

Annexure 4: Bergrivier Spatial Development Framework

Bergrivier IDP context

The Bergrivier Integrated Development Plan 2007 (BIDP) was approved by the Bergrivier Municipality in May 2007.

The Draft Bergrivier Integrated Development Plan (2008/2009) as considered by the Council in May 2008, indicates that the document is as a result of a review process of the BIDP 2007/2008. The review and subsequent drafting of the IDP is in adherence to Section 34 of the Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000). It further states that the 2008/2009 IDP is not intended to replace the 2007/08 IDP, but is a supplement to the 2007/08 IDP. The reader is notified to read the reviewed IDP in conjunction with the 2007/08 IDP in order to fully comprehend its content.

The BIDP states that an Integrated Development Plan is a product of a process and compiled (or chronicled) by the Bergrivier Municipality and should not be regarded as a collection of business- and action plans to be performed by the Municipality but rather **represents a synopsis of the strategic reasoning within the municipal area in order to create a shared understanding and to direct resource allocation and –utilization within common goals and objectives.**

The planning process from which the BIDP should emanate must be characterized by **“a multiplicity of process, product and interaction that aims to secure the realization of sustainable development as the underlying principle for our collective approach and should embrace the aggregate of what manifests within the municipal area.”** The Bergrivier Municipality should conduct the planning process within a geographic space being the municipal area, consistent with the legislative requirements for a local authority but also to reflect a two tier approach in that the municipality should derive from the process its future operations but simultaneously enable and direct planning within the area as a collective (see figure 1) to ensure synergy and alignment of activities by role-players.

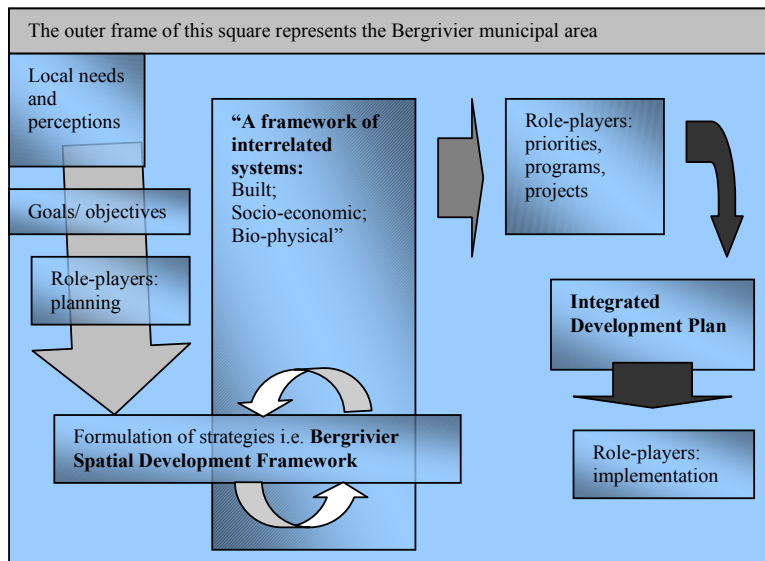


Figure 1: Simplified flow diagram of the process of integrated development planning

The vision of the Bergrivier Municipality as reflected in the BIDP is as follows:

Ensure the well-being of all inhabitants/ people through economic growth, social welfare, community involvement and effective management inside a safe and healthy environment.

The Municipality has also adopted certain goals to be attained within a determined timeframe in order to direct and monitor operations with same to be all-embracing and prevailing. These goals are the following:

Municipal Goals: BERGRIVIER

1. Eradicate service and housing backlogs;
2. Alleviate poverty;
3. Eliminate social exclusion;
4. Integrate human settlements;
5. Stimulate economic growth;
6. Develop skills levels;

The perception portrayed by this visionary statement of the Municipality indicates a desire to create a liveable area in which all can prosper. The dilemma is however to first understand the intensity of this comprehensive vision and supporting goals in order to guide activities. The visionary statement involves different role players and requires interventions and cooperation within which the Municipality must ensure that it emerges as the custodian and not merely a collaborator and in some instances simply an onlooker. The Municipality consequently needs to position their operations and planning strategically, so as to ensure collaboration rather than fragmentation within the core responsibility of facilitating co-operation.

This planning approach is to be critically informed by all regional planning interventions that are contextually localised in order to extract the critical informants to the Bergrivier Municipal development path¹. The Bergrivier Spatial Development Framework as a product within the process should introduce the visionary statement in a spatial context by formulating spatial guidelines to stimulate actions towards accomplishment.

The IDP further states the strategic logic that underpins the approach towards growth and development as the manifestation of a collective effort to maintain resources and create opportunities within a framework of interrelated systems. Key to the unlocking of this possibility is the creation and sustainability of partnerships that consider ***“the universal agreement between communities and Government”*** as the ultimate goal to pursue². **These partnerships and consequent activities must be supported by processes and products that are unquestionable in purpose and uncompromising in quality³**. The Municipality should foster these partnerships through strategic interventions such as the formulation of a Spatial Development Framework that represents the composite of the municipal area and not only the activities and compliance by the Municipality as an organ of State. The following phrase draw attention to the “supposed pomposity” to be portrayed by the Municipality as an entity in that ***“Government is but members of the orchestra that should produce the symphony with the local municipality the conductor that determines the rhythm. The rhyme and tune are deposits of a collective effort that results in music”⁴***

¹ Bergrivier Integrated Development Plan, 2007

² Bergrivier Integrated Development Plan, 2007

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The BSDF should then as a product within the process be **unquestionable in purpose and uncompromising in quality** and inform other elements of the process and collectively contributes to the final Integrated Development Plan (see figure 2).

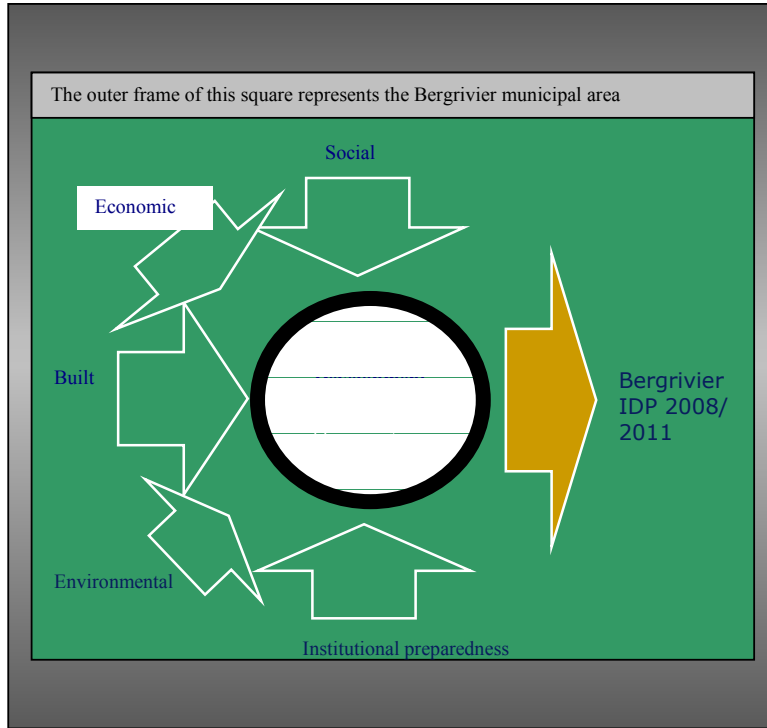


Figure 2: Influential location of the Bergrivier Spatial Development Framework

The interrelated system is clearly identifiable from the indicated informants (four plus one) or described in the BSDF as the critical elements that constitute present-day society.

The source of existence to any process of integrated development planning is the needs of those communities that are beneficiaries of government services. As mentioned the BSDF should articulate these needs in context of the visionary statement and formulate spatial guidelines **to manufacture sustainable locations** to stimulate actions towards accomplishment.

The following table represents the current needs of the communities within the Bergrivier municipal area (November 2007).

IDP REVISION OF BERGRIVIER MUNICIPALITY – NOVEMBER 2007	
Ward	PRIORITIES LISTED
Velddrif	
	As in 2006/11/01
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Multi-purpose Centre
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Informal Business Centre
	Upgrade Route Noordhoek/Velddrif

	Traffic Department (Awareness Campaign)
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Satellite Station
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Wall of remembrance
	Toilets at cemetery
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Spatial Implication: site-specific	Municipal Parks and Recreation
	Strategic plan (Erosion)
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Swimming pool in Laaiplek
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Public toilets for tourists
	Youth Development
	Programme for young entrepreneurs
	Improve Municipal Offices
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Expand land at cemetery- enlarge
	Upgrade Tourism office
Noordhoek	Priorities listed
	As in 2006/11/01
	Office space for Service Delivery Improvement
	Budget for crime prevention programme
	Disaster Management Infrastructure ("Ramphuisies")
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Middle class housing (provision for land)
	Office space for grant payments
	Budget to clean beaches in the Bergrivier municipal area
	Parking space for ambulances
	More visits from Social Workers in Velddrif/Noordhoek
	Computer facilities at Library
Spatial Implication: site-specific	New playground in Laaiplek
Spatial Implication: site-specific	New Day camping site
	Upgrade old day camping site
Spatial Implication: municipal context	Available land in Noordhoek can be use for development
	Upgrade sport complex
	Improve social and economic development in communities
	Houses in Hopland is a danger etc. roof (Dept. Housing, National)
Spatial Implication: municipal context	Housing projects must be rotated
	Upgrade Community Hall in Noordhoek
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	Improve road in Watsonia street. etc. it's a danger to the community
	New Fire service vehicle

	Upgrade speed bumps
	Lights for sport complex
	Extensive pedestrian crossing at Laaiplek/Noordhoek
	Lights for playground in Laaiplek
	Financial plan for 5 year housing projects
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Police station Noordhoek
	HIV/AIDS programme
	Agriculture & Aqua culture programmes
Spatial Implication: municipal context	Small farmers
	SMME development
	Traffic Circle (Voortrekker street)
	Tarring of roads in Noordhoek
	Special Programmes for disabled people
Aurora	Priorities listed
	As in 2006/11/01
	Rehabilitation of waste disposal site
	Maintenance of sand roads
	Monitoring of Hall and Crèche
	Amandla street: Road culverts dangerous
	Improve playground equipment and trees
	Village public toilets
	Improve fire services
	Need for public transport
	Regular visits from Social Workers especially to address the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS)
	Available funds for crime prevention projects
	Improve Fire services
	Upgrade Aurora's housing list
	Ongoing monitoring of water quality- Provide community with a monthly water quality report/ analysis
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Need extended space for the library
	Need public transport in Aurora
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Need a crèche facility
Ward	Priorities listed
Redelinghuys	
	Priorities in November 2007
	Tarring of road

	Sanitation system
Spatial Implication: site-specific	New clinic
	Completion of sport facilities
	Upgrade Community Hall
	Cleaning programme for cemetery
	Administration Block
	Monitoring and maintenance of street lights
	Upgrade water network
	More visits from Social Workers
	Upgrade speed bumps
Spatial Implication: municipal context	Available land for development
	Monitoring and maintenance of playground in Hopland
Dwarskersbos	
	Priorities in November 2007
	Gas station
	Disaster Management
	Police and Fire service officials in Dwarskersbos
	Monitoring and maintenance of Provincial road
Spatial Implication: site-specific	New school (Municipal building) Monitoring and maintenance of building
	Library
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Braai facilities at beach
	Informal Business Centre
	Information sheet with contact details of municipal staff to enquire or report on service problems.
	Request that Dwarskersbos be presented on the ward committee.
Ward	Priorities listed
Goedverwacht	
	As in 2006/11/01
	Upgrade Electricity
	Upgrade Sanitation System
	Provision of water
	Road Infrastructure
	Upgrade storm water network
	Provision of cricket facility
	Promote Agri-tourism
	Building of informal trading centre
	Promote tourism
	Youth Development

	Monitoring and maintenance of roads
	Cleaning programme for waste disposal sites
	Storage dam : Water not usable
	Additional Storage dam
	Working programmes for the unemployed
Wittewater	
	As in 2006/11/01
	Development of sport complex
	Establishment of Agriculture Forum
	Bus shelter on main road
	Monitoring and Maintenance of roads
	Sport complex for Wittewater
	Library + Computer facilities (Skills Development)
	Better assistance from Bergrivier Municipality
	Working programmes for unemployed people
	Community Hall for Wittewater
	More streetlights
	Playground for Wittewater
	Crèche for Wittewater
	Promote tourism (some assistance from Bergrivier Municipality.)
Ward	Priorities listed
Piketberg	
	As in 2006/11/01
	Improve pavement - Mountain View
	Expanded Public Works programme - need a budget to continue (EPWP)
	Programme for tarring pavements
	Provision of infrastructure for low cost housing
Spatial Implication: municipal context	Available land and funds for development
	Improve Fire Services – (Health risks)
	Speed bumps
	No Attendance
Ward	Priorities listed
Porterville	
	As in 2006/11/01
	Repair speed bumps in Swart Street
	Computer at Library for studies (Internet)
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Multipurpose Centre

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	Improve Tourism
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Garage south of town
	Gym in Hall
	Water point at Anna Swart playground
	Entrance DJ Pearce Avenue - Trees block view
	Budget for upcoming farmers
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Parking space for Taxi's
	Subsidies - development for youth in sport
	Job creation for disabled people
	Need for dual flush toilets inside houses
	Revamp pavement in DJ Pearce Avenue
	Willemsvallei School Hall
	Public telephones at centre point of Town
	Keep doors of toilets in town open at all times
	Space for day care inside Multi Purpose Centre
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Sport complex - Henry Paulse
	Provide transport for schoolchildren on farms
	Availability of Hall for pension payments
	Second High school
	Tarring of Roads
	Upgrade Clinic
	No Attendance
Ward	Priorities listed
Eendekuil	
	As in 2006/11/01
	Subsidies for housing projects
	Building plans at minimum cost
	Tarring of road in Hopland and Spoorweg (Feta street.)
	Speed bumps in Hopland
	Tarring of road that link Eendekuil/Piketberg
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Municipal swimming pool
	Youth Development
	Programmes for food security ("sopkombuis")
	Pent-roof ("afdakkie") for Community Hall
	Repair leak at crèche
	Repair fence at cemetery
	Fence for electricity boxes in Hopland
	Toilets at cemetery

	Improve the quality of lights at sport complex
	Fence for playground in Kloof street. and benches
Spatial Implication: municipal context	Development programmes for small farmers
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Available land for low cost housing
	Garbage removal
	Upgrade streets in Hopland
Spatial Implication: site-specific	Availability of industrial property and commonage "meentgrond"
	Sanitation: Must look at the dual flush system for some households