

FINAL AND ADOPTED 2020/21 OVERSIGHT REPORT

ENDUMENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

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1. INTRODUCTION

In terms of Section 121 of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act No. 56 of 2003) and Section 46 of the Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act No. 32 of 2000), requires Council of each municipality to prepare an Annual Report within nine months after the end of the financial year. The purpose of the Annual Report is to:

- To provide a record of activities of the municipality or municipal entity during the financial year to which the report relates;
- To provide a report on performance against the budget of the municipality or municipal entity for that financial year; and
- To promote accountability to the local community for the decision made throughout the year by the municipality or municipality entity.

The 2020/21 Annual Report was approved by Council at the meeting held on the 30 March 2022.

The final step in the reporting process is for Council to adopt the Annual Report in light of the findings contained in the Oversight Report. This is in terms of Section 129 of the Municipal Finance Management Act, (No. 56 of 2003). The Oversight report is compiled by the Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC) as established by Council. The MPAC represents a separation of powers between the Executive Committee and the Administration, and is aimed at enhancing accountability and good governance.

The Oversight Report is prepared using the guidelines prepared by the National Treasury as per MFMA Circular 32. It attempts to address comments and submissions made by the community and stakeholders, as well as the observations and recommendations of the MPAC.

2. BACKGROUND ON THE 2020/21 ANNUAL REPORT

Section 121 of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003 (MFMA) stipulates that:

- 1. Every municipality and every municipal entity must for each financial year prepare an annual report in accordance with this Chapter. The council of a municipality must within nine months after the end of a financial year deal with the annual report of the municipality and of any municipal entity under the municipality's sole or shared control in accordance with section 129.
- 2. The purpose of an annual report is -
 - (a) To provide a record of activities of the municipality or municipal entity during the financial year to which the report relates;
 - (b) To provide a report on performance against the budget of the municipality or municipal entity for that financial year; and
 - (c) To promote accountability to the local community for the decision made throughout the year by the municipality entity.
- 3. The annual report of the municipality must include-
 - (a) The annual financial statements of the municipality, and in addition, if section 122 (2) applies, consolidated annual financial statements, as submitted to the Audited General for audit in terms of section 126 (1);
 - (b) The Auditor General report in terms of section 126 (3) on those financial statements.
 - (c) The annual performance report of the municipality prepared by the municipality in terms of section 46 of the Municipal Systems Act;
 - (d) The Auditor General's audit report in terms of section 45 (b) of the Municipal Systems Act.
 - (e) An assessment by the municipality's accounting officer of any arrears on municipal taxes and service charges.
 - (f) An assessment by the municipality's accounting officer of the municipality's performance against the measurable performance objectives referred to

- in section 17 (3) (b) for revenue collection from each sources and for each vote in the municipality's approved budget for the relevant financial year;
- (g) Any explanation that maybe necessary to clarify issues that in connection with the financial statements;
- (h) Particulars of any corrective action taken or to be taken in response to the issues raised in the audit reports referred to in paragraphs (b) and (d)
- (i) Any information as determined by the municipality;
- (j) Any recommendations of the municipality's audit committee; and
- (k) Any other information as may be prescribed.
- 4. The Annual Report of a municipal entity must include-
 - (a) The annual financial statements of the entity as submitted to the Auditor General for audit in terms of section 126 (2) on those financial statements;
 - (b) The Auditor General's audit report in terms of section 126 (3) on those financial statements;
 - (c) An assessment by the entity's accountable officer of any arrears on those financial statements;
 - (d) An assessment by the entity's accounting officer of the entity's performance against any measurable performance objectives set in terms of the service delivery agreement or other agreement between the entity and its parent municipality;
 - (e) Particulars of any corrective action taken or to be taken in response to issues raised in the audit report referred to in paragraph (b);
 - (f) Any information as determined by the entity or its parent municipality;
 - (g) Any recommendations of the audit committee of the entity or its parent municipality; and
 - (h) Any other information as may be prescribed."

It is against this background that the 2020/21 Annual Report was submitted to Council on the 30 March 2022.



Accordingly, notice was given in terms of Section 21 (A) of Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, (No 32 of 2000) read with section 127 of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, (No 56 of 2003) that the Annual Report was open for comments and/or inputs for the community and stakeholders by the 07 April 2022 and to close on the 09 May 2022, and hard copies were made available at the municipal offices located at 64 Victoria Street in Dundee, 29 Karellandaman Street in Glencoe, 17 Landman Street in Wasbank and also on the municipal website which is www.endumeni.gov.za

3. FUNCTIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

The functions of the MPAC are to:

- ✓ Undertake a review and analysis of the Annual Report;
- ✓ Consider written comments received on the Annual Report from the public consultation process;
- ✓ Allow the local community or any organs of state to make representations on the Annual Report;
- ✓ Receive and consider Council's Audit Committee views and comments on the Annual Financial Statements and the Annual Performance Report; and
- ✓ Prepare the Oversight Report, taking into consideration, the views and inputs of the public, representatives of the Auditor General, Organs Of State, Council's Audit Committee and Councillors.

4. COMPOSITION OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

- Councillor NM Gopie: Chairperson
- Councillor SM Phakati
- Councillor LB Zulu
- Councillor XM Msezane.

5. 2020/21 ANNUAL REPORT CHECKLIST FOR CONSIDERATION

Find the comments and responses on the table below;

Information required to be included in the Annual Report	Council Considerations and Questions	Responses/Comments
1. Financial Matter – Annual Financial	Financial report matters to be considered	Yes, it has been covered.
Statements – Section 121 (3) MFMA		
		Chapter 5 – Financial
		Assessment by the
		Accounting Officer
Section 121 (3) (a). The annual financial	The AFS are to be in the form as required by the applicable	Yes, it has been covered.
statements (AFS) for the municipality and,	accounting standards. MFMA Circular 18 with annexures, 23 June	
if applicable, consolidated statements	2005, provides guidelines on the accounting standards for	Chapter 5 – Financial
(with all entities) as submitted to the	municipalities.	Assessment by the
Auditor-General.		Accounting Officer
Sections 121 (3) (a), 121 (4) and 121 (4) (b)	This applies to the AFS of municipal entities which this municipality	Endumeni Local
of the MFMA	does not have.	Municipality does not
		have a municipal entity.

Section 121 (3) (e) of the MFMA is an	Has an adequate assessment been included? Is there sufficient	Yes, it has been covered.
assessment by the accounting officer on	explanation of the causes of the arrears and of actions to be taken	
any arrears on municipal taxes and	to remedy the situation?	Chapter 5 - Financial
service charges, including municipal		Assessment by the
entities.	Is any other action required to be taken?	Accounting Officer
Section 121 (3) (g) of the MFMA talks to particulars of any corrective action taken or to be taken in response to issues raised in the audit reports.	The conclusion of the annual audit are: ✓ The objective of the municipality is to achieve an unqualified audit opinion with no matters. ✓ Taking into account the audit opinion and the views of the audit committee, council considered the following: o To what extent does the report indicate serious financial issues? o To what extent are same issues repeated from previous audits? o Is the action proposed considered to be adequate to effectively address the issues raised in the audit report?	During the year under review, the municipality obtained a qualified audit opinion, and the basis for this audit opinion was mainly on Property, Plant and Equipment, Consumer Deposits and Cash and Cash Equivalent. An Audit Action Plan to
	 Has a schedule of action been taken and included in the annual report with appropriate due date? 	address the issues raised by the Auditor General has been prepared, and

		progress in terms of
		implementation will be
		monitored on monthly
		basis.
Section 121 (3) (f) of the MFMA suggests	The budget of the municipality must contain measurable	Yes
that an assessment by the municipality's	performance objections for revenue from each source and for	
accounting officer of the municipality's	each vote in the budget, taking into account the IDP (MFMA s 17	The municipality strives to
performance against the performance	(3) (b). the accounting officer must include these objectives in the	make improvements in
objectives for revenue source and for	annual report on performance accordingly.	terms of service delivery
each vote in the approved budget.		in line with the set targets
	Has the performance met the expectations of council and the	for 2021/22 financial
	community?	year, as some of the
		targets were not met
	Have the objectives been met?	during the year under
		review, and remedial
	What explanations have been provided for any non-achievement?	measures were provided
		for the non-achievement
	What was the impact on the service delivery and expenditure	and improvement
	objectives in the budget?	measures are provided in
		and improvement

		the Annual Performance
		Report.
		Component H of the
		2020/21 Annual Report.
		The impact on the
		service delivery and
		expenditure objectives in
		the budget is reflected
		under Chapter 5 –
		Financial Assessment by
		the Accounting Officer.
Section 121 (3) (j) and Section 121 (4) (g)	Have the recommendations of the audit committee in regards to	During the year under
of the MFMA. Recommendations of the	the AFS been adequately addressed by the municipality and/or	review, the Audit
Audit Committee in relation to the AFS	the entity?	Committee was not fully
and audit reports of the municipality and	What actions need to be taken in terms of these	functional throughout
its entities.	recommendations?	the period as required in
	Conclusions on these recommendations and the actions required	terms of Section 166 of
	should be incorporated in the oversight report.	the Municipal Finance

		Management Act (No 56
		of 2003).
2. Disclosures – Allocation received and	Considerations	Yes
made- Section 123 – 125 of the MFMA		
		Chapter 5 – Financial
		Assessment by the
		Accounting Officer.
Section 123 (1) (a) of the MFMA.	The report need to disclose:	Yes, allocations have
Allocations received by and made to the	✓ Details of allocations received from another organ of state	been disclosed.
Municipality.	in the national or provincial sphere.	
	✓ Details of allocations received from a municipal, entity or	Chapter 5 – Financial
	another municipality	Assessment by the
	✓ Details of allocations made to any other organ of state,	Accounting Officer.
	another municipality or a municipal entity.	
	✓ Any other allocation made to the municipality under	
	Section 214 (1) (c) of the Constitution.	
	Have these allocations been received and made?	
	Does audit report confirm the correctness of the allocations	
	received in terms of DORA and provincial budgets?	

	Does the audit report or the audit committee recommend any			
	action?			
Section 123 (1) (c) of the MFMA.	Section 123 of the MFMA and the MFMA guidance circular No 11,	Yes, the	use	of
Information in relation to the use of	require that the municipality provide information per allocation	allocations	received	d has
allocations received.	received per vote and include;	been reflec	ted.	
	✓ The current year and details of spending on all previous			
	conditional grants, for the previous two financial years.	Chapter 5	- Find	ancial
	Information is to be provided per vote. (For example,	Assessment	by	the
	municipalities must report on all transfers received from	Accounting	g Officer.	
	provincial housing departments for housing subsidy grants			
	for three financial years, and indicate how such funds were			
	spent, and for what projects.			
	✓ Information stating whether the municipality has complied			
	with the conditions of the grants, allocations in terms of			
	section 214 (1) (c) of the Constitution and allocations			
	received from other than another organ of state. Where			
	there is non-compliance, details of the reasons for non-			
	compliance are to be provided.			
	✓ Information on whether allocations under the DORA were			
	delayed or withheld and the reasons advanced for this.			

This information is required on all allocations excluding the municipality's portion of the equitable share and where prescribed otherwise by the nature of the allocation. The Auditor General will ensure that the audit process includes a proper assessment (and reconciliation) on all national grants received by a municipality. Council should consider this aspect of the audit report and comments by the audit committee on the use of allocations received. Council should be satisfied that- The information has been properly disclosed;
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✓ Conditions of allocations have been met; and
✓ That any explanations provided are acceptable.
The comments of the Auditor General and the views of the audit
committee should be used to determine the accuracy and
appropriateness of this information.
Section 125 (1) of the MFMA. Information Municipalities and entities are reminded of the requirement to The amounts owed to
in relation to outstanding debtors and include, in their annual financial statements, amounts owed to the municipality are
creditors of the municipality and entities. them and persistently delayed beyond 30 days, by national or disclosed in the Audited
provincial departments and public entities. Annual Financia
Statements.

	It is also a requirement to report on whether the municipality or	Chapter 5 – Financial
	entity has met its statutory commitments, including the payment	Assessment by the
	of taxes, audit fees, and contributions for pension and medical	Accounting Officer.
	aid funds.	
	Council should be satisfied that-	
	✓ The information has been properly disclosed;	
	✓ Conditions of allocations have been met; and	
	✓ That any explanations provided are acceptable.	
3. Disclosures in notes to Annual	Considerations relating to section 124	Chapter 5 - Financial
Financial Statements (AFS)		Assessment by the
		Accounting Officer.
Information relating to benefits paid by	Information on the following items is to be included in the notes to	Yes, the information on
the municipality and entity to councillors,	the annual report and AFS;	the benefits paid by the
directors and officials.	✓ Salaries, allowances and benefits of political office bearers,	municipality during the
	councillors and boards of directors, whether financial or in	year under review to
	kind;	Councillors,
	✓ Any arrears owed by individual councillors to the	Management and
	municipality or entity for rates and services, which at any	Officials was included as
	time were outstanding for more than 90 days, including the	part of the Audited
	names of those councillors.	

	✓ Salaries allowances and benefits of the municipal	Annual Financial
	manager, CEO of municipal entity, CFO and every senior	Statements.
	manager.	
	✓ Contribution for pension and medical aid.	Comments from the
	✓ Travel, motor car, accommodation, subsistence and other	Auditor General and
	allowances.	Audit Committee were
	✓ Housing benefits and allowances.	considered.
	✓ Overtime payments.	
	✓ Loans and advances, and;	Chapter 5 - Financial
	✓ Any other type of benefit or allowance related to staff.	Assessment by the
	Council should be satisfied that-	Accounting Officer.
	✓ The information has been properly disclosed;	
	✓ Conditions of allocations have been met; and	
	✓ That any explanations provided are acceptable.	
	The comments of the Auditor General and the views of the audit	
	committee should be used to determine the accuracy and	
	appropriateness of this information.	
4. Municipal Performance	Considerations	
The annual performance reports of the	Section 46 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act	The 2020/21 Annual
municipality and entities	requires municipalities to submit a performance report reflecting	Performance Report was

the performance of the municipality and each service provider, a comparison of the performance with targets set for the previous year and measures take to improve performance. The report must form part of the annual report. Questions that may be considered are –

- ✓ Has the performance report been included in the annual report?
- ✓ Have all the performance targets set in the budget, SDBIP, service agreements etc., been included in the report?
- ✓ Does the performance evaluation in the annual report compare actual performance with targets expressed in the budgets and SDBIP approved for the financial year?

In terms of key functions or services, how has each performed? E.g. have backlogs for water, sanitation and electricity been reduced? What are the refuse collection volumes, library usage statistics etc.?

- ✓ To what extent has performance achieved targets set by council?
- ✓ Is the council satisfied with the performance levels achieved?

submitted to the Auditor General with the Annual Financial Statements at the end of August 2021, for auditing purposes.

The 2020/21 Annual Performance Report has also been consolidated as part of the 2020/21 Annual Report which was submitted to Council for approval on the 30 March 2021.

A comparison of the actual performance against set targets is made in the Annual Performance Report as

✓	Is the community satisfied with performance? Has a
	customer satisfaction survey been undertaken and, if so,
	how do the results align with the annual report contents?
	What were the outcomes of public consultation and public
	hearings?

per the Budget and Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan.

✓ What actions have been taken and planned to improve performance?

Actions to be taken as part of the improvement measures are also indicated on the Annual Performance Report.

✓ Is the council satisfied with actions to improve performance?

Component H of the Annual Report.

- ✓ Did the targets set in the budgets, SDBIP agree with the targets set in the performance contracts of the municipal manager and each senior manager?
- ✓ Does the report evaluate the efficiency of mechanisms applied to deliver the performance outcomes?
- Taking into account the audit report and opinion and the views of the audit committee, is performance considered to be efficient and effective?
- ✓ To what extent have actions planned for the previous year been carried over to the financial year reported upon?
- ✓ Have any actions planned in the reported year been carried over to the current or future years? If so are any explanations

	been provided by municipal manager and are these	
	satisfactory?	
	Council should comment and draw conclusions on information and	
	explanations provided.	
Audit reports on performance.	Section 45, Local Government: Municipal Systems Act requires that	The Auditor General
	the Auditor General must audit the result of performance	audited the 2020/21
	measurements, as part of the internal auditing processes and	Annual Performance
	annually. Have the recommendations of internal audit been acted	Report, and the
	on during the financial year? Have recommendations by internal	municipality obtained a
	audit and/or the Auditor General been included in action plans to	Qualified Audit Opinion
	improve performance in the following years?	from the Auditor
		General. On the main
		the reasons for
		Qualification was the
		lack of reconciliation of
		the consumers list
		between Revenue and
		Electrical Section.

		The municipality has
		prepared an action plan
		which will assist in
		addressing the issues
		raised by the Auditor
		General so that they
		don't re-occur at the
		end of the 2021/22
		financial year.
Performance of municipal entities and	The annual report of the municipality should provide assessment of	Endumeni Local
municipal service providers.	the performance of the municipal entities and all contracted	Municipality does not
	service providers. This is in addition to the separate annual reports	have municipal entities.
	of the entities.	
	The report should evaluate the effectiveness of these services and	
	whether alternative mechanisms should be considered.	
	Is the council satisfied with the evaluation and conclusions of the	
	municipality?	
	What other actions are considered necessary to be taken by the	
	accounting officer?	

5. General Information	The following general information is required to be disclosed in the		
	annual report.		
Relevant information on municipal	The municipality should disclose all information relating to the	Endumeni	Local
entities.	municipal entities under the sole or effective control of the	Municipality	does not
	municipality. Information to be disclosed includes names and types	have municipo	al entities.
	of entities, members of the board, addresses, and contact details		
	for entities, the purpose of the entity, the functions, and services		
	provided the type and term of service level agreements with		
	entities.		
The uses of any donor funding support.	What donor funding has the municipality received?	None	
	✓ Have the purposes and the management agreements for		
	the funding been properly agreed upon.		
	✓ Have the funds been used in accordance with		
	agreements?		
	✓ Have the objectives been achieved?		
	\checkmark Has the use of funds been effective in improving services to		
	the community?		
	\checkmark What actions need to be taken to improve utilisation of the		
	funds?		

Agreements, contracts and projects		There are projects which
under Private-Public-Partnerships.		the municipality
		implemented during the
		year under review in
		partnership with the
		private sector, which are
		the mining houses, as
		part of the Social Labour
		Plans. There are signed
		Memorandum of
		Understandings which
		are in place.
Service delivery performance on key	This may be a high level summary, in addition to detailed	A service delivery
services provided.	information on performance, which sets out overall performance	overview has been
	under the strategic objectives of the municipality. Overall results on	indicated on page 17
	the strategic functions and services should be summarised. This	and also details in the
	should cover all services whether provided by the municipality,	Annual Performance
	entities or external mechanisms. Council may draw conclusions on	Report which is
	the overall performance of the municipality.	Component H of the
		Annual Report.

	This information may be found in an executive summary section of	
	the annual report and or in statistical tables.	
Information on long-term contracts.	Details of all long-term contracts including levels of liability to the	The municipality has long
	municipality should be included. Council should ensure all	term contracts on
	information correctly supplied.	infrastructure projects,
		ICT, Compilation of the
		Valuation Roll etc. Details
		of the long term
		contracts are indicated
		in the Annual Financial
		Statements which are in
		Chapter 5 - Financial
		Assessment by the
		Accounting Officer.
Information technology and systems	Details of significant IT activities should be outlined indicating the	Details on Information
purchases and the effectiveness of these	effectiveness of the IT projects and the quality of IT services.	Communication
systems in the delivery of services and for	Council should consider how effectively the IT services support and	Technology activities
ensuring compliance with statutory	facilitate performance of the municipality and whether value for	have been provided on
obligations.	money has been obtained.	page 47 of the Annual
		Report.

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	Details of any future IT proposals should be summarized. Council	
	should comment and draw conclusion on the information	
	provided.	
Three year capital plan for addressing	A summary of the long-term capital plans and how these address	Service Delivery
infrastructure backlogs in terms of the	the backlogs of services in the municipality should be provided.	Overview is reflected on
Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG)	This should include details of types and scale of backlogs,	page 17 and also details
framework.	projected cost implications, strategies to address the backlogs and	in Component H of the
	plans proposed and/or approved. The summary here should cross	Annual Report which is
	reference to the performance reports in the annual report and also	the Annual Performance
	will be highlighted in the coming budgets.	Report.
	Council should consider whether the plans appropriately address	
	the backlogs and are consistent with the strategic policy directions	
	of council and needs of the community.	
6. Other considerations recommended		
Timing of reports	Was the report tabled in the time prescribed?	The 2020/21 Annual
	Has a schedule for consideration of the report been adopted?	Report was tabled
		before Council on the 30
		March 2022.

		The schedule for the adoption of the 2020/21 Annual Report and
		Oversight Report is
		indicated on page 6 of
		this report.
Oversight committee or other mechanism	What mechanisms have been put in place to prepare the oversight	The Oversight Report is
	report?	prepared using
	Has a schedule for its completion and tabling been adopted?	guidelines from National
		Treasury as per MFMA
		Circular 32.
		A schedule for its
		completion and tabling
		is reflected on page 6 of
		this report.
Payment of performance bonuses to	Refer to Section to Section 57 of Local Government: Municipal	Performance bonuses for
municipal officials.	Systems Act as amended. Bonuses based on performance may be	the Municipal Manager
	awarded to a municipal manager or a manager directly	and Managers directly
	accountable to the municipal manager after the end of the	accountable to the

financial year and only after an evaluation of performance and approval of evaluation by the municipal council. Preferably such evaluation should be considered along with the annual report. The bases upon which performance is evaluated for payment of bonuses should be reconciled with municipal performance reported in the annual report.

Municipal Manager have bot been paid for the year under review.

Have bonuses been paid based on achievements of agreed outputs and after consideration of the annual report by council?

- ✓ If so has a proper evaluation of performance been undertaken?
- ✓ Was the evaluation approved by council?
 /Does the performance evaluation align and reconcile with the performance report in the annual report?
- ✓ If not, what reasons have been advanced for non-reporting of the basis of evaluation in the annual report?
- ✓ Are payment justified in terms of performance report in the annual report?

6. CONCLUSION

The MPAC acknowledges with appreciation the 2020/21 Annual Report. The MPAC is also pleased to note that all components of the Annual Report are included as is required in terms of Section 121 (3) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, (No. 56 of 2003) as follows;

- The Annual Financial Statements of the municipality;
- The Auditor General report;
- The Annual Performance Report of the municipality prepared by the municipality in terms of Section 46 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act; (No 32 of 2000);
- The Auditor General's audit report in terms of Section 45 (b) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act;
- An assessment by the municipality accounting officer of any arears on municipal taxes and service charges;
- Particulars of any corrective action taken or to be taken in response to the issues raised in the audit reports; and
- Any explanation that may be necessary to clarify issues that are in connection with financial statements.

It is imperative, that in order to achieve a clean audit opinion, an Audit Action Plan implementation is monitored through the Top Management Committee on monthly basis and the Municipal Public Accounts Committee on Quarterly basis.

The MPAC would like to thank the Mayor, Executive Committee Members and Management as well as all officials for tirelessly ensuring progressive service delivery by completing many infrastructural and social development projects which improved the lives of the previously disadvantaged communities, maintaining and improving on service delivery standards.

Further thanks goes to the Speaker of Endumeni Local Municipality, Councillors, the Auditor General, the Audit Committee, COGTA, Provincial Treasury and National Treasury for their support and co-operation in completing this Annual Report and

Oversight Report process. The MPAC strongly believes that Endumeni Local Municipality and its community will realise substantial and tangible benefits if a similar process is consistently followed in the years to come. The MPAC is grateful for the opportunity to be of service to Endumeni Local Municipality and its citizens.

7. RESOLUTIONS AND STATEMENTS

- That in terms of section 129 of the Municipal Finance Management Act (No 56 of 2003), Council having fully considered the 2020/21 Annual Report, adopts the 2020/21 Oversight Report without any reservations;
- 2. That in terms of section 129 (1) (a), Council adopts the 2020/21 Annual Report without any reservations;
- 3. That it be noted that the late submission of any comments, not be considered for the purpose of the 2020/21 Oversight Report, but that Management to respond to the parties accordingly on the relevant and pertinent issues raised;
- That the Management Action Plan to the Auditor General report be a standing item on the MPAC agenda and progress reports be submitted to the MPAC accordingly;
- 5. That the 2020/21 Oversight Report be made public in accordance with Section 129 (3) of the Municipal Finance Management Act (No 56 of 2003); and
- 6. That the 2020/21 Oversight Report be submitted to the Provincial Legislature in accordance with Section 132 (2) of the Municipal Finance Management Act (No 56 of 2003).

Signed by Municipal Public Accounts Committee Chairperson

CIIr NM Gopie