

EPWP strains Sol's cash flow

THE EXPANDED Public Works Programme (EPWP) in Kimberley, which has already cost more than R13.5 million so far this financial

year, is placing strain on the Sol Plaatje Municipality's cash flow.

This is according to the municipality's Monthly Budget State-

ment for February 2019.

The municipality only received R3.137 million from national government for its EPWP programme.

At the end of last year, the Department of Public Works increased the EPWP participants' wage rate from R88 to R92.31 per day. Around 380 EPWP workers are currently employed by the Sol

Plaatje Municipality in Kimberley

"They are employed on various projects, including cleaning, as well as in the security section and at Gogga Pump Station and at the Homevale Waste Water Treatment Works," municipal spokesperson Sello Matsie said at the time.

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