

Is joburg.org.za legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

joburg.org.za

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

joburg.org.za appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-10 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Official City of Johannesburg municipal site containing news, service links, contact numbers, and public notices. Appears informational and legitimate with no signs of phishing or financial solicitation.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	29 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Never archived No public history of this site	WATCH
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA EV R36	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is the official-appearing City of Johannesburg municipal portal, presenting municipal news, public notices, city services, e-services, procurement information, employment opportunities, policy documents, and public contact channels. Its apparent purpose is to provide residents and other stakeholders with government information and access to public services rather than solicit investments or commercial transactions.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed across the site's identity, content, behavioral, and external-reputation signals. The homepage identifies the City of Johannesburg and provides municipal navigation, service information, notices, and links to established social platforms; it does not present phishing forms, financial solicitation, cryptocurrency features, or misleading commercial claims. Available evidence is therefore consistent with an established, apparently legitimate municipal website, although the real-world operator identity is not independently verified by this assessment.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage is categorized as a government/municipal site and contains public-service topics including city services, public notices, procurement, employment, and policy documents.
- The homepage and observed site behavior contained no login form, hidden sensitive form, wallet connection, credential-harvesting behavior, or brand-impersonation indicator.
- The domain was registered on 1997-10-03 and is approximately 28.87 years old.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site's apparent municipal role is informational and service-oriented rather than financial, so no financial-services license claim is expected from the observed business model. The available pages include About the City, City Services, Key Documents, Privacy Policy, Terms and Conditions, and Notices, but the evidence does not independently verify the real-world operator or establish a regulatory registration. This is a verification consideration rather than an indication of fraud. The domain is registered through Lexsynergy Limited, and its transport security uses a valid EV certificate issued by Sectigo; these are supportive infrastructure and registration facts, not substitutes for independent legal-entity confirmation.

EVIDENCE

- The site's homepage title is "City of Johannesburg," with internal links to About the City, City Services, Key Documents, Privacy Policy, Terms and Conditions, and Notices.
- The domain registrar is Lexsynergy Limited; the recorded expiration date is 2027-08-31.
- The site is served from AS3741, Dimension Data - Dimension Data, ZA.
- TLS uses an EV certificate issued by Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA EV R36, with validity through 2027-01-20.

What to Verify Next

Before credential or payment interactions involving municipal e-services, independently confirm that the relevant service and contact details correspond to the City of Johannesburg through an offline or independently sourced municipal channel. Review the applicable terms, privacy information, and any transaction-specific payment-protection or refund provisions before submitting sensitive information or funds. For any service requiring legal or regulatory authorization beyond ordinary municipal administration, confirm the responsible entity and authorization directly with the relevant official registry.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage provides municipal contact numbers, e-services, service links, notices, and links to privacy and terms pages that can be reviewed for the specific interaction.
- The site links to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, and LinkedIn accounts, providing channels for cross-checking official communications.
- The observed page contained no sensitive form and no untrusted form destination.

Summary Verdict

The overall posture is **high trust and low risk**, with the available evidence converging on an established, apparently legitimate public-service website and no observed scam, phishing, or impersonation contradiction. The classification is strong, while operator identity remains a matter for ordinary independent confirmation rather than being treated as proven.

Infrastructure Integrity

The site resolves directly to infrastructure operated by Dimension Data in South Africa rather than a detected CDN edge. This provides a concrete, attributable hosting posture; the infrastructure characteristics are a mitigating technical signal only and do not independently establish legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Normal informational use is proportionate to the assessment; independent confirmation of municipal identity, transaction terms, and payment protections should precede credential submission or payment activity.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-10 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	LIKELY
Identity score	80/100
Identity verification confidence	80%

- Trusted social count=5

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of joburg.org.za.

- The request stayed on joburg.org.za. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Lexsynergy Limited. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by co.za, across 3 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2027-08-31. NOTED
- It is hosted on Dimension Data, from a server in ZA. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Lexsynergy Limited
Hosting	Dimension Data - Dimension Data, ZA
Country	ZA
Server IP	197.98.16.26
Name servers	jupiter.is.co.za, demeter.is.co.za, titan.is.co.za
SSL issuer	Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA EV R36
SSL expiry	2027-01-20
Domain age	28.87 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2027-08-31
Archive first seen	Not available
Archive snapshots	0
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about joburg.org.za at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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