**APPENDIX S1**



***QUESTIONS FOR QUALITATIVE INTERVIEWS WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS***

***(OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS)***

***(Project No 9804)***

***Background to qualitative interview questions***

Cognisant of service delivery and socio-economic challenges, characteristic of many residential areas in South Africa, interviewees were initially asked what their greatest daily concerns were with respect to where they reside. This was necessary to contextualise the values individuals place on nature. Other questions related to the role natureplays in respondents’ lives; if and how nature was used; and the associated likes and dislikes. Respondents were further asked about their awareness of any municipal planning processes related to the natural open space system, and their residential area in general; and the involvement of any organisations in the area, such as non-governmental organisations, particularly whose work was related to the natural open spaces, apart from the municipality. The terms *“ecosystem service”* and *“biodiversity”* were specifically avoided in the questionnaire as the terms are not necessarily well understood at a community level. Instead, responses were used to identify potential ecosystem services and any ecosystem disservices, experienced by the participant and / or the broader community. It was stressed in the interviews that, within the framework of the research, reference to *nature* or *natural open space* referred to the predominantly undeveloped natural and semi-natural areas, for example, the nature reserves in the area, as opposed to urban parks (active recreation areas), which are typically provided in terms of town planning standards related to residential densities.

* + - 1. What are your **three greatest daily concerns / worries** about the area where you live?
      2. What role does the ***nature*** play in your life?
      3. How do you make use of ***nature*** or ***natural open spaces*** in your area, and in the broader city area?
      4. What do you **like** about *nature* (and / or the natural areas)?
      5. What do you **dislike** about *nature* (and / or the natural areas)?
      6. Are you aware of any planning processes related to the nature / the natural open spaces in your area?

⎯ Do you have any comments in respect of these planning process/es?

7. Are you aware of any organisations and / or NGOs that are involved in the natural open spaces in your area apart from the Municipality?

⎯ Do you have any comments on their involvement?

⎯ Are you included in their work / processes?

**END OF QUESTIONS FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

**THANK YOU**

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***BACKGROUND DATA* (Project No 9804)**

**AGE:** Please indicate your age range.

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| **16⎯19** | **20⎯29** | **30⎯39** | **40⎯49** | **50⎯59** | **60⎯69** | **70⎯101** | **Rather not say** |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**GENDER:** Please indicate your gender.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Male** | **Female** | **Other** | **Rather not say** |
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**RACE / ETHNICITY:** What grouping do you self-identify with?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **African** | **Coloured** | **Indian** | **White** | **Other** | **Rather not say** |
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**SIZE OF HOUSEHOLD:** Please indicate the size of your household?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **1** | **2** | **3⎯4** | **5⎯10** | **Greater than 10** |
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**HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD:** Please indicate who is the head of the household?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Male** | **Female** | **Child** | **Other** | **Rather not say** |
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**CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD:** If there are children in the household, please indicate the number of children in each age category**.**

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| **None** | **0⎯5** | **6⎯13** | **14⎯18** | **19 years & older** | **Rather not say** |
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***BACKGROUND DATA***

**EDUCATION:** Please indicate the highest level of education completed.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **None** | **Non formal** | **Primary**  **School** | **Secondary School** | **Certificate/ Diploma** | **Under-graduate Degree** | **Post-**  **graduate degree** | **Other, specify** |
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**None implies no formal schooling; Non-formal implies schooling but not formally recognised**

**EMPLOYMENT STATUS: P**lease indicate the employment status of the head of the household.

***(You may tick more than one block)***

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Formally Employed** | **Not employed** | **Self employed** | **Looking for work** | **Govt Grant** | **Student / Scholar** | **Retired** | **Other, specify** |
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If you are *employed*, please will you specify the type of employment.

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| ***Employed*: Type of employment** |
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If you are unemployed and *seeking employment*, please will you specify the type of employment you are looking for.

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| ***Seeking Employment*: Type of employment you are looking for** |
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**LAND TENURE:** Please indicate whether you own or rent your property.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Own property** | **Rent / lease property** | **Other** | **Rather not say** |
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**OPTIONAL RELIGION:** How would you describe your religion or spiritual practice

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| ***Optional* : Religion** |
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