



# SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

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**C14/04/18 EDEN MUNICIPALITY MONTHLY REPORT : MARCH 2018**

**REPORT FROM JP MC CARTHY: CHIEF MUNICIPAL HEALTH – KNYSNA**

**PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

To inform the committee in regard to the Key Performance Areas and main functions of the Municipal Health Section and to inform the committee on activities performed by Environmental Health Practitioners for the month of March 2018.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

The Eden District Municipality is a municipality in terms of the Municipal Systems Act of 2000. According to Section 84(1) (l) of the Municipal Structures Act, Act 117 of 1998, one of the core functions of a district municipality is Municipal Health Services.

Section 24 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa entrenches the right of all citizens to live in an environment that is not harmful to their health and well-being.

Section 1 of the National Health Act, 2003 (Act. 61 of 2003), defines municipal health services and Section 83 clearly stipulates the responsibilities of municipalities in the performance of such services.

In order to fulfill its constitutional and legal obligations, the Eden District Municipality Municipal Health Services fulfils its mandate through highly qualified and skilled environmental health practitioners (EHPs). They provide and facilitate comprehensive, pro-active and need-related services to ensure a safe, healthy and clean environment, thereby preventing and eliminating sources of disease. Environmental Health comprises those aspects of human health, including quality of life, that are determined by physical, chemical, biological, social and psycho-social factors in the environment. It also refers to the theory and practice of assessing, correcting, controlling and preventing factors in the environment that can adversely affect the health of present and future generations. Environmental health services are services that implement environmental policies through monitoring and controlling, which improve environmental parameters and encourage the use of environmentally friendly and healthy technologies and behavior's. (These definitions are in line with the definitions of the World Health Organization). Controlling and monitoring also play a leading role in suggesting and developing new policy areas.

**The role and function of the Municipal health Services.**

**Health Surveillance of Premises**

Residential, business and public premises are regularly monitored to ensure that there are no health nuisances. This is done to ensure compliance with the applicable legislation, the principles of Agenda 21 and the "Healthy Cities" approach, and the minimization of any detrimental environmental health risk.

**Key Performance Areas**

- ❖ Chemical Safety.
- ❖ Disposal of the dead.
- ❖ Environmental Pollution Control.
- ❖ Food Control.
- ❖ Health Surveillance of Premises.
- ❖ Surveillance and Prevention of Communicable Diseases.
- ❖ Vector Control/Monitoring.
- ❖ Waste Management.
- ❖ Water Quality Monitoring.
- ❖ Administration-general

**Main Functions**

- ❖ Monitoring of water reticulation
- ❖ Protection of water sources by enforcement of laws and regulations.
- ❖ Introduction of corrective and preventative actions.
- ❖ Implementation of Health and Hygiene Awareness.
- ❖ Control of Food Premises by issuing Compliance Certificates to Food Premises.
- ❖ Ensure that food is safe and healthy for human consumption by the enforcement of Laws and Regulations.
- ❖ The monitoring of the storage, treatment, collection, handling and disposal of the various categories of waste.
- ❖ The identification, monitoring and evaluation of health risks, nuisances and hazards.
- ❖ The promotion of health and hygiene aimed at preventing the incidence of environmental conditions that will result in contagious diseases.
- ❖ Monitoring, identification, evaluation to ensure the prevention of vectors.
- ❖ The identification, evaluation, monitoring and prevention of the pollution of soil, water and air.
- ❖ Monitoring of cemeteries, crematoriums and other facilities for the disposal of corpses.
- ❖ The monitoring, identification, evaluation and prevention of risks relating to chemicals hazardous to humans.

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INFORMATION BOX	ABBREVIATIONS
Compliance	C
None-compliance	NC
Health & Hygiene education	H&H
Notice of Non-Compliance	Non
Final Notice of Non-Compliance	F.Non
Follow-up sample	F.uS
Fine/ Prohibition	F/P

**A. FOOD CONTROL**

**Bacteriological food sampling**

SAMPLE	COMPLIANT	N/C	H & H	NON	F.Non	F uS	F/P
Milk	1						
Cheese		1				1	
Mince Stew	1						
Cheese	1						
Yoghurt		1					1
Cheese		1					1
Chicken		1					1

**Comments:** - Fines instituted at two non-compliant premises relating to yoghurt, cheese and chicken samples. A prohibition notice was served on premises relating to the second non-compliant food products (yoghurt and cheese).  
- No listeria positive food product was identified during sampling.

**B. INSPECTION OF FOOD PREMISES**

**Formal & Informal food premises**

Premises type	Inspection information			Remedial actions				
	No of premises inspected	C	N/C	H & H	Non	F.Non	FuS	F/P
Formal Food premises	84	80	4	4				
Informal Food premises	5	3	2	2	2			

**Take note:** Health and Hygiene education form part of regular food premises inspections  
**Comments:** -

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**C. CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTABILITY: KNYSNA**

NO.	BUSINESS NAME	OWNER	COLAB NR.	REF. NR.
1.	Kingston Café	Diane Simpson	634107	0227011718
2.	Lekker Bekkie - Stall	Eugenie Dlisani	637372	0227191718
3.	Mujac Foods – Food Trailer	Jack Simons	637748	0227181718
4.	Outward Bound – South Africa	Deon Snyders	636395	0226631718
5.	Sandra's Take-Aways – Food Trailer	Micheal Barlow	633816	0226891718
6.	The Asami House	Sedrick Maswanhise	632757	0226371718
7.	The Bavarian Nutter	Jurie Groenewald	633252	0227051718
8.	Yummie Bites – Building / Stall	Mary-Ann Hannie	633951	0227091718

**D. HEALTH SURVEILLANCE OF PREMISES**

Inspections were performed at the following premises:

Premises type	Inspection information			Remedial actions			
	No of premises inspected	C	N/C	H & H	Non	F.Non	F/P
Public Toilets	5	2	3		3		
Beaches / Recreational Facilities	12	10	2				
Educational institutions: Crèche	8	7	1	1	1		
Schools: Water and Sanitation	6	5	1	1	1		
Tobacco Premises	18	15	3		1		
Informal Settlements	5	3	2		2		
Health Care Waste	0	0					
Accommodation Establishments	1	1					
Farms	4	4					

**Comments:** (i) Concern from an municipal health perspective relating to the communal toilets in the interim – subsidy housing schemes. Matter has been raised with the applicable departments at the Knysna Municipality.

**E. WATER QUALITY MONITORING**

**DRINKING WATER**

***Water Service Authority***

Sample information				Remedial actions				
Sample point	No of samples	C	N/C	H & H	Non	F.Non	F.u S	F/P
Sedgefield	1	1						
Knysna	2	2						
Buffalo Bay	1	1						
Karatara	1	1						
<b>Comments:</b> -								

***Non - Water Service Authority***

Sample information				Remedial actions				
Sample point	No of samples	C	N/C	H & H	Non	F.Non	F.u S	F/P
Rural area school	2	1	1	1			1	
Rural Area Creche	1	1						
<b>Comments:</b> Non-compliance at school due to Coli form presence. Intervention by means of correct chlorination dosage was conveyed. Cleaning of roof gutters to be undertaken.								

**FINAL EFFLUENT**

***Municipal***

Sample information				Remedial actions				
Sample point	No of samples	C	N/C	H & H	Non	F.Non	F.u S	F/P
Knysna	1	1						
<b>Comments:</b> -								

***Non - Water Service Authority***

Sample information				Remedial actions				
Sample point	No of samples	C	N/C	H & H	Non	F.Non	F.u S	F/P
	0							

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<b>Comments:</b>								

**RECREATIONAL WATER**

Sample information				Remedial actions				
Sample point	No of samples	C	N/C	H & H	Non	F.Non	F.u S	F/P
The Heads								
Greenhole								
Bollard Bay								
Bigia								
Bongani								
Ashmead								
Queenstreet								
Longstreet								
Trainstation								
KADA								
Saltriver								
The Point								
Crabs creek								
Belvidere Bay								
<b>Comments:</b> Awaiting results.								

**ACTION PLANS – APRIL 2018**

- Bacteriological water sampling of the Knysna Estuary and identified river systems.
- Bacteriological drinking water sampling of identified reservoirs.
- Bacteriological food sampling of food products at identified food premises.
- Surveillance and inspections of all food premises regarding the monitoring of listeria outbreak.
- Informal food trader's health and hygiene sessions at identified premises in the Keurhoek Area.
- Site visit for prospective service providers relating to the removal of asbestos within the Knysna area on the 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER**

That the information report on Municipal Health and Environmental Services of Eden District Municipality for March 2018, be noted.

**APPENDIX / ADDENDUM**

None

File Number: 9/1/2/5

Execution: Acting Director : Community Services

8. Closure

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