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**MINUTES FOR THE REVIEW OF THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT  
PLAN (IDEP)**

**FOR**

**KARURI MUNICIPALITY**

**VENUE: ST MARTINS CATHOLIC CHURCH, KARURI**

**DATE: 20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2024**

**FY 2024/2025**

## **1. Attendance**

(Attached)

## **2. Opening Remarks**

The meeting commenced at 10:00 a.m. with an opening prayer led by one of the residents from the municipality.

The Municipal Manager welcomed the participants and reiterated that public participation is a constitutional requirement anchored in the Constitution of Kenya 2010 and the County Governments Act 2012. He further explained that the Integrated Development Plan (IDEP) will function as a strategic framework to guide infrastructure development, land use planning, environmental management, economic advancement, and the provision of social services within Karuri Municipality for the next five years.

## **3. Purpose of the Meeting**

The purpose of the meeting was to review the IDEP and provide technical and stakeholder input to enhance the quality, relevance, and implementation of the plan.

The review aimed to ensure that the plan adequately addresses issues relating to urban growth, infrastructure development, environmental management, economic development, and social services.

## **4. Presentation of the IDEP**

The planning team presented key components of the IDEP, including:

### **a) Housing and Urban Renewal**

- Promotion of affordable housing projects
- Upgrading of informal settlements in the municipality such as Mombatha.
- Waiver on land rates as an incentive to land developers.

### **b) Physical and Land Use Planning**

- Proposed zoning framework.
- Regularization of informal settlements such as Mombatha and Kibagare.
- Protection of environmentally sensitive areas.

### **c) Infrastructure Development**

- Upgrading of access roads and non-motorized transport (NMT) facilities.
- Storm water drainage improvements.
- Street lighting expansion.

#### **d) Environmental Management**

- Solid waste management strategy.
- River and riparian restoration.
- Urban greening initiatives.

#### **e) Economic Development**

- Formalization of markets and trading zones.
- Youth enterprise support programs.
- Enhancement of ICT infrastructure.

### **5. Key Issues Raised by Participants**

The floor was opened for comments, questions, and recommendations.

The following key issues were raised:

#### **5.1 Solid Waste Management**

- Residents raised concerns about irregular waste collection.
- Proposal for establishment of designated waste transfer stations.
- Recommendation for stronger enforcement against illegal dumping.

**Response:** The Environment Department confirmed plans to enhance waste collection contracts and introduce waste segregation at source.

#### **5.2 Roads and Drainage**

- Complaints about poor road conditions, especially during rainy seasons.
- Need for proper drainage systems to curb flooding in low-lying areas.

**Response:** The Roads Department indicated that priority roads had been earmarked for upgrading under the County Annual Development Plan.

#### **5.3 Informal Settlements**

- Calls for regularization and provision of basic services (water, sanitation, lighting) in Mombatha Informal Settlement.
- Start of upgrading works in Mombatha Informal Settlement once security of tenure is complete.

**Response:** The Planning Department assured that settlement upgrading and tenure regularization were incorporated in the IDEP framework.

#### **5.4 Affordable Housing**

- Request for transparent beneficiary selection criteria.
- Suggestion to prioritize local residents and vulnerable groups.
- Need to subsidize building material costs.

**Response:** The Housing Department confirmed alignment with the National Affordable Housing Programme guidelines.

#### **5.5 Youth and Gender Inclusion**

- Youth requested allocation of innovation hubs and sports facilities.
- Women representatives called for market infrastructure with child-care spaces.
- Emphasis on mainstreaming gender considerations in project implementation.
- Proper urban planning initiatives to take care of the youth, women, children, PWDs and the socially marginalized.

**Resolution:** It was agreed that all sectoral projects must integrate gender-responsive planning and youth empowerment strategies.

#### **5.6 Environmental Protection**

- Protection of riparian reserves from encroachment.
- Tree planting and greening initiatives within the CBD.

**Response:** The Municipality committed to enforcing riparian protection regulations and increasing urban tree cover.

### **6. General Recommendations**

The following cross-cutting recommendations were adopted:

1. Strengthen enforcement of zoning and development control regulations.
2. Enhance transparency in project implementation and reporting.
3. Promote Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) in infrastructure provision.
4. Improve communication channels between the Municipality and residents.

5. Ensure disability-friendly infrastructure in all new developments.

## **7. Resolutions**

After deliberations, the meeting resolved that:

- The Integrated Development Plan be revised to incorporate stakeholder inputs.
- A summary of comments and responses be annexed to the final report.
- Continuous public engagement forums be held annually to monitor implementation progress.

## **8. Way Forward**

It was agreed that the planning team would finalize the revised IDEP and submit it for consideration and adoption by the relevant municipal and county authorities.

## **9. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m. with a closing prayer.

### **Prepared by:**

Municipal Office Administrator

### **Confirmed by:**



Municipal Manager

Karuri Municipality.

**SAMPLE PHOTOS**



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