

LEVEL	DEPARTMENT	PLANNING OBJECTIVE	PLANNING TOOL	KEY POWER
national level Republic of South Africa	Policy Coordination and Advisory Services at the Presidency (PCAS)	coordinates national objectives and strategies across government spheres and national departments	National Spatial Development Perspective (NSDP) Medium Term Strategic Framework (MTSF)	guides planning at provincial and municipal levels
	Department of Land Affairs (DLA)	sets up land management system and regulates the planning profession	Land use Management Bill (not been passed yet)	-
	Department for Local and Provincial Government Affairs	sets up a new system of local government; create enabling environment for communities to participate in governance	Urban Renewal Programme: Alexandra Township	direct intervention
	Department of Housing	determines national housing policy; monitors performance against delivery goals	National Housing Code (national housing policy, administrative and procedural guidelines for their implementation)	policy making and procedural guidance
	Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism	promotes sustainable development, protects natural resources, improves quality and safety of the environment	Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) Environmental Management Frameworks (EMFs)	-
	Department of Transport	plans, regulates and manages the national transport system	National Land Transport Strategic Framework	guides and directs transportation planning at other spheres of government
	Department of Public works	provides and manages housing and land infrastructure for national departments, organizes community-based public works programmes	-	supervises the construction and property industries
	Department of Mineral and Energy (electricity)	achieve universal household access to electricity	The Integrated National Electrification Programme	regulates electricity network

regional level Gauteng Province	Office of the Premier representative of national government on regional level	coordinates and develops provincial policy	-	serves as a political nerve centre
	Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Environment	manages and conserves natural resources on the provincial level	Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	Provincial Land Transport Frameworks Integrated Transport Plans
	Department of Public Transport, Roads, and Works	manages transport systems	Integrated Transport Plans (ITPs)	guides transportation systems in the province
	Development Tribunal	statutory power- implements fast track planning and compulsory purchase (often used by developers to bypass local planning)	-	overrules municipal government if strategic goals of national importance are at risk, accelerates low income housing developments
city level City of Johannesburg	Office of the Executive Mayor-Central Strategy Unit	develops strategies and policies, manages performance, strategic research	Growth and Development Strategy (replaced Joburg 2030) Integrated Development Plan (IDP) Human Development Strategy	conceives Growth and Development Strategy (not legally binding) and IDP (statutory); the Human Development Strategy is based on the IDP
	Development Planning and Urban Management	Development planning Land use management Development management and GIS	Spatial Development Framework (SDF) and related strategies: Urban Boundary, Growth Management Strategy, Density Policy, and Nodal Policy Regional SDFs Town planning schemes	statutory tools that guide development in the City
	Department of Housing	develops housing projects	Housing Master Plan / H. Sector Plan	inform the SDF
	Department of Transportation	plans capital projects and manages transport systems in the city	the City's Integrated Transport Plan	informs the City's Spatial Development Framework
	Department of Environment	environmental planning; air quality control and conservation	Environmental Management Framework (EMF), Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	informs planning decisions
	Department of Economic Development	stimulates area-based economic development	-	oversight and regulation