



2019 Social Housing Municipal - Smart Partnership Template

‘SMART PARTNERSHIP’ ARRANGEMENTS

INTRODUCTION TO TEMPLATES

Background

The **Social Housing Smart Partnership** contracting arrangement is a systems approach to establish strong mutually beneficial contractual arrangements between a municipality and an accredited non-profit Social Housing Institution (SHI). The intention is to establish a solid basis on which a municipality can work with a Social Housing (SH) Partner to use social housing delivery to achieve important municipal urban restructuring and socio-economic development objectives.

It helps a municipality to structure these partnerships so that it can release assets and resources to be properly used for its intended socio-economic objectives. At the same time, it provides the basis for the SH Partner to run a more viable and sustainable SH business ensuring its longer-term ability to deliver on the municipality’s intent.

The approach and related templates and tools are prepared in accordance with the national social housing policy and regulations and within the framework of the MFMA. It also recognises that there is a strong national regulatory framework for monitoring performance of SHIs through the Social Housing Regulatory Authority (SHRA).

The approach structures a strong linkage between social housing pipeline management by the municipality, the release of land, buildings and other resources while protecting against misuse, and the conditions of the partnership.

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