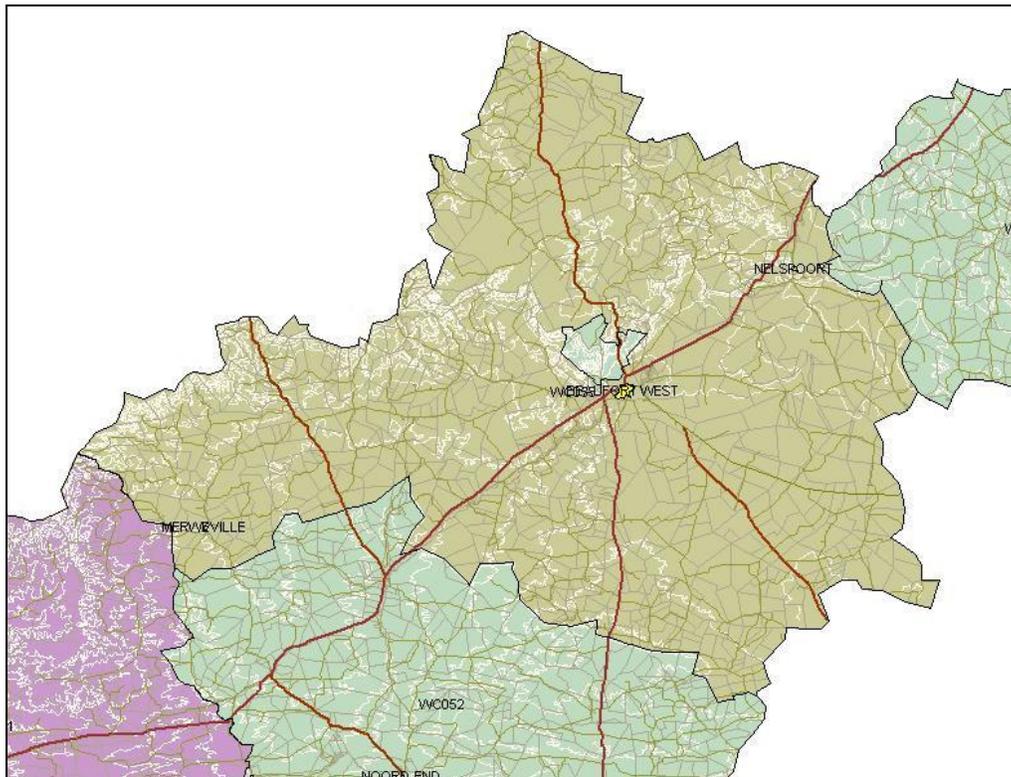


Figure: Beaufort West Municipal Area

The following table indicates the key demographic information for the municipal area, specifically with regard to service delivery and employment (a comprehensive demographic report is available in the 2001 IDP, as well as in the 2004/05 Review Document)¹:

Beaufort West		1996	2001
Population	Total Population	34,694	37,107
	African	5447	5864
	Coloured	24533	27164
	White	4697	4033
	Indians / Other	17	46

¹ Due to the already existing profiles done for the region, this document will not repeat such information. Readers are urged to contact the Central Karoo District Municipality for complete socio-demographic information.

Beaufort West			
		HH	%
Water	Dwelling	5465	60.8%
	Yard	3000	33.4%
	Stand <200m	219	2.4%
	Stand >200m	253	2.8%
Refuse	Weekly	7704	85.7%
	Less Often	25	0.3%
	Communal Dump	85	0.9%
	Own Dump	1152	12.8%
	No Rubbish Disposal	28	0.3%
	Total	8,994	100.0%
Sanitation	Waterborne Sanitation	7461	83.0%
	Tank	698	7.8%
	Chemical Toilet	11	0.1%
	VIP	121	1.3%
	Without Ventilation	105	1.2%
	Bucket	88	1.0%
	None	510	5.7%
	Total	8,994	100.0%
Electricity for Cooking	Electricity	5983	66.5%
	Gas	407	4.5%
	Paraffin	966	10.7%
	Wood	1504	16.7%
	Coal	90	1.0%
		Persons	%
Employment	Employed	7805	54.60%
	Unemployed	5012	35.06%
	Total Labour Force	14295	100.0%
	Not Economically Active	10478	28.20%

This section will focus on the following aspects of Integrated Development Planning within the Beaufort West municipal context:

- Economic Development
- Programmes (ISRDP, Project Consolidate)
- MIG 2004/05, 2005/06
- IDP -Project Registers 2004/05, 2005/06

Economic Development

The 2004 IDP review indicated the following economic potentials for the town:

1. **Agri-business**
 - a) Food gardens
 - b) Food security
 - c) Promote indigenous sheep and pig (empowerment)
 - d) Game farming
2. **Ownership**
 - a) Community and environment
3. **Small enterprise support centre**
4. **Transport**
 - a) Detour through town for heavy vehicles

- b) Servicing of roads and curbing in low density residential areas
- 5. Promotion of land**
 - a) Essential oils
- 6. Abattoir products expansion diversification**
- 7. Integration model, commercial crops production e.g. oils**

Based on these economic potentials, the following key projects are being planned, or have been initiated in the municipal area.

Essential Oils

Beaufort West Hydroponics is a Section 21 Company trading in herbs in Beaufort West. Some of the herbs are grown hydroponically (without soil) for the fresh produce markets while other are grown in soil for the essential oils market. In 2003 the Department of Science and Technology, approved funding for the establishment of an Essential Oils Pilot Project in Beaufort West.



This project is phased over two financial years. Funding for the current financial year was used for the activities outlined below:

- Community alignment, site preparation, infrastructure establishment and a trial planting of 5 cultivars covering 0,5 ha.
- Harvesting of plant material ready for oils extraction for evaluation purposes.
- The analyses of these oils will be used to determine which cultivars are technically and commercially viable in Beaufort West.
- This phase has provided 10 temporary employment opportunities as well as 10 full time job opportunities.

Site Location: Beaufort West
Launching Date: 1 January 2004
Project Cost: R 800 000

Hydroponics

Beaufort West Hydroponics is a Section 21 Company trading in fresh herbs in Beaufort West. Some of the herbs are grown hydroponically (without soil) for the fresh produce market and some are grown in soil for the essential oils market. In 2003 the Department of Science and Technology, in conjunction with the Provincial Government of the Western Cape, approved funding for the expansion of the (pilot) hydroponics facility into a fully-fledged business.



An 18-month pilot project has already been completed. This has proven both the technical and commercial viability of growing herbs hydroponically in Beaufort West. The expansion project is aimed at transferring a full-scale technology-

rich solution into an economically depressed area in order to address a market opportunity, thereby creating at least 80 additional sustainable jobs.

Site Location: Beaufort West
Launching Date: June 2003
Project Cost: R 5 000 000

Abattoir and by-products

This project is designed as an anchor that has a multi-purpose nature that incorporates an abattoir, tannery and leather production. It is anticipated that the abattoir would feed some of its by-products to the tannery and leather projects with raw material for processing and manufacturing of products. The abattoir would be specifically geared for small stock slaughter as well as pigs, cattle, ostriches and various game and should provide employment directly as well as through an additional pre-packaging unit. It is expected that such a facility could achieve premium prices on its meat because of the reputation already built up for Karoo quality mutton and lamb.

The Construction and operation of a multi purpose abattoir would “process” approximately 80 ostriches, 250 livestock and 400 game 100 heads of game per day. By-products would be processed and marketed as a value-adding component to the business. It is estimated that the project would create 60 direct sustainable employment and 25 indirect employment opportunities.

Site Location: Beaufort West
Launching Date: May 2005
Project Cost: R 7 065 000

Leather Products

Poverty, prevalent mostly within rural communities, is a major challenge in South Africa. It denies communities of employment and economic growth. In acknowledging this challenge, the government has listed as two of its imperatives, the need to promote poverty alleviation within communities, and rural development.



Subsequent to the CSIR’s continuous interactions with communities, leather projects have been established in North West and Kwa-Zulu Natal Provinces. During a Rapid Review of selected towns in the Western Cape the CSIR identified the opportunity to establish manufacturing of leather-based products in the Central Karoo.

The communities identified in the Central Karoo include, Beaufort West, Laingsburg and Prince Albert. The former two are situated on the N1 and represent significant tourist stop over points, and the economy of Prince Albert is largely based on tourism. Utilising existing and currently planned structures such as the ‘Arts and Crafts Centres’ will provide significant local sales outlets for the products.

Site Location: Beaufort West and Laingsburg
Launching Date: March 2004
Project Cost: R 4 000 000

Programmes

As mentioned earlier in the document, a variety of programmes are currently in process in the district, namely

- Integrated Sustainable Rural Development Programme (ISRDP)
- Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG)
- Municipal Systems Improvement Grant (MSIG)

The following sections will focus on the respective programmes as implemented in the Beaufort West Municipality.

Integrated Sustainable Rural Development Programme (ISRDP)

The ISRDP Programme, which has been running since 2001, has had a significant impact on the local communities. A variety of projects have been initiated under the auspices of the programme. These project are indicated below:

IDP / Nodal Challenges	Project	Stakeholder Contribution			Status / Progress
		Current / already Involved	Contribution	Potential Stakeholders	
Unemployment.	Abattoir and By-Products.	Local Govt, two Existing Abattoirs.	R0	Farmers Associations, DBSA, DEDT, DOL, CKDM, Dept of Agriculture, Eskom, DST, DTI, DLA, WESGRO, ARC, Meat Board.	Planning phase
Unemployment.	Hydroponics.	Beaufort West Municipality, DEDT, DSS, DST, CSIR, CKDM, Dept of Agriculture,	R2 000 000 R2 000 000 R2 400 000	DOL, DTI, ARC, WESGRO.	Second phase under construction
Unemployment.	Essential Oils.	DST, Beaufort West Municipality, CSIR, CKDM.		DOL, DTI, ARC, WESGRO, DEDT.	
Poor / lack of marketing of the region.	Karoo Tourism Gateway.	DEAT, DEDT, CKDM, Local Municipality, Local Tourism Association.	R2 400 000	Dept of Correctional Services, DMO, DTI, DOC.	Planning phase
Lack of inward investment and Unemployment.	Springfontein Dam Development.	Municipality, CKDM, DEAT.	R80 000	DTI, Department of Economic Development and Tourism, Nafcoc, Business Chambers, Smaleda, etc.	Planning phase
Job creation.	Health Spa (Nelspoort).	Casidra, Municipality, Department of Agriculture.		Department of Housing, Spoorntent, Department of Health, DTI, Department of Arts and Culture etc.	
Unemployment and Economic Development.	Revival of Business Plaza (Kwa-Mandlenkosi).	Municipality, CKDM.	R0	Human Settlement, DTI, Economic Development and Tourism, Nafcoc, DPLG (MIG), DEAT.	Planning phase
The long distance to be travelled to access government services.	Multi-Purpose Centre (Phase 3).	Dept Social Development, Municipality, ESKOM, GCIS, Home Affairs, Southern Cape College.	R2 000 000 R800 000 R845 000	Public Works, Labour, Dep of Justice, NGO's and DPLG.	Phases 1 and 2 completed

Project Consolidate

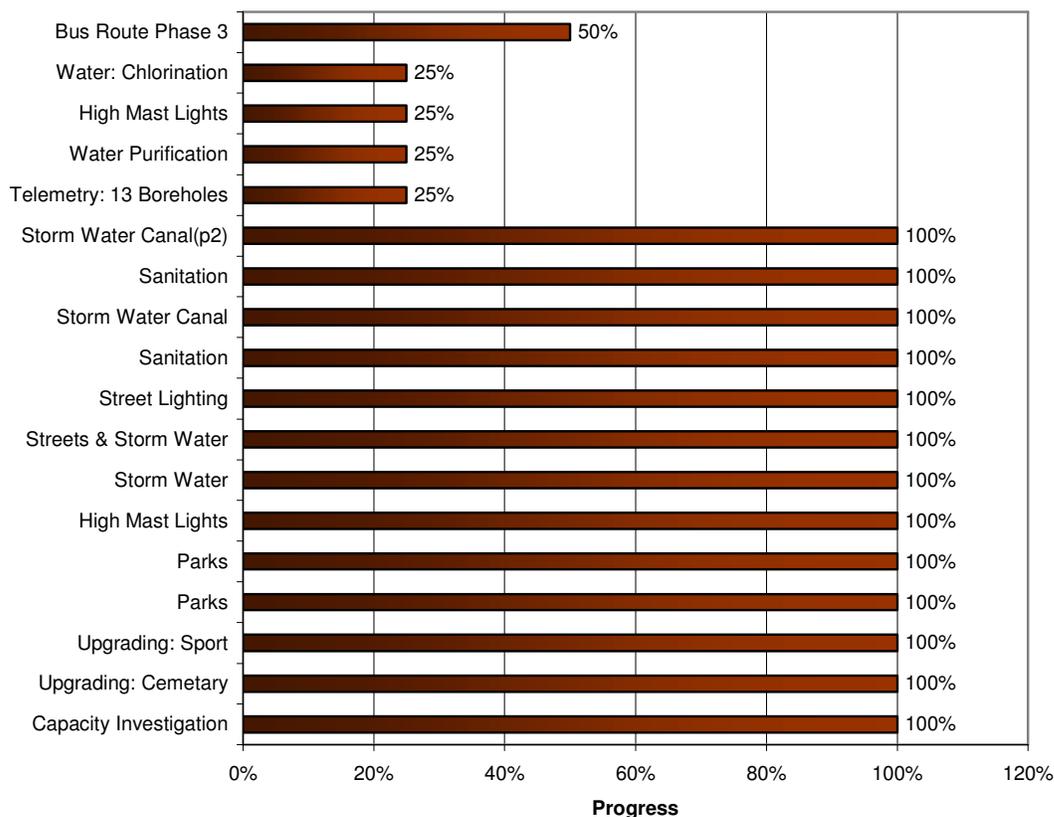
As indicated in earlier sections, Project Consolidate is aimed at fast-tracking certain key projects in order to improve the standard of service delivery in targeted municipalities. The following projects have been identified for Project Consolidate purposes in the municipal area. As can be seen from the table, a significant amount of projects within the Project Consolidate framework are funded from the MIG fund.

Project	Municipal Linkages	Ikapa Elihlumayo linkages	Description	Cost	Shortfall	Funding Source	Start	Status	Permanent Jobs	Temporary jobs
Housing	Water provision, sanitation, electricity	Strategic Infrastructure investment	Construction 156 Housing units	4,700,000		Dept Housing (DME, DWAF, MIG)	Nov 04			45
Prepaid water meters		Strategic Infrastructure investment	Instalment of prepaid water meters	3,000,000		MIG / DWAF	Mar-05	Tendering process started		15
Meat Processing	Abattoir dried meat	Micro Economic Strategy coordination and communication	Processing of meat into cold meats, polonies and mince	1,200,000	1,200,000	MIG, DEAT, DEDT	Mar-05	Research completed	120	0
Dried meat factory	Meat processing Abattoir	Micro Economic Strategy coordination and communication	Biltong Factory	3,000,000	3,000,000	MIG, DEAT, DEDT	Mar-05	Business plan in progress	60	

Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG)

As mentioned, the Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG) is a conditional grant to support municipal capital budgets to fund municipal infrastructure and to upgrade existing infrastructure, primarily benefiting poor households. The progress made with implementation for 2004/05 is indicated in the graph below. As can be seen from the graph, a significant amount of projects have been completed during the year.

Beaufort West Municipality: 2004/05 MIG



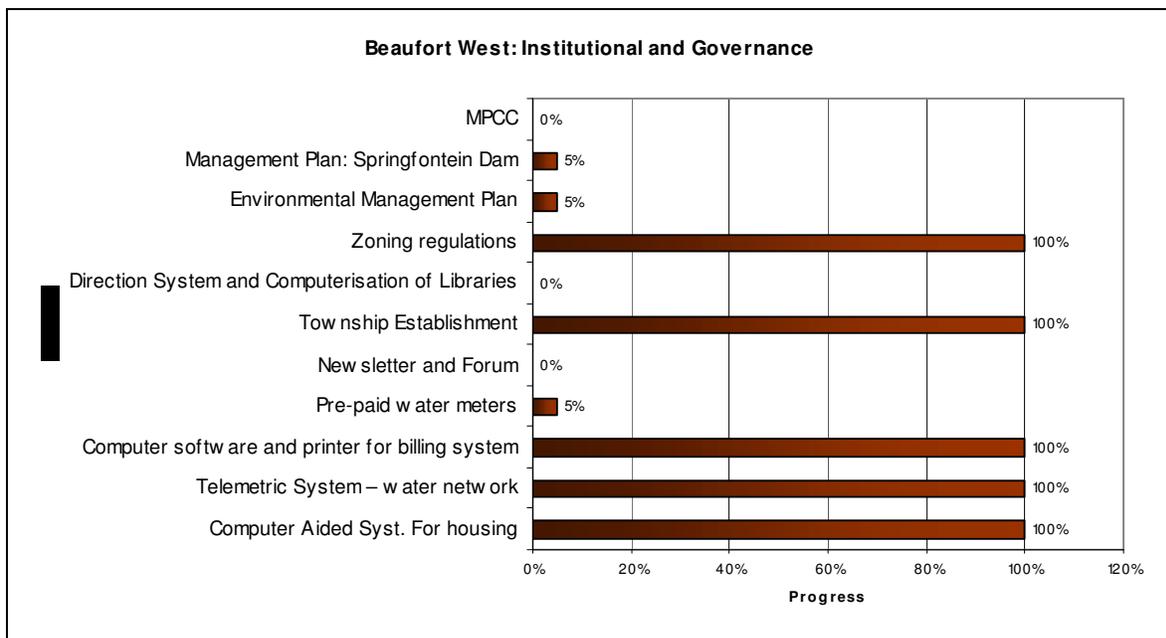
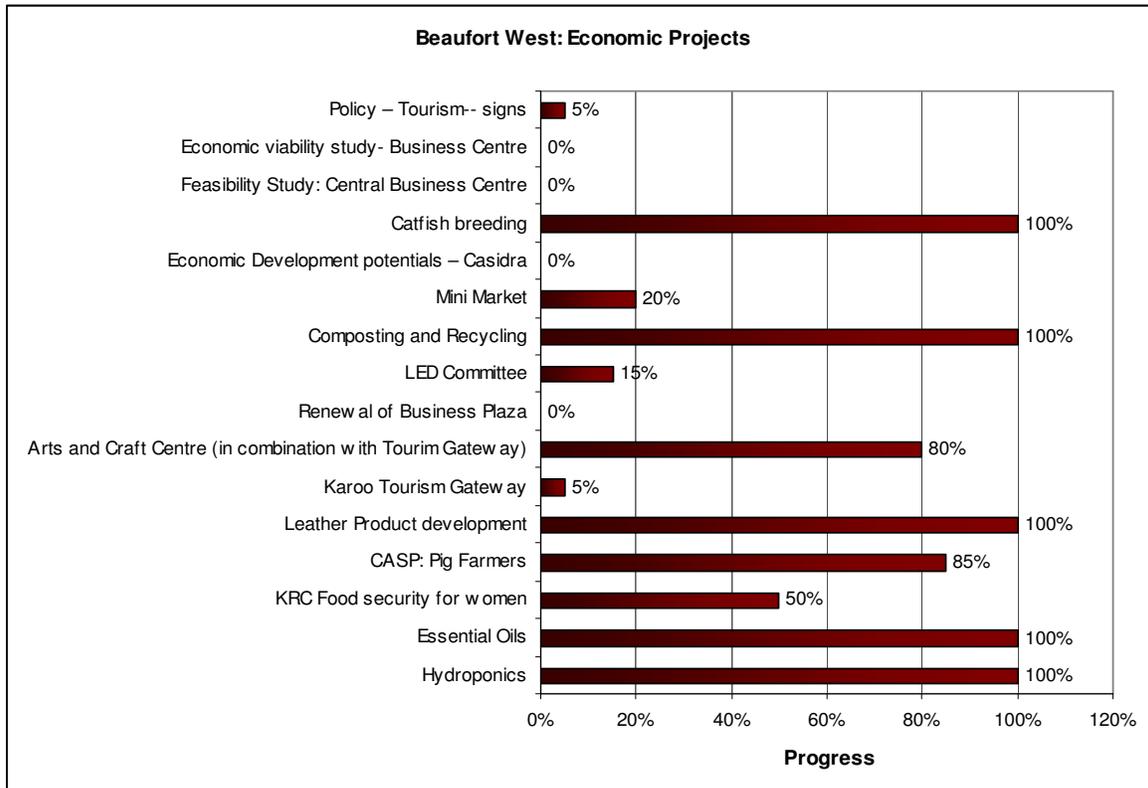
At present, the following projects have been approved for implementation for 2005/06. It is expected that most of these projects will be completed by June 2006.

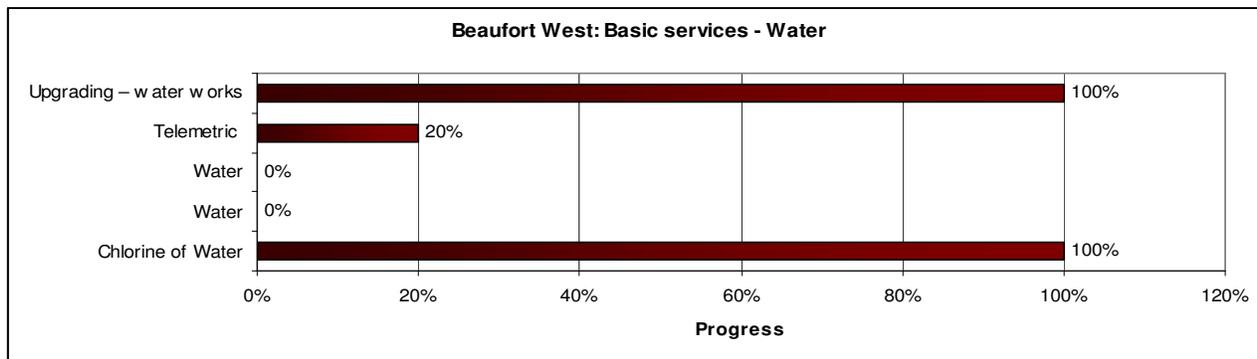
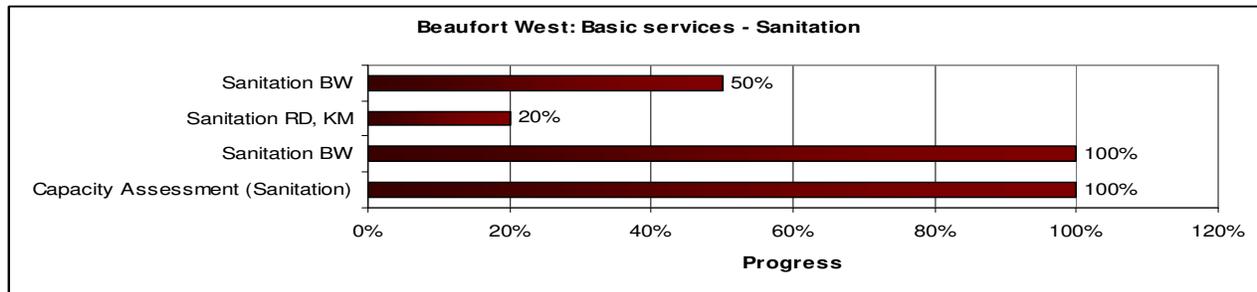
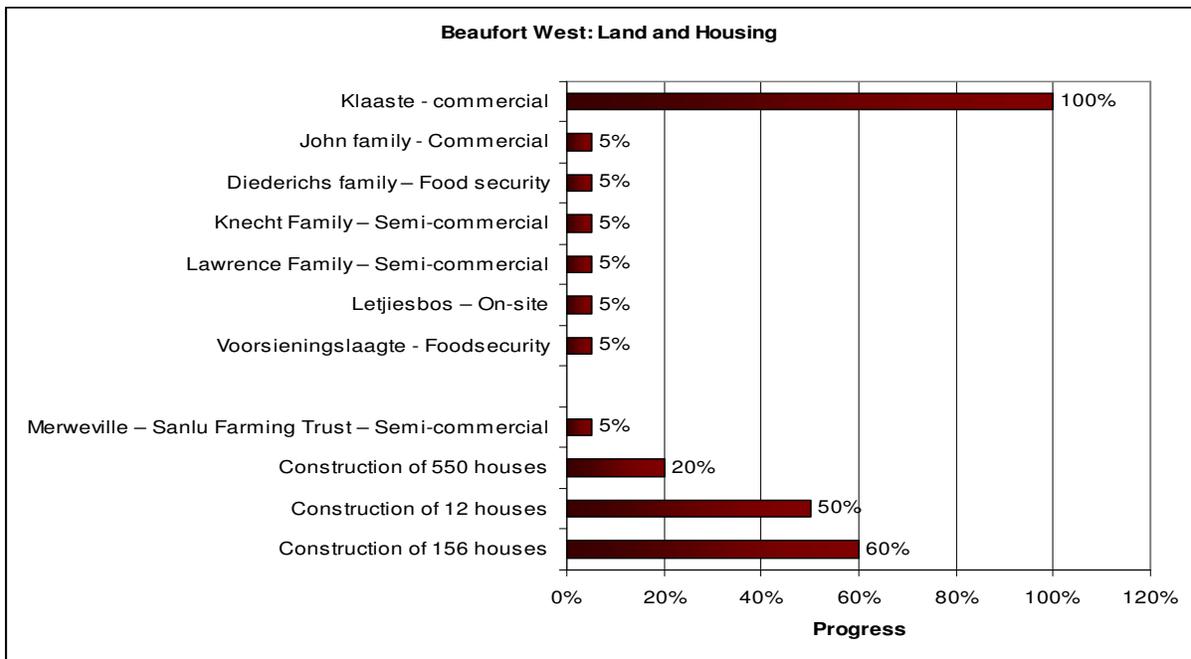
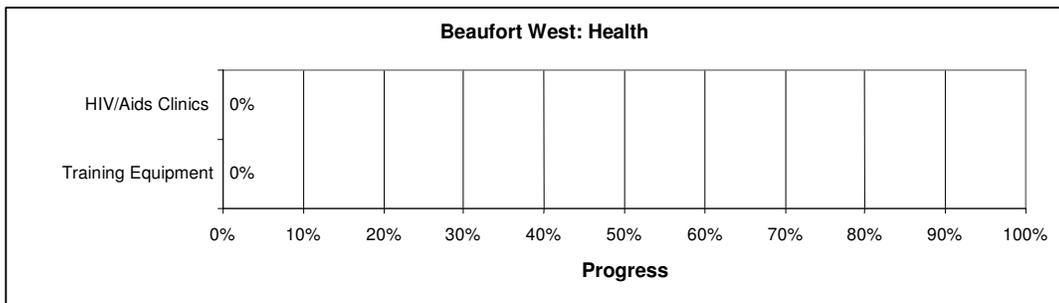
2005 / 2006 MIG – PROGRAM				
Project No	Applicant	Area	Project Description	Balance Available
5401.2	Beaufort West	Beaufort West	Buss route Ph3	R 2,085,100.00
5428.3	Beaufort West	Beaufort West	Water	R 240,000.00
5430.3	Beaufort West	Beaufort West	Water	R 500,000.00
5467.3	Beaufort West	Beaufort West: Hydroponics	Roads	R 322,000.00
5478.3	Beaufort West	Hillside	High Mast Light	R 400,000.00
5431.3	Beaufort West	Kwamandlenkosi	Sports Ground	R 600,000.00
5475.3	Beaufort West	Nelspoort	High Mast Light	R 381,900.00
5400.3	Beaufort West	Rustdene & Kwamandlenkosi	Roads	R 5,000,000.00
5429.3	Beaufort West	Rustdene & Kwamandlenkosi	Sanitation	R 400,000.00
5479.3	Beaufort West	Rustdene	Sports Ground	R 800,000.00
5419.3	Beaufort West	Nelspoort	Street phase 3	R 560,000.00
5420.3	Beaufort West	Merweville	Street phase 3	R 420,000.00
0039/BST/0406	Beaufort West B	Hillside	Upgrade Storm	R 741,000.00
0058/PCF/0506	Beaufort West P	Beaufort West	Upgrade Electricity	R 550,000.00
Total 2005/2006 Projects				R 13,000,000.00

IDP Projects

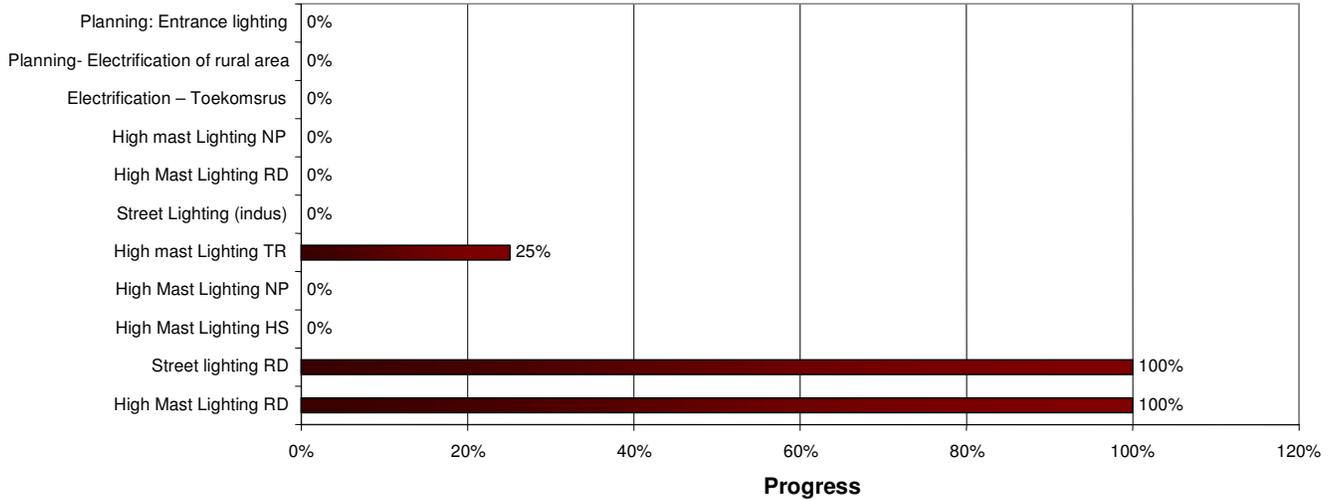
Project Register 2004/05

The following Graphs indicates the progress made with regard to the 2004/05 registered IDP Projects:

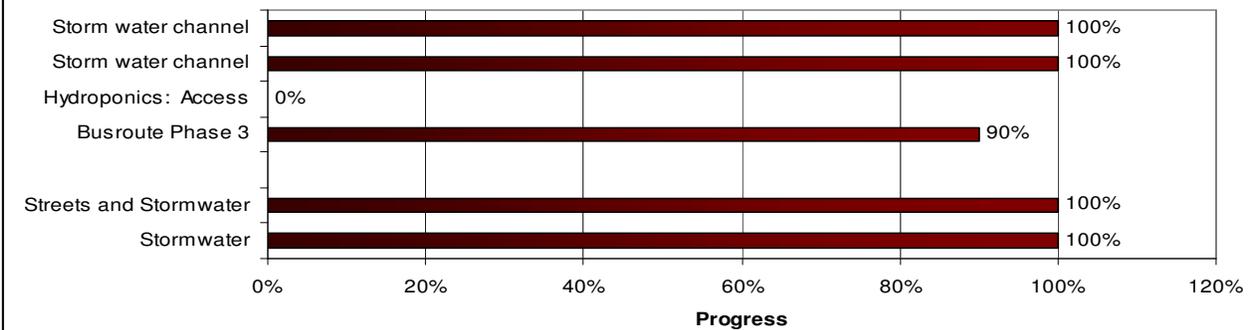




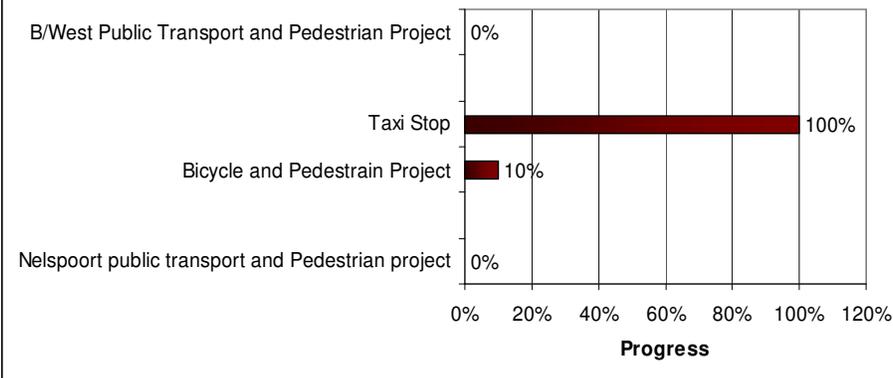
Beaufort West: Basic services - Electricity



Beaufort West: Basic services - Roads & Stormwater



Beaufort West: Basic services - Transport



COMMUNITY'S NEEDS

The following were issues raised by the community of Beaufort West during early Community Participation Processes:

BEAUFORT WEST PROPOSED PROJECTS				
SOCIO-ECONOMIC	ECONOMIC	SERVICE LEVELS	SKILLS	ENVIRONMENT
Youth facilities Crime reduction programme	Mohair Caravan Park into Truck stop Accommodation at Arts & Craft			
Mandlenkosi				
Jones Avenue Swimming Pool Library Post Office Upgrade Kwa-Mandlenkosi Community Hall Drainage faulty at Smile Avenue Sewage smell Lights Mandlenkosi road Fire brigade services Maintanance of roads Rectify street names and numbers The bridge to the grave yard is very small	Vegetable gardens Reviving Plaza		Development centre Youth centre	Cleaning Kwa-Mandlenkosi (Dump sites)
Merweville				
Clinic Mortuary Play Parks Swimming Pool Shopping centre Crime Prevention Programme TV channels Hospital	Small farming (land) Upgrading of caravan park Clean environment Job creation	Community Hall Upgrading (Voortrekker Str) Street lights Paving/sidewalks		Dust bins River cleaning
Nelspoort				
Community Bus Service	Regional marketing business (SMME) Development Small Enterprise Support centre Indigenous sheep & Plg farming Micro-livestock enterprise Speciality Cheese yoghurt & Ice cream production Food processing Essential oils cultivation & extraction			

Project Register 2005/06

The following projects have been identified for the coming financial year:

PROJECT	AMOUNT	AREA
INFRASTRUCTURE		
1: Storm water	R 1 000 000	Kwa, R/dene, Town
2: Fencing of Airport	R 82 000	Airport
3: Sport Stadium	R 600 000	Kwa-Mandlenkosi
4: Upgrading of parks	R 70 000	Kwa & Rustdene
5: Bus route	R 4 000 000	Mandlenkosi/Rustdene
6: Tarring Streets	R 420 000	Merweville
7: Tarring Streets	R 560 000	Nelspoort
8: Traffic calming around schools	R 4 835 000	Beaufort West/Nelspoort/Merweville
9: Enclose cemeteries	R 105 000	Grave yard
10: Upgrading Parking-Donkinstr	R 500 000	Beaufort West
11: Water telemetry	R 400 000	Beaufort West
12: Bulk water	R 740 000	Beaufort West
13: Pre-paid water meters	R 200 000	B-West Mun Area
14: Aquifers Development	R 1 500 000	Beaufort West
15: Pressure Control	R 350 000	Gamka Dam
16: Repair streets	R 5 000 000	Mun. Area
17: Turn off (Hydroponics)	R 350 000	N1-Hydroponics
18: Stock Watering places	R 200 000	Merweville
19: Stock Watering places	R 350 000	Beaufort West
20: Pig sties	R 300 000	Kwa-Mandlenkosi
21: Review Water Service Plan	R 30 000	Beaufort West
22: High Mast Lighting	R 381 900	Nelspoort
23: High Mast Lighting	R 400 000	Hillside 2
24: Upgrading substation	R 2 000 000	Mun. Area
25: Upgrading Networks	R 1 020 000	Rustdene, Hillside and Beaufort West
26: Electrification Housing	R 1 300 000	Hillside 2
27: Wind Power Generation	R 38 000 000	Beaufort West
28: Joint control System	R 2 000 000	Beaufort West
29: Labour factor improvements	R 1 500 000	Beaufort West
30: Electrifying Central Karoo	R 28 000 000	Rural Areas
31: Street lights	R 300 000	Beaufort West
32: Lighting N1	R 400 000	N1
33: Upgrading Network (GIS System)	R 200 000	MPCC
34: Replace Plessey Meters	R 2 000 000	Beaufort West
35: Maintenance of network	R 1 500 000	Mun. Area
36: Library	R 490 000	Nelspoort
37: 100 Houses	R 3 100 000	Merweville
38: 80 Houses	R 1 503 360	Nelspoort
39: 60 Houses	R 1 860 000	Nelspoort
40: 100 Consolidated Housing	R 1 879 200	Mandlenkosi
41: Traffic calming and Pedestrian crossing	R 2 000 000	
42: Arts and crafts centre overnight accommodation	R 240 000	Beaufort West

PROJECT	AMOUNT	AREA
43: Tourism signage and policy	R 60 000	
44: TV Towers	R 150 000	Merweville and Nelspoort
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
45: Composting	R 350 000	Beaufort West
46: Abattoir	R 10 000 000	Industrial Area
47: Industrial Development Strategy	R 50 000	Beaufort West
48: Essential Oils	R 500 000	Beaufort West
49: Tourism Gate Way	R 2 400 000	Beaufort West
50: Economic Development Potential	R 136 126	Merweville
51: Economic Viability Study	R 100 000	Beaufort West
52: Policy (Tourism Signs)	R 35 000	Beaufort West
53: Feasibility Study CBD	R 150 000	Beaufort West
54: LED Committee	R 5,000.00	Beaufort West
55: Environmental Management Plan	P 1 R 50000 P 2 R 80000	Mun. Area
56: Springfontein Dam Management Plan	P2 R 150000 P3 R 210000	Springfontein Dam