

BERGRIVIER MUNICIPALITY

MPAC OVERSIGHT REPORT:

ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22



INTRODUCTION

- This Oversight Report on the 2021/2022 Annual Report of the Bergrivier Municipality has been compiled in terms of Section 129 of the Local Government Municipal Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003 (MFMA) and is presented here today.
- The Municipal Council must adopt an Oversight Report not later than 2 months after the tabling of the Annual Report which must include a statement whether the Council
 - has approved the annual report with or without reservations;
 - has rejected the annual report; or
 - has referred the annual report back for revision of those components that can be revised.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF MPAC

The Oversight Committee was replaced with MPAC and appointed on 9 December 2021 per Council Resolution RVN016/12/2021). Bergrivier Council decided:

- "1.That the Bergrivier Municipality MPAC be constituted as follows for the term of office of the current council:
 - (a) two members of the Committee namely Mr. N. Stevens and Mr. J. Botha;
 - (b) a person from the Municipality's Performance Audit Committee, namely Mr C B De Jager;
 - (c) two councillors from the DA namely:
 - (i) Councillor Adam du Plooy (chairperson)
 - (ii) Councillor Audrey Small
 - (d) one councillor from the ANC namely:
 - (i) Councillor Samantha Lesch
- 2. That the MPAC be chaired by Councillor Adam du Plooy.

MANDATE AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Mandate of the MPAC with regard to the Annual Report is to:

- 1. Undertake a detailed analysis and review of the Municipality's Annual Reports;
- 2. Consider inputs from the Council, Portfolio Committees, Ward Committees and the public on the Municipality's Annual Report;
- 3. Consider inputs from the Municipality's Performance-, Risk- and Audit Committee as well as the Auditor General on the Municipality's Annual Report;
- 4. Draft an Oversight Report on the Municipality's Annual Report;
- 5. Co-opt advisory members should this be necessary.



METHODOLOGY

- The Draft Annual Report was tabled before Council on 24 January 2023;
- The Draft Annual Report was submitted to the relevant authorities and made public for comments. The closing date for submissions was 24th February 2023;
- No submissions were received;
- MPAC conducted the Oversight Process over 3 sittings in February 2023 and process concludes with this presentation to the Municipal Council on 28 March 2023.



STRUCTURE OF THE 2021/2022 ANNUAL REPORT

VOLUME I

Forewords

Chapter 1: Municipal Overview and Executive Summary

■ Chapter 2: Governance

Chapter 3: Service Delivery Performance

Chapter 4: Organisational Development Performance

Chapter 5: Financial Performance

VOLUME II

- Report of the Auditor General
- Report of the Chairperson of the Performance-, Risk- and Audit Committee
- Annual Financial Statements



OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

2021/2022 ANNUAL REPORT



FINDINGS ON 2021/22 ANNUAL REPORT

- MPAC has gone through the draft Annual Report with a critical eye and no mage problems or mistakes were found;
- A few editorial issues or points of clarity have been identified and corrected.
- The following matters are highlighted as concerns:
 - The cost of landfill sites;
 - Unspent funds;
 - High water and electricity losses;
 - High turnover rate of staff.



COMMENT FROM DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- The 21 annexures to the Annual Report must be available;
- Due to the scale of the annexures, a separate document was created and added to the website.





OUTSTANDING ISSUES 2019/2020 OVERSIGHT REPORT

No substantial outstanding matters in the 2020/2021 Oversight Report, except for the cost of landfill sites.



CONCLUSION

- I would like to thank the members of MPAC and all officials who participated in the 2021/2022 Oversight Process for their time and cooperation.
- The process was successful and enabled the Committee to identify areas of concern and that it is noticeable the management of the municipality took the inputs and the recommendations serious.
- I am of the opinion that the 2021/2022 Annual Report accurately reflects the performance of the Municipality for the year under review and recommend that the Council approves the 2021/2022 Annual Report without reservations.