

# Keeping boreholes working

A well sited and constructed borehole will only last if it is effectively managed once in use

## Successful local management arrangements

-  Are adequately **financed**
-  Are seen as **legitimate**
-  Have clear **roles and responsibilities**
-  Have authoritative **leadership**
-  Are able to **raise and manage funds**
-  Are able to make **decisions**
-  Are able to organise **maintenance and repairs**

They must be connected to other supporting organisations

-  Local government
-  Private providers of goods and services
-  Non profit organisations

Where a community is served by a single borehole or a small number of water points, they usually need to be managed by local community organisations.

If suitable organisations do not exist already, water user committees may need to be created.

In areas with numerous water points, it may be possible for non-profit or commercial operators to manage these as a group.

The best approach should be determined jointly by water users and the organisations which serve them.



Community-based organisations including water user committees



Management by non-profit organisations



Private sector management



Management arrangements need to be monitored and supported by local government