



# Water Service Sector Leadership Group: 19 and 20 June 2007

Sustainable Life Cycle Management  
of Water Infrastructure

Commission 5: Political buy-in and  
getting alignment



## Principle

- Must include human beings as assets – not just infrastructure
- Politicians and Cllrs to be treated as valuable assets
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Issue	Action	Responsible institution
Quality and standard of training.	<p>Accredited training Programme on asset management for Cllrs and officials must recognise prior learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training must be linked to understanding water business</li> <li>• [all workshops to be given must be accredited]</li> <li>• Interim: all targeted stakeholders must develop portfolio of evidence towards recognition of prior learning.</li> <li>• Set up Peer review mechanism of portfolio of evidence</li> <li>• Training programme on asset management to given to all water sector stakeholders (as soon as this is accredited)</li> <li>• Champion Richard Pillay) to unpack forward:</li> </ul>	<p>DWAF eSETA LGWSETA SALGA Munics</p>

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Awareness of Cllrs –	Run an orientation session Understand water business. Take Cllrs (portfolio heads) and ward committees through the business – physically to see what happens where so that they will support decisions.	Munic SALGA
different attitude to way treat public assets as compared to private assets. Under performance	Asset Management must be part of Key Performance Areas of responsible officers (start with S57 but should aim to include everyone)	SALGA Dplg Munic Provincial and National Depts



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Cllrs prefer to use money on extending new infrastructure rather than maintaining old infrastructure	<p>a) Develop business case for engaging potential funders to address O &amp; M issues</p> <p>b) Raise awareness of Cllrs of importance of budgeting realistically for O&amp;M and impact of not budgeting adequately</p>	Munic Supported by DWAF



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Munics budget for O&M but do not spend money (roll overs)	a) Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plans must be carefully monitored throughout the year b) Explore the possibility of a focused programme managed centrally to deal with areas where there are serious problems c) Strengthen performance management system to deal with non performance (officials) d) Appropriate transfers of non performing Cllrs	Munic   DWAF SALGA   DPLG SALGA	
Munics not politically stable	Not for this group to make a recommendation.		