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**PAD 524: LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION  
HONOURS EXTERNALLY MODERATED CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT  
TASK**

**DATE: 2 November 2022**

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**TIME:** 3 Hours  
**SUBJECT:** Public Administration  
**PAPER:** Local Government and Administration  
**MARKS:** 100 (Final Mark Weighting 40%)  
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**INSTRUCTIONS**

- (i) Answer any two **(2) questions** of your choice
- (ii) All questions carry equal marks
- (iii) You are expected to draw relevant **examples** from South African local government/municipal administration

**Question 1****[50 Marks]**

Discuss the evolution and transformation of South African local government, clearly identifying distinct phases, key enabling legal frameworks in each phase, challenges that necessitated the back-to-basics approach and lessons learnt from this evolution and transformation to date.

**Question 2****[50 Marks]**

Critically discuss politics-administration interface, structures which inform it and how it influences optimal functionality of South African local government.

**Question 3****[50 Marks]**

Using relevant practical examples, discuss circumstances which often lead to Section 139 intervention in South African municipalities and suggest viable solutions and strategies that could be used by municipalities to maintain optimal and sustainable municipal functionality.

**Question 4****[50 Marks]**

Critically discuss key concerns often raised by the Auditor-General, in South African local government audit outcomes, their root causes and how municipalities could avoid poor audit outcomes.

**END OF FINAL CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT TEST PAPER**