

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS – JUNE 2022

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| Proposed Amendments to GRAP 103 on Heritage Assets (ED 195) | <i>Does the revised definition of a heritage asset include items of international significance and protected areas?</i> | <p>The Board noted that the definition, which was drawn from legislation, includes items that have significance to a particular group or community in South Africa. In this instance, the items are not limited to those of South African origin.</p> <p>The Board agreed that protected areas could meet the definition of a heritage asset. Protected areas were included as an example of a heritage asset in the definition section of the Standard.</p> | Approved. | To be determined. | Submission to the Minister of Finance on the proposed effective date. |
| | <i>In what instances should protective rights be disclosed for heritage assets?</i> | <p>Heritage assets are frequently subject to restrictions on their use, sale etc. These restrictions “protect” the rights of the owner or custodian over the asset. Information about protective rights is required in the financial statements as it provides relevant information to users.</p> <p>The Standard explains that heritage assets will be recognised in the financial statements if the definition is met and the asset can be measured reliably. Where the recognition criteria are not met, information is disclosed about the asset and why it cannot be recognised. Stakeholders questioned whether information about the protective rights of assets is required even when the asset could not be measured reliably.</p> <p>The Board agreed that the information should be provided for both recognised and unrecognised heritage assets.</p> | | | |

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| | <i>Heritage assets are often borrowed from or loaned to other entities. The amendments require disclosure of information – for which assets should this be disclosed?</i> | Stakeholders noted the borrowing and lending of heritage assets is a frequent practice in the industry. It was noted that if this information needs to be disclosed for all these arrangements that occurred in the year, this would result in a large volume of information in the financial statements. It was agreed that this information should only be disclosed for arrangements in place at year end. | Approved. | To be determined. | Submission to the Minister of Finance on the proposed effective date. |
| | <i>What other changes should the Board make to ED 195?</i> | Stakeholders requested that the Board provides guidance on how to account for the replacement of parts of a heritage asset. Guidance was included based on the principles in GRAP 17 on <i>Property, Plant and Equipment</i> . | | | |
| Proposed Due Process Handbook | What were stakeholders' views on the Due Process Handbook? | Stakeholders supported the proposed Due Process Handbook. At the time the proposed Handbook was available for comment, the IFRS Foundation issued a proposed policy on post-implementation reviews. While the broad principles outlined in the proposed Handbook and those explained in the IFRS Foundation's policy were consistent, there were certain aspects that could enhance the ASB's policy. A number of improvements were made to this section of the Handbook. | Approved. | Not applicable. | Application by the Board in standard-setting decisions. |

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| <p>Work Programme for 2024 to 2026</p> | <p><i>What is the strategic theme of the work programme for 2024 to 2026?</i></p> | <p>The Board agreed that the theme of the work programme for 2024 to 2026 is “taking stock”. This means that the Board will spend time reflecting on how the Standards of GRAP have been implemented, assess their application, and improve how the Standards are used and how the information in the financial statements is used.</p> | <p>Indicative work programme approved.</p> | <p>1 April 2023</p> | <p>Board to discuss work programme again in September and approve final list of projects.</p> |
| | <p><i>What projects will the Board take onto its next work programme?</i></p> | <p>The Board discussed and agreed an indicative work programme. The final work programme for 2024 to 2026 will again be considered by the Board in September 2022 when there is more certainty about the available resources.</p> | | | |