

DRAFT CUSTOMER CARE POLICY - KANNALAND LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

1. PURPOSE

To establish a strong, transparent, and trust-based relationship between the municipality and the community through excellent customer service and responsive communication and accountability in all municipal interactions with the community.

2. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Transparency
- Responsiveness
- Accountability
- Professionalism
- Community Empowerment

3. LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT COMMITMENT

- Municipal leadership and senior management will commit to building and maintaining a culture of responsiveness, courtesy, and respect in all interactions with the public.
- Regular training and performance monitoring will ensure effective service standards.

4. RESPONSE TIME TO PUBLIC INQUIRIES

- All service requests, complaints, and inquiries must be acknowledged within 48 hours.
- A full resolution should be provided within 5 working days unless otherwise communicated.

5. COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

- The municipality will communicate regularly with the community through:
 - o Community meetings
 - Local radio and newspapers
 - o Municipal website and social media
 - Posters and public notices

6. SERVICE DISRUPTION COMMUNICATION

- Planned interruptions must be communicated 48 hours in advance via multiple channels.
- Unforeseen disruptions will be communicated within 2 hours of confirmation.

7. BEST PRACTICES IN SERVICE DELIVERY

- Benchmarking service delivery against leading municipalities.
- · Annual customer satisfaction surveys.
- Regular community report-back sessions.