

# **Kasungu District Council**

## **Summary of Development Priorities**

### **2017-2022**



#### **Introduction**

Kasungu District is located in the Central Region of the Republic of Malawi. The total area of the district is 7,878 square kilometres, making up 8.4% of the total land area of Malawi (94,276 KM<sup>2</sup>). The district is bordered by Zambia in the west; Mchinji, Dowa, and Lilongwe in the south; Mzimba in the north; and Nkhosakota and Ntchisi in the east. It is one of the biggest districts in Malawi, and the second largest in the central region after the district of Lilongwe. It shares boundaries with the largest number of districts in the Central Region. The district has both Municipal and District Councils with their headquarters located approximately 127 Kms Northwest of Lilongwe. According to the National Statistical Office (NSO 2008), the district's projected population in 2015 was estimated at 826,285. Kasungu District Council has 18 wards, each represented by a Councillor and 30 Area Development Committees represented by an elected chairperson

# LIST OF PRIORITY AREAS AND PROPOSED INTERVENTIONS IN RANKING ORDER

Priority Area	Strategies (Planned Interventions)
1: Food insecurity	Enhance redistribution of agriculture markets
	Lobby for timely financial allocation to ADMARC as main buyer of farm produce
	Promote utilisation of soil & water conservation technologies
	Redistribute land to small holder farmers
	Promote irrigation development & services
	Promote farmer adoption of irrigation technologies
	Promote and protect livestock
	Promote value addition
	Promote adoption of livestock pass on programmes
	Introduce robust cost recovery techniques
	Develop feeds for livestock with private entrepreneurs
	Promote vaccination against rabies
	Enhance dairy production
	Enhance livestock services
	Promote fish production
	Enhance aquaculture production
	Institute legal fishing methods
	Protect fish in breeding grounds
	Promote data management on fish business
	Increase farmer support on FISP
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2: Low women participation in development programmes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build capacity of local structures on participation of women in development programmes</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitize communities on negative influences of culture &amp; tradition</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build skill levels of women &amp; Youth</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training on gender mainstreaming</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equip women financially</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote girl-child education and retention</li> </ul>

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3. Poor access to safe portable water sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rehabilitate water points</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide more safe water facilities</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supervise and sanction drilling of boreholes</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build capacity of CBM committees</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supervision&amp; regular maintenance of water aquifers</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce vandalism of water sources by strengthen Comm policing</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shorten distances to water sources</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthen partnerships in water management &amp; provision</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distribute partners evenly</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop a water point map</li> </ul>

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4. High mortality & morbidity rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote sanitation coverage</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lobby for deployment of more Health personnel</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase Health facilities</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Campaign on dangers of unskilled health personnel</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prevent HIV/AIDs</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce risk factors to Health (TB inclusive)</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase immunisation coverage</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide essential pharmaceutical drugs</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthen relationship with private sector</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduce early identification mechanism, public health intervention and treatment</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase use of family planning methods</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide adequate essential Health service delivery</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lobby for functionality of all health facilities</li> </ul>
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5. High environment degradation	Enhance afforestation programs
	Establish collaborative management of natural resources

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	Lobby for more forest staff
	Promote family planning practices
	Enhance solid waste management
	Establish collaborative management of natural resources
	Intensify soil and water conservation practices
	Intensify law enforcement
	Promote and Utilise potential alternative energy sources
	Promote Forest based IGA
	Enhance customary land forest based management
	Promote VFAs management plans
	Promote services for collection and disposal of solid waste

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6. High illiteracy rate at 42% than	Provide quality service in ECD
	Lobby for expansion of school feeding programme
	Intensify supervision
	Promote use local teaching & learning materials
	Train more instructors
	Lobby for more teachers
	Provide more classroom blocks
	Reduce gender inequality
	Provide more sanitary & hygiene facilities
	Lobby for more teachers
	Provide more sec schools
	Create awareness on girl child

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7. High HIV/AIDS prevalence rate	Promote advocacy and awareness programmes
	Create awareness campaigns on dangers of none use of condoms
	Reinforce laws on drug and alcohol abuse
	Produce and enforce by laws

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	Create campaigns on bad cultural behaviours
	Provide more outreach programmes
	Provide adequate CBOS support

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8. Poor roads, housing, tourism, energy and communication infrastructure	Provide more road networks
	Upgrade road networks to bitumen standards
	Provide durable road structures
	Provide adequate infrastructure for tourism attraction
	Promote other sources of energy
	Lobby for more radio and phone
	Lobby for reduced internet costs
	Provide housing infrastructure
	Develop urban structure plans and detailed layout plans for upcoming urban trading centres

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9. Low income at household level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide and enforce farm produce prices</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide support to producer/trader agro based markets</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitate more micro-finance opportunities</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create more self-employed opportunities</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance production technologies</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utilise LED economic opportunities</li> </ul>

Priority Area	Strategies (Planned Interventions)
10. Poor governance & high insecurity	Provision & redistribution of more security personnel
	Provision of adequate transport & equipment
	Establishment of more police units and post
	Strengthen & establish more community policing
	Introduce justice reform programme

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	Lobby for more judiciary personnel
	Provision of more courts
	Lobby for Police unit and immigration in border areas
	Institute rule of law on foreigners permits
	Build community participation & understanding of their role in governance
	Promote service charter on service delivery for all actors
	Enhance CSOs and public accountability and transparency
	Create conducive environment for democratic dispersion
	Enhance public and private partnerships
	Build capacity of Councils and other actors in development
	Build Council understanding of their role and mandate
	Institute rule of law
	Orient citizens, government and private on their role in service delivery

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11. Child Labour	Provide capital for business
	Promote parental care
	Promote advocacy & awareness campaigns
	Provide care and support to OVC
	Campaign for reduced population growth
	Promote and advocate for parenthood
	Awareness campaign
	Organise child labour campaign
	Establish Labour committees at TA level
Priority Area	Strategies (Planned Interventions)
12.Low council revenue collection (Local economic development)	Develop mechanisms to manage mining (private) sector
	Investigate all corruption cases and monitor staff
	Develop by-laws to govern mineral, commercials sectors
	Enforce adherence to small scale miners
	Develop development proposals for urban centres
	Manage council assets and liabilities
	Build citizens capacity to pay tax

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	Lobby for predictable ceded revenue to the Council
	Develop assessment, enumeration, registration, billing & collection of all revenue potential sources

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13. Erratic supply of electrical power/energy	Promote power/energy connectivity using solar and windmill
	Lobby for improvement in sources of power
	Develop structural plans
	Development mechanism to support the poor on electrical power connections (MAREP)
	Lobby for completion of the WB project (Millennium Challenge account)
	Invest in solar energy and bio gas
	Invest in small hydro power such as in Bua river

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14. Poor land use planning	Develop structural plans for urban centres
	Build council capacity on their role on land policy guidance
	Develop detailed layout plans
	Engage personnel and train on land use management
	Lobby for devolvment of the ministry
	Build community knowledge on land policy.



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