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Kannaland Council Resolves to Adopt Financial Recovery Plan

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The Kannaland Municipal Council, during its meeting on 28 August 2025, unanimously resolved to adopt the approved **Financial Recovery Plan (FRP)** and its implementation.

The FRP represents a critical roadmap to restore financial stability, strengthen governance, and improve service delivery across the municipality. The plan was developed in collaboration with key stakeholders, including the **Provincial Treasury**, **National Treasury**, and the **Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs**.

Although the Council approved the finalisation and implementation of the FRP, it was acknowledged that its success will depend on the drafting and approval of a comprehensive funding plan to support the outlined interventions. The funding plan will provide the necessary financial resources to implement corrective measures, infrastructure improvements, and revenue-enhancing initiatives as envisaged in the FRP.

Following the council resolution, **the Mayor**, Councillor Jeffrey Donson, reaffirmed the Council's commitment and emphasised his optimism regarding the current intervention:

"This step marks a decisive shift in restoring fiscal discipline and sustainable service delivery in Kannaland. Unlike previous interventions that failed due to the absence of funding, both the Provincial and National Government are this time fully engaged, and I believe that a funding model forms part of the process. We are committed to working closely with our partners to ensure that the model is finalised and that our communities experience the benefits of a stronger, more responsive municipality. It is important to note that since 1997, shortly after the democratic elections, and after each subsequent election, Kannaland Municipality has been placed under interventions. However, previous interventions failed because they did not include a dedicated funding model to support the identified corrective measures."

The **Municipal Manager** has been authorised to continue engagement with relevant stakeholders and to provide the Council with progress reports as the funding plan is developed.

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