

OVERSIGHT REPORT ON THE 2021/2022 ANNUAL REPORT MARCH 2023

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1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

MPAC has an obligation to exercise an oversight role over the executive obligations of Council, therefore a resolution was taken in Council for MPAC to consider and evaluate the Municipality's 2021/2022 Draft Annual Report and further recommend to Council the adoption of the Annual Report in terms of section 129 of the Municipal Finance Management Act.

The functions of the Oversight Committee on the Annual report are to:

- Undertake a review and analysis of the Annual Report
- Invite, receive and consider inputs on the Annual Report
- Consider written comments received on the Annual Report from the members of the public
- Receive and consider Councils' Audit Committee views and comments on the annual financial statements and the performance report
- Prepare the Oversight Report to be tabled before Council for consideration

2. STATUTORY COMPLIANCE

This Oversight Report was prepared in line with Section 129 of the Municipal Finance Management Act read in conjunction with Municipal Finance Management Act, Circular No.63.

The process for the finalisation and approval of the 2021/2022 Annual Report was conducted as per the table below:

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION	PROVISION
Preparation of annual financial statements of the municipality and submission to the Auditor-General	MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT Section 122(1)(2)
Receipt of final audit report from Auditor- General	MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT Section 126(3)(b)
Tabling of Final Draft Annual Report in Council by Mayor	MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT Section 127(2)
Allowing for comment by community and relevant state organs	MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT Section 127(5)(a) & (b)
Corrective actions to AG's opinion formulated and tabled in Council	MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT Section 121(3)(g)
Submission of Annual Report and Oversight Report to AG, Provincial Treasury and MEC: Local Government	MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT Section 129(2)(b)
Communication of final Annual Report / Oversight Report (Website, hard copies and other mediums)	MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT Section 129(3)

3. COMPOSITION OF NGQUSHWA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE AND ATTENDANCE OF MEETINGS

Ordinary Meetings

COUNCILLOR	PORTFOLIO	DATES OF ORDINARY MEETINGS AND ATTENDANCE		
NAME		20.09.2022	08.11.2022	24.01.2023
Cllr M Cao	Chairnerson	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cllr. M. Gqo	Chairperson	162	163	162
Cllr. N. Mtati	Member	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cllr. N. Dyalvani	Member	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cllr. R. Taylor	Member	Yes	Yes	No
Cllr. P. Nodala	Member	No	No	No
Cllr. L. Nomatye	Member	No	Yes	Yes

• Special Meetings

COUNCILLOR	PORTFOLIO	DATES OF SPECIAL MEETINGS AND ATTENDANCE		
NAME		04.10.2022	09.02.2022	09.03.2023
Cllr. M. Gqo	Chairperson	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cllr. N. Mtati	Member	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cllr. N. Dyalvani	Member	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cllr. R. Taylor	Member	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cllr. P. Nodala	Member	No	Yes	Yes
Cllr. L. Nomatye	Member	No	Yes	Yes

4. ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK

The following table displays the nature of the accountability framework for local government:

Council Structures/Directorate	Responsible for	Oversight over	Accountable to
Council	Approving policies, IDP and budget	Executive Committee	Community
Mayor or Executive Committee	Policy, budgets, outcomes	Municipal Manager	Council
Municipal Manager	Outputs and implementation	The Administration	Mayor or Executive Committee

Chief Financial Officer and Senior Managers	Outputs and implementation	Financial Management and Operational Functions	Municipal Manager
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- The Oversight Report is the final major step in the annual reporting process of a municipality. The oversight report must consider any input from the public and council.
- The Oversight Report on the Annual Report is a product of comprehensive consideration and consultation on the Annual Report and is considered to be a report of the Municipal Council to the community disclosing the extent to which the priority needs have been met as contained in the Integrated Development Plan.

5. MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETINGS ON 2021/2022 ANNUAL REPORT

The Committee conducted virtual roadshows on Ngqushwa FM on the **14**th **of December 2022** wherein Mayor Cllr. Maneli presented the 2021/2022 Draft to present the Draft Annual Report.

Subsequent to the public consultation programme (virtual) the Municipal Public Accounts Committee convened on the 24th January 2023 to consider public comments as raised through the radio question/open session but none of the comments received were related to the presented document.

The advert that was issues indicated that members of the public will have 7 days post the public consultation to submit written comments not none were received.

The 2021/2022 Draft was made available for public viewing on the municipal website (www.ngqushwamun.gov.za).

Departmental interviews were conducted on the 17th April 2023 on issues that were raised by the committee on the 2020/2021 Annual Report and its attachments and all the issues raised were responded accordingly to the satisfaction of the committee and therefore, the committee resolved to recommend to Council for the adoption of the 2021/2022 Annual Report with no reservations.

6. MPAC SITE VISIT

The committee conducted the projects site visits on the 09th of March 2023 on the following projects:

Pikoli Internal Streets, Power Internal Streets, Peddie Town Internal Streets and there were no alarming areas of concern on the projects.

7. MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO THE 2021/2022 ANNUAL REPORT

 The Municipal Public Accounts Committee having considered the 2021/2022 Annual Report recommends to Council the Adoption of the 2021/2022 Annual Report with no reservations in terms of section 129 (1) (a) of the Municipal Finance Management Act.

8. MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO THE OVERSIGHT REPORT

- Accordingly, the Municipal Public Accounts Committee recommends to Council
 to Adopt the 2021/2022 Oversight Report of the Ngqushwa Local Municipality
 and representations thereof in terms of section 129 of the Municipal Finance
 Management Act;
- The MPAC Oversight Report be made public in accordance with the prescripts of the Municipal Finance Management Act.

Cllr. M. Gqo Chairperson

Signature:

Date: 05/04/2023