A Green Paper For The Development Of Sustainable Human Settlements

Human Settlements Portfolio Committee

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Presentation Overview

- Background

- National Development Plan

- Plan for the development of a Green Paper

- Progress To Date

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Government Approach

- **1994 – 2014**:
  - Social, spatial and economic justice in order to reverse poverty and inequality that characterised the majority of South African society
  - Government policies focused on poverty alleviation
  - Focused Equity, Redress and Access
- **2014 – 2030**:
  - Address social, spatial and economic disparities
  - Poverty reduction and social cohesion
  - Focus is on economic growth and developing the requisite capabilities

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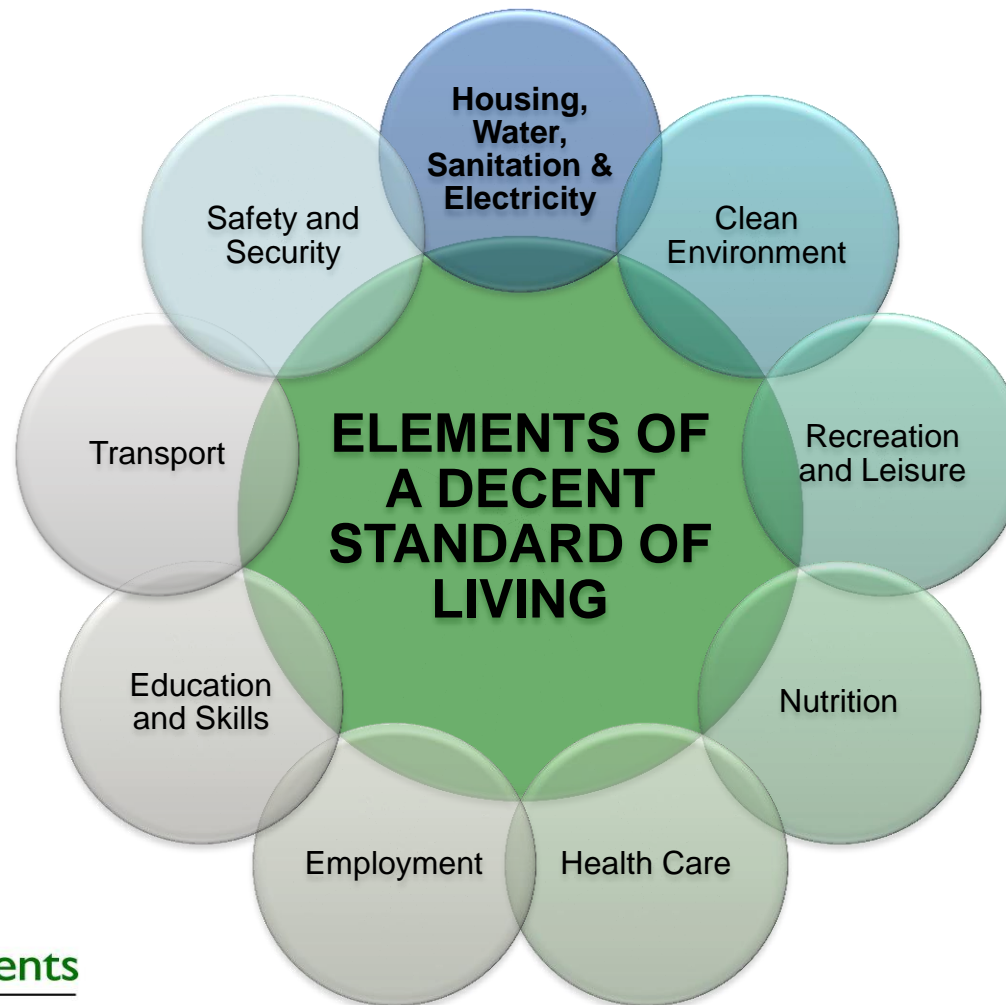
National Development Plan

- The plan is a blueprint for eliminating poverty and reducing inequality in the country by 2030, and will provide the strategic framework for detailed government planning going forward

- A need to develop new spatial norms and standards – densifying cities, improving transport, locating jobs where people live, upgrading informal settlements and fixing housing market gaps

A Call For A Holistic Approach

Housing, Water, Sanitation & Electricity · Clean Environment · Recreation and Leisure · Nutrition · Health Care · Employment · Education and Skills · Transport · Safety and Security · ELEMENTS OF A DECENT STANDARD OF LIVING

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Emerging From The Portfolio Committee Jan 2013 Workshop

- Adopt the Comprehensive plan as guiding document for the Green Paper

- Sharpening the tools:
  - What is South Africa's model of sustainable human settlements?
  - What is the role of DHS, PDHS, Municipalities, other government departments in the development of sustainable human settlements?
  - What are sector specific strategies?

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Human Settlements Strategy

- Develop a strategy to address the following:
  - Respond directly to the South African Constitution especially to the provisions in the Bill of Rights that affirm the right of all to a healthy environment; access to adequate housing; and access to basic services (Sections 24, 26 & 27)
  - Reshape apartheid geography
  - Create conditions for humane and environmentally sustainable living and working environments

Physical Aspects Of Human Settlements

Shelter

Structures of different shapes, size, type, material, etc.

Infrastructure

Complex network design to deliver goods, water, energy, information, etc.

Services

Education, health, culture, welfare, recreation, nutrition, etc.

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Aspects Of Human Settlements

Social	Economics and Finance	Environmental
Social cohesion, networks, cultural, spiritual, etc	Jobs, markets, access to finance, etc	climate change, green buildings, etc

Shaping The Vision Of Human Settlements
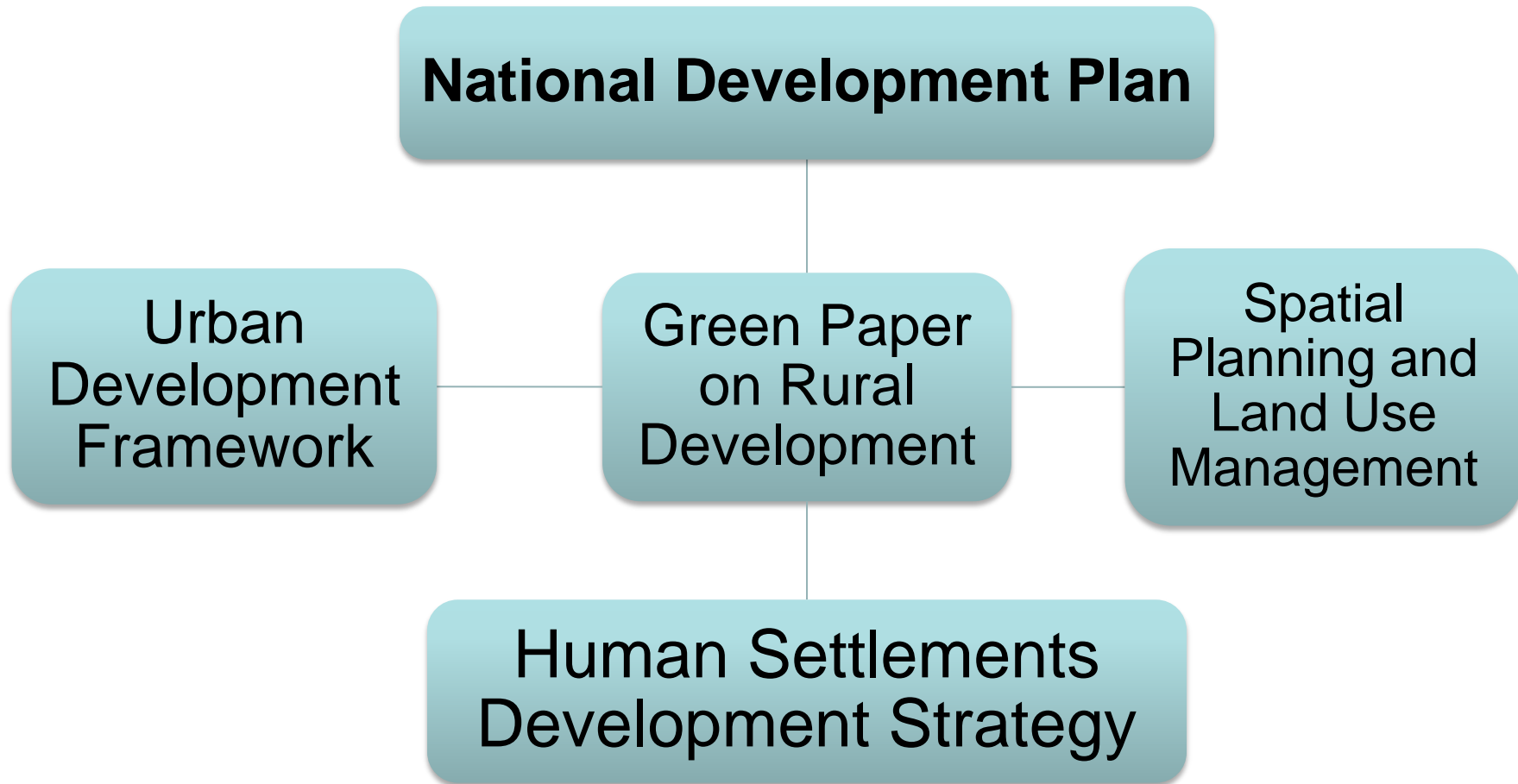
National Development Plan

Urban Development Framework

Green Paper on Rural Development

Spatial Planning and Land Use Management

Human Settlements Development Strategy

The Road To The Green Paper

- Human Settlements Green Paper should go beyond a mere focus on distributing subsidies but view settlements in the context of cities, towns, villages, etc.

- What is required is a solid knowledge base to adequately respond to the demands of the 21st century regarding the development of sustainable human settlements

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Development

- The Green Paper will address the following:
  - Development
  - Implementation
  - Evaluation

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Green Paper Development

- Phase 1: Conceptualisation
- Phase 2: Development
- Phase 3: Consultation
- Phase 4: Revision
- Phase 5: Finalisation
- Phase 6: Closure

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What is the plan?

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Key Phases	Milestones	Activities	Outputs	Project Timeframe
Phase 1: Conceptualisation	Project plan and ToR submitted for development of the Green Paper approved	Draft project plan, Draft ToR Submit Green Paper process to the DG, Make Presentations to EMT, MINTOP, Tech MINMEC, MINMEC, etc..	ToR and plan for Green Paper process drafted Submission to the DG Presentation to dept forums	January 2013)
	Draft Concept Paper approved	Develop a Concept Paper to guide the Green Paper process Presentations to EMT, MINTOP, Tech MINMEC and MINMEC,etc	Draft Concept Paper	March - April 2013
	Project Management Team (PMT) established	Establish the PMT	PMT established to oversee the project	April 2013
	Framework and project plan for Green Paper drafted and finalised	Develop a framework (with a refined methodology based on engagements) for the development of a Green Paper	Framework for Green Paper and final project plan (with agreed timelines)	May 2013
	Technical reference group members appointed	Appoint Technical Reference Group (TRG) Develop ToR for TRG Arrange a workshop to develop parameters of the research	ToR for Technical Reference Group developed Develop ToR for identified research projects	May 2013

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Key Phases	Milestones	Activities	Outputs	Projected Timeframe
Phase 2: Development	Concept paper finalised	PMT to guide inputs from the TRG into the background/concept paper	TRG inputs incorporated	May– June 2013
	Foregrounding Research	Draft ToR on basis of research plan note for the development of each research area/priority that has been identified	Draft ToR	June 2013
		TRG to review ToR	ToR for papers finalised	June 2013
		Request for proposals for the development of the research papers according to identified key themes (more than one research paper will be required per theme)	Proposals sourced	July2013
		Appoint researchers to complete papers	Draft research papers and research reports	Aug 2013
		Consultative seminars to discuss the research outputs	Final research papers (approximately 2-4 per theme)	Oct 2013
	Draft Green Paper	Draft Green Paper informed by the completed background research is	Draft Green Paper	Nov 2013 – Feb 2014

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Phase 3: Consultation	Draft Green Paper approved for public consultation	Comments on Draft Green Paper sourced from DHS, other departments, provinces, municipalities at national summit (limited to government representatives and partners)	Approved draft green paper	March – June 2014
	Draft Green Paper	Submit Green Paper for public comments Conduct 9 provincial consultations/road shows	First draft of Green Paper published for comments	June – July 2014
	Public and stakeholder Consultation	Solicit comments from parliament, public, stakeholders	Reports on public consultation	Aug – Oct 2014

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Phase 4: Revision	Revised Green Paper	PMT, together with reference group to revise the Green Paper	Revised Green Paper	Nov - Dec2014
	Revised Green Paper	Present and source comments on revised Green Paper– from DHS, other departments, provinces, municipalities, portfolio committee, etc.	Comments on revised document	Jan–March 2015
	Green Paper approved	Submit final Green Paper	Approved Green Paper	May 2015

Key Phases	Milestones	Activities	Outputs	Projected Timeframe
Phase 5: Finalisation	Official Green Paper	Source service provider for DTP and printing	Final Green Paper	July 2015
	Public introduction	Launch of Green Paper	Minister launch Green Paper	Sep 2015

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Phase 6: Project Closure	Green Paper Disseminated	Dissemination of the Green Paper	Green Paper ready for dissemination	Oct 2015
	Project closure report	Development of a closure report	Project Closure Report	Nov 2015
	Project Closure workshop	Project Review Workshop Discussions and handover to Policy Unit for the Development of a White Paper	Handover discussions held	Nov/Dec 2015

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Green Paper Blueprint

- Development ideology
- Urban future and Spatial planning
- Politics & Governance
- Sustainability and resilience
- Economics & Finance
- Shelter strategies

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Policy Implementation

- Implementation Strategy
  - Theoretical perspective
  - Mechanism
- Capacity to implement
  - Required knowledge and skills
  - Required change
- Resources

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Policy Evaluation

- What are success indicators
- How will these be measured

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Where Are We In The Development?

- Conducting self-examination
  - Evaluations focusing on various departmental programmes (e.g. USDG, IRDP& UISP) and assessing the achievement of outcomes (e.g. assets & access) are underway
  - Conducting small scale research
- Appointment of required expertise
- Collaboration with Department of Science and Technology
- Communication and mobilisation of support

Green Paper & Human Settlement Development Process

Land assembly → Township establishment & Approvals → Installation of services → House Construction → Transfer and handover

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The Development Process

- Define the problem
- Identify the causes
- Evaluate the policy/policies
- Select best solution(s)
- Undertake cost benefit analysis
- Determine socio-political strategies

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Some Areas For Examination

- Migration trends
- Implications of Census 2011
- Municipal accreditation
- Housing institutions
- Sharpening of existing instruments

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Research Will Respond To The Following…

- What are the current impediments and successes?
- What should be the key strategic thrust for the development of human settlements?
- What should be the key areas of intervention?
- What should be the role of the DHS and other sectors in the development of sustainable human settlements?
- What are the required instruments and implementation framework?
- How do we measure success

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