

Ga-Segonyana Local Municipality MPAC

(Municipal Public Accounts Committee)
Oversight report
2021/2022 Annual Report

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Abbreviation

AFS Annual Financial Statements

AG Auditor General

APAC Association of Public Accounts Committees

CFO Chief Financial Officer

CAPEX Capital Expenditure

MEC Member of Executive Council

MFMA Municipal Finance Management Act

MPAC Municipal Public Account Committee

MSA Municipal Systems Act

OPEX Operating Expenditure

GRAP Standards of generally recognized accounting practice.

Foreword by the chairperson

The Council of Ga-Segonyana Local Municipality has the responsibility to oversee the performance of the municipality, as required by the Municipal Finance Management Act (MFMA) and the Municipal Systems Act (MSA). During its ordinary council sitting in January 2023. Council considered the Draft 2021/2022 Annual Report of the Ga-Segonyana Local Municipality and referred the report to the Municipal Public Accounts Committee for review and drafting of this Oversight Report.

The Oversight Report is the final step in the annual reporting process of a municipality. IN terms of Section 129 of the MFMA Council is required to consider the Annual Report and to adopt an oversight report containing the Council' comments on the Annual report. The Oversight Report is therefore clearly distinguished from the Annual Report, it is a report of the Municipal Council and follows consideration and consultation of the Annual Report by the Council itself.

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee of the Ga-Segonyana Local Municipality fulfils the oversight role of Council. The mandate of the MPAC includes an analysis of the municipality's Annual Report and the development of appropriate recommendations and correction actions to Council. The meetings of the MPAC on the 2021/2022 Annual Report as detailed in the accompanying report. 2021/2022 Annual Report was subjected to public comments between February & March 2023 and copies of the Draft Annual Report were made available for inspection at all municipal libraries, accounting officer's and on the municipal website. Written public comments were however not received by the MPAC for consideration and inclusion in its oversight report.

The Committee, noted improved performance in the audit opinion by the Auditor General on the annual financial statements and applaud Council, management and officials of the Ga-Segonyana Local Municipality. The municipality has received a unqualified audit opinion in its 2021/2022 annual financial statements, however more emphasis should be put on the performance objectives as indicated in the audit opinion on the same area and the KPI's should be crafted in way that they addresses the AG's recommendation. These issues should be included in the audit action plan and

monitored periodically in order to attain improved results including implementation of consequences management as this has been highlighted by the Auditor General in his report for the past few years.

Finally, I would like to commend my fellow MPAC members for their hard work and commitment, I would also like to thank the honorable Speaker, and officials for their support during the oversight process, especially the Municipal Manager, Chief Financial Officer, Manager Supply Chain Management, Council Secretaries and Internal Audit officials who provided strategic support and guidance in this process. A word of thanks must also be given to the Auditor General and the Audit Committee for their input in the Annual Report and oversight report.

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CHAIRPESON MPAC

Preamble

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC) was appointed by Council to amongst other things oversee the content of the 2021/2022 Annual Report. The oversight report is the final major step in the annual reporting process of the municipality. Section 129 of the MFMA requires the Council to consider the annual report and to adopt an oversight report containing council comments on the annual report.

The oversight report covers the period 2021/2022 financial year and started off with a broad outline of the objectives of the Municipal Public Account Committee (MPAC). The Ga-Segonyana Local Municipality MPAC committee set out to achieve the following objectives; -

- ✓ There is no fraud or corruption in the administration or in council.
- ✓ There is legal compliance whenever required
- ✓ That we get value for money whenever money is spent.
- ✓ That the budget and IDP is properly aligned.
- ✓ That there is proper service delivery in all areas of our jurisdiction and always take into consideration the needs of the people, needs established through public participation.
- ✓ That the impact of our report will be of such a nature, that it is useful to council and that in
 the final analysis, the committee is able to advice the council correctly.

Methods used by the committee in preparing the oversight report included the convening of meetings where the Annual Report and all supporting documentation were scrutinized.

Accordingly, the oversight report will cover the 2021/2022 Annual Report

1. Municipal Public Accounts Committee

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee was established by Council during the Council in terms of section 33 and 79 of the Municipal Structure Act, 117 of 1998 as amended. The following Councilors were appointed as members: -

Cllr T. Merementsi	Chairperson effective from 22 November 2021.
Cllr K. Molokwe	Member
Cllr S. I. Kok	Member
Cllr K. P. Moepeng	Member
Cllr K. Chweu	Member
Cllr T. Nyathi	Member
Cllr K. M. Taeng	Member
Cllr O. D. Mathibe	Member
Cllr K. S. Setlhodi	Member
Cllr M. Disang	Member
Cllr C Mojaki	Member

2.Support staff

Ms Lerato Ntwagae

3. Oversight Report Activity Plan as noted by Council

Activity	Responsibility	Target date	Comments
Presentation of the	Mayor	January 2023	
Annual Report to council			
Advertise the availability	Accounting Officer	February 2023	
of the Annual report for			
comments			
Submit a copy of the	Accounting Officer	August 2022	
Annual report to DLG &			
HS			
Submit a copy of the	Accounting Officer	August 2022	
Annual report to the			

Activity	Responsibility	Target date	Comments
Submit a copy of the	Accounting Officer	August 2022	
Annual report to the	9		
National Treasury			
MPAC meeting-	Members	March 2023	
discussion of the annual			
report.			
MPAC meeting with	MPAC members	March 2021	
Management for	Accounting Officer		
administrative leadership	Senior Managers		
to acquaint themselves			
with the Annual report			
Submission of comments	Accounting officer	January/February	
and public participation	MPAC	2023	
process			
MPAC meeting with	MPAC members	March 2023	
Mayor and the Executive	Mayor		
committee to acquaint	Executive		
themselves with the	committee		
Annual Report			
MPAC meeting: adoption	MPAC Members	March 2023	
of the Draft Oversight			
Report			
Adoption of the Oversight	Council	March 2023	
Report by Council.			
Make Oversight Report	Accounting Officer	March 2023	
public			
Submit Oversight Report	Accounting Officer	April 2023	
to Provincial and National			

Activity	Responsibility	Target date	Comments
Treasury			
Submit Oversight Report	Accounting Officer	April 2023	
to DLG& TA			

4. checklist of the Annual Report as per section 121 (3) of the MFMA, of 56 of 2003 and MFMA Circular 11

Content of the Annual Report	tick
Annual Financial Statement of the municipality	✓
AG's report on the financial statements	√
Annual Performance report of the municipality prepared by the municipality in	✓
terms of section 46 of the municipal systems act.	
Auditor General's report in terms of section 45 (b) of the Municipal System Act	√
An assessment by the accounting officer of any arrears on municipal taxes and	√
services	
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 revenue source and for each	
vote in the municipality's approved budget for the relevant financial year.	
Particulars of corrective action taken or to be taken or to be taken in response to	✓
issues raised in the audit reports referred to in paragraphs (b) and (d)	
Any explanation that maybe necessary to clarify issues in connection with the	N/A
financial statement	
Any information as determined by the municipality	N/A
Any recommendations of the municipal's audit committee	✓
Any other information as may be prescribed	N/A

5. Legislative Requirements

5.1 Municipal Finance Management Act

Legislative	Compliance	Response	Recommended
requirements			corrective action
Annual financial	Have the AFS of the	Yes	
statements- Section	municipality and that of		
121(3)	municipal entity been		
(4); of MFMA.	included in the annual		
	report?	Yes	
	Are both annual financial		
	statements been audited	Yes	
	Are the AFS compliant with		
	GRAP?	Yes	
	Is the audit report been	-	
	included in the tabled	Yes	
	annual report?		
	Any explanations that may		Management has
	clarify issues in connection	Yes	developed an audit
	with the financial statement?		action plan to address
			all findings of the
	Any assessment by the		Auditor General.
	accounting officer on		
	arrears on municipal taxes		Debt Collection
	and service charges.	Yes	strategy was
		,	developed in order to
	Any comment by the audit		maximize revenue

Legislative	Compliance	Response	Recommended
requirements			corrective action
	committee in relation to the		collection.
	AFS?		A report was tabled to
			Council on all activities
			undertaken by the
		(8)	Committee and internal
			audit leading towards
			AFS.
Supply Chain	Has certain disclosures of	Yes	All of these have been
Management Regulations	SCM matters been included		included in the audit
and Policy	in the annual report as		action plan by
	required.		management.

5.2 Division of Revenue Act

Legislative	Compliances	Response	Recommended
requirements			corrective actions
SECTION 123 OF	Has the municipality had any		
MFMA AND CIRCILAR	allocation per DORA delayed or	No	
11	withheld		
		No.	
	Is there any disclosure on		
	allocation made by the municipality		
	to an organ of state, municipal		
	entity or other municipality?		
		Yes	
	Are all compulsory disclosures		
	contained in the notes to the		
	Annual Financial Statements?		
		yes	
	Has the municipality complied with		

Legislative requirements	Compliances	Response	Recommended corrective actions
	the conditions of the grant?		
SECTION 124 (1)(2) Disclosure of councillors, Directors and Officials in the	Have the salaries, allowances and benefits paid to councillors and the Municipal Manager, CFO and senior been disclosed?	1. Yes	
notes to the AFS	Is there a statement by the Accounting Officer, stating that salaries, allowance and benefits paid to councillors are within the upper limits of the framework envisage in section 219 of the constitution?	2. Yes	
	Have arrears for rates and services owed by councillors, in which the arrears was more than 90 days been disclosed including the name of the councillor?	3. Yes 4. N/A	

Legislative	Compliances	Response	Recommended
requirements			corrective actions
	Have salaries of the board of		
	MODA, CEO and senior managers		
	been disclosed?		

5.3 Municipal Systems Act Performance Management System

Compliances	Response	Recommended
		corrective actions
Has the performance report	1.Yes	None required
been included in the annual		
report?		
1		
Have all the performance	2.Yes.	None required
target set in the budget,		
SDBIP, service agreements		
etc. been included in the		
report?		
Does the performance	3.Yes	None required
evaluation in the annual		
report compare actual		
performance with target		
expressed in the budget and		
SDBIP approved for the		
financial year?		
In terms of key functions or	4. 78%	
services, how has each		
performed?		
	Has the performance report been included in the annual report? Have all the performance target 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 target expressed in the budget and SDBIP approved for the financial year? In terms of key functions or services, how has each	Has the performance report been included in the annual report? Have all the performance target 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 target expressed in the budget and SDBIP approved for the financial year? In terms of key functions or services, how has each

Legislative requirements	Compliances	Response	Recommended
			corrective actions
	To what extend have targets been met?	5. Yes	
	Are council and community satisfied with the performance?	6.	Implementation of AGs action plan
	What actions have been taken and planned to improve performance?	7.	
	Did the target set in the budgets, SDBIP agree with the targets set in the performance contracts of the municipal manager and other senior manager?	8. Yes	
	Does the report evaluate the efficiency of mechanism 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?	9. YES	

Legislative requirements	Compliances	Response	Recommended
			corrective actions
PERFORMANCE OF	Has an assessment been	The	None required
MUNICIPAL ENTITIES	included in the Annual Report	municipality	
AND MUNICIPAL	on the performance of the	does not	
SERVICE PROVIDERS	municipal entities?	have an	
	Has the assessment been	entity.	
	included in the annual report		
	on the performance of all		
	contracted service providers?		

5.3 Public Participation

Legislative requirement	Compliances	Respond	Recommended
			corrective action
Section 127 (2);130	Was the public invited to the	No	
(1)(2)(3) and section 21A	council sitting where the		
of MSA	annual report was considered?		
Council meetings open to	Did the Accounting Officer	Yes	
public and certain public	make public the annual report?		
official			
	Was the annual report		
	submitted to the AG; PT and	Yes	
	DLG&HS?		
WRITTEN COMMENTS	Did the municipality receive	No, there were	
	any written submission on the	no written	
	Annual Report?	comments	
		submitted by the	
		community.	

6. Auditor General's opinion

2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/2021	2022/2022
Qualified	Qualified	Qualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Qualified

6.1 Reasons for unqualified Opinion

Please refer to the attached Annexure A for the reason for qualification provided by AG:

7. 2021/2023 Annual Report Community Consultations

The annual report was made public on the municipal website, municipal libraries and also obtained at the municipal website, however no comments were received.

8. Recommendations by MPAC

- 1. That the survey be conducted to obtain the reason why there is no public comments with regard to the 2021/2022 annual report that was made public January/February 2023.
- 2. That MPAC roadshows be conducted and the community be notified through Kurara FM for the message to reach all community members.
- 3. That Audit action plan be presented on a quarterly basis to reflect and track the implementations done with regard to the findings raised by AG.
- 4. That appointment of the vacant position of senior managers be completed ASAP that will ensure that composition of the bid committees is accurate and line in laws and regulations.
- 5. That appointment of the researcher for the MPAC committee be done ASAP to ensure that the committee functions are executed effectively and accurately.

9. Conclusion

- ✓ Council to note that MPAC approved 2021/2022 Annual Report with reservations
- ✓ Council having fully considered the 2021/2022 Annual Report adopt the oversight report in terms of Section 129 of the MFMA.

MPAC CHAIRPERSON

DATE 23-03-2023