



**MINUTES FOR CLUSTER: WARD COMMITTEES
2017/18 DRAFT BUDGET
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETINGS ON
06 APRIL 2017
AT 17:00 AT EMPANGENI CIVIC CENTRE (HALL)**

MINUTES

1. ATTENDANCE:

See attendance registers

2. PROGRAM:

Programme Facilitator: MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande

Opening prayer: Mr Mpanza

Welcoming: MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande

Budget Presentation: Mr T.E Gumede

MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande requested ward committee members if they had any questions or issues of clarity that they wished to be answered. The CFO, Mr Mxolisi Kunene & Mr T.E Gumede responded to these questions.

QUESTIONS OF CLARITY AND COMMENTS

	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	Ningiwe Mhlongo – Ward 29 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Thanks the community for saving water and the council for the budget allocated to the poor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Noted.

2.	Bonginkosi Majola – Ward 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thankful for the budget presentation • Wants to know how to read a meter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted. • Brief training will be provided at the community meetings. • uMhlathuze Municipality doesn't read meter but has appointed a contractor to perform this function for a period of 3 years.
3.	Mr Mpanza – Ward 17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The eSikhaleni road (emahorohoro) was not mentioned in the budget • Needs clarification on electricity watts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There's R10million allocated and the project is in process. • In order to control electricity usage, residents are encouraged to purchase electricity once a month, so that they can receive the free allocation.
4.	Wonder Mdlalose – Ward 31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wants to know if the roads at Ntambanana are budgeted for as they are 100% gravel. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Already included in the budget presented.
5.	Mduduzi Dlamini – Ward 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming pool and/or library at Vulindlela still not included in the budget, issue has been raised since 2012. • Wanted to know the procedure that the municipality follows when tarring the road. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IDP issue. • The council check if the road falls under the municipality or province. And take further action.
6.	Qhamukile Nene – Ward 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests library at Vulindlela from the R91 million allocated to developing rural areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IDP issue
7.	Vincent Khoza – Ward 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are the middle class residents paying (5%) more than high class (4%)? Requested clarity • Needed clarity on electricity tariffs and property valuations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is not more when % is converted to rand value. • To see Mr TE Gumede at the end of the meeting.
8.	Skhumbuzo Gwala – Ward 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What happens if a pensioner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R150 000 is deducted from the value of

	<p>owns property that is classified as “high class” level?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests free Wi-Fi for students in institutions to be allocated in the budget, to reduce queues at the libraries. • No budget allocated to the SMME’s for “starting capital”. • Requests access to the Budget Presentation slides • Requests security’s at the Hillview water tankers, because it is dangerous for the community using the water. 	<p>primary property, and rates will be calculated from the remainder.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included in the budget • Council will provide training and refer them to the relevant associations. • Apologies. Budget inserts are being printed and copies will be made available at the subsequent meetings. • Noted. Included in the budget.
9.	<p>Bab’ Mthembu – Ward 24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerned that the surplus of 2 million is too much, instead it should be added to other projects. • Requests water tankers at Presidential Swart Road. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The budget is not allowed to have a deficit. • Noted
10.	<p>Sithembiso Mthiyane – Ward 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No mentions of the ward committee member’s salary in the budget. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included in the budget under “Councillors” remuneration.
11.	<p>Thokozani - Ward 03</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No budget allocated for matriculants university assistance and youth programmes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a program whereby the council assist matriculants (who passed with good results) with registration fees and thereafter they are encouraged to apply for bursaries.
12.	<p>Nkosinathi Mdluli – Ward 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What was the proposed percentage for rates based on? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted
13.	<p>Nonhlanhla Xulu – Ward 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Word of appreciation for the road. • What will happen with the Surplus from the R2,2 million allocated for forests? • The dam is still not included in the budget since 2013. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted • The entire R2.2 million will be used to purchase trucks for Ntambanana fire fighters • Department of water and sanitation issue, but will take the matter to them.
14.	<p>Sakhile – Ward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests gas station to be included in the budget 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council will do zoning and if there are investors whom are interested and then it can be built.

15.	Unknown – Nseleni <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wanted to know which budget financial year the Nseleni mall is allocated to, as they are waiting for job opportunities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nseleni mall in progress.
16.	Sipho Claw - Ward 33 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The sewer at Zidedele has been mentioned for the past few years, has there been a budget allocation for it in 2017/18. They had a problem with all Empangeni Sports grounds; they have to pay to use them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure officials presented noted comment. Noted, in negotiations.
17.	Senzo Mkhwanazi - Ward 23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How much was given to the municipality from the Province for drought and what will it be used for? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The grant allocation will be used to cover the damages.
18.	Dumisile – Ward 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wanted to know why there are no rebates for unemployed youth as the same as pensioners? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you are an unemployed youth but inherited property, you must consult with Council for indigent programme.
19.	Bright Gumede – Ward 17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wanted to know if the budget allocated includes all the substations? No Budget allocated to maintain infrastructure (sports field). Does the municipality monitor the contractors, as it concerns/ affects the budget when a contractor does not finish the job and another contractor is appointed to finish. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All of the substations. Included There is an amount of 10% retained should a contractor disappear without finishing the work.

4. **CLOSING: MPAC CHAIR Cllr D.J Ndimande**

Closing Prayer: Mr Mpanza



MINUTES FOR CLUSTER: AMAKHOSI
2017/18 DRAFT BUDGET
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETINGS ON
20 APRIL 2017
AT 11:00 AT RICHARDS BAY CIVIC CENTRE
(COUNCIL CHAMBER)

M I N U T E S

1. ATTENDANCE:

See attendance registers

2. PROGRAM:

Programme Facilitator: MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande
 Opening prayer: Mr Sangweni
 Welcoming: Cllr S.G Mkhize
 Budget presentation: Cllr MG MHLONGO

MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande requested community if they had any questions or issues of clarity that they wished to be answered. Mr Kunene, the CFO and Cllr MG Mhlono responded to these questions.

QUESTIONS OF CLARITY AND COMMENTS

	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	Emmanuel Nxumalo-Mkhwanazi Tribal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has the Municipality considered Private company Contribution towards the budget in terms of the air pollution Equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The municipality has thus far considered its own contribution towards the Air Pollution Equipment in order to provide an independent assessment of air pollution Caused by Private Companies.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complaining about the level of quality in the construction of the Tourism Area beautification of parks at Esikhaleni 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The design will be assessed however the project is still at its early stages.
2.	Nduna cele –Kwandaya-Reserve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reconstruction of the road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult Relevant department to assist as the Rural Area is not the Jurisdiction of the City of uMhlathuze.
3.	Mr Mpanza –Mkhwanazi(chibini) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road construction from Chibini to Mlalazi until Obanjweni is incomplete Water pipes from ward 10 to ward 11 burst frequently and the municipal officials do not respond timeously Claims RDP House is built in an area susceptible to floods during heavy rains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up will be done on the RDP house Relevant stakeholders will be consulted to assist. Municipal officials will be consulted and reminded of Batho Pele Principles that the municipality upholds its standards and professionalism through.
4.	Dube – Ward 18 Esikhaleni <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roads from Hlengimpilo is not constructed completely Request for Gravel Road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relevant stakeholders will be consulted
5.	SM ZULU(SOMOPHO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tavern in the tribal area received a letter regarding service charges from the municipality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tribal Area is not subjected to Municipal service charges except for Water charges An investigation will be done with regards to the respective matter

4. CLOSING: Cllr Ndimande

Closing Prayer: Mr Sangweni



**MINUTES FOR CLUSTER: ENSELENI, RICHARDS
BAY AND MADLANZINI 2017/18 DRAFT BUDGET**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETINGS ON

23 APRIL 2017

AT 13:00 AT ENSELENI SPORTSFIELD

MINUTES

1. ATTENDANCE:

See attendance registers

2. PROGRAM:

Programme Facilitator: MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande

Opening prayer: Cllr Mthembu

Welcoming: MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande

Budget Presentation: Mr M Kunene

MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande requested Community members if they had any questions or issues of clarity that they wished to be answered. Mr Kunene (CFO) & Honourable Speaker Mr M Mthenjana responded to these questions.

QUESTIONS OF CLARITY AND COMMENTS

	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	<p>Nonto Dube madlanzini – Ward 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requesting Job opportunities • House roof is leaking. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various projects and youth initiatives are going to create employment for all citizens of uMhlathuze Municipality.

2.	Octavia Shange – Ward 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovations for the hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocated in the budget
3.	Mama-Gina – Ward 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocating funds for small businesses to the right candidates who are qualified and meet criteria for selection processes. • Job opportunities for Enseleni graduates. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted • Municipality has limited resources in terms of creating jobs as other industries or professions are outside our scope of public service. • However councillors are able to provide short term employment through projects surrounding their jurisdiction.
4.	Zandile Gumede – Ward 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They have established a co-op and request the municipality to support their initiatives in order to create self-employment and ultimately more job opportunities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Already included in the budget presentation • Njabulo Ntuli should be consulted about the programmes pertaining to youth development.
5.	Bonginkosi Msweli – Ward 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where will the business centre for SMME's be located in enseleni 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still to be communicated
6.	Thulile Skhosana – Ward 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without a job and supporting family and children . 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted
7.	Thulani Mpontshana – Ward 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the budget inclusive of the NGO's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various third parties have been consulted to make contribution to the budget like the provincial departments.
8.	Mafonono – Ward 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since 1994 the municipality promised to build a mall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant stakeholders will be engaged in order to complete the application of the project however the project should be underway in December.
9.	MUZI MDAMBA – Ward 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requesting skips and skills development programmes and soccer ground. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consult Youth Manager Njabulo Ntuli for skills programmes

10.	Mama-Anonymous – Ward 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Installation of street lights at a Dutch church and at the railway bridge	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Noted
11.	Zanele Mashaba - Ward 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requesting road sealing at Ezikhonkwaneni• Skips and shelters• Restriction on water to indigent pupil	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Already Noted in the budget• Investigation will be conducted
12.	Nombulelo Zikhali – Ward 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requested tar road and RDP houses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Noted
13.	Nontobeko Nzuza – Ward 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requested an art centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IDP issue
14.	Thulani Mtshali – Ward 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wanted to know when the RDP houses are going to be built	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Relevant stakeholders will be consulted, the housing department to assist.
15.	Khaya Mseleku – Ward 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wanted to know which places are going to have Wi-Fi and if there is any password that is needed to accessing the Wi-Fi	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wi-Fi will be available at the Local Municipal library
16.	Nimrod Bheki Simelane - Ward 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experiencing problems with network connections at Nseleni• What procedures are followed when valuating property	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr Ben Khumalo from ICT department will be requested to assist with the network connections and communicating with relevant network partners.• Property is valued every year based on certain criteria such as the value of your home however procedures will be communicated with the locals at the Next IDP Meeting.•
17.	Oscar Msweli - Ward 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ejameni area there is a problem of sewerage• Requested skips	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Noted• Skips are part of the budget

18.	Vu Mthiyane – Ward 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They have problem of filling the database form and requested training. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ntokozo Khumalo and Njabulo Ntuli to schedule a meeting to assist young entrepreneurs with filling database registration forms.
19.	Zwelihle Ntuli – Ward 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wanted to know how the youth will benefit from the 40% allocated to woman & the youth. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The youth and woman will benefit from the 40% allocated for, in the form of job opportunities.
	Fikile Ndawonde - Ward 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are selling beadwork and are requesting funding or contribution from this 40% allocated to youth. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Njabulo Ntuli will be requested to assist.
	Sithembiso Msomi-Madlankala <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requesting urgent electrical installation at site C and D • They feel neglected by the municipality. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker promised to make an urgent follow up on this issue and instructed that the projected be underway as soon as possible.

4. CLOSING: HONOURABLE DEPUTY MAYOR SG MKHIZE



**MINUTES FOR CLUSTER: STAKEHOLDERS
2017/18 DRAFT BUDGET**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETINGS ON

03 MAY 2017

**AT 17:00 AT RICHARDS BAY CIVIC CENTRE
(COUNCIL CHAMBER)**

MINUTES

1. ATTENDANCE:

See attendance registers

2. PROGRAM:

Programme Facilitator: Cllr LOURENS

Welcoming: Cllr LOURENS

Budget presentation: MR H RENALD

Cllr LOURENS requested Stakeholders if they had any questions or issues of clarity that they wished to be answered. Mr Kunene and Mr H Renald (responded to these questions).

QUESTIONS OF CLARITY AND COMMENTS

	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	SINDI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requesting Stakeholder Input into the IDP in future • We need to know the progress on the upgrade in Veldenvlei • Has a need analysis been done for Fire and Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper or thorough Invitations will be sent out for IDP Presentations • It is a 5 year IDP so stakeholders can still be able to influence the IDP • The Veldenvlei project is 50% complete

	<p>Disaster.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why is there so much outsourcing when the municipality has its own capacity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Fire and Management disaster department establishes its own needs analysis and communicates it with other relevant departments We will be investing more equipment in the fire departments as well as vehicles Outsourcing is needed because of the lack of skills and National Treasury has encouraged Consultancy when needed We also do have a role to play in terms of economic development as that empowers other consulting agents and hence promote economic development
2.	<p>Mike</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is done about the percentage not paying rates. Is there any revenue collection on the Meters installed? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land is under Ingonyama Trust therefore the law prohibits charging of certain services to the Ingonyama trust land however consultation will be made by Politicians to negotiate. We are collecting revenue however not to the Magnitude that we would like as there are unavoidable issues and political Influences however everyone has to see the need to pay for services

4. **CLOSING: Cllr Lourens**



MINUTES FOR CLUSTER: EMPANGENI
2017/18 DRAFT BUDGET
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETINGS ON
07 MAY 2017
AT 13:00 AT NGWELEZANE (NGWELEZANE
SPORTFIELD)

M I N U T E S

1. ATTENDANCE:

See attendance registers

2. PROGRAM:

Programme Facilitator: Speaker Cllr N Mthenjana

Welcoming: Cllr SG Mkhize

Budget presentation: Mr M Kunene

Speaker Cllr M Mthenjana requested ward committees if they had any questions or issues of clarity that they wished to be answered. Cllr SG Mkhize & N Mthenjana responded to these questions.

QUESTIONS OF CLARITY AND COMMENTS

	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	Mkhize – Ward 29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requested for a swimming pool, gymnasium and a stadium. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ward 29 was not planned for because the houses are not built accordingly, but the municipality is in a process to fix the problem with that ward. The municipality is having difficulties to plan or budget for that place.

2.	Fundise Ngubane - Ward 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would the municipality increase the value of your house from R 120 000 If you added a JoJo tank and a solar geyser. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adding a JoJo tank or a solar geyser will not increase the value of your house, but if are extending your house for example adding rooms, garage, paving and aluminium windows the value of the house will increase over R120 000 and you will have to pay rates.
3.	Mnyandu – Ward 29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disappointed with the budget because they are not getting a hall, sewerage system and a road. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted
4.	Nokwethemba Mthembu – Ward 33 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> They were promised RDP houses and they have meetings to come a register for RDP houses. They only get water once a week; there is a problem with the water side. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Provincial Department of Housing builds the RDP houses, however the municipality facilitates this process. The building of houses in this ward is still in an early stage.
5.	Londa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is happy with the gymnasium that was built by the municipality at Ngwelezane. The municipality must increase the number of places with the WIFI hotspot. The municipality must stop outsourcing most of their work to private companies; they must hire people with qualifications and skills permanently. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The municipality created EPWP and CWP to create job opportunities. The hotspot issue will be raised in the IDP.
6.	Lindani Chili – Ward 32 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unemployment in rural area is high compared to urban areas and townships; the municipality is not hiring people from the rural areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every South African citizen with a South African ID is allowed to apply for a job at the municipality if he/she qualifies for the job advertised either you from the rural areas or townships.

7.	Sphelele Nzuza – Ward 29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was a programme for unemployed graduates and students to get learners licences, will the municipality be able to assist them with getting drivers licences with the 40% youth funds allocated to the youth by the municipality. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The programme for learners' licences was a donation.
8.	Bongiwe Zungu – Ward 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only IFP members are getting RDP houses ,she was promised a RDP house and they don't have a road She is working for CWP and they don't get paid accordingly and on time. People are stealing electricity cables. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted
9.	Sandiswa – Ward 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The skips are always full. The ward councillor is always unavailable. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skips are emptied once a week but the matter has been noted.
10.	Busisiwe – Ward 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> She lives in a 1 bedroom house, the house is not in good condition, she is requesting to be built an RDP house. The toilet is not in good condition. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The municipality has noted this issue and will try to assist. Mr Hlela will check the toilet

4. CLOSING: Speaker Cllr N Mthenjana



MINUTES FOR CLUSTER: ESIKHALENI
2017/18 DRAFT BUDGET
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETINGS ON
20 MAY 2017
AT 13:00 ESIKHALENI TVET COLLEGE

MINUTES

1. ATTENDANCE:

See attendance registers

2. PROGRAM:

Programme Facilitator: MPAC Chair Cllr D.J Ndimande

Opening prayer: Pastor Mkhize

Welcoming: Cllr AH Mthembu

Budget Presentation: Mr Kunene CFO)

Speaker Cllr D.J Ndimande requested community if they had any questions or issues of clarity that they wished to be answered. Her Worship, Deputy Mayor responded to these questions.

QUESTIONS OF CLARITY AND COMMENTS

	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	Mandla Mjadu - Ward 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requesting Sports ground. Requesting more graters to operate in the Area to speed up projects. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The municipality will assess the ward for a possible construction of a ground. Some Graters are operating on Multiple Clusters however an enquiry will be done.

2.	Sithembiso - Ward 16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> During the IDP in 2015 we were promised lights for the Sportsground however the quality of those lights are so poor and dull. We have a large population that is Qualified yet unemployed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Quality of the lights will be assessed It's a three year phase and some parts of the ward are due to receive the lights The unemployed youth should be encouraged to become entrepreneurs. A 29 year old entrepreneur is working on the dissemination plant and that should serve as an inspiration. Youth applications are failing due to incomplete registration documents.
3.	Thuthukile Sithole - Ward 33 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2015 Budget Consisted of projects such as Wi-Fi however the project is yet to be implemented. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The budget is a three year phase and such projects are underway.
4.	Thando Mkhwanazi - Ward 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our roads are extremely small and we don't have any paving which means pedestrians are forced to walk on the road along with traffic and this has caused a lot of accidents recently and that is evident by the no of Mortalities reported since the construction of this road. We are in need of road humps. Last but no least we've been requesting a community hall for far too long now. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The community has apparently been illegally constructing its own humps using cement and this should not be allowed. We will be attending the humps issue and assessing the size of the road as well as its construction to make it safer for community members to cross the road The hall request is noted

4. **CLOSING: Cllr Ndimande**