

Brrag supports collaborative approach, not Section 139

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municipality rather than on important maintenance.

"We believe this type of action is detrimental to tourism for our area and counterproductive for development.

"We are a close-knit community that loves assisting members of our community as well as the wider community and to have happy holiday times in our village," Wepener said.

Speaking on behalf of Ndlambe, communications officer TK Mtiki said the municipality would comment after discussions among management and

in council.

PSAM welcomed Kosra's action to try address service delivery challenges within Ndlambe Municipality.

However, Jay Kruuse, speaking on behalf of the organisation, cautioned, "Unfortunately, ANC-led provincial cabinets have a poor history of being able to effectively implement section 139 interventions in the Eastern Cape."

Research and first-hand experience of active citizens had shown that Section 139 interventions worked best when there was:

- Strong political will to address deep seated systemic challenges that exist

within a municipality;

- Actual administrative capacity within the municipality and provincial department of local government;

- Accountability follow-through during and after the intervention: "This includes real consequences for persons implicated in gross negligence and wilful misconduct that contributes towards service delivery failures. Often municipal councils do not exercise their legal responsibilities, especially when persons are implicated in alleged unlawful conduct," Kruuse said.

Kruuse said too often these interventions treated the symptoms and

not the root causes of a municipality's dysfunction. In other provinces where Section 139 interventions had achieved some success, it had been found that for instance:

- Recovery plans were implemented with certain measurable targets achieved;
- Some municipal committees improved their functioning during and after the intervention;
- There was better use of allocated funds going forward; and
- Municipal debt was reduced significantly.

"Section 139 interventions

that work have narrow and problem specific strategies to address certain municipal failings. They avoid overly broad mandates and rather give intervening administrators clear powers and objectives," Kruuse said.

Most Eastern Cape interventions had failed not because Section 139 was flawed, but because administrators lacked clear mandates and were not adequately protected by provincial leadership; political confrontation was avoided; financial recovery plans ignored economic realities on the ground; and no consequences followed for those implicated in serious failings.

NDLAMBE MUNICIPALITY PORT ALFRED



INVITATION TO TENDER

The Ndlambe Municipality hereby invites service providers meeting the below requirements to submit tenders.

BID NUMBER	T17/2526	T18/2526	T13/2526
NOTICE	38/2026	36/2026	22/2026
BID NAME	APPOINTMENT OF CONTRACTORS FOR MAINTENANCE OF WATER AND SEWER PUMP STATIONS, AS WELL AS ALL ASSOCIATED MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS WITHIN NDLAMBE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY	REPLACEMENT OF 2 ML RO PUMPING MAIN PIPELINE	PROVISION OF THE MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (MFMP) TRAINING
CIDB REQUIREMENTS	3ME PE or higher.	3CE or 3ME	N/A
OTHER COMPULSORY REQUIREMENTS	Infrastructure and resources available – Plant and Equipment (owned or leased)		
	Failure to meet the minimum CIDB REQUIREMENTS and the Other Compulsory requirements will result in the bid being deemed non-responsive.		
CLOSING DATE AND TIME	16 March 2026	20 February 2025	16 March 2026
FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA	Experience 50 Personnel 50 Total 100	Experience 60 Personnel 40 Total 100	Experience 45 Certifications 40 Total 85
MINIMUM FUNCTIONALITY SCORE	70	70	65

Bidders shall take note of the following BID CONDITIONS:

- Prices must be valid for at least ninety (90) days from the closing date.
 - Prices quoted must be firm and must, where applicable, be inclusive of VAT.
 - Ndlambe Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or any other bid and reserves the right to accept the whole or part of the bid.
 - An original tax clearance certificate issued by SARS must accompany all tenders OR a tax reference number and PIN or TCC number must be provided. Tax status will also be verified against the Central Supplier Database (CSD)
 - Evidence of registration of company on the Central Supplier Database must be provided (CSD "MAAA" number).
 - Bidders must complete the following forms, which are included in the returnable document:
 - o Declaration of Interest (MBD4).
 - o Certificate of Independent Bid Determination (MBD9).
 - o NOTE: Bids will be deemed non-responsive, where bidders submit tenders in more than one bidding entity, or where it is found that the bidder has an interest in more than one bidding entity. This includes directorship, Joint Ventures or any other interests.
 - o Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Management Practices (MBD8).
 - Bidders who wish to claim for preferential points for Specific Goals in terms of the Preferential Procurement Policy of Council and the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022, must submit a completed form **MBD 6.1** (included in the returnable document) as well as a **certified copy** of the proof of B-BBEE status level of contribution. Further required evidence is noted in the tender document.
 - Bidders are required to submit:
 - o particulars of any contracts awarded to the bidder by an organ of state during the past five years, including particulars of any material non-compliance or dispute concerning the execution must be declared of such contracts.
 - o A statement indicating whether or not any portion of the goods or services required by the municipality are expected to be sourced from outside the Republic, and, if so, what portion and also whether or not any portion of the payment to be made by the municipality is expected to be transferred out of the Republic.
 - A Municipal Billing Clearance Certificate, which covers, if applicable, both the company and its directors, must accompany all bids (included in the returnable document).
 - It should be noted that the 80/20 preferential points system will be applied, 80 being for price and 20 for Specific Goals as defined in the Preferential Procurement Policy.
 - The award will be made in terms of the Municipality's Preferential Procurement and Supply Chain Management Policies.
 - Documents are to be completed in full and in accordance with the conditions and bid rules contained in the bid documents.
 - Failure to meet the minimum CIDB REQUIREMENTS and the Other Compulsory requirements will result in the bid being deemed non-responsive.
- To ensure that tenders are not exposed to invalidation, documents are to be completed in accordance with the conditions and bid rules contained in the bid documents. The returnable tender document, which includes full details of the specifications, is available for download, **free of charge**, from Ndlambe Municipality's website <https://ndlambe.gov.za/web/returnable-bid-documents/>
- N.B. Bidders requiring a hard copy to be supplied by the municipality must pay a non-refundable tender deposit of R134.35, inclusive of VAT. In the latter case, the original receipt should be attached to the submitted tender document.**
- BIDS MAY ONLY BE SUBMITTED ON THE BID DOCUMENTATION ISSUED BY NDLAMBE MUNICIPALITY.**
- Tender documents may be collected from the Supply Chain Management office at Ndlambe Local Municipality Offices, 44 Campbell Street, Port Alfred, 6170 from **12 February 2026** (office hours 08h00 until 16h00).
- Late submitted, unmarked, faxed, falsified, incomplete or e-mailed proposals will not be considered and will be disqualified.** Completed Tender documents together with the samples of the offered units, supporting documents and externally endorsed documents must be placed in a sealed envelope marked "**BID NAME**" and deposited in the Tender Box at the Supply Chain Management Offices, 44 Campbell Street, Port Alfred not later than 12h00 on the **closing date**. Tenders will be opened at the Supply Chain Management Unit at 12h05 on the same day.
- N.B. ENVELOPES NOT MARKED AS INDICATED ABOVE WILL NOT BE OPENED AND SUCH BIDS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**
- Further technical details may be obtained from SCM tenders@ndlambe.gov.za

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