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TRAINING ON GENERALLY RECOGNISED ACCOUNTING PRACTICE (GRAP) FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

PURPOSE

1.1 To invite municipalities to a training session on latest developments on the Standards of GRAP which will be taking place on 15 - 16 March 2017.

2. MOTIVATION

- 2.1 In pursuance of the Municipal Finance Management Act (No. 56 of 2003) Paragraph 34(1) "The national and provincial governments must by agreement assist municipalities in building the capacity of municipalities for efficient, effective and transparent financial management".
- 2.2 Provincial Treasury is embarking upon providing training on the Standards of GRAP with the objective of providing support and capacity building to municipalities in the Province.
- 2.3 The training session aims to enhance GRAP technical knowledge of municipal officials with the objective of assisting municipalities in compiling a GRAP compliant set of annual financial statements.
- 2.4 The training session is expected to strengthen the capacity of municipal officials in implementing the prescribed accounting reforms, in order to achieve improvements in audit outcomes and its sustainability.

3. REQUEST FOR INPUTS

- 3.1 To further enhance the training and provide a valuable outcome, we request municipalities to forward specific GRAP standards and accounting topics that they would like to receive specific focus in the training. These topics should be forwarded to the Provincial Treasury: Local Government Accounting Unit using the contact details provided below by no later than 10 February 2017.
- 3.2 The Provincial Treasury Local Government Unit will also include any additional topical and transversal topics and findings emanating from the 2015/16 Management Reports.

4. LOGISTICAL ARRANGEMENTS

4.1 Municipalities are requested to nominate relevant officials to attend the training session, preferably officials responsible for the preparation of annual financial statements.

- 4.2 The training will be held at the **Caledon Hotel & Spa**. Municipalities are requested to nominate **two officials** to attend the training session.
- 4.3 It is important for municipalities to note that the two-day training session, venue and catering is for the account of the Western Cape Provincial Treasury, whilst municipalities will be accountable for their own accommodation, transport, incidental expenses and meals (breakfast and dinner).
- 4.4 Confirmation of attendance should reach the following officials by no later than **17 February 2017** in order to finalise the logistics:

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5. Your co-operation is highly appreciated.

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