# **Cellphone Allowance Policy**



Molemole Municipality



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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Local Government has a responsibility to meet its objectives in terms of the Constitution and thus communication plays a vital role in achieving these objectives.

# 2. PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines on:

a. The management of cellular phones

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b. The acquisition and use of cellular phones

#### 3. SCOPE OF APPLICATION

The following categories of employment shall automatically qualify to receive cellphone allowance

- a. All Councillors, excluding indirectly elected councilors, automatically qualify for cellphone allowance
- b. The following officials automatically qualify for cellphone allowance:
  - i. Municipal Manager
  - ii. Section 56 & 57 Managers [Managers reporting directly to the Municipal Manager]
  - iii. Divisional Heads
  - iv. Officers and Technicians on Task Grade 12
- c. Should other posts be identified requiring the use of cellular phones, a motivation will be submitted to the Municipal Manager by the relevant manager for approval.
- d. It is important that a motivation as stated above is made timeously in order to ensure that Finance Department is able to provide funds to cover the expense.

# 4. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- a. The maximum monthly limit allocated for councillors will be based on the government gazette promulgating Councillor Allowances and benefits.
- b. The maximum monthly limit for officials will be determined on the total fixed monthly cellphone allowance as approved by council.
- c. In the event that the Councillor or official ceases to hold office, the cellphone allowance will be terminated.

#### 4.1 PRIVATELY OWNED CELLULAR PHONES

a. Councilors and Officials are required to use their own personal phones to make official calls and receive calls on behalf of the municipality.

#### 5. LIMITS

#### 5.1 COUNCILLORS

a) Limits are as promulgated annually in the government gazette.

# 5.2 OFFICIALS

Designation	Cost
a. Municipal Manager	R 2000.00
b. Section 56 & 57 Managers( Senior Manager)	R 2000.00
c. Managers	R 2000.00
d. Other officials	R 1 175.00

- 8.2.1 Managers are requested to identify officials that would require cellphone allowance and the package required.
- 8.2.2 The above call limits include the fixed monthly charges.

- 8.2.3 The service provider may set bill limits on the cellular phones upon written request from the Councillor or official.
- 8.2.4 Privately owned cellular phones are also subjected to the above limits.

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# 9 MONITORING, EVALUATION AND CONTROL

- a) The HRM unit is the implementing agent of this policy and shall ensure that all councillors and officials comply with the provision thereof.
- b) The policy shall be reviewed at the end of every financial year or when need be to cater for legislative amendments.

# 10 APPROVAL OF THE POLICY

Signature:

Initials and Surname:

Designation:

Council Resolution Number:

Council Date:

Date of Approval by Council

Mayor

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