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"For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others." - Nelson Mandela

Nelson Mandela Bay Stadium,
Port Elizabeth, South Africa



FINANCIAL INFORMATION

General Information

Country of incorporation and domicile	South Africa
Legal form of entity Management Act (Act No.1 of 1999)	Schedule 3C Public Entity in terms of the Public Finance & Management Act
Nature of business and principal activities	Biodiversity Conservation and Tourism Management
Accounting Authority	Mr S Mgxaji Mr S F W Ncume Ms M Mama ¹ Dr A Muir Ms P Yako Mr Z Fihlani : Appointed, 15 August 2017 Ms T Putzier : Appointed, 01 September 2017 Ms V Zitumane : Resigned, 31 August 2017 Ms T Tsengiwe : Resigned, 16 August 2017
Registered office	17 - 25 Fleet Street East London 5201
Postal address	P.O. Box 11235 Southernwood East London 5213
Bankers	First National Bank Limited Nedbank Limited - up to 30 April 2017
Auditors	Office of the Auditor General
Website	www.visiteasterncape.co.za

¹ Shareholder representative not remunerated





Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency

Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2018

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Abbreviations

ECPTA	The Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency
DEDEAT	The Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism
DEA	The Department of Environmental Affairs
GRAP	Generally Recognised Accounting Practice
CATHSSETTA	Culture, Arts, Tourism, Hospitality and Sports Sector Education and Training Authority





Accounting Authority's Responsibilities and Approval

The Accounting Authority (The Board) are required by the Public Finance Management Act (Act 1 of 1999), to maintain adequate accounting records and are responsible for the content and integrity of the annual financial statements and related financial information included in this report. It is the responsibility of the Board to ensure that the annual financial statements fairly present the state of affairs of the entity as at the end of the period and the results of its operations and cash flows for the period then ended. The role of external auditors is to express an independent opinion on the annual financial statements and management should ensure that they are given unrestricted access to all financial records and related data.

The annual financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Standards of Generally Recognised Accounting Practice (GRAP) including any interpretations, guidelines and directives issued by the Accounting Standards Board.

The annual financial statements are based upon appropriate accounting policies consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates.

The Board acknowledge that they are ultimately responsible for the system of internal financial control established by the entity and place considerable importance on maintaining a strong control environment. To enable the Board to meet these responsibilities, the accounting authority sets standards for internal control aimed at reducing the risk of error or deficit in a cost effective manner. The standards include the proper delegation of responsibilities within a clearly defined framework, effective accounting procedures and adequate segregation of duties to ensure an acceptable level of risk. These controls are monitored throughout the entity and all employees are required to maintain the highest ethical standards in ensuring the entity's business is conducted in a manner that in all reasonable circumstances is above reproach. The focus of risk management in the entity is on identifying, assessing, managing and monitoring all known forms of risk across the entity. While operating risk cannot be fully eliminated, the entity endeavours to minimise it by ensuring that appropriate infrastructure, controls, systems and ethical behaviour are applied and managed within predetermined procedures and constraints.

The Board is of the opinion, based on the information and explanations given by management, that the system of internal control provides reasonable assurance that the financial records may be relied on for the preparation of the annual financial statements. However, any system of internal financial control can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or deficit.

The Board has reviewed the entity's cash flow forecast for the year to 31 March, 2019 and, in the light of this review and the current financial position, they are satisfied that the entity has or has access to adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The annual financial statements set out on pages 100-166, which have been prepared on the going concern basis, were approved by the accounting authority on 25 May, 2018 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr S Mgxaji

Acting Chairperson of the Board





To the Eastern Cape Provincial Legislature on the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

1. I have audited the financial statements of the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency set out on pages 100 to 166, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2018, the statement of financial performance, statement of changes in net assets, cash flow statement and statement of comparison of budget and actual amounts for the year then ended, as well as the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.
2. In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, financial position of the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency as at 31 March 2018, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the South African Standards of Generally Recognised Accounting Practice (SA Standards of GRAP) and the requirements of the Public Finance Management Act of South Africa (PFMA), 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999).

Basis for opinion

3. I conducted my audit in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor-general's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of this auditor's report.
4. I am independent of the entity in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of ethics for professional accountants* (IESBA code) and the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit in South Africa. I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA code.

5. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Emphasis of matter

6. I draw attention to the matter below. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Uncertainty relating to the future outcomes of exceptional litigation

7. With reference to note 38 to the financial statements, the entity is the defendant in various claims for damages, which it is opposing. The ultimate outcome of the matter cannot presently be determined and no provision for any liability that may result has been made in the financial statements.

Responsibilities of the accounting authority

8. The accounting authority is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the SA Standards of GRAP and the requirements of the PFMA, and for such internal control as the accounting authority determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
9. In preparing the financial statements, the accounting authority is responsible for assessing the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the accounting authority either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.





Report of the Auditor-General

Auditor-general's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

10. My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the ISAs will

always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

11. A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is included in the annexure to this auditor's report.

Report on the audit of the annual performance report

Introduction and scope

12. In accordance with the Public Audit Act of South Africa, 2004 (Act No. 25 of 2004) (PAA) and the general notice issued in terms thereof, I have a responsibility to report material findings on the reported performance information against predetermined objectives for selected programme presented in the annual performance report. I performed procedures to identify findings but not to gather evidence to express assurance.

13. My procedures address the reported performance information, which must be based on the approved performance planning documents of the entity. I have not evaluated the completeness and appropriateness of the performance indicators/ measures included in the planning documents. My procedures also did not extend to any disclosures or assertions relating to planned performance strategies and information in respect of future periods that may be included as part of the reported performance information. Accordingly, my findings do not extend to these matters.

14. I evaluated the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information in accordance with the criteria developed from the performance

management and reporting framework, as defined in the general notice, for the following selected programme presented in the annual performance report of the entity for the year ended 31 March 2018:

Programmes	Pages in the annual performance report
Programme 1 - operations	42-58

15. I performed procedures to determine whether the reported performance information was properly presented and whether performance was consistent with the approved performance planning documents. I performed further procedures to determine whether the indicators and related targets were measurable and relevant, and assessed the reliability of the reported performance information to determine whether it was valid, accurate and complete.

16. I did not raise any material findings on the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information for programme 1: operations.





Report of the Auditor-General

Other matter

17. I draw attention to the matter below.

Achievement of planned targets

18. Refer to the annual performance report on page 42 to 71 for information on the achievement of planned targets for the year.

Report on the audit of compliance with legislation

Introduction and scope

19. In accordance with the PAA and the general notice issued in terms thereof, I have a responsibility to report material findings on the compliance of the entity with specific matters in key legislation. I performed procedures to identify findings but not to gather evidence to express assurance.
20. I did not raise material findings on compliance with the specific matters in key legislation set out in the general notice issued in terms of the PAA.

Other information

21. The accounting authority is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report. The other information does not include financial statements, the auditor's report and the selected programme presented in the annual performance report that has been specifically reported in this auditor's report.
22. My opinion on the financial statements and findings on the reported performance information and compliance with legislation do not cover the other information and I do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.
23. In connection with my audit, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements and the selected programme presented in the annual performance report, or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.
24. After I receive and read the other information, and if I conclude that there is a material misstatement, I am required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance and request that the other information be corrected. If the other information is not corrected, I may have to retract this auditor's report and re-issue an amended report as appropriate. However, if it is corrected this will not be necessary.

Internal control deficiencies

25. I considered internal control relevant to my audit of the financial statements, reported performance information and compliance with applicable legislation; however, my objective was not to express any form of assurance on it. I did not identify any significant deficiencies in internal control.





Report of the Auditor-General

Other reports

- Investigations

26. I draw attention to the following engagement conducted by an external party that had, or could have, an impact on the matters reported in the entity's financial statements, reported performance information, compliance with applicable legislation and other related matters. This report did not form part of my opinion on the financial statements or on the reported performance information or compliance with legislation.
27. An independent consultant has been appointed to investigate an allegation of fraudulent payments made by the entity. The investigation is at the request of the entity and these proceedings were in progress at the date of this auditor's report.

East London

Auditor General

31 July 2018



AUDITOR - GENERAL
SOUTH AFRICA

Auditing to build public confidence





Annexure – Auditor-general's responsibility for the audit

1. As part of an audit in accordance with the ISAs, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout my audit of the financial statements, and the procedures performed on reported performance information for selected programme and on the entity's compliance with respect to the selected subject matters.

Financial statements

2. In addition to my responsibility for the audit of the financial statements as described in this auditor's report, I also:

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entities' internal control
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the board of directors, which constitutes the accounting officer
- conclude on the appropriateness of the board of directors, which constitutes the accounting officer use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements. I also conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material

uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements about the material uncertainty or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the opinion on the financial statements. My conclusions are based on the information available to me at the date of this auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause an entity to cease continuing as a going concern

- evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation
- obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. I am responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. I remain solely responsible for my audit opinion





Communication with those charged with governance

3. I communicate with the accounting officer regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.
4. I also confirm to the accounting officer that I have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and communicate all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to have a bearing on my independence and, where applicable, related safeguards.





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Statement of Financial Position as at 31 March 2018

Figures in Rand (thousand)	Note(s)	2018 R'000	2017 R'000 Restated*
Assets			
Current Assets			
Inventories	2	1,743	2,791
Trade receivables	3	1,702	300
Other receivables	4	1,494	5,193
Cash and cash equivalents	5	38,067	28,581
Game held for sale	6	8,638	14,979
		51,644	51,844
Non-Current Assets			
Intangible assets	7	290	391
Property, plant and equipment	8	304,795	324,491
Service concession assets	9	41,667	27,359
Heritage assets	10	22,991	22,991
Investment property	11	6,040	6,168
Infrastructure - work in progress	12	11,994	16,382
		387,777	397,782
Total Assets		439,421	449,626
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Finance lease obligation	13	384	45
Trade payables	14	12,372	21,053
Employee related payables	15	11,433	10,899
Poverty alleviation projects	16	2,171	1,422
Provisions	17	8,676	7,030
Deferred revenue - game held for sale	18	8,638	14,979
Unspent conditional grants and receipts	19	20,940	5,678
		64,614	61,106
Non-Current Liabilities			
Finance lease obligation	13	616	-
Employee benefit obligation	20	23,302	24,092
		23,918	24,092
Total Liabilities		88,532	85,198
Net Assets		350,889	364,428
Capitalisation reserve		39,304	39,304
Accumulated surplus		311,585	325,124
Total Net Assets		350,889	364,428

* See Note 45





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Statement of Financial Performance

Figures in Rand (thousand)	Note(s)	2018 R'000	2017 R'000 Restated
Revenue			
Revenue from exchange transactions			
Wildlife income	21	12,842	14,669
Rendering of services	22	1,538	1,149
Accommodation revenue	23	5,987	5,427
Rental income		1,272	1,267
Other income	24	914	1,801
Finance income	25	1,330	2,572
Actuarial gains	20	3,995	3,309
Total revenue from exchange transactions		27,878	30,194
Revenue from non-exchange transactions			
Grants and subsidies	26	211,156	224,730
Donations received	27	3,379	20,385
Fines, penalties and forfeits		32	140
Debt impairment		-	40
Total revenue from non-exchange transactions		214,567	245,295
Total revenue		242,445	275,489
Expenditure			
Personnel related costs	28	(141,930)	(131,830)
Depreciation and amortisation	29	(28,358)	(44,725)
Impairment loss	30	(1,636)	-
Finance costs	31	(2,611)	(2,548)
Debt impairment		(86)	-
Repairs and maintenance	32	(4,379)	(6,398)
Loss on disposal of assets		(336)	(1,766)
Operating expenses	33	(76,648)	(82,146)
Total expenditure		(255,984)	(269,413)
(Deficit) surplus for the year		(13,539)	6,076

* See Note 45





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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Figures in Rand (thousand)	Capitalisation reserve	Accumulated surplus	Total net assets
Restated* Balance at 1 April, 2016	39,304	319,048	358,352
Surplus for the year	-	6,076	6,076
Restated* Balance at 1 April, 2017	39,304	325,124	364,428
Deficit for the year	-	(13,539)	(13,539)
Balance at 31 March, 2018	39,304	311,585	350,889

* See Note 45





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Cash Flow Statement

Figures in Rand (thousand)	Note(s)	2018 R'000	2017 R'000 Restated*
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts			
Own revenue		21,416	24,504
Grants and subsidies		229,798	206,477
Finance income		1,330	2,572
		<u>252,544</u>	<u>233,553</u>
Payments			
Employee costs		(136,555)	(127,732)
Suppliers		(89,687)	(85,869)
Finance costs		(2,611)	(2,548)
		<u>(228,853)</u>	<u>(216,149)</u>
Net cash flows from operating activities	35	<u>23,691</u>	<u>17,404</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	8	(21,302)	(36,587)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	8	14	21
Purchase of intangible assets	7	(46)	(10)
Increase in work in progress		5,425	(1,063)
		<u>(15,909)</u>	<u>(37,639)</u>
Net cash flows from investing activities		<u>(15,909)</u>	<u>(37,639)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Movement in poverty alleviation projects		749	(4,315)
Finance lease liabilities		955	(519)
		<u>1,704</u>	<u>(4,834)</u>
Net cash flows from financing activities		<u>1,704</u>	<u>(4,834)</u>
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		9,486	(25,069)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		28,581	53,650
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	5	<u>38,067</u>	<u>28,581</u>

* See Note 45





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Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts

Budget on Cash Basis						
Figures in Rand (thousand)	Approved budget	Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual amounts on comparable basis	Difference between final budget and actual	Reference
Statement of Financial Performance						
Revenue						
Revenue from exchange transactions	27,505	(3,156)	24,349	22,760	(1,589)	Note 43
Other grants	17,519	(2,053)	15,466	33,845	18,379	Note 43
Grants and subsidies	195,953	3,847	199,800	195,953	(3,847)	Note 43
Total revenue	240,977	(1,362)	239,615	252,558	12,943	
Expenses						
Compensation of employees	(144,478)	3,040	(141,438)	(136,555)	4,883	Note 43
Goods and services	(81,352)	(2,519)	(83,871)	(89,687)	(5,816)	Note 43
Capital expenditure	(15,147)	841	(14,306)	(15,923)	(1,617)	Note 43
Total expenditure	(240,977)	1,362	(239,615)	(242,165)	(2,550)	
Surplus for the year	-	-	-	10,393	10,393	
Reconciliation						
Format and classification differences						
Revenue from exchange transactions				5,150		
Grants and subsidies				(18,642)		
Donations received				3,379		
Compensation of employees				(5,375)		
Depreciation and amortisation				(28,358)		
Impairment loss				(1,636)		
Finance charges				(2,611)		
General expenses				8,238		
Capital expenditure				15,923		
Actual Amount in the Statement of Financial Performance				(13,539)		





Accounting Policies

1 Presentation of Annual Financial Statements

Basis of preparation

- **Statement of compliance**

The Annual Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Standards of Generally Recognised Accounting Practice (GRAP), the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No.1 of 1999) and specific regulations issued by National Treasury.

The Annual Financial Statements were authorised for issue by the Board on 31 May 2018.

- **Going concern assumption**

The Annual Financial Statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

- **Functional and presentation currency**

The Annual Financial Statements are presented in South African Rand, which is the entity's functional currency. All financial information presented has been rounded to the nearest thousand.

- **Use of estimates and judgements**

The preparation of the Annual Financial Statements in conformity with GRAP requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

- **Basis of measurement**

The Annual Financial Statements have been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting and are in accordance with historical cost except for certain assets and liabilities which are measured at fair value as set out in the accounting policies below. Under this basis, the effects of transactions and other events are recognised when they occur (and not as cash or its equivalent are received or paid) and they are recorded in the accounting records and reported in the financial statements of the periods to which they relate.

- **Offsetting**

Financial assets and liabilities are set off and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the entity has a legal right to set off amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. Revenues and expenses have not been offset except when offsetting is required or permitted by a Standard of GRAP.

- **Comparative information**

When the presentation or classification of items in the Annual Financial Statements is amended, prior period comparative amounts are restated. The nature and reason for the reclassification is disclosed. Where accounting errors have been identified in the current year, the correction is made retrospectively as far as is practicable, and the prior year comparatives are restated accordingly. Where there has been a change in accounting policy in the current year, the adjustment is made retrospectively as far as is practicable, and the prior year comparatives are restated accordingly.





Accounting Policies

Accounting policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently in all material respects to all periods in these annual financial statements.

1.1 Revenue from exchange transactions

Revenue is the gross inflow of economic benefits or service potential during the reporting period when those inflows result in an increase in net assets, other than increases relating to contributions from owners.

An exchange transaction is one in which the entity receives assets or services, or has liabilities extinguished, and directly gives approximately equal value (primarily in the form of goods, services or use of assets) to the other party in exchange.

Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

Recognition

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when all the following conditions have been satisfied:

- the entity has transferred to the purchaser the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods;
- the entity retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the entity; and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Rendering of services

When the outcome of a transaction involving the rendering of services can be estimated reliably, revenue associated with the transaction is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting

date. The outcome of a transaction can be estimated reliably when all the following conditions are satisfied:

- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the entity;
- the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date can be measured reliably; and
- the costs incurred for the transaction and the costs to complete the transaction can be measured reliably.

When services are performed by an indeterminate number of acts over a specified time frame, revenue is recognised on a straight line basis over the specified time frame unless there is evidence that some other method better represents the stage of completion. When a specific act is much more significant than any other acts, the recognition of revenue is postponed until the significant act is executed.

When the outcome of the transaction involving the rendering of services cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent of the expenses recognised that are recoverable.

Service revenue is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. Stage of completion is determined by services performed to date as a percentage of total services to be performed.

Interest

Revenue arising from the use by others of entity assets yielding interest is recognised using the effective interest method when:

- It is probable that the economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the entity, and
- The amount of the revenue can be measured reliably.

Measurement

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of trade discounts and volume rebates.





Accounting Policies

1.2 Revenue from non-exchange transactions

Revenue comprises gross inflows of economic benefits or service potential received and receivable by an entity, which represents an increase in net assets, other than increases relating to contributions from owners.

Conditions on transferred assets are stipulations that specify that the future economic benefits or service potential embodied in the asset is required to be consumed by the recipient as specified or future economic benefits or service potential must be returned to the transferor.

Control of an asset arises when the entity can use or otherwise benefit from the asset in pursuit of its objectives and can exclude or otherwise regulate the access of others to that benefit.

Exchange transactions are transactions in which one entity receives assets or services, or has liabilities extinguished, and directly gives approximately equal value (primarily in the form of cash, goods, services, or use of assets) to another entity in exchange.

Non-exchange transactions are transactions that are not exchange transactions. In a non-exchange transaction, an entity either receives value from another entity without directly giving approximately equal value in exchange, or gives value to another entity without directly receiving approximately equal value in exchange.

Recognition

An inflow of resources from a non-exchange transaction recognised as an asset is recognised as revenue, except to the extent that a liability is also recognised in respect of the same inflow.

As the entity satisfies a present obligation recognised as a liability in respect of an inflow of resources from a non-exchange transaction recognised as an asset, it reduces the carrying amount of the liability recognised and recognises an amount of revenue equal to that reduction.

Measurement

Revenue from a non-exchange transaction is measured at the amount of the increase in net assets recognised by the entity.

When, as a result of a non-exchange transaction, the entity recognises an asset, it also recognises revenue equivalent to the amount of the asset measured at its fair value as at the date of acquisition, unless it is also required to recognise a liability. Where a liability is required to be recognised it will be measured as the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date, and the amount of the increase in net assets, if any, recognised as revenue. When a liability is subsequently reduced, because the taxable event occurs or a condition is satisfied, the amount of the reduction in the liability is recognised as revenue.

1.3 Game held for sale

Large mammals which are identified through our game census process as being excess game, are classified as "held for sale" and are reflected in the financial statements at fair value less estimated point of sale costs of disposal.

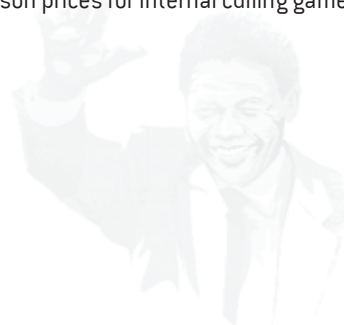
The ECPTA classifies excess game identified for off take (disposal), as "held for sale" as their fair value will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use

Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction. The fair values and estimated point of sale costs for game classified as "held for sale" are determined annually by management by considering:

- excess game quantities as approved by The Board for off take (disposal),
- auction reserve prices established by reference to historical data and industry conditions for live game sales,
- target selling prices set by management for hunting packages,
- animal weights and prices as mutually agreed with service providers for external culling game, by a bidding process,

1.3 Game held for sale (continued)

- average animal weights and management set venison prices for internal culling game; and





Accounting Policies

- significant costs of disposal, where such costs can be separately identifiable from normal biodiversity conservation costs.

The ECPTA is responsible for biodiversity conservation in defined protected areas and the biological assets consists of a large variety of species and it is thus not practical to list such species, their quantities or their values.

Attaching a reliable "fair value" to all biodiversity not "held for sale" is not possible, for the following reasons: The key drivers for successful biodiversity conservation include scientific management of the entire ecosystem in terms of flora and fauna (from the smallest organism to the largest) as well as the processes that maintain these patterns. It is not possible to place a reliable fair value on all material aspects of biodiversity. Valuing certain animal species without taking into account the contribution of other organisms and other aspects of the ecosystem is not in line with biodiversity conservation principles.

Fauna move naturally from one place to the other in search of preferred habitat and are therefore unpredictable in terms of their availability for counting. This issue is further complicated by short term responses of game to weather conditions. While fences are used as artificial barriers to control movement of some species, this is not an ideal situation, and some species move freely despite these barriers, which make counting impractical. Game counts are also extremely expensive processes, as these frequently require the use of sophisticated technology (helicopters, GPS, GIS) and data analysis. In addition, the complexity in counting different species varies, such that elephants are easier to census than small species such as blue duiker. Applying a uniform accounting approach to this range of species will not be practical.

In terms of the Framework for preparation and presentation of financial information, the ECPTA does not recognise its biodiversity assets and only reflect the excess game identified for off take as additional disclosure for the benefit of users to the Annual Financial Statements.

By virtue of these species being included in the defined protected areas they form part of the legislative mandate of the ECPTA to conserve biodiversity in these areas

1.4 Intangible assets

An intangible asset is an identifiable non-monetary asset without physical substance. An asset is identified as an intangible asset when it:

- is capable of being separated or divided from an entity and sold, transferred, licensed, rented or exchanged, either individually or together with a related contract, assets or liability; or
- arises from contractual rights or other legal rights, regardless of whether those rights are transferable or separate from the entity or from other rights and obligations.

An intangible asset is recognised when:

- it is probable that the expected future economic benefits or service potential that are attributable to the asset will flow to the entity; and
- the cost or fair value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. The cost of Intangible assets is its fair value as at the date of acquisition.

Intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any impairment losses. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for intangible assets are reviewed at each reporting date.

Amortisation is provided to write down the intangible assets on a straight line basis to their residual values as follows:

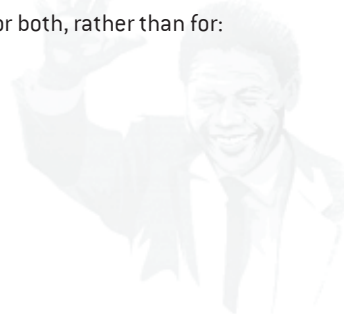
Item	Useful life
Computer software licence	3 years

Intangible assets are derecognised on disposal; or when no future economic benefits or service potential are expected from its use or disposal.

The gain or loss is the difference between the net disposal proceeds, if any, and the carrying amount. It is recognised in surplus or deficit when the asset is derecognised.

1.5 Investment property

Investment property is property (land or a building - or part of a building - or both) held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation or both, rather than for:





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- use in the production or supply of goods or services or for
- administrative purposes, or
- sale in the ordinary course of operations.

Investment property is recognised as an asset when, it is probable that the future economic benefits or service potential that are associated with the investment property will flow to the entity, and the cost or fair value of the investment property can be measured reliably.

Investment property is initially recognised at cost. Transaction costs are included in the initial measurement. The cost of investment property acquired at no cost or nominal cost (i.e. acquired in a non-exchange transaction) is its fair value at the date of acquisition.

Cost model

Investment property is carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation is provided to write down the cost, less estimated residual value over the useful life of the property, which is as follows:

Item	Useful life
Property - land	indefinite
Property - buildings	50 years

1.6 Heritage assets

Heritage assets are assets that have a cultural, environmental, historical, natural, scientific, technological or artistic significance and are held indefinitely for the benefit of present and future generations.

A heritage asset shall be recognised as an asset if, only if:

- It is probable that future economic benefits or service potential associated with the asset will flow to the entity, and
- the cost or fair value can be measured reliably.

Assets that qualify for recognition as heritage assets are initially measured at cost. Where the cost or fair values cannot be measured reliably, the assets are not recognised. Heritage assets are not depreciated as they are considered to have an indefinite useful life due to their environmental significance.

Subsequent to recognition, heritage assets are carried at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. In the case of specialised heritage buildings, the fair value is determined using the replacement cost approach.

The gain or loss arising from the derecognition of a heritage asset shall be determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds, if any, and the carrying amount of the heritage asset. Such difference is recognised in surplus or deficit when the heritage asset is derecognised.

An assessment of impairment is performed at each reporting date and impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss.





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1.7 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are tangible non-current assets (including infrastructure assets) that are held for use in the production or supply of goods or services, rental to others, or for administrative purposes, and are expected to be used during more than one period.

All property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost. Cost includes all costs directly attributable to bringing the assets to its working condition for its intended usage.

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised as an asset when:

- it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential associated with the item will flow to the entity; and
- the cost of the item can be measured reliably.

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is the purchase price and other costs attributable to bring the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Trade discounts and rebates are deducted in arriving at the cost.

Where an item of property, plant and equipment is acquired in exchange for a non-monetary asset or monetary assets, or a combination of monetary and non-monetary assets, the asset acquired is initially measured at fair value (the cost). If the acquired item's fair value was not determinable, its deemed cost is the carrying amount of the asset(s) given up.

Costs include costs incurred initially to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment and costs incurred subsequently to add to, replace part of, or service it. If a replacement cost is recognised in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment, the carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised.

Subsequent to initial measurement, property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses.

Land accounted for as property plant and equipment has an infinite useful life and is not depreciated.

Water tanks attached to buildings; or fencing surrounding buildings and infrastructure are presumed to be part of the buildings or infrastructure unless specifically identified; and otherwise stated.

The cost of stormwater drainage is included in the cost of the road where this takes the form of minimal transverse culverts and open drains alongside the road. Where local topography requires more than minimal drainage, the cost will be shown separately. Road signs are included in the cost of roads. The inclusion of stormwater and signage is in line with the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs Industry guide to Infrastructure Service Delivery Levels and Unit costs.

Property, plant and equipment are depreciated on the straight line basis over their expected useful lives to their estimated residual value.

The useful lives of items of property, plant and equipment have been assessed as follows:

Item	Average useful life
Land	Indefinite
Buildings	5 - 50 years
Plant and machinery	5 years
Furniture and fixtures	6 years
Motor vehicles	4 years
Office equipment	5 years
IT equipment	3 years
Building attachments	5 years
Field equipment	2 - 30 years
Roads and storm water	10 - 60 years
Electricity infrastructure	30 - 40 years
Sanitation infrastructure	10 - 60 years
Water supply infrastructure	30 - 50 years
Fencing	10 – 40 years





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1.7 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Each part of an item of property, plant and equipment with a cost that is significant in relation to the total cost of the item is depreciated separately.

Changes in residual value, depreciation method and useful life represents changes in estimates and are accounted for prospectively in accordance with GRAP 3 – Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors.

The carrying values of property, plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists and where the carrying values exceed the estimated recoverable amount, the assets or cash generating units are written down to their recoverable amount.

An entity shall assess at each reporting date whether there is any indication that an impairment loss recognised in prior periods for an asset may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the entity shall estimate the recoverable service amount of that asset. An impairment loss recognised in prior periods for an asset shall be reversed if, and only if, there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable service amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. If this is the case, the carrying amount of the asset shall be increased to its recoverable amount. That increase is a reversal of an impairment loss. A reversal of an impairment loss for an asset shall be recognised immediately in surplus or deficit.

The gain or loss arising from the derecognition of an item of property, plant and equipment is included in surplus or deficit when the item is derecognised. The gain or loss arising from the derecognition of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds, if any, and the carrying amount of the item.

1.8 Service concession arrangements

A service concession arrangement is a contractual arrangement between the entity and another entity (the operator) in which the operator uses the service

concession asset to provide; a public service that falls within the entity's mandate (mandated function) on behalf of the entity for a specified period of time; and the operator is compensated for its services over the period of the service concession arrangement.

Service concession assets

Service concession assets are assets used to provide a mandated function in a service concession arrangement that:

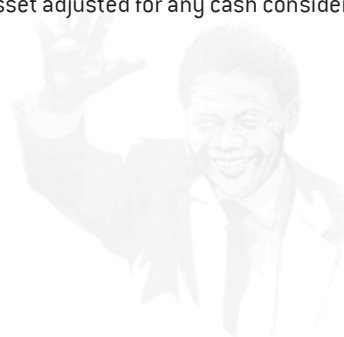
- are provided by an operator which the operator constructs, develops, or acquires from a third party; or are existing assets of the operator; or;
- are provided by the entity which are existing assets of the entity; or are an upgrade to existing assets of the entity.

The entity recognises an asset provided by the operator and an upgrade to an existing asset of the entity as a service concession asset if:

- the entity controls or regulates what services the operator must provide with the asset, to whom it must provide them, and at what price;
- the entity controls (through ownership, beneficial entitlement or otherwise) any significant residual interest in the asset at the end of the term of the arrangement;
- it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential associated with the asset will flow to the entity; and
- the cost of the asset can be measured reliably.

Service concession assets are measured at their fair value on initial recognition except where the assets are reclassified in which case they will only be reclassified in accordance with the applicable asset related GRAP Standard. The entity reclassifies assets to service concession assets at their carrying amounts; without any fair valuing at the date of reclassification.

Except where an asset was reclassified by the entity to a service concession asset, the entity initially measures the corresponding liability at the same amount as the service concession asset adjusted for any cash consideration





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1.8 Service concession arrangements (cont)

from either the entity or operator to either the entity or operator.

Reclassified service concession assets are accounted for in accordance with the Standards of GRAP on investment property, property, plant and equipment, intangible assets, or heritage assets, as appropriate.

Where the asset and service components of a service concession arrangement are separately identifiable, the service components of payments from the entity to the operator are allocated by reference to the relative fair values of the service concession asset and the services. Where the asset and service components are not separately identifiable, the service component of payments from the entity to the operator is determined using estimation techniques.

After initial recognition, the entity applies the accounting policies on investment property, property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and heritage assets to the subsequent measurement and derecognition of similar items of service concession assets. For the purposes of applying the accounting policies on investment property, property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and heritage assets, service concession assets are treated as a separate class of assets.

The accounting policies on Impairment of non-cash generating assets and impairment of cash-generating assets are applied in considering whether there is any indication that a service concession asset is impaired.

Depreciation is provided on service concession assets in terms of similar items of property, plant and equipment, investment property, intangible assets and heritage assets, to write down the cost, less residual value, by equal instalments over their useful lives which have been assessed as follows:

Item	Useful life
Buildings	5 - 50 years
Plant and machinery	5 years
Electricity infrastructure	30 - 40 years
Water supply infrastructure	30 - 50 years
Sanitation infrastructure	10 - 60 years

Service concession liabilities

Where the entity has an unconditional obligation to pay cash or another financial asset to the operator for the construction, development, acquisition, or upgrade of a service concession asset, the entity accounts for the liability recognised as a financial liability.

Where the entity does not have an unconditional obligation to pay cash or another financial asset to the operator for the construction, development, acquisition, or upgrade of a service concession asset, and grants the operator the right to earn revenue from third-party users or another revenue generating asset, the entity initially recognise the unearned portion of the revenue arising from the exchange of service concession assets between the entity and the operator as a deferred revenue - service concession liability.

A deferred revenue - service concession liability is initially measured at the same amount as the service concession asset adjusted for any additional consideration from the entity to operator or vice versa. Subsequently, the entity recognises revenue and reduces the liability recognised in accordance with the substance of the service concession arrangement.

Service concession revenue

Revenue from a service concession arrangement is recognised as it accrues over the period of the agreement. When the operator provides an upfront payment, a stream of payments, or other consideration to the entity for the right to use the service concession asset over the term of the service concession arrangement, the entity accounts for these payments in a manner that better reflect the operator's economic consumption of its access to the service concession asset and/or the time value of money. The timing of the revenue recognition is determined based on the substance of the service concession arrangement. When the conditions for revenue recognition are met, the liability is reduced as the revenue is recognised accordingly.





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1.9 Financial instruments

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or a residual interest of another entity.

Derecognition is the removal of a previously recognised financial asset or financial liability from an entity's statement of financial position.

A derivative is a financial instrument or other contract with all three of the following characteristics:

- Its value changes in response to the change in a specified interest rate, financial instrument price, commodity price, foreign exchange rate, index of prices or rates, credit rating or credit index, or other variable, provided in the case of a non-financial variable that the variable is not specific to a party to the contract (sometimes called the 'underlying').
- It requires no initial net investment or an initial net investment that is smaller than would be required for other types of contracts that would be expected to have a similar response to changes in market factors.
- It is settled at a future date.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or a financial liability (or group of financial assets or financial liabilities) and of allocating the interest income or interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or, when appropriate, a shorter period to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. When calculating the effective interest rate, an entity shall estimate cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment, call and similar options) but shall not consider future credit losses. The calculation includes all fees and points paid or received between parties to the contract that are an integral part of the effective interest rate (see the Standard of GRAP on Revenue from Exchange Transactions), transaction costs, and all other premiums or discounts. There is a presumption that the cash flows

and the expected life of a group of similar financial instruments can be estimated reliably. However, in those rare cases when it is not possible to reliably estimate the cash flows or the expected life of a financial instrument (or group of financial instruments), the entity shall use the contractual cash flows over the full contractual term of the financial instrument (or group of financial instruments).

Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

A financial asset is:

- cash;
- a residual interest of another entity; or
- a contractual right to:
- receive cash or another financial asset from another entity; or
- exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another entity under conditions that are potentially favourable to the entity.

A financial guarantee contract is a contract that requires the issuer to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due in accordance with the original or modified terms of a debt instrument.

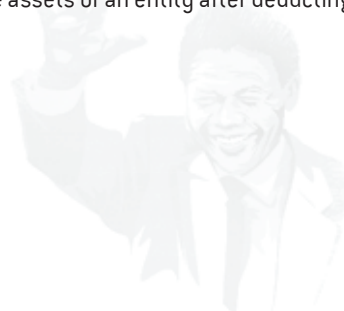
A financial liability is any liability that is a contractual obligation to:

- deliver cash or another financial asset to another entity; or
- exchange financial assets or financial liabilities under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the entity.

Loan commitment is a firm commitment to provide credit under pre-specified terms and conditions. Loans payable are financial liabilities, other than short-term payables on normal credit terms.

A financial asset is past due when a counterparty has failed to make a payment when contractually due.

A residual interest is any contract that manifests an interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its





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1.9 Financial instruments (continued)

liabilities. A residual interest includes contributions from owners, which may be shown as:

- equity instruments or similar forms of unitised capital;
- a formal designation of a transfer of resources (or a class of such transfers) by the parties to the transaction as forming part of an entity's net assets, either before the contribution occurs or at the time of the contribution; or
- a formal agreement, in relation to the contribution, establishing or increasing an existing financial interest in the net assets of an entity.

Transaction costs are incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, issue or disposal of a financial asset or financial liability. An incremental cost is one that would not have been incurred if the entity had not acquired, issued or disposed of the financial instrument.

Financial instruments at amortised cost are non-derivative financial assets or non-derivative financial liabilities that have fixed or determinable payments, excluding those instruments that:

- the entity designates at fair value at initial recognition; or
- are held for trading.

Financial instruments at cost are investments in residual interests that do not have a quoted market price in an active market, and whose fair value cannot be reliably measured.

Financial instruments at fair value comprise financial assets or financial liabilities that are:

- derivatives;
- combined instruments that are designated at fair value;
- instruments held for trading. A financial instrument is held for trading if:
 - it is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near-term; or

- on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short term profit-taking;
- non-derivative financial assets or financial liabilities with fixed or determinable payments that are designated at fair value at initial recognition; and
- financial instruments that do not meet the definition of financial instruments at amortised cost or financial instruments at cost.

Classification

The entity has the following types of financial assets (classes and category) as reflected on the face of the statement of financial position or in the notes thereto:

Class	Category
Trade and other receivables	Financial asset measured at amortised cost
Cash and equivalents	Financial asset measured at amortised cost

The entity has the following types of financial liabilities (classes and category) as reflected on the face of the statement of financial position or in the notes thereto:

Class	Category
Trade and other payables	Financial liability measured at amortised cost

Initial recognition

The entity recognises a financial asset or a financial liability in its statement of financial position when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.





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1.9 Financial instruments (continued)

Initial measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities

The entity measures a financial asset and financial liability initially at its fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability.

The entity first assesses whether the substance of a concessionary loan is in fact a loan. On initial recognition, the entity analyses a concessionary loan into its component parts and accounts for each component separately. The entity accounts for that part of a concessionary loan that is:

- a social benefit in accordance with the Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements, where it is the issuer of the loan; or
- non-exchange revenue, in accordance with the Standard of GRAP on Revenue from Non-exchange Transactions (Taxes and Transfers), where it is the recipient of the loan.

Subsequent measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities

The entity measures all financial assets and financial liabilities after initial recognition using the following categories:

- Financial instruments at fair value.
- Financial instruments at amortised cost.
- Financial instruments at cost.

All financial assets measured at amortised cost, or cost, are subject to an impairment review. The amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition minus principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount, and minus any reduction (directly or through the use of an allowance account) for impairment.

Fair value measurement considerations

The best evidence of fair value is quoted prices in an active market. If the market for a financial instrument is not active, the entity establishes fair value by using a valuation technique. The objective of using a valuation technique is to establish what the transaction price would have been on the measurement date in an arm's length exchange motivated by normal operating considerations. Valuation techniques include using recent arm's length market transactions between knowledgeable, willing parties, if available, reference to the current fair value of another instrument that is substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis and option pricing models. If there is a valuation technique commonly used by market participants to price the instrument and that technique has been demonstrated to provide reliable estimates of prices obtained in actual market transactions, the entity uses that technique. The chosen valuation technique makes maximum use of market inputs and relies as little as possible on entity-specific inputs. It incorporates all factors that market participants would consider in setting a price and is consistent with accepted economic methodologies for pricing financial instruments. Periodically, an entity calibrates the valuation technique and tests it for validity using prices from any observable current market transactions in the same instrument (i.e. without modification or repackaging) or based on any available observable market data.

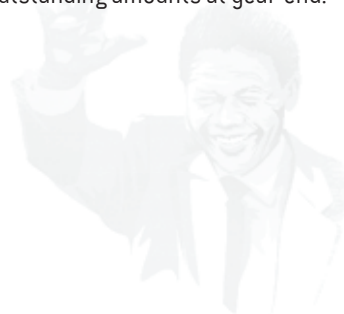
The fair value of a financial liability with a demand feature (e.g. a demand deposit) is not less than the amount payable on demand, discounted from the first date that the amount could be required to be paid.

Measurement of specific financial instruments

Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are initially measured at fair value and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Trade and other receivables are assessed at least annually for possible impairment. Impairment adjustments are made through the use of an allowance account. An estimate is made for doubtful receivables based on a review of all outstanding amounts at year-end.





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1.9 Financial instruments (continued)

The entity provides for bad debts on outstanding trade and other receivables as follows:

Outstanding balance	Provision for bad debts
Older than six months but less than a year	50.00 %
Older than a year	100.00 %

Bad debts are written off in the year in which they are identified as irrecoverable.

Trade and other payables

Trade payables are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Derecognition

Financial assets

The entity derecognises a financial asset only when:

- the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, are settled or waived;
- the entity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset; or
- the entity, despite having retained some significant risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, has transferred control of the asset to another party and the other party has the practical ability to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party, and is able to exercise that ability unilaterally and without needing to impose additional restrictions on the transfer. In this case, the entity :
 - derecognise the asset; and
 - recognise separately any rights and obligations created or retained in the transfer.

Financial liabilities

The entity removes a financial liability (or a part of a financial liability) from its statement of financial position when it is extinguished - i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled, expires or waived.

An exchange between an existing borrower and lender of debt instruments with substantially different terms is accounted for as having extinguished the original financial liability and a new financial liability is recognised. Similarly, a substantial modification of the terms of an existing financial liability or a part of it is accounted for as having extinguished the original financial liability and having recognised a new financial liability.

The difference between the carrying amount of a financial liability (or part of a financial liability) extinguished or transferred to another party and the consideration paid, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in surplus or deficit. Any liabilities that are waived, forgiven or assumed by another entity by way of a non-exchange transaction are accounted for in accordance with the Standard of GRAP on Revenue from Non-exchange Transactions (Taxes and Transfers).

1.10 Leases

A lease is classified as a finance lease if it transfers substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership. A lease is classified as an operating lease if it does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership.

Finance leases - lessee

Finance leases are recognised as assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position at amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or, if lower, the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the statement of financial position as a finance lease obligation.

Minimum lease payments are apportioned between the finance charge and reduction of the outstanding liability. The finance charge is allocated to each period during the lease term so as to produce a constant periodic rate of on the remaining balance of the liability.

Any contingent rents are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and its useful life.





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1.10 Leases (continued)

Operating leases - lessor

Operating lease revenue is recognised as revenue on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging operating leases are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised as an expense over the lease term on the same basis as the lease revenue.

Income for leases is disclosed under revenue in statement of financial performance.

Operating leases - lessee

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The difference between the amounts recognised as an expense and the contractual payments are recognised as an operating lease asset or liability.

1.11 Inventories

Inventories are initially measured at cost except where inventories are acquired through a non-exchange transaction, then their costs are their fair value as at the date of acquisition.

Subsequently inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of operations less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale, exchange or distribution.

1.12 Impairment of cash-generating assets

Cash-generating assets are assets managed with the objective of generating a commercial return. An asset generates a commercial return when it is deployed in a manner consistent with that adopted by a profit-oriented entity.

Impairment is a loss in the future economic benefits or service potential of an asset, over and above the systematic recognition of the loss of the asset's future economic benefits or service potential through depreciation (amortisation).

Carrying amount is the amount at which an asset is recognised in the statement of financial position after deducting any accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses thereon.

A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets managed with the objective of generating a commercial return that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

Costs of disposal are incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset, excluding finance costs and income tax expense.

Depreciation (Amortisation) is the systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an asset over its useful life.

Fair value less costs to sell is the amount obtainable from the sale of an asset in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties, less the costs of disposal.

Recoverable amount of an asset or a cash-generating unit is the higher its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. Useful life is either:

- a) the period of time over which an asset is expected to be used by the entity; or
- b) the number of production or similar units expected to be obtained from the asset by the entity.

Identification

When the carrying amount of a cash-generating asset exceeds its recoverable amount, it is impaired.

The entity assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that a cash-generating asset may be impaired. If any such indication exists, the entity estimates the recoverable amount of the asset.

Irrespective of whether there is any indication of impairment, the entity also test a cash-generating intangible asset with an indefinite useful life or a cash-generating intangible asset not yet available for use for impairment annually by comparing its carrying amount with its recoverable amount.





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1.12 Impairment of cash-generating assets (continued)

Value in use

Value in use of a cash-generating asset is the present value of the estimated future cash flows expected to be derived from the continuing use of an asset and from its disposal at the end of its useful life.

When estimating the value in use of an asset, the entity estimates the future cash inflows and outflows to be derived from continuing use of the asset and from its ultimate disposal and the entity applies the appropriate discount rate to those future cash flows.

Recognition and measurement

If the recoverable amount of a cash-generating asset is less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. This reduction is an impairment loss.

An impairment loss is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit.

When the amount estimated for an impairment loss is greater than the carrying amount of the cash-generating asset to which it relates, the entity recognises a liability only to the extent that is a requirement in the Standard of GRAP.

After the recognition of an impairment loss, the depreciation (amortisation) charge for the cash-generating asset is adjusted in future periods to allocate the cash-generating asset's revised carrying amount, less its residual value (if any), on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

Reversal of impairment loss

The entity assess at each reporting date whether there is any indication that an impairment loss recognised in prior periods for a cash-generating asset may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the entity estimates the recoverable amount of that asset.

An impairment loss recognised in prior periods for a cash-generating asset is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised.

The carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable amount.

The increase is a reversal of an impairment loss. A reversal of an impairment loss for a cash-generating asset is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit.

After a reversal of an impairment loss is recognised, the depreciation (amortisation) charge for the cash-generating asset is adjusted in future periods to allocate the cash-generating asset's revised carrying amount, less its residual value (if any), on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

1.13 Impairment of non-cash-generating assets

Cash-generating assets are assets managed with the objective of generating a commercial return. An asset generates a commercial return when it is deployed in a manner consistent with that adopted by a profit-oriented entity.

Non-cash-generating assets are assets other than cash-generating assets.

Impairment is a loss in the future economic benefits or service potential of an asset, over and above the systematic recognition of the loss of the asset's future economic benefits or service potential through depreciation (amortisation).

Carrying amount is the amount at which an asset is recognised in the statement of financial position after deducting any accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses thereon.

A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets managed with the objective of generating a commercial return that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

Costs of disposal are incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset, excluding finance costs and income tax expense.

Depreciation (Amortisation) is the systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an asset over its useful life.





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1.13 Impairment of non-cash-generating assets (continued)

Fair value less costs to sell is the amount obtainable from the sale of an asset in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties, less the costs of disposal.

Recoverable service amount is the higher of a non-cash-generating asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. Useful life is either:

- the period of time over which an asset is expected to be used by the entity; or
- the number of production or similar units expected to be obtained from the asset by the entity.

Identification

When the carrying amount of a non-cash-generating asset exceeds its recoverable service amount, it is impaired.

The entity assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that a non-cash-generating asset may be impaired. If any such indication exists, the entity estimates the recoverable service amount of the asset.

Irrespective of whether there is any indication of impairment, the entity also tests a non-cash-generating intangible asset with an indefinite useful life or a non-cash-generating intangible asset not yet available for use for impairment annually by comparing its carrying amount with its recoverable service amount.

Value in use

Value in use of non-cash-generating assets is the present value of the non-cash-generating assets remaining service potential.

Recognition and measurement

If the recoverable service amount of a non-cash-generating asset is less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable service amount. This reduction is an impairment loss.

An impairment loss is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit.

When the amount estimated for an impairment loss is greater than the carrying amount of the non-cash-generating asset to which it relates, the entity recognises a liability only to the extent that is a requirement in the Standards of GRAP.

After the recognition of an impairment loss, the depreciation (amortisation) charge for the non-cash-generating asset is adjusted in future periods to allocate the non-cash-generating asset's revised carrying amount, less its residual value (if any), on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

Reversal of an impairment loss

The entity assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that an impairment loss recognised in prior periods for a non-cash-generating asset may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the entity estimates the recoverable service amount of that asset.

An impairment loss recognised in prior periods for a non-cash-generating asset is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable service amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable service amount. The increase is a reversal of an impairment loss. A reversal of an impairment loss for a non-cash-generating asset is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit.

After a reversal of an impairment loss is recognised, the depreciation (amortisation) charge for the non-cash-generating asset is adjusted in future periods to allocate the non-cash-generating asset's revised carrying amount, less its residual value (if any), on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.





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1.14 Infrastructure - work in progress

Infrastructure work in progress represents capital projects in progress at year end. Expenditure incurred on infrastructure projects is recognised at cost and is only transferred to the relevant asset category on completion of the project. Work in progress is not depreciated. Subsequent to transfers to the relevant asset classes, the assets are accounted for in terms of the applicable GRAP standard.

1.15 Employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits

The cost of short-term employee benefits, (those payable within 12 months after the service is rendered, such as paid vacation leave and sick leave, bonuses, and non-monetary benefits such as medical care), are recognised in the period in which the service is rendered and are not discounted.

The expected cost of compensated absences is recognised as an expense as the employees render services that increase their entitlement or, in the case of non-accumulating absences, when the absence occurs. The amount of the liability and expense is determined as the additional amount the entity is required to pay as a result of the unused leave days owing to employees at the end of the reporting period.

The expected cost of surplus sharing and bonus payments is recognised as an expense when there is a legal or constructive obligation to make such payments as a result of past performance.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to a defined contribution plan in respect of service in a particular period are recognised as an expense in that period.

Defined benefit plans

For defined benefit plans the cost of providing the benefits is determined using the projected unit credit method. Actuarial valuations are conducted on an annual basis by independent actuaries separately for each plan.

Consideration is given to any event that could impact the funds up to end of the reporting period where the interim valuation is performed at an earlier date.

Past service costs are recognised immediately to the extent that the benefits are already vested, and are otherwise amortised on a straight line basis over the average period until the amended benefits become vested.

The amount recognised in the statement of financial position represents the present value of the defined benefit obligation as adjusted for unrecognised actuarial gains and losses and unrecognised past service costs.

1.16 Provisions, contingent assets and contingent liabilities

Provisions

A provision is a liability of uncertain timing or amount.

Provisions are recognised when:

- the entity has a present obligation as a result of a past event;
- it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits or service potential will be required to settle the obligation; and
- a reliable estimate can be made of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the reporting date. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount of a provision is the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation.

Contingent liability

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the entity or a present obligation that arises from past events but is not recognised because:





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1.16 Provisions, contingent assets and contingent liabilities (continued)

- It is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation; or
- the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability.

Contingent assets

Contingent assets arise from unplanned or other unexpected events that are not wholly within the control of the entity and give rise to the possibility of an inflow of economic benefits or service potential to the entity.

Contingent assets are not recognised in Annual Financial Statements since this may result in the recognition of revenue that may never be realised. However, when the realisation of revenue is virtually certain, then the related asset is not a contingent asset and its recognition is appropriate.

A contingent asset is disclosed where an inflow of economic benefits or service potential is probable.

Contingent assets are assessed continually to ensure that developments are appropriately reflected in the financial statements.

The ECPTA shall disclose for each class of provisions, contingent assets and liabilities, unless the possibility of any cash flow is remote, at the end of the reporting period a brief description of the nature of the provision, contingent liability and contingent asset and where practicable, an estimate of its financial effect, an indication of uncertainties relating to the amount or timing of any cash flow and the possibility of any reimbursement.

1.17 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are interest and other expenses incurred by an entity in connection with the borrowing of funds. Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

1.18 Surrenders to provincial revenue fund

Surrenders to provincial revenue fund relate to unspent funds which means the positive balance in "cash and cash

equivalents" as per cash flow statement as at the end of the financial year, less any accruals relating to that financial year and/or surpluses approved for accumulation in terms of section 53(3) of the PFMA.

Treasury Regulation 15.8 requires that, at the end of each financial year, and after the books of account of the entity have been closed, the Accounting Officer must surrender to the relevant treasury any unexpended voted funds, for re-depositing into the Exchequer bank account of the relevant revenue fund.

Surrenders to provincial revenue fund are disclosed in the face of the statement of financial position under current liabilities retrospectively in accordance with GRAP 3 and IAS 8.

1.19 Deferred revenue

The corresponding revenue relating to large mammals which are identified through our game census process as being excess game, and have been recognised as "held for sale" is deferred until the sale has been concluded and the entity has discharged its responsibilities in terms of the sale agreement.

1.20 Poverty alleviation projects

The Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency is the implementing agent for projects undertaken on behalf of other state organs. The bank balances held on behalf of the various projects are included as cash and cash equivalents in the annual financial statements, and the corresponding project liabilities as a result of uncompleted projects at reporting date are recorded as a current liability.

1.21 Conditional grants and receipts

Revenue received from conditional grants, donations and funding are recognised as revenue to the extent that the entity has complied with any of the criteria, conditions or obligations embodied in the agreement. To the extent that the criteria, conditions or obligations have not been met a liability is recognised.





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1.22 Capital reserves

Capital reserves consist of:

- Reserves raised upon the initial transfer of funds relating to infrastructure projects which were initially implemented by Eastern Cape Tourism Board,
- Reserves created upon the initial valuation of game held for sale; and
- Reserves raised upon the assignment of assets to the ECPTA on establishment.

1.23 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of:

- Cash relating to own revenue and the funds transferred from DEDEAT in respect of the mandate of the ECPTA as defined in the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency Act (Act 2 of 2010),
- Cash relating to funds transferred from various agencies for specific projects of which the ECPTA has been appointed as the implementing agent.

All funds received for specific projects are separately managed and used only for such funds unless written permission is obtained from the relevant funder.

1.24 Related parties and key management personnel

The ECPTA operates in an economic sector whereby it interacts with other entities within the national and provincial sphere of government. Such entities are considered to be related parties.

Key management is defined as persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity whether directly or indirectly. The Board, Audit Committee, Executive Management as well as the Legal Advisor / Board secretary are considered to be key management per the definition of the financial reporting standard. Close family members of key management personnel are considered to be those family

members who may be expected to influence or to be influenced by key management.

Transactions between the entity and key management personnel are disclosed in related party disclosures. Compensation paid to key management personnel is included in the disclosure notes.

1.25 Fruitless and wasteful and irregular expenditure

Fruitless expenditure means expenditure which was made in vain and would have been avoided had reasonable care been exercised.

All expenditure relating to fruitless and wasteful expenditure is recognised as an expense in the statement of financial performance in the year that the expenditure was incurred. The expenditure is classified in accordance with the nature of the expense, and where recovered, it is subsequently accounted for as revenue in the statement of financial performance.

Irregular expenditure is expenditure that is contrary to legislation and has not yet been condoned or regularised by management. Irregular expenditure is accounted for as an expense in the statement of financial performance and where recovered it is subsequently accounted for as revenue in the statement of financial performance.

Fruitless and wasteful and irregular expenditure is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements when confirmed. The amount disclosed is equal to the total value of the fruitless and wasteful or irregular expense unless it is impracticable to determine in which case reasons therefore is provided in the note. The expenditure is removed from the note when it is either condoned by the relevant authority or transferred to receivables for recovery.

1.26 Unauthorised expenditure

Unauthorised expenditure means:

- overspending of the budget; and
- expenditure not in accordance with the purpose of the budget.





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1.26 Unauthorised expenditure (continued)

All expenditure relating to unauthorised expenditure is recognised as an expense in the statement of financial performance in the year that the expenditure was incurred. The expenditure is classified in accordance with the nature of the expense, and where recovered, it is subsequently accounted for as revenue in the statement of financial performance.

1.27 Mergers

A merger is the establishment of a new combined entity in which none of the former entities obtain control over any other and no acquirer can be identified.

Merger date is the date on which entities are combined for the mutual sharing of risks and benefits and when the assets and liabilities are transferred to the combined entity.

As of the merger date, the entity recognises all the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed are measured at their carrying amounts. The difference between the carrying amounts of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed is recognised in accumulated surplus or deficit.

If the initial accounting for a merger is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the merger occurs, the entity reports in its annual financial statements provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. During the measurement period, the entity retrospectively adjust the provisional amounts recognised at the merger date to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed as of the merger date and, if known, would have affected the measurement of the amounts recognised as of that date.

After the measurement period ends, the entity revises the accounting for a merger only to correct an error in accordance with the Standard of GRAP on Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors.

The entity subsequently measures any assets acquired and any liabilities assumed in a merger in accordance with the applicable Standards of GRAP.

1.28 Commitments

Commitments relate to outstanding capital and current purchase orders at year end subject to the availability of funds. Commitments are not recognised as a liability in the statement of financial position or as expenditure in the statement of financial performance but are included in the disclosure notes.

1.29 Budget information

The annual financial statements and the budget are not prepared on the same basis of accounting. The Annual Financial Statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting whereas the budget is on a cash basis. A reconciliation between the statement of financial performance and the budget is included in the annual financial statements as well as the recommended disclosure as determined by National Treasury.

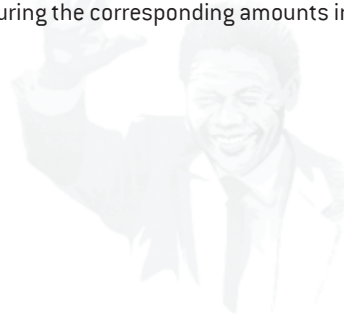
1.30 Segment information

A segment is an activity of an entity:

- that generates economic benefits or service potential (including economic benefits or service potential relating to transactions between activities of the same entity);
- whose results are regularly reviewed by management to make decisions about resources to be allocated to that activity and in assessing its performance; and
- for which separate financial information is available.

Segments are identified by the way in which information is reported to management, both for purposes of assessing performance and making decisions about how future resources will be allocated to the various activities undertaken by the entity. The major classifications of activities identified in budget documentation generally reflect the segments for which the entity reports information to management.

The reported segment amounts are those that management believes are determined in accordance with the measurement principles most consistent with those used in measuring the corresponding amounts in the





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1.30 Segment information (continued)

entity's financial statements. They are the segments identified or alternatively an aggregation of two or more of those segments where the aggregation criteria are met.

Measurement

Segment assets and liabilities consist of those assets and liabilities that are used by a segment in its operating activities, and are either directly attributable to a segment or can be allocated on a reasonable basis.

Segment revenue is that portion of the revenue reported in the entity's statement of financial performance that is directly attributable to a segment, or can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Segment expenses are those expenses that are directly attributable to a segment, or can be allocated to a segment on a reasonable basis.

1.31 Events after reporting date

Events after reporting date are those events, both favourable and unfavourable, that occur between the reporting date and the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue. Two types of events can be identified:

- those that provide evidence of conditions that existed at the reporting date (adjusting events after the reporting date); and
- those that are indicative of conditions that arose after the reporting date (non-adjusting events after the reporting date).

The entity will adjust the amount recognised in the financial statements to reflect adjusting events after the reporting date once the event occurred.

The entity will disclose the nature of the event and an estimate of its financial effect or a statement that such estimate cannot be made in respect of all material non-adjusting events, where non-disclosure could influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

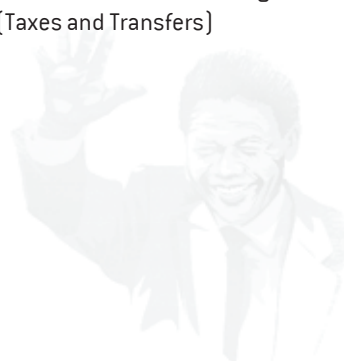
1.32 GRAP Standards

The Annual Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the prescribed Standards of Generally

Recognised Accounting Practice (GRAP) issued by the Accounting Standards Board (ASB) and the transitional provisions as applicable in terms of the standard and principles contained in directive two issued by the ASB in March 2009.

The GRAP standards approved and effective are listed below:

GRAP 1	Presentation of financial statements
GRAP 2	Cash flow statements
GRAP 3	Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors
GRAP 4	The effects of changes in foreign exchange rates
GRAP 5	Borrowing costs
GRAP 6	Consolidation and separate financial statements
GRAP 7	Investment in associates
GRAP 8	Investment in joint ventures
GRAP 9	Revenue from exchange transactions
GRAP 10	Financial reporting in hyperinflationary economies
GRAP 11	Construction contracts
GRAP 12	Inventories
GRAP 13	Leases
GRAP 14	Events after the reporting date
GRAP 16	Investment property
GRAP 17	Property, plant and equipment
GRAP 18	Segment reporting
GRAP 19	Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets
GRAP 21	Impairment of Non-cash generating assets
GRAP 23	Revenue from Non exchange Transactions (Taxes and Transfers)





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1.32 GRAP Standards (continued)

GRAP 24	Presentation of Budget Information in Financial Statements
GRAP 25	Employee Benefits
GRAP 26	Impairment of cash generating assets
GRAP 27	Agriculture (replaces GRAP 101)
GRAP 31	Intangible assets (replaces GRAP 102)
GRAP 100	Discontinued operations
GRAP 103	Heritage Assets
GRAP 104	Financial Instruments
GRAP 105	Transfers of Functions Between Entities Under Common Control
GRAP 106	Transfers of Functions Between Entities Not Under Common Control
GRAP 107	Mergers

Other applicable standards

IPSAS 20	Related party disclosure
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Currently the recognition and measurement principles in the above standards do not differ or result in material differences compared to previous financial statements.

The following prescribed standards of GRAP have been issued but are not yet effective as at 31 March 2018.

GRAP 20	Related party disclosure
GRAP 32	Service Concession Arrangements: Grantor
GRAP 34	Separate Financial Statements
GRAP 35	Consolidated Financial Statements
GRAP 36	Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures
GRAP 37	Joint Arrangements
GRAP 38	Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities
GRAP 108	Statutory Receivables
GRAP 109	Accounting by Principals and Agents
GRAP 110	Living and Non-living Resources

Management have considered all of the above-mentioned GRAP standards approved or issued but not yet effective and anticipates that the adoption of these standards will not have a significant impact on the financial position, financial performance or cash flows of the entity

