



**CITY**

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**MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE THREE THOUSAND AND SIXTY SEVENTH MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ON WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023 AT 4.30 P.M TO CONSIDER THE ITEMS SET OUT IN THE ATTACHED AGENDA AND TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE DEEMED ADVISABLE.**

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27<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.

**S. ZHOU**  
**CHAMBER SECRETARY**

*Our Bulawayo Our Water, Our Water our Bulawayo*

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**MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:**  
**WEDNESDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023 AT 4.30 P.M**

**A G E N D A**

- (1) **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

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- (2) **REPORT OF THE FUTURE WATER SUPPLIES AND WATER ACTION COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY , 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'B'

- (3) **REPORT OF THE HEALTH, HOUSING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'C'

- (4) **REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND ENGINEERING SERVICES COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

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- (5) **REPORT OF THE TOWN LANDS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'E'

- (6) **REPORT OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'F'

- (7) **REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'G'

- (8) **APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**
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# **ANNEXURE 'A'**

**MINUTES OF THE THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY SIX MEETING OF THE BULAWAYO CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ON WEDNESDAY, 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023 AT 12.00 NOON.**

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**PRESENT:**

	His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni)
Councillor	Mlandu Ncube (Deputy Mayor)
Alderman	M. Lubimbi
“	E. Rafomoyo
Councillor	A. Batirai
“	S. Chigora
“	M.V. Chunga
“	M. Dube
“	F. Javangwe
“	R.D. Jele
“	D. Mabuto
“	T. Maposa
“	F. Mhaka
“	C. Mlalazi
“	P. Moyo
“	F. Msipa
“	K. Mujuru
“	Mildred Ncube
“	E. Ndlovu
“	J. Ndlovu
“	S. Sibanda

**ALSO:**

The Town Clerk  
The Chamber Secretary  
The Acting Director of Engineering Services  
The Deputy Financial Director  
The Director of Health Services  
The Human Capital Director  
The Director of Housing and Community Services  
The Director of Town Planning  
The City Valuer and Estates Officer

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**(1) MINUTES:****RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 be taken as read and signed.

**OPENING REMARKS**

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) welcomed the house to the first Ordinary Council meeting (3366) for the Year 2023. The following was his address.

“The year 2022 is now behind us. Service delivery challenges are still with us. We are meeting today when the city is under immense pressure, assault and insults from our political detractors. They have taken every opportunity to twist facts and doctor them to their political advantage.

**Roads**

One senior politician from Matabeleland North Province is being quoted in a leading Sunday newspaper describing Bulawayo as having turned into a growth point. This house must agree with this senior Matabeleland politician and remind him that the collapse of the city's road network in 2021 to 2022 is attributed to the failure of Central Government's Emergency Road Rehabilitation Programme (ERRP). As the adage goes: - statistics don't lie. 2021/2022 saw the erratic or non-disbursement of allocated Zinara funds; some which were diverted towards the Government's ERRP Programmes. This saw 18 Bulawayo roads taken over by the department of roads and the central mechanical and equipment department (CMED) and various associated contractors under the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure Development. Out of the 18 roads; only 3 of them were completed. that is Masiyephambili; Njube main road and Masotsha Ndlovu. 12 of the said 18 roads are at 0%. these are; Matopos roads (3km stretch); Leopold Takawira (7.8km stretch); Old Khami road (5.3km stretch); Khami road (5.2km stretch); Plumtree road (2.8km stretch); Intemba road (10.0 km stretch); Joshua Mqabuko Nkomo (1.2km stretch); Lobengula street (1.1km stretch); Cecil avenue (6.0 km stretch); Victoria Falls road (9.0 km stretch) and Gwanda road (9.0km stretch). All these 12 roads taken over by Government for rehabilitation in 2021 are still at 0%.

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We then have 3 of the aforesaid 18 roads that have been partially done; but the quality of the work is questionable. Fife street (2.7 km stretch) - only 15% was done. Nketa Drive; (2.1km) 50% is said to have been done. a section of the said road is bleeding in Mpopoma near Hyde park road. CMED has tried to rectify the problem without success. 60% of 12th Avenue Extension is said to have been done. I call upon this house; from across the political divide to speak with one voice as we call upon the Central Government to disband the ERRP which has had a deleterious effect on the city's road maintenance efforts. Instead of being an active player; Government must capitalise local authorities to handle their own roads maintenance units in the spirit of devolution of power.

**Illegal Vending Activities**

The year 2022 saw the invasion of pavements and streets by vendors and touts who have been operating under the name of the head of state. We have not heard any condemnation of the said groups by the governing party yet they have been collecting money and allocating vending spaces in the name of that political party. 5th avenue which had been opened to vehicular traffic has been turned into a jungle as space barons have taken over. So daring are the vendors such that they even occupy the pavements of established businesses and sell the same items as those found in established retail shops that pay rentals; rates to Council and taxes to Government. The level of garbage that they generate and dump on sanitary lanes; which sanitary lanes they also use as toilets; is unprecedented. Ladies and Gentlemen; Bulawayo is sitting on a health and security time bomb. The situation is untenable and is not benefitting any political party; but individual space barons who have declared a stalemate with the municipal police. This stalemate can only be unlocked by state security agents. We call upon the state security agents to exercise their constitutional duties and deploy the full might of the law; without fear and favour to flush out these elements.

**The Marathon Year - Effective oversight on Management.**

Aldermen and Councillors; 2023 is a marathon year. Residents expect much from us in the remaining 6 or 7 months of our term. In our end of year message; we promised to serve better in 2023. Our detractors thought that this was just political grandstanding. As Councillors we must not abdicate our oversight role on management via the committees that we sit in and surrender it to staff. Management must research on issues that we raise in our meetings and bring about options for us to deliberate and make policies. All resolutions that we have made in the past 4 years must be accounted for. We want to see Committees coming up with strategies on how to improve efficiency in their line of duty. For instance; Health; Housing and Education Committee; Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committees tell us the measures you have put in place to counter illegal dumping of garbage in the CBD. Use the power of Public-Private Partnership. Yes; we have been let down by government on roads rehabilitation by failing to pay contractors who have abandoned most city roads. The question will be asked as to what we are doing with contracts and partnerships that we control? Talk of Egodini mall redevelopment; the recycling and waste to energy project that has not been consummated? Developers who were given housing stands but have not even started bush clearance?

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**Accelerating transformation.**

The theme for the year 2023; deriving from the 2023 budget speech is; "accelerating transformation". Our management need to be creative; innovative and embrace change. It can't be business as usual in 2023; we can't be using slashers to cut grass yet there are portable motorised grass cutters. We have only one year left to achieve a leading; smart and transformative city by year 2024; yet we still use 1994 service delivery methods. In 2023; we can't be paying sweepers to clean front of residential and business premises; yet there are owners who are doing business and making money and generating waste from those buildings. There are lots of waste pickers and recycling groups that are crying out loud for empowerment. Litter has become today's raw material. Why are we not taking advantage of that to reduce the burden of refuse collection and channel that money to other uses? Some want to do waste to energy like biogas. Let's strengthen our policies. I know that the city fathers stand ready to approve policies that are meant to improve service delivery.

Town Clerk; there are a lot of Expressions of Interests ranging from solar street lighting; road signage and advertising; amusement parks and the ascot smart city; to mention but a few. We must approve and finalize these projects by April 2023. This is the time to put our hands on the deck and deliver real transformation to our residents. That transformation must be felt by an ordinary resident in Makokoba; Cowdray Park; Sizinda and Nkulumane, Hillside and Burnside among others but first we start with the Central Business District (CBD).

**Best Wishes for 2023.**

I want to take this opportunity to wish the people of Bulawayo a prosperous and transformative year ahead. Let's always pray for good rains when we are in our spaces.

God bless Bulawayo."

**Noted.**

**(2) REPORT OF THE FUTURE WATER SUPPLIES AND WATER ACTION COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Future Water Supplies and Water Action Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted.

(3) **REPORT OF THE HEALTH, HOUSING AND EDUCATION  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Health, Housing and Education Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted with the exception of the undermentioned items which be dealt with as follows:-

(a) **Food Hygiene : Registration of Premises for the Month of November, 2022 - (Item 1)**

Councillor D. Mabuto noted with concern that the standards of food hygiene in restaurants and food outlets in the City was deteriorating as some food outlets sold spoilt food to consumers. He urged Council's Health Inspectors to monitor food outlets in order to ensure that they adhered to the Public Health by-laws.

Councillor A. Batirai shared the same sentiment citing that unregistered food outlets were a health hazard to the city.

Alderman E. Rafamoyo's view was that unlicensed operators should be dealt with in terms of existing by-laws and statutes.

Councillor R.D. Jele observed that the back yards of most food outlets were infested with litter. He was of the opinion that Council should ensure that all shops had adequate refuse disposal facilities. Shop owners who failed to adhere to the by-laws should be fined.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

(b) **Cleansing Section - (Item 2)**

Councillor M. Dube was concerned that long distance bus operators had turned Leopold Takawira Street, opposite Centenary Park to a bus rank. It was worrisome to note that Council's Traffic Enforcement vehicles were also seen parked in the vicinity as if they were part of the bus crew. He would have expected them to be arresting offenders instead of sitting and watching offenders violating by-laws.

Councillor S. Chigora concurred noting that littering in the City was excessive. There was a public outcry over bus operators who plied the

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Harare route and their pick-up point was at the first avenue extension (near gumtrees). He further noted that apart from littering there was also noise pollution in the early hours of the morning coming from the touts. He suggested that the owners of the buses be approached and reach an amicable understanding with them.

Councillor F. Mhaka was of the view that illegal bus operators be given a time frame to end their illegal operations. He suggested that Council could also engage the bus owners and offer them the City Hall Car Park as their pick-up point. The same should also apply to buses plying the South Africa route. This could also generate revenue. Councillor P. Moyo concurred.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) was of the opinion that Council should engage TTI and request them to extend their operations to such areas since they had adequate resources.

Alderman E. Rafomoyo concurred and proposed that TTI's operations be extended to the said areas and was seconded by Councillor F. Mhaka.

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) suggested that it was ideal to revisit the issue of licensing and only those who adhered to the by-laws should have their licences renewed.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing  
and Education Committee be adopted.

**(c) Health Inspectorate - (Item 3)**

Councillor F. Javangwe raised a concern over the hygiene status of public toilets during water shedding periods. Residents had requested the closure of the facilities during water shedding periods because they were becoming a health hazard particularly during the rainy season. Contaminated water was flowing towards the vending stalls that were situated in that proximity.

Councillor M. Dube did not support the closing down of public toilets during water shedding, instead he suggested that alternatively elevated tanks could be installed to address water challenges and facilitate the cleaning of toilets.

Councillor P. Moyo noted with concern that there was public outcry over the increasing number of pay toilets throughout the City. Pay toilets were now more than public toilets and in the public eye it was as if Council was prioritising income generation than service delivery. He further highlighted that

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there was need to ensure that pay toilets were serving their purpose especially in ward (11).

Councillor T. Maposa felt that the policy on pay toilets had to be revised and more public toilets be availed. Ward (21) did not have any ablution facilities yet various social activities were conducted at Sizinda Hall.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

**(d) Cemeteries/Cremations - (Item 5)**

Councillor A. Batirai noted with concern that COVID 19 was re-emerging. He enquired on the measures that were being implemented by Council to counter the pandemic.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

**(e) Architectural and Quantity Survey Section monthly report: November 2022 - Item (11)**

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) noted with concern that most Council's installations needed urgent attention in terms of renovation. He cited buildings like the City Hall and POSB gardens that reflected the image of the City hence the need to spruce them up. Councillor R.D Jele concurred to the above sentiments stating that Council facilities such as community halls also required refurbishment.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

**(4) REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND ENGINEERING SERVICES COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted with the exception of the undermentioned items which be dealt with as follows:-

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**(a) Fire and Ambulance - (Item 1)**

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) commended Operation Florian for donating fire equipment. However he was concerned about the ambulances which were awaiting repairs at Famona Fire station when it was clear there was a shortage of ambulances. He urged the department concerned to ensure that the ambulances were repaired and added to the operational fleet.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) recalled that a request had been sought on why the ambulances had not been repaired and the response was awaited.

In response Alderman E. Rafomoyo explained that the eight ambulances were beyond repair and were awaiting auction.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Environmental  
Management and Engineering Services Committee  
be adopted.

**(b) Roads Branch - (Item 2)**

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) recalled that he had previously requested for pothole patching along 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue/Herbert Chitepo but up-to-date nothing had been done. He advised the Engineering Services Department to be systematic in attending to potholes. The jetpatcher should be moved to other areas upon completing all the potholes in that particular area.

Councillor S. Chigora felt that departments were not executing their duties effectively. It was their responsibility to attend to projects or queries brought forward. He noted with concern that Councillors were now executing the Engineering Services Department's role through identifying and reporting faulty roads. Councillors' mandate was policy making and not supervising projects.

In response Alderman E. Rafomoyo explained that Council did not have enough cold mix to conduct pothole patching in the entire City hence severe and dangerous potholes were currently being prioritized.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Environmental  
Management and Engineering Services Committee  
be adopted.



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(c) **Road Maintenance - (Item 3)**

Councillor F. Mhaka recalled that roads that required urgent maintenance had been identified and a resolution had been passed that they be repaired before the festive season, however nothing had been done up to date. He further said he had requested for his ward's retention fund to purchase materials to fill potholes in Matopos road but nothing was availed. His concern was that resolutions passed were not being implemented.

Councillor D. Mabuto said that projects could not be implemented due to lack of funds.

Councillor E. Ndlovu noted that poor project implementation was as a result of lack of monitoring and evaluation. No follow up of projects was done.

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) expressed the same sentiments that there was no feedback from departments. Luveve, Steeldale and Matopos roads were supposed to have been rehabilitated before the festive season but the roads had still not been attended to.

In response to the sentiments raised, Alderman E. Rafomoyo explained that Council was still awaiting the donation of 80 tonnes of cold mix from Asphalt hence the delay in the implementation of the resolution of the Joint Finance and Development and Environmental and Engineering Services Committees.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committee be adopted.

(c) **Pre-sale stands : Servicing of medium and high density residential stands City wide with roads, water and sewer reticulation systems - (Item 7)**

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) was concerned about Council's delays in completing the pre-sale stands in Tshabalala and Emganwini. Beneficiaries had lost faith in Council.

Councillor R.D. Jele suggested that the affected residents be engaged to map a way forward which would not compromise Council's reputation.



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Councillor S. Chigora proposed that an Adhoc Committee comprising of Councillors be formed to come up with strategies and monitor the development of the stands.

Councillor E. Ndlovu said Council's mandate was to deliver services to the community. He said that the department was falling short of what was expected of them, their reports concentrated on challenges rather than solutions and this had to be rectified in the next Council meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Environmental  
Management and Engineering Services Committee  
be adopted.

(c) **Sewerage Section - (Item 17)**

Councillor P. Moyo noted that leaks and sewerage blockages were reported almost on a daily basis. It took the department longer than anticipated to attend to the faults.

Councillor R.D. Jele explained that the department had challenges in terms of material to do the repairs. A full report would be submitted to Council on what the department had managed to do and what was outstanding.

(5) **REPORT OF THE TOWN LANDS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE : MEETING  
HELD ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Town Lands and Planning  
Committee as submitted be received and the various  
recommendations contained therein be adopted.

(6) **REPORT OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the General Purposes Committee together with reports on:-

- (a) Acting Appointments in Excess of Six Months: Town Clerk's and Chamber Secretary's Departments.
- (b) Summary Report on General Staff Loss on Duty for the Period Ending 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022.
- (c) Recruitment of Council Employees Local Government Laws Amendment Act – 2008.
- (d) Request for Authority to fill 500 Vacancies across Departments.
- (e) Report on the Look and Learn Visit to Mutare, Gweru and Harare by the General Purposes Committee and Senior Officials to Share and Learn.
- (f) Acting Appointments in Excess of Six Months: Town Planning Department.
- (g) Request for Signing Powers: Acting Principal Town Planner: Ms Sithabisiwe Ncube (S.R. Number 30326) Vote 0074.

as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted.

(7) **REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Finance and Development Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted with the exception of the undermentioned items which be dealt with as follows:-

(a) **City Financial Health Information - (Item 8)**

Councillor R.D. Jele noted that residents had raised concerns over the water bills. Billing had inaccuracies and these needed to be rectified.

Alderman E. Rafomoyo concurred. Complaints had been lodged about the wrong billing system and to date there was no correction and no attention given to the issue. This reflected badly on Council. He requested for proper and accurate billing system.

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Councillor D. Mabuto recalled that the issue of incorrect bills had been discussed at length in the previous Council meetings. He urged the Financial Services Department to address the anomaly. He sought clarity on why bills were no longer physically delivered. He called for good and quality service delivery.

Councillor S. Sibanda was of the view that Councillors should encourage residents with inaccurate bills to seek for assistance from the revenue halls.

Councillor F. Msipa said that there was need for physical delivery of bills as the elderly could not access electronic bills

Councillor S. Chigora explained that the billing was done through a system. Estimations concluded that rates should be the same except for water and sewer charges which depended on one's consumption. He suggested that a sample be brought to the meeting so that Councillors would appreciate how rates were being charged. It would be an advantage to explain to the residents how the billing system worked.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendations of the Finance  
and Development Committee be adopted.

**(b) 3% Ward Retention Income and Expenditure Report for the month of November 2022 - (Item 13)**

Alderman E. Rafomoyo noted with concern that ward retention projects were not being implemented. Projects submitted three years ago were still pending. He explained that the ward retention fund was created in order to fund the ward's projects however the pace was moving slowly.

Councillor D. Mabuto noted that the funds had been eroded by inflation and could not fund projects which had been submitted before. He did not support the recommendation of the Finance and Development Committee (15<sup>th</sup> December, 2022) citing that the Adhoc Committee comprised of members of that Committee only. He felt that members from other Committees should have been co-opted into the Adhoc Committee.

Councillor E. Ndlovu concurred.

Alderman E. Rafamoyo noted that the recommendation did not have a time frame. He and Councillor D. Mabuto proposed that the Adhoc Committee be given a timeframe of one month to monitor and submit a report to the Financial Services Department.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) explained that the Adhoc Committee was nominated from the Finance and Development

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Committee which dealt with financial issues. Its mandate was to visit all the wards and collate projects and submit them to the Financial Services Department. A report would then be submitted accordingly.

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) also advised that the Committee's mandate was to monitor the progress of projects and identify challenges faced by the Financial Services Department and recommend what action to be taken.

It was agreed that the Committee be given one month time frame.

**RESOLVED:**

- (i) That the recommendation of the Finance and Development Committee be adopted and
- (ii) That the Adhoc Committee be given one month as time frame to collate the projects and thereafter submit to the Financial Services Department.

**(8) APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The following application for leave of absence had been received:-

Councillor T. Ruzive	:	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> January, 2023.
Councillor J. Ndlovu	:	5 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> January, 2023.

**RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL DO NOW SIT IN COMMITTEE:**  
**COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE:**

**(9) MARKET SYSTEMS AND GENDER EQUALITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION ASSESSMENTS**

The Chamber Secretary reported (3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023) that a letter dated 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 with the following contents had been received from `Mercy Corps:-

“Mercy Corps under the CEDIS program (Catalyzing Economic Development through the Informal Sector Programme) is planning to conduct a Market System Assessment (MSA) and Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) Assessment targeting different actors from government, local government stakeholders, traditional local leadership, the private sector, informal traders’ association, and women and youth in the informal enterprise in Bulawayo.

The objective of the Market Systems Assessment is to understand market performance and participation of women and youth in these markets. Whereas GESI assessment is to enhance the design of impactful interventions that will increase women and young female benefits in the informal sector considering that our target group are women.

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The assessment is going to use a qualitative methodology. A total of 12 focus group discussions (FDGs) of between 6-8 people will be done in Bulawayo and they will be complemented by an equal number of Key Informant Interviews. For the Market Systems Assessment one-on-one interviews will be done with identified market actors that include government and local leadership officials.

The program plans to work with partner ministries from Ministry of Women's Affairs, Community, Small and Medium Enterprise Development, Ministry of Youth, Sport, Art and Recreation, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Social Development, as well as Mercy Corps staff and Research Assistants to collect data from Monday 9 January to 20 January 2023.

Thank you for your usual support."

These assessments would assist in understanding the performance of women and youth in various markets and also enhance the design of effective interventions that would increase women and young females' benefits in the informal sector.

It was -

**RESOLVED:**

That the abovementioned report  
be received and noted.

(10) **REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE AS A MEMBER OF GLOBAL ALLIANCE COUNTRY TEAM FOR THE INTERNATIONAL AIDS CONFERENCE: DR EDWIN SIBANDA.**

The Human Capital Director reported (29<sup>th</sup> December 2022) that he had (28<sup>th</sup> December 2022) received the following letter of nomination of Dr Sibanda (Director of Health Services) from the Permanent Secretary for Health & Child Care Ministry as reflected hereunder;

21<sup>st</sup> December, 2022

"The City Health Director  
Bulawayo City Council  
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Dear Dr Sibanda

**RE: GLOBAL ALLIANCE COUNTRY TEAM MEMBERS NOMINATION**

The Global Alliance to end AIDS in Children by 2030 was launched on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August in Montreal, Canada, on the sidelines of the International AIDS Conference, Zimbabwe was one of the countries invited to join the first phase of Global Alliance and was dully represented by a delegation led by the Hon. Deputy Minister of Health

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and Child Care, John C. Mangwiro. Following from the launch, countries have been tasked to produce road maps and costed work plans to address gaps towards ending AIDS in children by 2030 across four pillars:

1. Early testing and optimized treatment for infants, children and adolescents living with HIV.
2. Closing the treatment gap for pregnant/ breastfeeding adolescents and women.
3. Preventing new HIV infections among pregnant/ breastfeeding adolescents and women.
4. Addressing rights, gender equality and the social and structural barriers to access services and promote participation.

The high-level costed country action plan will be presented at a peer review meeting for Zimbabwe and Mozambique that is scheduled for 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2023 and subsequently at the Tanzania continental launch of the Global Alliance on 1<sup>st</sup> of February, 2023.

You have been nominated to be a member of the Global Alliance Country team tasked with overseeing implementation of activities towards ending Paediatric AIDS by 2030

Yours sincerely

**Air Commodore (Dr) J. Chimedza**  
**Permanent Secretary for Health & Child Care**

In view of the above it was -

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That authority be granted to Dr Edwin Nkosinathi Sibanda – Mzingwane the Director of Health Services (SR 21597) to participate as Board Member of The Global Alliance Country Team as nominated by the Ministry of Health & Child Care tasked with overseeing Implementation of activities towards ending Paediatric AIDS by 2030, and Further attend to scheduled meetings and programs in this regard.
- (2) That he shall utilize Special Leave days for the duration of each Scheduled activity, meetings and programs of the International Global Alliance.

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**(11) APPLICATION FOR BULAWAYO CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT AND AUTHORISATION TO STAGE RESEARCH INTERVENTIONS IN THE CITY OF BULAWAYO: ACCOUNTABILITY LAB ZIMBABWE.**

The Human Capital Director reported (29<sup>th</sup> December 2022) that he had (28<sup>th</sup> December 2022) received the following application letter from Dr McDonald Lewanika, Country Director, Accountability Lab Zimbabwe requesting for authority to stage research interventions in the City of Bulawayo as reflected hereunder;

``The Town Clerk  
 Bulawayo City Council  
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Dear Sir,

**RE: REQUEST FOR BCC SUPPORT AND AUTHORISATION TO STAGE RESEARCH INTERVENTIONS IN THE CITY OF BULAWAYO.**

The above matter refers.

Accountability Lab Zimbabwe intends to stage a research project entitled project entitled "Evaluating Social Cohesion and Community Values in Southern Africa." It is conducting this research in partnership with Tree of Life, Washington State University, and Africa University. The study assess whether community- based interventions can build social trust and cohesion in several communities in Zimbabwe. We would like to stage these interventions during the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2023 (January to March, 2023).

1. Community values workshops where members collaboratively produce a community value shared identity statement.
2. Trust- building workshop through psychosocial awareness and coping skills.
3. Surveys before and after each intervention to the effectiveness of each intervention.

Accountability Lab seeks your authorization, in writing, to stage the above – stated interventions in Bulawayo. The above processes are for knowledge creation and development purposes to produce valuable knowledge for communities, policymakers, and scholars on social cohesion and trust, nationally, regionally, and globally. WSU requires this authorization for Ethics clearance.

Accountability Lab Zimbabwe is part of a trans-local network of organizations that makes governance work for people by supporting active citizens, responsible leaders, and accountable institutions. It operates in Bulawayo through partnerships with BVTa, Community Podium, and other organizations.

Sincerely

Dr McDonald Lewanika  
 Country Director: Accountability Lab Zimbabwe  
**Email: [Mcdonalds@accountabilitylab.org](mailto:Mcdonalds@accountabilitylab.org)**

In view of the above it was -

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That authority and support be granted to Accountability Lab Zimbabwe in partnership with Tree of Life, Washington State University and University to stage Research Intervention in the City of Bulawayo with the view of staging the following: (i) Community values workshops where members shall collaboratively produce a community value and shared identity statement, (ii) Trust- building workshop through psychosocial awareness and coping skills, and (iii) Surveys before and after each intervention to the effectiveness of each intervention.
- (2) That they avail copies of the final research projects to Council for retention.
- (3) That Council is indemnified against any liability or injury that may occur during the research.

**(12) REQUEST TO UNDERTAKE BENCHMARKING VISIT TO CITY OF HARARE FOR NIGHT TIME SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS : 11 TO 12 JANUARY 2023.**

The Director of Health Services reported (31<sup>st</sup> January 2023) that the department had piloted night time refuse collection in the Central Business District and was planning on rolling out night time street sweeping as well. The City through the departments of Health Services and Human Capital aimed at benchmarking the provision of the unprecedented service for effectiveness and efficiency of the systems and controls in the following areas of operations:

1. Night time manual and mechanical sweeping
2. Night time refuse collection
3. Underground refuse bins operation

In order to come up with a robust system it was important for the city to learn from cities that had implemented night time solid waste management operations. It was therefore proposed that a bench marking visit be undertaken to the City of Harare from 11 to 12 January 2023 since it had implemented night time solid waste operations.

The Director of Health Services nominated Mr C. Malaba an Assistant Director of Health Services (Environmental Health), Mr N. Ndlovu a Cleansing Superintendent and Mr E. Nyathi a Senior Administrative Officer to undertake this visit.

Benchmarking required a skill from the Organisation and Methods Officer. The Director of Health Services therefore consulted the Human Capital Director who nominated Mr N. Moyoa a Senior Organization and Methods Officer to undertake this visit.



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All costs (travelling, accommodation, meals and incidental allowances) would be borne by the Council. The Director of Health Services further requested use of a Council vehicle for this visit.

It was therefore recommended that Mr C. Malaba, Mr N. Ndlovu, Mr E. Nyathi and Mr N. Moyo be granted special leave from 10 to 12 January 2023 inclusive of travelling dates and be paid incidental allowances and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED:**

That Mr C. Malaba; Mr N. Ndlovu;  
Mr E. Nyathi and Mr N Moyo be granted  
special leave from 10 to 12 January 2023 inclusive  
of travelling dates and paid incidental allowances  
and meals in transit accordingly.

**(13) CREMATION OF UNDER-TWELVES**

The Director of Health Services reported (3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023) that the city conducted approximately 5000 burials a year. With the finite nature of land and the competing uses for the same designation of more land for cemeteries continued to be a nightmare. In the past four years 3 new cemeteries had been designated in the city, namely Athlone West, Marvel, and Pumula South, of these cemeteries Athlone West had since been decommissioned after it filled up only three years from commission with approximately 7500 burials. In February 2022 the city took over Umvutcha Cemetery with a projected grave capacity of 45000. With the current burials the cemetery would be decommissioned in the next ten years given that it was a preference for many. The decommissioning of cemetery had continued to put Council in a dilemma as it battled with providing burial land within reasonable distance for the residents and designating it for other beneficial purposes. The sad reality was that once land had been designated for a cemetery it could not be used for other purposes. Literature had it that rehabilitation of burial land could only be possible after a hundred years from the last burial. The cemeteries were in essence decommissioned from regular burials however second interments and burials in reserved graves continued long after the said decommission hence the overhundred year waiting period could never be achieved.

The alternative method of disposal of the dead had been cremation, which however had not been embraced by the indigenous population. This method of disposal was mainly practised by the Hindu community and some of the Caucasians/Asians. Cremation among the indigenous blacks had been far apart. Cases had been documented where family members had refused the cremation of their own despite that having been the wish of the deceased. The common disposal practice had been burial right throughout all ages. Burials were followed with erection of monuments and in some cases annual rituals by some members of society. Graves were held dearly and were visited occasionally to be maintained. The departed had continued to be seen to preside over the ones left behind and this has made it difficult to bring about the idea of cremation which was literally regarded as burning the deceased.

In view of the aforementioned in order to preserve land there was need to arrest the number of burials through introduction of an alternative means of disposal of the dead department was of the view that cremation should be peddled as an alternative. Given the sentimental value that indigenous populations had on graves of their departed there was need to observe the cultural rites and practices associated with the deceased adults and as such prescribe that cremation be compulsory for under-12s who somehow had not had influence on society on the cultural realm.

It was therefore recommended that cremation be adopted as a compulsory means of disposal of the dead for all children under the age of twelve years.

Discussion ensued and Coucillor F. Javangwe was against the idea of forced cremation. As it was against African tradition.

Coucillor A. Batirai said cremation should be voluntary and not compulsory.

Coucillor C. Mlalazi's view was that only still births to one year should be cremated. She was against the compulsory or forced cremation of 12 year olds.

However Coucillor S. Chigora, was of the view that there was need to do a cost benefit analysis even the elderly could be cremated, and Council could start by offering free services in order to encourage a buy- in into the practice.

Coucillor E. Ndlovu however felt that cremation should be encouraged for all ages and not made compulsory or forced for any age group.

Responding to the sentiments raised by the councillors, the Director of Health Services explained that the reason behind compulsory cremation was that Council was running out of burial space. Previously the state used to offer free cremation services for still born babies but this was no longer available resulting in parent's incurring burial expenses and also being exposed to unscrupulous dealers who collected money from them but never disposed of the bodies as usually these are not attended by family members.

The Chamber Secretary advised that Paupers Burials were guided by the Cremation and Burial Act

It was -

**RESOLVED:**

That the 12 year age limit for cremation be not acceded to; instead the age limit for compulsory cremation be adjusted to 0-12 months.

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**(14) 2023 BUDGET APPROVAL PROCESS, SUBMISSION AND VERIFICATION OF COMPLETED PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS ASSESSMENT DOCUMENTS FOR MAYORS AND TOWN CLERKS – 7<sup>TH</sup> AND 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023 VILLAGE LODGE, GWERU – VARIOUS POLICY MAKERS AND OFFICIALS**

The Town Clerk reported (4<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that he was in receipt of a letter from the Acting Secretary for Local Government and Public Works advising that the 2023 budget approval process for local authorities was scheduled to take place at the Village Lodge in Gweru. He had accordingly invited the following to be part of the approval process:-

- i. His Worship, the Mayor ( Councillor Solomon Mguni)
- ii. The Finance and Development Committee Chairperson (Councillor Tawanda Ruzive)
- iii. The Town Clerk (Mr. Christopher Dube)
- iv. The Finance Director (represented by Mr. Cyprian B. Dabengwa)
- v. The Chamber Secretary (Mrs. Sikhangele Zhou)
- vi. The Human Capital Director (Mr Makhosi Tshalebwa)
- vii. The Budget Focal Person. (Mr. Isaac Matare)

For the office of the Minister of State for Bulawayo Metropolitan Province to have an appreciation of what informed the Council budget, he had considered it prudent that it be represented at this meeting. Accordingly, he proposed that it be represented by two persons, one from the Economic Development and another from the Governance arms of her office. Council would have to bear the cost of their participation.

It was therefore –

**RECOMMENDED THAT:**

1. His Worship, the Mayor, the Finance and Development Committee Chairperson, the Town Clerk, the Finance Director, the Chamber Secretary, the Human Capital Director and the Budget Focal Person represent Council at the 2023 budget approval process and that Council pays for their transportation and subsistence allowances in the usual manner.
2. Council approves the participation of two officers from the office of the Minister of State for Bulawayo Metropolitan Province in the budget approval process and that the cost of their participation in terms of transportation and subsistence allowances at Central Government rates be borne by Council.

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Discussion ensued and Councillor S. Chigora raised concern on the expenditure of Council funds to sponsor Government Officials when they participated in the oversight duties. Government had a budget from the National Fiscus. He said that this was an unbudgeted expense to Council. He also sought clarity on their input on the budget and whether their presence would add any value to the process. There was a need to engage the Ministry in future with regard to such issues as that was part of the ministry's oversight duties which the ministry should budget for.

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) concurred with Councillor S. Chigora and acknowledged that the principle was wrong and should not be encouraged or supported. He however was agreeable for a compromise regarding this trip on the understanding that it would be the last time where council funded Government Officials

Councillor E. Ndlovu repercussions where concurring that the principle was wrong felt that there could be adverse Government Officials were not included and he therefore would support the position of compromise so that the budget approval process was not stalled by the absence of the officials.

Alderman E. Rafomoyo wanted to know if there was any that forced Council to bear the cost of their participation.

Councillor D. Mabuto said Council had set a bad precedent before. There was no Constitutional nor legal provision for this. He however proposed that the Government Officials be allowed to take part in the Budget approval process and Council pays the costs there if on the understanding that it would be the last time and the issue would be raised with the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works.

Responding to the sentiments raised by the Councillors, the Town Clerk advised that Council had always raised concerns on these unfunded mandates. He said if the Government Officials were not included, Council Budget would be rejected. He further explained that there was communication which directed Council to work with Government Officers. If the Officials were left out, the Ministry was likely to say that the Council team was not properly constituted. The Government Officials had been assisting Council and had an input in the Budget.

On that note, it was -

**RESOLVED:**

1. That His Worship, the Mayor, the Finance and Development Committee Chairperson, the Town Clerk, the Finance Director, the Chamber Secretary, the Human Capital Director and the Budget Focal Person represent Council at the 2023 Budget Approval process and that Council pays for their transportation and subsistence allowances in the usual manner.
  2. That Council approves the participation of two Officers from the office of the Minister of State for Bulawayo Metropolitan Province in the Budget Approval process and that the costs of their participation in terms of transportation and subsistence allowances at Central Government rates be borne by Council.
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# **ANNEXURE ‘B’**

**REPORT OF THE FUTURE WATER SUPPLIES AND WATER ACTION  
COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ON TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY, 2023 AT 11.00 A.M.**

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**PRESENT:**

Alderman	S.	Khumalo (Chairing)
Councillor	S.	Mguni (His Worship the Mayor)
Alderman	E.	Rafomoyo
“	M.	Dube
“	S.	Moyo
“	T.	Maposa

**ALSO:**

The Town Clerk  
The Chamber Secretary  
The Acting Principal Engineer

**APOLOGY:**

Councillor	A.	Batirai
“	C.	Dube
“	C.	Mlalazi
“	J.	Ndlovu

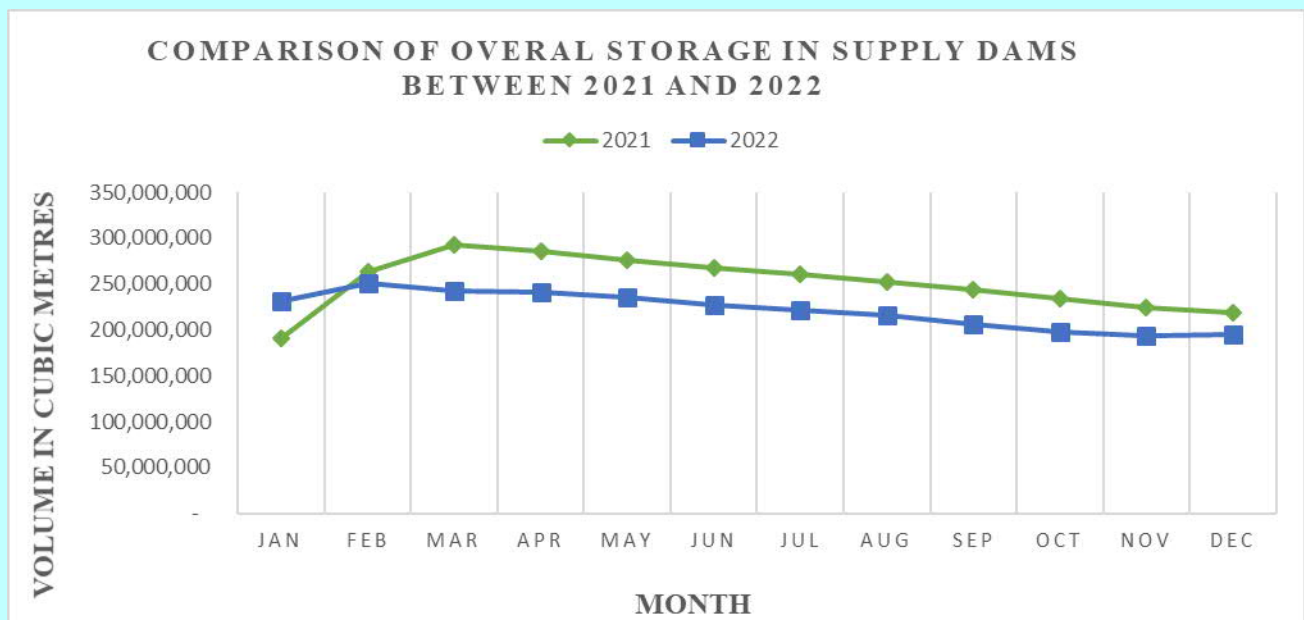
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## (1) STATUS OF WATER RESOURCES

\*\*\* The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022) that as of December 20, 2022, the City's overall water percentage storage in dams was 47.03%.

### Month on Month Actual Water Storage

Overall water storage in the dams as at 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022 was 195,016,952 m<sup>3</sup>. The consumption trend was at an average of 101.857 Mℓ/day and the daily average raw water abstraction was 74.841 Mℓ/day for clear/treated water production.



**Fig 1.1** Comparison of monthly overall dam storage for 2021 and 2022

### City Consumption

The total consumption for the month of December 2022 was 3,047,529 m<sup>3</sup> with a daily average of 101.584 m<sup>3</sup>. The average daily consumption for December 2021 was 133.84ML/day and these differences in consumption were due to the different shedding regimes in the mentioned period. Currently the city was under the 72-hour shedding program as compared to a 48-hour localised shedding on areas fed by Tuli reservoir and 72-hour shedding on the remaining city areas last year during the month of November.



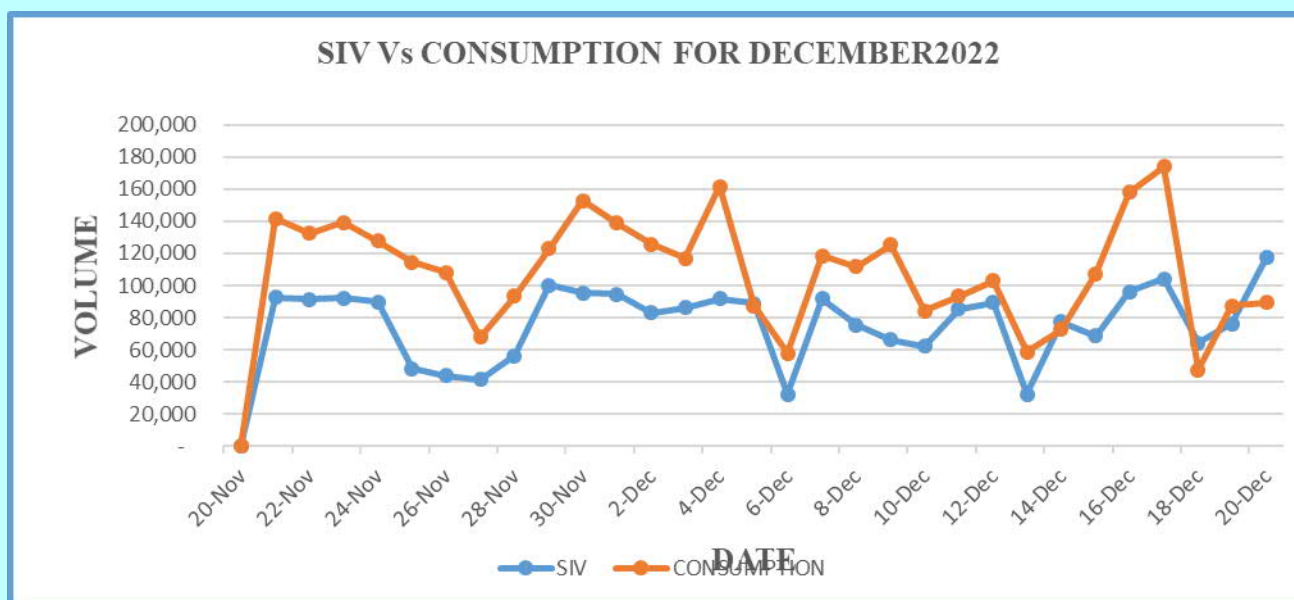


Fig 1.2 System Input Volume Vs Consumption

### 1.1 Dam Levels

As at 20 December 2022, percentage storage increased from the previous month of November 2022 by 1.005% from 46.77% to 47.03%. Total volume was 195,016,952 m<sup>3</sup> of which the usable volume was 178,431,844 m<sup>3</sup>. During a similar period, last year, the operational dams contained 218,814,400 m<sup>3</sup> of water (i.e. 52.77%), which was 5.74% more than the current storage. A summary of dam volumes and percentages was as shown in Table 1.1.1 below.

Table 1.1.1 Comparison of dam volumes as at 20 December 2022

DAM	20 DECEMBER 2022		20 DECEMBER 2021		20 NOVEMBER 2022	
	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Percent (%)	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Percent (%)	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Percent (%)
Insiza	115,091,682	65.34	113,653,790	65.51	113,368,079	65.35
Inyankuni	34,255,350	42.41	42,907,850	53.12	33,493,070	41.46
Lower Ncema	7,343,920	40.27	15,272,000	83.74	8,595,940	47.13
Umzingwane	2,118,000	4.74	2,516,300	5.63	1,925,400	4.31
Upper Ncema	799,200	1.76	10,267,460	22.59	1,019,920	2.24
Mtshabezi	35,408,800	68.10	34,197,000	65.77	35,528,000	68.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>195,016,952</b>	<b>47.03</b>	<b>218,814,400</b>	<b>52.77</b>	<b>193,930,409</b>	<b>46.77</b>

## 1.2 Dam Water Usage.

### 1.2.1 Drawdown and Abstraction

An average net drawdown of 7,908,827 m<sup>3</sup> was estimated for the month and an abstraction of 3,394,897 m<sup>3</sup> as in Table 1.2.1 below was realised

*Table 1.2.1 Monthly drawdown for the month ending 20 December 2022.*

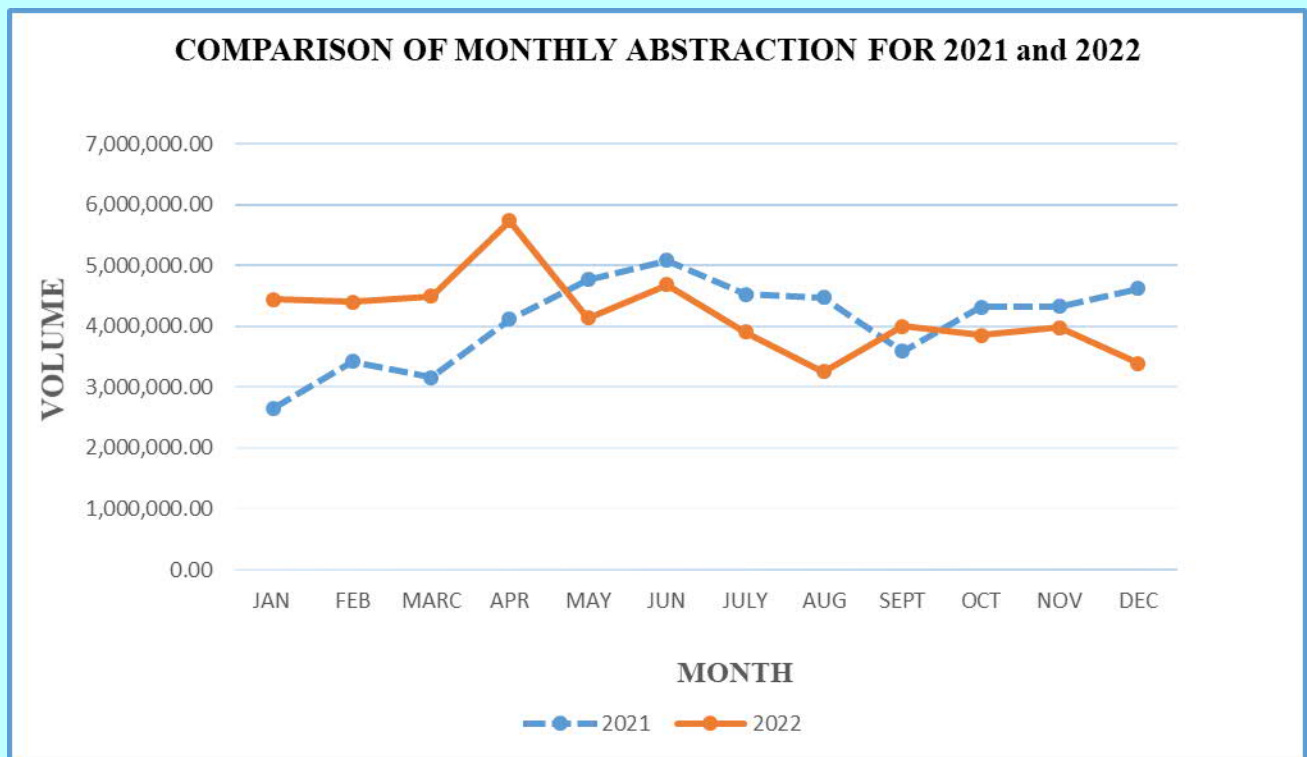
Month	December 2022	November 2022	Net draw down	Abstracted
Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	195,016,952	193,930,409	7,908,827m <sup>3</sup>	3,394,897m <sup>3</sup>
% full	47.03	46.77		

### Abstraction

Abstraction from supply dams in the month of December 2022 totaled 3,394,897 m<sup>3</sup> while Mtshabezi pumped 192,874 m<sup>3</sup>. Table 1.2.2 was a comparison of monthly dam volumes, percentages, and abstractions for the year 2021 and 2022 whilst Figure 1.2.1 was a comparison of abstraction for the years 2021 and 2022.

*Table 1.2.2 Comparison of monthly dam volumes, percentages, and abstractions*

	Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )		Percentage		Abstraction (m <sup>3</sup> )	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
November	225,994,000	193,930,409	54.51	46.77	3,999,235	3,977,234
December	218,814,400	195,16,952	52.77	47.03	4,618,945	3,394,897



*Fig 1.2.1 Comparison of monthly abstraction for 2021 and 2022*

### **1.2.2 Projected Depletion**

Table 1.2.3 showed the expected depletion periods per dam site whereas Table 1.2.4 illustrated the maximum abstractions that could be achieved per dam site if still in operation for the year. This was assuming that the city population and the city development growth remained as it was.

### 1.2.2 Projected Depletion

Table 1.2. 3 *Expected depletion periods dam by dam as at 20 December 2022.*

Dam depletion figures as at 20 December 2022			
Dam	Volume of Available Water(m <sup>3</sup> ) (Less Dead water)	Depletion Period (months)	Depletion Month
Insiza Dam	108,152,042	29.96854657	6-Jul-25
Inyankuni	31,024,110	34.80106312	2-Dec-25
Lower Ncema	6,614,412	5.917798683	21-Jun-23
Umzingwane	331,460	0.255513179	09-Sep-22
Upper Ncema	-1,019,140	-0.81253348	24-Nov-22
Mtshabezi	33,328,960	40.91558105	10-Jun-26
<b>Total (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>178,431,844</b>		

**NB: Lower Ncema normally depleted later than indicated as Upper Ncema was used as a source for it. The above were the current obtaining figures as at date of preparation of this report.**

### 1.2.3 Decommissioning of Mzingwane

As at the 9<sup>th</sup> of September abstraction from UMzingwane dam was reduced to absolute minimal thus resulting in the decommissioning of the dam.

Meanwhile Ncema Treatment Works continued to receive inflows from UMtshabezi with monthly volumes averaging 18 ML/Day.

Table 1.2. 4 *Projected daily water abstraction capacities from supply sources from January to December 2022 if there were no further rains.*

Dam	Depletion Month	DAILY MAXIMUM WATER AVAILABLE FOR ABSTRACTION (ML) UP TO DECEMBER 2022											
		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Insiza	22-May-25	51	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55
Inyankuni	7-Oct-25	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
Upper Ncema	24-Nov-22	Water abstracted via lower Ncema											
Lower Ncema	26-Jun-23	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45
Umzingwane	09-Sep-22	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	-	-	-	-
Mtshabezi	15-May-26	Currently Water abstracted via Mzingwane					17	17	17	17	17	17	17
Nyam. (Rochester)		10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Nyam. (Epping Forest)		10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Total Raw water Available for pumping to Criterion (ML)		105	109	109	109	109	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
Ave System Input Volume		150	147.5	147.8	145.7	149.9	151.4	131.0	88.2	128.5	121.3	121.4	71.47
Act. Ave, Daily Consumption 2022(ML/d)		146.9	148.2	148.4	144.9	150.9	151.0	132.5	87.1	128.6	121.5	120.6	101.6
Actual Average Daily Consumption 2021 (ML/d)		106.7	109.5	111.2	134.3	141.682	157.08	140.3	155.4	154.7	147.4	145.9	133.8

1.3.0 Reservoirs

The reservoirs during the month of December maintained an average fair to good position as indicated in Table 1.3.1.

City Reservoir Levels trend on the last two months.

Fig 1.3.1 *Reservoirs levels for the period November-December*

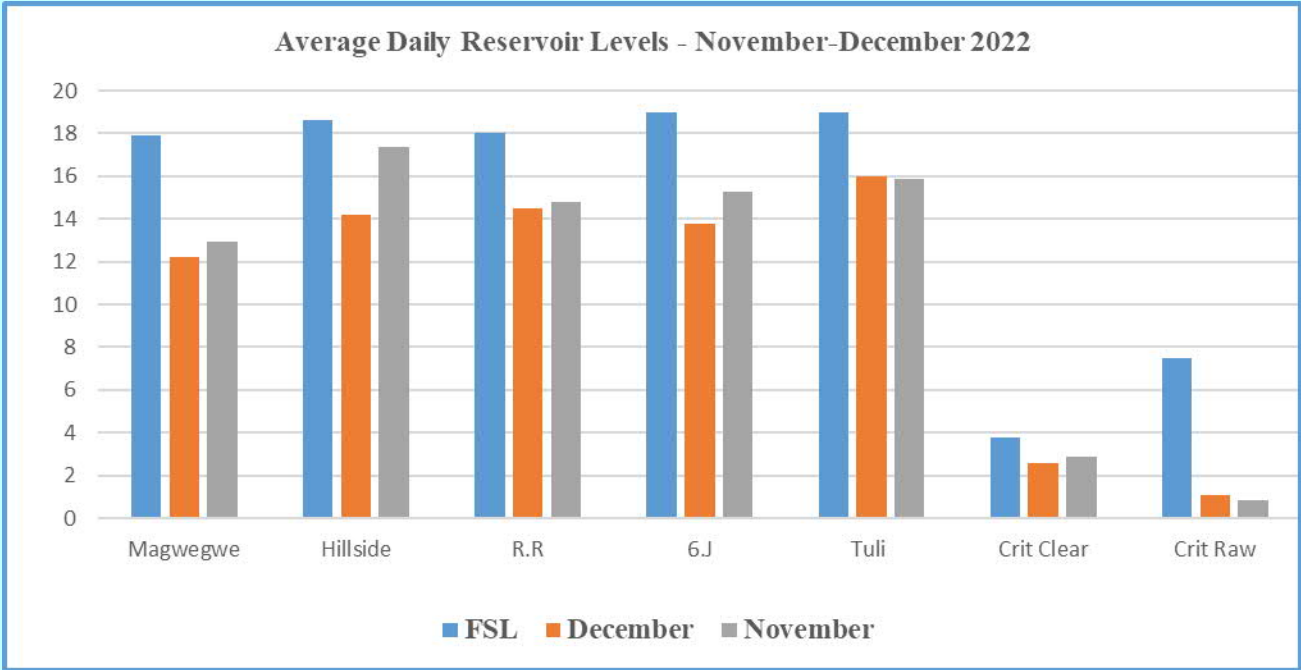


Table 1.3.1 *Average City Reservoir levels for the month of December 2022.*

Reservoir	Critical level	Level	Design Volume	Comments
Magwegwe	9.0 ft	12.2	108.0ML	Good position
Hillside	17.0 ft	14.2	45.0ML	Good position
Rifle Range	5 .0 ft	14.5	67.5ML	Fair position
6.J	12.0 ft	13.8	45.0ML	Good position
Tuli	6.0 ft	15.99	45.0ML	Fair position
Crit Clear	1.0 m	2.55	90.0ML	Fair position
Crit Raw	1.0 m	1.11	1400ML	Critical position
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1 800.5ML</b>	

Table 2.1- *Available Pumps*

Source	Pump station	No. of Pumps	Working	Not working	Comments
Surface Water	<b>Ncema</b>				
	Flow serve	3	2	1	2 pumps running and No.1 Transformer under repair by the Contractors
	Sulzer	3	1	2	Motor for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> pump still at DSK and works affected by price variation, Delivery valve and starter under repair for 1st Pump under repairs.
	30" Sulzer	10	5	5	Motors for the pumps at Main Stores pending repairs
	<b>Fernhill</b>				
	Flow serve	3	2	1	Transformer and cable require testing
	Sulzer	3	1	2	No. 6 starter burnt and Faulty transformer to be repaired. No. 6 motor needs drying
	30" Sulzer	7	4	3	Three on duty and the other one periodically coming online. 2 valve under repair and No. 6 Breaker needs repair.
	<b>Inyankuni</b>	3	2	1	Quotations for the 3rd Pump that had a burnt motor had been sourced
	<b>Mzingwane</b>	4	2	2	No. 1 ready to run once pumping begins after re-commissioning of dam.
Groundwater	<b>Nyamandlovu</b>				
	Rochester	5	4	1	1 Pump unit had an electrical Fault, Electro-mechanical finalizing working on pump unit with electrical fault
	Cowdray Park	5	4	1	1 Pump unit with an electrical Fault under testing,

Discussion ensued and His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) noted with concern that overall consumption had dropped yet the City was experiencing water shedding beyond the approved 72 hours. He also observed that recent rains had only contributed a 1% increase to dam levels.

In response, the Acting Principal Engineer (M. Funi) explained that water shedding beyond the approved 72 hour schedule was due to long periods of power outage at Fernhill pumping station. As a result, they had gone for three days without pumping. Pumping had since resumed but had not reached the desired capacity. Pertaining Dam levels, he advised that only Inyankuni had seen a slight rise in dam levels following the recent rains. He added that illegal gold mining was affecting inflow at Umzingwane dam, necessary measures were underway in order to curb this challenge.



Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(2) WATER DELIVERY**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**(a) Ncema and Fernhill**

Ncema delivered a total of 2,400,867 m<sup>3</sup> of raw water out of the expected 4,521,350 m<sup>3</sup> to Criterion for treatment, and 994,030 m<sup>3</sup> treated water out of the expected 2,170,000 m<sup>3</sup> to Tuli hill reservoir for distribution.

**(b) Available Pumping Capacities**

At present, Ncema water works had a capacity to pump a maximum of 40 Mℓ to 45 Mℓ/day out of the expected 80 Mℓ/day (design capacity) clear water due to 60% of the filters not working and to be addressed through the tender for the Rehabilitation of these filters. Raw water pumping figures were currently influenced by the available abstraction from operational dams, the conveyance capacities of the bulk mains and the number of operational pumps at any given time. -Table 2.1 showed the current available pumps.

Mtshabezi pumped 192,874 m<sup>3</sup> in the month of December 2022.

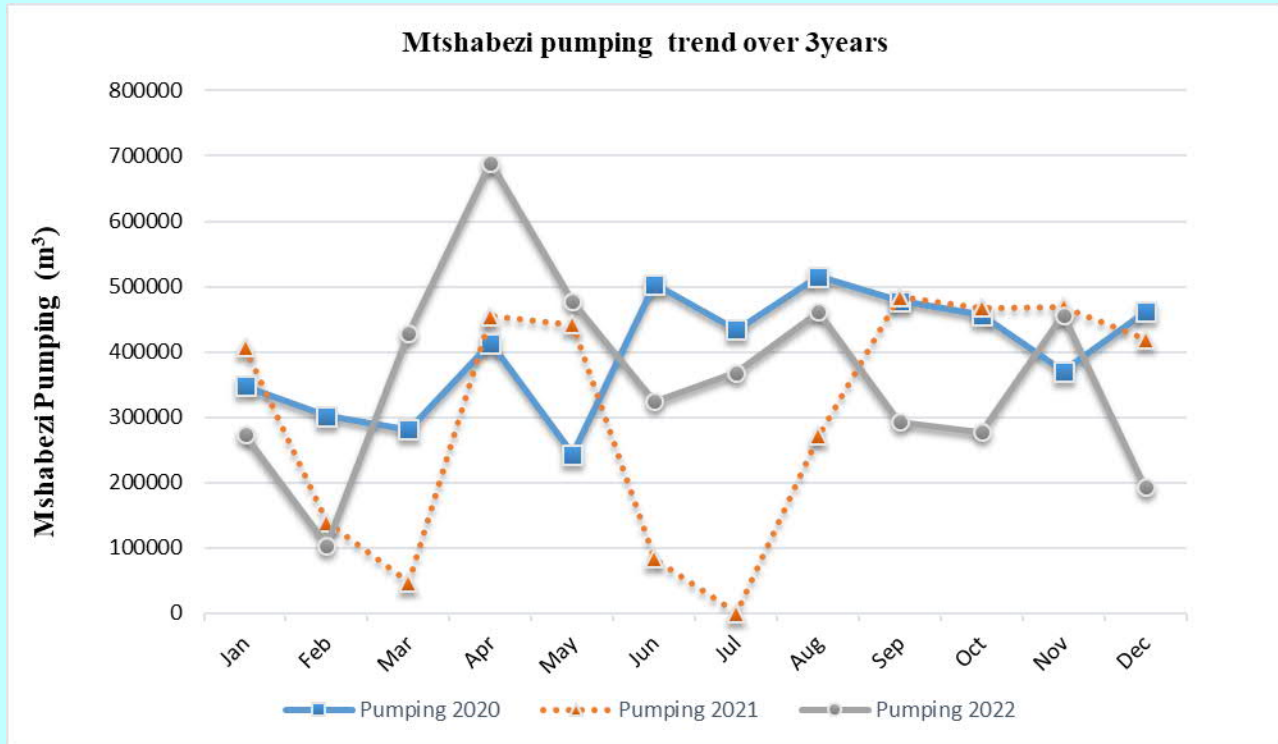


Fig 2.1 Comparison of 2020, 2021 and 2022 Mtshabezi Pumping.

**(d) Nyamandlovu**

A total of 58,300 m<sup>3</sup> was delivered from Nyamandlovu for the month of December 2022. Over the past three years since 2019, ground water pumping had been steadily increasing. There had been an increase of ZESA load shedding hours in the month of December and this saw a decrease in delivery from an average of 3.49ML/day to 2.082ML/day with as much as 12 days of zero pumping.

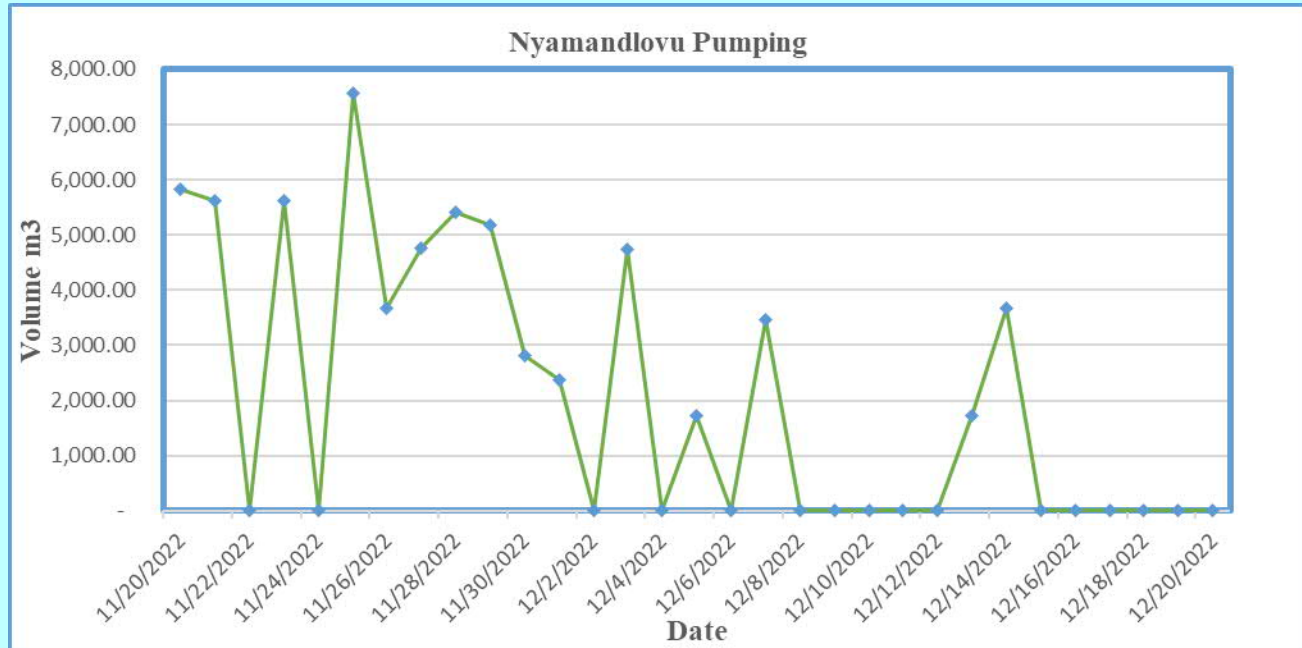


Fig 2.2 Nyamandlovu pumping for the month of December 2022.

(e) **Leaks on the delivery lines**

A total of 16 leaks were encountered during the month of December 2022 on the conveyance pipelines including leaks on the air vessels.

**Table 2. 2** Bulk conveyance burst pipes and leaks.

Pipeline	Insiza	Inyankuni	30"	Mzingwane	Flowserve	Sulzer	15"	Nyamandlovu	Ncema	Total
Received	0	2	2	1	4	2	2	3	0	16
Repaired	0	0	2	1	4	2	2	1	0	12
Outstanding	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	4

Nyamandlovu Epping Forest had eased demand through an increase of supply volumes from 1 mega litre on the 29<sup>th</sup> of December, 2022 to 10,3 mega litres on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of January, 2023. This was a massive improvement of water supplies as the Council usually received less than 5 mega litres due to power challenges. Council was currently in the process of buying a transformer which would improve water supplies throughout the City.

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(3) TREATMENT CAPACITY AND CONSUMPTION**


The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**a) Available water treatment capacities**

Water treatment capacities for the city's two water treatment plants are as follows:

Table 3.1 *Treatment capacities of Criterion and Ncema waterworks*

Plant	Design Capacity (m <sup>3</sup> )/d	Estimated Current Capacity (m <sup>3</sup> /d)	Actual Treated in December 2022 (m <sup>3</sup> )	Comments
Ncema	80,000	45,000	934,546	8 filters out of 20 are operational and this translates to an operational capacity of 35%. Tender was in progress to rehabilitate and bring additional 6 filters online, which should improve treatment capacity to 50,000 m <sup>3</sup> /day
Criterion	180,000	110,000	2,291,782	15 out of 16 Filters are operational and this translates to a 93.8 % operational Capacity. De-sludging system and cleaning of clarifiers has room to improve treatment capacity to 130,000 m <sup>3</sup> .
<b>Total</b>	<b>260,000</b>	<b>155,000</b>	<b>3,226,328</b>	

 **NB.** The treatment capacity for Criterion was currently fairly adequate with an average of almost 110 ML/Day being in-putted into the system per day under the System Input Volume.

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(4) CITY BOREHOLES AND WATER QUALITY**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022) that borehole water was not treated water nor did Council have the capacity to treat or protect guaranteed since the water was untreated and subject to contamination at any time from environmental factors like sewer overflows and bacteriological contaminated soil. Residents were therefore advised to boil borehole water before drinking.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(5) WATER CONSERVATION STRATEGIES**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**Public awareness and water saving campaigns.**

These were ongoing through usage of various media platforms through Corporate Communications. Continuous engagements with all relevant stakeholders through the current platforms like the Water Crisis forums, WASH, NGOs and all other platforms was also work in progress.

**Water restrictions**

Public awareness on water conservation continued on the water rationing limits as shared by Corporate Communications to drive towards a city consumption below that of the safe yield of 132 ML/Day, currently the consumption trend was at 120.6 ML/day for the obtaining month.

**Water Augmentation projects**

The City recommended a number of projects to improve the current water situation as highlighted below:

Name of Project	Description	Projected Vol. Increase/ML	Estimated Cost (\$)
Inyankuni Booster Station Upgrade	Increasing booster capacity of the pump station from two operational and one stand by pump to three operational and one stand by pump	7 ML/Day	\$500,000
Mtshabezi In-line Boosters	Locating additional booster pumps on the Mtshabezi to Mzingwane line so as to increase water volume pumped through	5.5 ML/Day	\$1,200,000
Insiza Elevated 100 m Section	To elevate a 100 m section of the Insiza line where there was a sag and where-in the Hydraulic grade was compromised thus resulting in increase in head and corresponding increase in flow.	5 ML/Day	\$400,000
Khami Dam Water Recycling	Abstraction of Khami water and treatment for secondary use e.g. Power generation by ZPC so that the potable water currently used for Power generation was thus saved for primary use.	11 ML/Day	\$45,000,000

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(6) WATER SHEDDING**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022) that 72 - hour water shedding programme for all areas fed from 6J, Riffle Range, Magwegwe, Hillside and Tuli reservoirs.

AREAS	RESERVOIR	SHEDDING DAYS & TIMES			
		CLOSING		OPEN	
		DAY	TIME	DAY	TIME
Bellevue, Newton West, West Somerton, Montrose, Southwold, Sizinda, Tshabalala, Nkulumane 1-12 & Nketa 6,7& 8, Burnside	CRITERION	Thursday	0730HRS	Sunday	0730HRS
Nketa 9, Emganwini, Pumula South Phase 1 & 2, Old Pumula A, B & C		Saturday	0730HRS	Tuesday	0730HRS
Pumula North, Pumula East, Pumula South Phase 3, Pelandaba West (Glendingen) Mpopoma South, Old Pelandaba, Iminyela, Khami.		Tuesday	0730HRS	Friday	0730HRS
Cowdray Park, Gwabalanda, Emakhandeni	MAGWEGWE	Thursday	0730HRS	Sunday	0730HRS
Cowdray Park (Hlalani Kuhle – Hawk flight), Entumbane, Lobengula		Tuesday	0730HRS	Friday	0730HRS
Pelandaba West (Hawk flight), Magwegwe, Mabutweni, Matshobane, Njube, Luveve, Mpopoma.		Saturday	0730HRS	Tuesday	0730HRS
Lochview, Sunninghill, Marlands, Glencoe, Riverside, Waterford, Manningdale, Willsgrove, Buenavista, Douglasdale, Fortunes gate, Selborne Park, Matsheumhlope	TULI	Monday	0730HRS	Wednesday	0730HRS
Esigodini, Imbizo Barracks, Parklands, Khumalo, Queenspark, Suburbs, Mahatshula, Woodville, Kingsdale, Killarney		Friday	0730HRS	Saturday	0730HRS
Harrisvale, Trenance, Richmond, Sauerstown.		Saturday	0730HRS	Monday	0730HRS
Barbourfields, Mzilikazi, Nguboyenja, Makokoba		Wednesday	0730HRS	Thursday	0730HRS
Hillside, South riding, Fourwinds, Morningside, Barham Green, Greenhill, Mqabuko heights	6J	Sunday	0730HRS	Wednesday	0730HRS
Ilanda, Romney Park, Paddenhurst. Bradfield, Tegela, Emhlangeni, Northend, Sunnyside	HILLSIDE	Thursday	0730HRS	Sunday	0730HRS
Mbalabala Barracks, Mzinyathini Irrigation Scheme	RAW WATER	Thursday	0730HRS	Sunday	0730HRS
Industry, Mines & CBD	EXEMPTED				

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be  
received and noted.

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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ARE LAID UPON THE TABLE.**



# **ANNEXURE ‘C’**

**REPORT OF THE HEALTH, HOUSING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE:  
MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS  
ON TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023 AT 11.00 A.M.**

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**PRESENT:**

Councillor	S.	Mutanda (Chairperson)
Alderman	M	Lubimbi (Deputy Chairperson)
Councillor		Mlandu Ncube (Deputy Mayor)
Alderman	S.	Khumalo
Councillor	S.	Moyo
“	F.	Mhaka
“	F.	Msipha
“	L.	Mlilo

**APOLOGY:**

Councillor	C.	Dube
“	C.	Mlalazi

**ON LEAVE:**

Councillor	J.	Ndlovu
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**ALSO:**

Members of Committee  
Town Clerk  
Chamber Secretary  
Director of Health Housing  
Director of Housing and Community Services

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(1) **FOOD HYGIENE: REGISTRATION OF PREMISES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2022**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:

Renewals– There was no renewals during the month of December 2022.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

(2) **CLEANSING SECTION**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:

a) Street Littering and Dumping

In the Central Business District, illegal vending and illegal pick up points were hampering smooth street sweeping operations. Vendors refused to remove their wares to enable street sweepers to clean the areas and kombis were chaotic and posed a danger to street sweepers. In the residential areas, sporadic dumping occurred despite a consistent refuse collection service.

Eight (8) clean-up campaigns were conducted by different stakeholders in the city.

b) Waste Management Education and Enforcement

Waste education activities in schools were not done since schools were closed and 29 community health talks were given.

The department carried out night time enforcement activities around the Eveline High School dumped hot spot and 10 scotch carts were impounded for dumped waste. The scotch carts were hired by shops and vendors along 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The scotch carts would only be released after paying a penalty of US\$120.00. Shops that were implicated were fined. Presently, there was only one team of Enhanced Enforcement and Compliance (EEC) Unit hence the number of hotspots that could be monitored was limited.

c) Refuse Removal

Refuse collection were satisfactorily conducted in the residential areas. In spite of this, some unscrupulous residents dumped waste on open spaces. In the Central Business District, accumulated waste was cleared off the streets and sanitary lanes with assistance of equipment from Engineering Services Department. Community Truckers were also engaged with effect

from 24 December 2022 to assist in clearing of illegal dumps. Night time collections continued during the month under review. Awareness activities were on-going to make all property owners aware of the night time program.

Health care waste collection remained unsatisfactory due to vehicle shortages.

d) Vehicle Situation

Thirteen breakdowns were reported during the month that ensured that an average of 8 refuse compactors were available daily for refuse collections. These were not able to adequately service all areas particularly shopping centres. Supervisory vehicles remained insufficient as there were 10 supervisors sharing 3 vehicles that frequently broke down. Routine activities such as follow up of refuse collection tasks, enforcement of dog control by laws and investigation of complaints remained subdued.

There was an urgent need to procure additional refuse compactors as the city was growing and so does the amount of illegal activities which bring along increased waste volumes. The situation was compounded by the refuse removal fleet that was ageing and thus frequently broke down. Refuse compactors were last procured more than 5years ago when according to the Transport Policy every year at least one refuse compactor was meant to be procured.

The Vehicle Situation was summarised in the table below:

Type of Vehicle/Plant	Total No. of Vehicles /Plant	No of Vehicles/Plant operating	No of Vehicles Under Workshop	No Of Vehicles No Longer in Use and To Be Decommissioned
Refuse Trucks	17	10	4	03
Box Trucks	03	0	01	02
Tippers	02	0	02	0
Water Bowser	01	1	0	0
3 Tonne Trucks	02	0	02	01
1 Tonne Trucks	08	03	04	01

e) Vehicles with Outstanding Problems

BCC No.	Make	Nature of the Problem	Comment
014	Mazda B1600	Engine overhaul, brakes	Waiting for order for repairs from PMU
020	Madza B1600	Brakes	Waiting for order for repairs from PMU

022	UD330 Compactor	Clutch assay, Fan, sleeve, radiator, adjusters, brakes overhaul, c/shaft, sensor	Waiting for PMU to procure spares
036	3 Tonner	Brakes and clutch	Work in progress
039	Mazda B1600	Engine Overhaul	Waiting for order for repairs from PMU
041	Mazda T3500	Attend to clutch hydraulics	Waiting for order for repairs from PMU
042	UD80 Tipper	Brakes	Work in progress
043	UD80 Tipper	Clutch overhaul, tyres, tubes, flaps	Waiting for PMU to procure spares
055	Mazda B1600	Engine Overhaul	Waiting for order for repairs from PMU
072	Sino Howo Compactor	Broken Differential Pinion, coupling, tensioner, radiator	Waiting for PMU to procure spares
081	Nissan UD 90	Worn clutch. Needs service	Waiting for order for spares from PMU
085	Sino Howo	Tyres	Waiting for order for tyres from PMU

f) Dog Control

Two (2) dog notices were issued and two dogs were impounded. Dog control activities were hampered by transport shortages.

g) Landfill

There was no machinery at the landfill resulting in unsatisfactory landfill maintenance. Our sister department Engineering had been working on the plant for the last three years and there were indications that the equipment could be functional before end of January 2023.

Discussion ensued and Councillor F. Mhaka raised concern on the delay in increasing the number of community sweepers despite being approved 6 months ago.

Alderman M. Lubimbi said in Magwegwe North extension there were few street sweepers resulting in the area accumulating too much refuse. Some properties did not even have toilets and the occupants were resorting to the use of plastics and then dumping their waste on illegal dump sites. There was need to increase the number of community sweepers.

Councillor S. Mutanda sought clarity on the duration to make assessment of the additional community workers required. She noticed that the engagement of additional workers had taken too long.

Councillor F. Mhaka had noted with concern the increase of stray dogs in the city. The situation had been hampered by council not effectively enforcing dog licensing by-laws as a result residents ended up keeping too many dogs which they fail to manage.

Councillor S. Moyo raised concern about the landfill machinery under repairs for the last 3 years. She sought clarity on why the repairs had taken so long.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) proposed that a visit to the workshops where the machinery was being repaired be conducted. He raised concern on the department's lack of follow ups and supervision.

In response the Director of Health Services said a request for additional Community workers had been directed to Human Capital who were currently handling the matter although they had highlighted that there were short staffed and the one officer responsible was overwhelmed and could not urgently attend to the request.

The Chamber Secretary advised that the occupants of properties in Magwegwe North extension probably did not have occupation certificates because Council would not allow occupation of properties without ablution facilities. The Director of Health and Community Services would verify and if they did not have occupation certificates then they should not occupy the houses.

The Town Clerk advised that Council was in the process of crafting a new policy relating to cleaning and maintenance of individual properties including their surroundings. The policy and by-law would enable free lease of property fronts to owners thereby affording them the opportunity to maintain their surroundings and even arrest anyone depositing litter in front of their premises. This policy may reduce the number of community group cleaners needed in the area.

Councillor S. Moyo said the Policy mentioned by the Town Clerk was long overdue. People were to be encouraged to beautify their surroundings and even landscape, plant flowers at the illegal dump sites in order to curb dumping.

Alderman S. Khumalo encouraged the Town Clerk to fast track the crafting of the policy and by-laws. Implementation of the policy would help clean up the city.

Councillor S. Mlilo said the policy was a good move. She further said she had noticed that land degradation in some areas had been caused by residents sweeping outside their premises. To curb land degradation residents should be engaged on how best to maintain and clean outside their properties cautiously without affecting the environment.

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be  
Received and noted.

**(3) HEALTH INSPECTORATE**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter

### Routine Inspections

Routine inspections were carried out during the month

### Condemnations

The following foods were condemned through a combined operation “Inyama ivela ngaphi”, by this department, the ZRP anti-stock theft unit and the Veterinary meat inspectorate unit

Trading Name	Types of Foods Condemned	Reason for Condemnation	Quantities
Saunyama Butchery	Beef	Spoilt	106Kgs
Deemen Investments	Beef	Spoilt	2.3Kgs
Sellwell Investments	Pork and chicken	Spoilt	Pork(7.8Kgs) Chicken(60 bird carcasses)
Royal Meats	Beef	Spoilt	60.5Kgs
747 Butchery	Chicken	Spoilt	3.8Kgs
Nath Investments	Beef and Pork	Spoilt	Beef(2.68) Pork(5.3)
Chirandu Superette	Beef	Spoilt	29.2Kgs
Hamara	Chicken	Spoilt	19Kgs
Athens Supermarket	Beef	Spoilt	100.5Kgs
TM South World	Mealie-meal	Torn	185Kgs
Food Lovers Bradfield	Flour, Pasta and Green pepper	Expired and Spoilt	Flour(150Kgs) Pasta(55Kgs) Green Peppers(2 Boxes)
68 Townsend Road Suburbs	Chicken	Unhygienic slaughtering conditions	12 Birds
21 Lemon Groove Newton West	Chicken	Unhygienic slaughtering conditions	18 Birds

Total Quantity			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beef(301,18Kgs)</li> <li>• Pork(13,1Kgs)</li> <li>• Chicken(22,8Kgs and 90 Bird Carcasses)</li> <li>• Flour(150Kgs)</li> <li>• Pasta(55Kgs)</li> <li>• Green Peppers(2 Boxes)</li> <li>• Mealie-meal(185Kgs)</li> </ul>
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#### Food Handlers Training

No training was conducted during the reporting period.

#### Water Quality Monitoring

##### Routine sampling.

No routine sampling was done due to power outages at Ncema resulting in shutting down Ncema and Criterion Treatment plants.

##### Quality Control Sampling

Below were tabulated results of 19 bacteriological quality control sampling results sent to SAZ Laboratory as of 6 December 2022.

Parameters	No. Non-Compliant	Affected Points
Total coliforms	19	Tower Block, PMR Clinic, Bulawayo Pool, Khami Clinic, Thorngrove Hospital, CSC, King George VI, Holiday Inn, Northern Suburbs Clinic, Roads Yard, Bash Street Vending Office, Thorngrove Sewage Works, Sidojiwe Flats, Bulawayo Abattoirs, Greenfield School, Cresta Churchill Hotel, Mattie/Moffat 1 and 2 Pump Station and Criterion Waterworks.
Total plate Count	2	Bash Street Vending Office and Bulawayo Abattoirs.

#### Diarrhoea Outbreak Investigation

No Diarrhoea case was reported for investigation.

#### Food Premises Swabbing

##### Routine Swabbing



No Swabbing was done, during the reporting period due to a lack of nutrient agar at the Criterion Laboratory.

### Food Sampling

The under listed food articles were sent to the Government Analyst Laboratory through PMD Mat North for analysis.

No.	Product	Quantity	Manufacturer Details
1	Naka Naks Cheese Flavour	5	
	Barbecue Flavour	4	
2	Honey Pot Maheu	4	
3	Yogoz Cheese	18	
	Tomato	18	
	Chicken	18	
4	Mazoe (2lt) Orange Crush	1	Schweppes Pvt Ltd
	Peach	1	
	Cream Soda	2	
5	Mazoe (1lt)	2	Schweppes Pvt Ltd
6	Choppies Purified Water	2	Choppies 12273 Falcon St Belmont
7	Choppies Dairy Fruit Mix Orange	1	Choppies 12273 Falcon St Belmont
8	No Name Juice Ash Pineapple	1	
	V4 Cream Soda	1	
	V3 Lime Green	1	
	V5 Black	1	
	V6 Orange	1	

### Disease Surveillance Activities

A total of 18 dog bites were investigated and concluded.

### Premises Inspections

	Number of Applications	Applications approved	Applications Rejected	Applications Withheld
Shop Licenses	32	26	0	6
Registration Certificates	20	18	0	2
Health Certificates	2	2	0	0
Vendors Licence	18	17	0	1
Plans	12	12	0	0
Water Sampling	0	0	0	0
Home Quarantine Inspections	0	0	0	0
Registrations Schools, health institutions	0	0	0	0

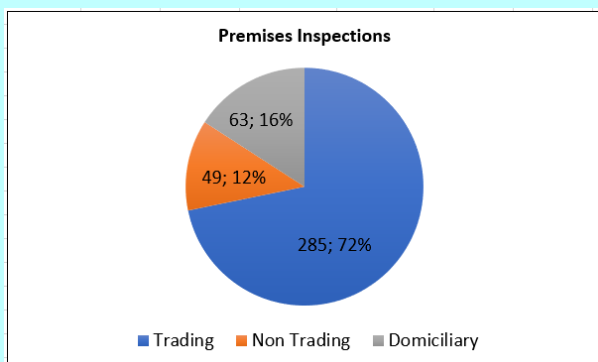
A WASH needs assessment was carried out for 3 days in areas affected by diarrhoea and at risk locations in the western areas of the city. Hygiene education was conducted in the affected communities through focused group discussions and key informant interviews.

## Environmental Health Inspectorate

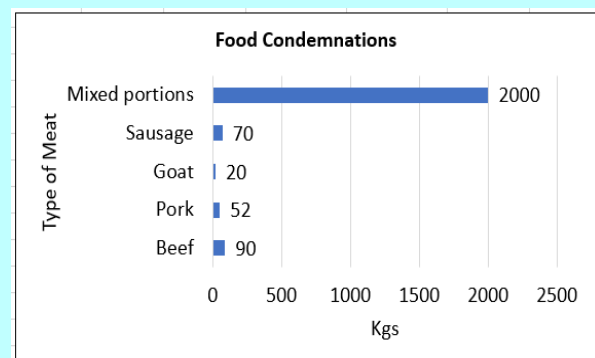
Primordial prevention activities to monitor the health status of the community so as to identify potential problems and prevent emergence of risk factors, continued to be rolled out. These included the following

- Premises Inspections

A total of 397 premises were inspected during the month of December 2022 with the highest (72%) being trading premises (Fig 1).



**Figure 1:** Number of Premises Inspected



**Figure 2:** Food Condemnations

During the inspections, unsatisfactory conditions identified and contained included the sale of 2232 kg of meat (Fig 2) deemed to be unfit for human consumption pursuant to the Food Standards Control Act and SI 50 of 1995. Two tonnes were mixed portions of spoilt meat, followed by 90kg of Beef (Fig 2). These were condemned and disposed of in accordance with the Public Health Act and Bulawayo (Public health) Bylaws.

Twelve public health complaints were raised and followed up during the month. Ongoing efforts underway to rectify all the public health complaints raised. Three Health reports were issued and 11 new shops were recommended for licencing.

- Health Education

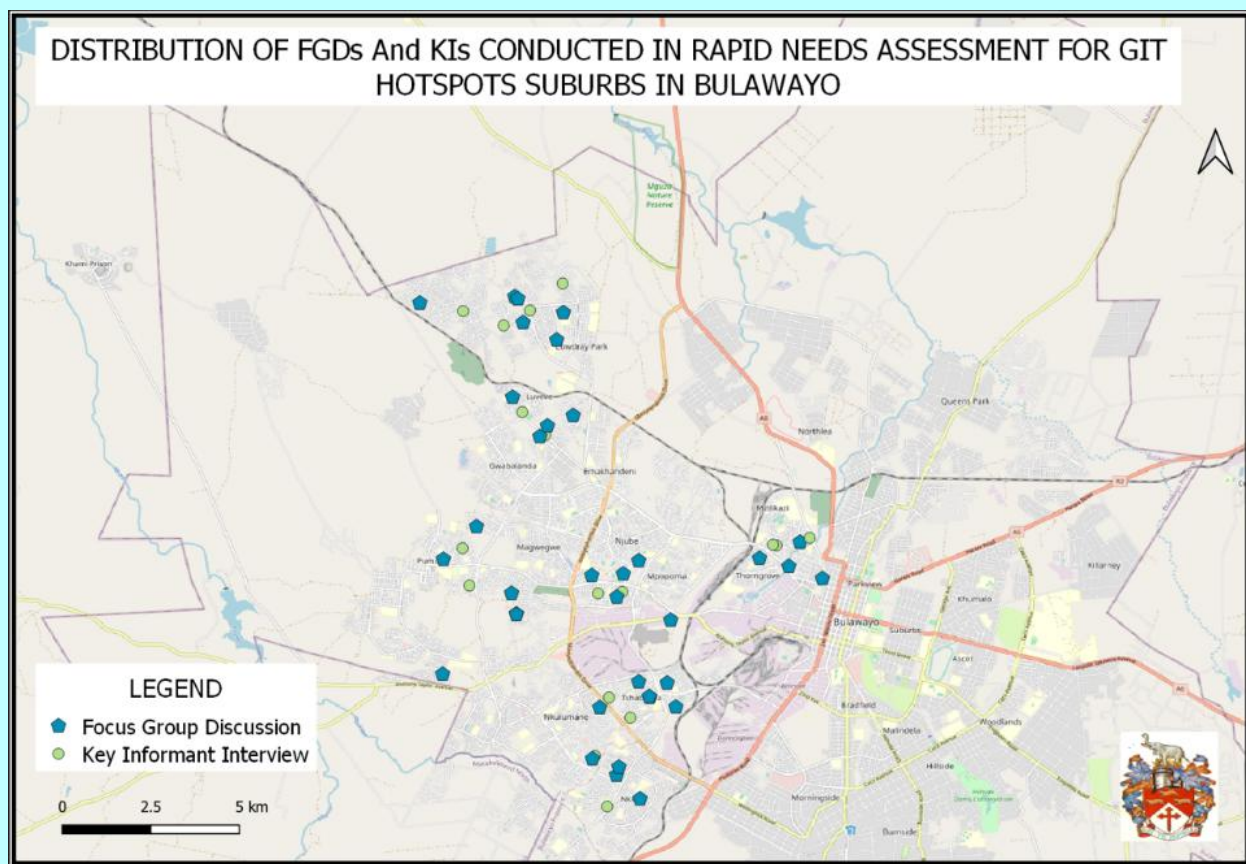
A total of 29 training sessions were conducted for food handlers, community health clubs, water point committees, dog bite cases, malaria cases, to raise awareness on topical health issues to promote positive health outcomes and prevent emergence of risk factors for the same.

- Health Needs Assessment

During the month, a Rapid Health Needs Assessment was conducted in the local diarrhoea hot spot areas that were mapped during the GIT outbreak to assess WASH, Community

Based Surveillance, SWM, equal access and protection activities and issues arising from the participants. These include Pumula, Luveve, Mzilikazi, Makokoba, Tshabalala, Cowdray Park, Iminyela, Nkulumane and Nketa

Forty-six (46) Focus group discussions and 22 Key Informant Interviews were conducted in Nine (9) diarrhoea hot spot suburbs (Map 1). Targeted age groups were 10 to 14 years, 15 to 24 years, 25 + years males and females separately, as well as those living with disabilities.



**Map 1:** Distribution of FGDs and KI Interviews from Rapid Health Needs Assessment

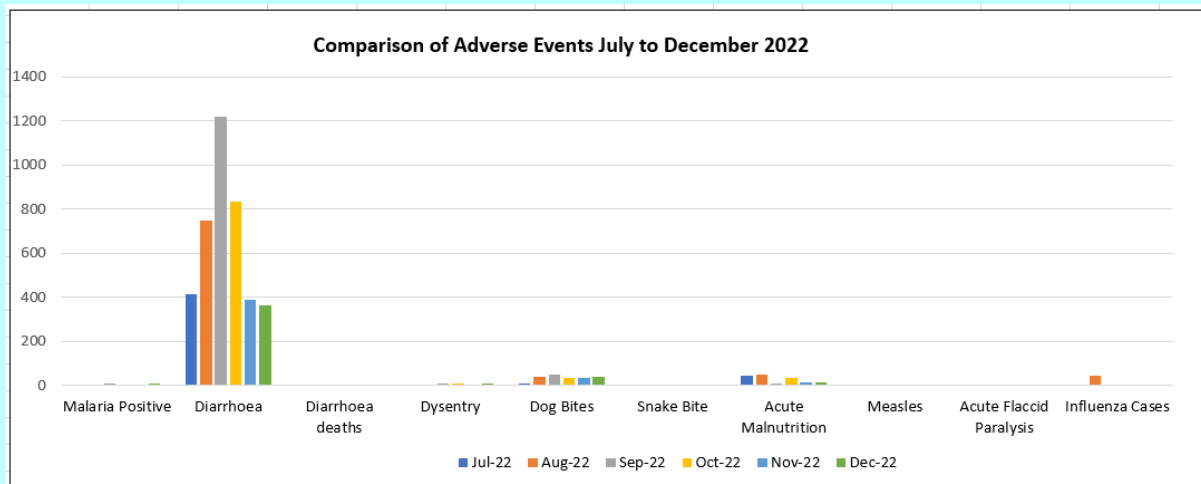
Some of the risk factors that came up during the assessment included:

- Rampant open defecation due to inadequate water supply
- Dumping of waste due to high generation of waste
- Unavailability of safe alternative water sources for some suburbs such as Cowdray Park.
- GBV at water points resulting in some failing to access alternative water source.
- Long queues at water collection points
- Poor hygiene practices at home due to water scarcity
- Difficulty in accessing facilities and water points for those living with disabilities.
- Flooding when there are heavy rains in some areas of Cowdray park etc.
- Disease Surveillance

The Province continued to roll out intensified Emergency Response Mechanisms for all pillars to detect, contain, monitor, predict and manage disease outbreaks as they continue to evolve. The city also remained on high alert for the following ten (10) adverse events:

- Ebola in Congo
- Multi-country outbreak of Monkeypox virus (Clades 1 & 2)
- Wild poliovirus type 1 outbreak in Malawi and Mozambique, Tete Province
- Cholera outbreak in Malawi and Zambia,
- Typhoid, endemic in neighbouring cities in Zimbabwe
- Measles
- Food Poisoning

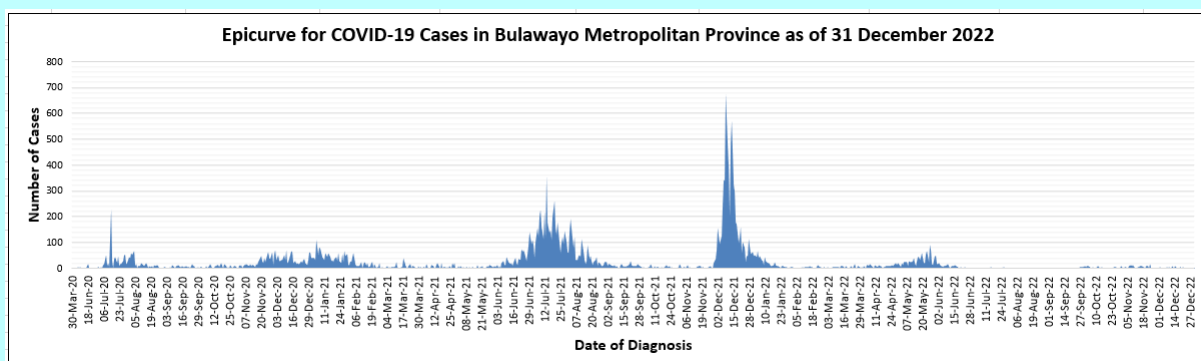
- Chickenpox
- COVID-19 globally
- GIT (Bulawayo and Harare)



**Figure 3:** Comparison of Disease Conditions from July to December 2022

According to the monthly Indicator Based Surveillance (IBS) activities in place (Fig 3), diarrhoea cases continued to decrease in the month of December 2022 (361) compared to the previous 5 months (July to November 2022). The diarrhoea outbreak was contained in December 2022. An increase was observed in Malaria positive cases (7) as well as dog bite cases (40) compared to the previous month (1, 34). All the Malaria cases were imported. Fifty percent (20) of the dog bite injuries were due to stray dogs. A decrease was observed in malnourished cases (13) reported during the month compared to the previous month.

The increase in the number of adverse events reported during the month was a serious public health concern, that called for the scaling up of Emergency Response Mechanisms (ERMs) by all pillars of the Epidemic Preparedness and Response team (EPR) to detect, contain, monitor, predict and manage the outbreaks.



**Figure3:** EPICURVE of COVID-19 cases in Bulawayo Metropolitan Province

As of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022, the province had recorded a total of 22571 cases, 915 deaths, 21630 recoveries and 26 active cases. The evolution of COVID-19 infections in Bulawayo Metropolitan Province involved an initial slow rise (April to June 2020) in the number of reported cases which peaked between July and August 2020, November 2020 and February 2021, June and August 2021, November 2021 to January 2022 and since early May 2022 to June 2022 (Fig 3). The major challenge in the response activities was the risky behaviours that drove transmission in Bulawayo. The city therefore had to scale up effective, relevant, tailor

made, context specific Emergency response mechanisms (ERMs) for all pillars to detect, contain, monitor, predict and manage the COVID-19 outbreak as it continued to evolve.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(4) PEST CONTROL**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**Mosquito Control**

The larviciding programme covered all problematic streams and light to heavy breeding was encountered and treated. One (1) complaint was received, investigated and remedial action taken.

**Rodent Control**

The rodent control programme was still at a standstill due to the Larviciding programme. One (1) rodent complaint was received, investigated and remedial action taken.

**Interdepartmental Requisitions**

Thirteen (13) requisitions were received for the control of white ants, rodents, mosquitoes and cockroaches. The section attended to six (6) requisitions for the control of cockroaches, mosquitoes, white ants, and rodents.

**COVID-19 Activities**

The section decontaminated 2 Institutions and 1 house hold using Hydrogen Peroxide.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(5) CEMETERIES/ CREMATIONS**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter

Cemetery	Females 0-12 years	Females 0-13 years +	Sub Totals	Males 0-12 years	Males 0-13 years +	Sub Totals	Paupers	Totals	
Luveve Old	0	5	5	0	10	10		15	(3)
Luveve Ext	46	54	100	55	74	129		229	(220)

LUVEVE No.3 (Pioneers)	0	2	<b>2</b>	0	8	<b>8</b>		<b>10</b>	(3)
West Park	0	7	<b>7</b>	0	5	<b>5</b>		<b>12</b>	(13)
Hyde Park	0	2	<b>2</b>	0	2	<b>2</b>		<b>4</b>	(5)
Athlone Av	0	0	<b>0</b>	0	0	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>	(1)
Lady Stanley Av.	0	1	<b>1</b>	0	0	<b>0</b>		<b>1</b>	(1)
Umvutsha Park	0	68	<b>68</b>	0	58	<b>58</b>		<b>126</b>	(135)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>212</b>		<b>397</b>	(381)

The figures in brackets are for the previous month.

Umvutsha Cemetery recorded burials from outside the city as follows: Harare 2, Gweru 1 and Botswana 1.

Luveve Cemetery recorded burials from out of Bulawayo as follows: South Africa 4, Botswana 1, Bubi 1, Gwanda 2, Umzingwane 1, Matobo 1, Hwange 2 and Umguza 3.

#### COVID-19 Related Deaths

One Covid-19 related death was recorded at Luveve cemetery.

#### Cremations

A total of eleven cremations (11), 3 males and 8 females were carried out during the month.

Discussion ensued and Councillor S. Mutanda sought clarity about the shortage of graves at cemeteries during burials. Mourners had to wait for the digging of graves whilst at the cemetery. Manual labour was being used with the digging machine having been said to be out of order. Why was council not buying more grave digging machines and equipment?

Councillor S. Moyo concurred with Councillor S. Mutanda and said that grave shortages during burials had become a cause for concern. Complaints had been received from mourners on the delay to bury their loved ones due to grave shortages.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) said that they were Funeral Parlours willing to assist Council on various challenges affecting cemeteries. The onus was with BCC to communicate with the Parlours seeking assistance on equipment, Machinery and even clearing and grass cutting at cemeteries. The parlours were the ones making business at cemeteries and were willing to assist.

Councillors challenged Management to visit the cemeteries in order to fully appreciate the problems being faced by mourners and Bulawayo residents. The department was lagging behind in tackling challenges being faced at cemeteries. The Town Clerk advised that the above raised concerns would be looked into and attended to accordingly.



Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be  
Received and noted.

**(6) HEALTH PROMOTION UNIT: DECEMBER 2022**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

	November	December
Health Education sessions held in the clinics	2 163	2242
Number of persons reached	63329	64390
Male condoms distributed during December 2022	222876	239936
Female condoms distributed during December 2022	7160	5040

There was Polio SIA Campaign round 2 which targeted the 0 months – 4 years 11 months age group. The program ran from 1December to 4 December, the total coverage for the Bulawayo Metropolitan Province was 80%.There was a total of 2 radio sessions, one on each local radio station, namely Skyz metro fm and Khulumani fm lasting for one hour each.

**COVID-19** Health Education and Promotion activities were integrated with messages on Diarrhoea preventive measures and the Polio SIA Campaign. Different videos with health messages continue to be played on televisions at the clinics and city billboards. Complacency on COVID-19 prevention protocols still remains a challenge.

Type of video	Play time
COVID 19	40 hours
Tuberculosis	12 hours
Diarrhoea	30 hours
Diabetes	10 hours
Asthma	8 hours
Hypertension	10 hours
Nutrition	12 hours
HIV & AIDS	20 hours
Polio SIA	20 hours
Oral Health	9 hours
Mental Health	16 hours
Gender Based Violence	20 hours
Total	999 hours

***Get Vaccinated, Wash hands regularly, Physical Distance, Please Mask Up, and Stay At Home.***

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted

**(7) CLINIC ACTIVITIES**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

The following activities were provided at clinics in the month of December 2022:

**Support Services - Laboratory and X- Ray: December 2022**

<b>Investigations</b>	<b>Nov 22</b>	<b>Positive</b>	<b>Dec 22</b>	<b>Positive</b>
Chest X Rays	175	-	251	-
Ultra Sound Scan	-	-	131	-
Sputum for AAFB New	5	-	4	2
XDR tests	68	59	10	7
Urine examination	58	-	4	-
CD4	228	-	189	-
FBC	1329	-	1239	-
RPR	0	-	0	0
Gene Xpert	569	-	415	54
HBsAg	11	1	15	1
Malaria Parasites	4	-	24	1
CrAg	139	5	144	2
Stool Xpert MTB Rif Ultra	52	2	26	2
GL. Xpert MTB Rif Ultra	14	-	11	0
TB LAM	17	1	19	2
SARS COV-2 PCR	24	10	3	1
SARS COV-2 Ag	0	-	0	-

**Out Patient Attendance: December 2022**

<b>New</b>		<b>Repeat</b>		<b>Total</b>	
Dec	Nov	Dec	Nov	Dec	Nov
46916	51840	28532	24388	75448	76228

There was a decrease in the number of outpatients seen in December 2022 compared to the previous month.

**Reproductive Health Services: December 2022**

<b>Reason for attendance</b>	<b>New</b>		<b>Repeats</b>		<b>Total</b>	
	<b>Dec 22</b>	<b>Nov 22</b>	<b>Dec22</b>	<b>Nov 22</b>	<b>Dec 22</b>	<b>Nov 22</b>
ANC	1031	1288	2710	2933	3741	4221
Deliveries	360	370	37	BBA 35	397	405



There was a slight decrease in the total number of deliveries in December 2022 compared to November 2022.

#### Tuberculosis Services: December 2022

	Notifications		Defaulters		Deaths		Total in Register	
	Dec22	Nov 22	Dec 22	Nov 22	Dec 22	Nov 22	Dec 22	Nov 22
Emakhandeni District	52	58	0	0	4	4	369	364
Northern Suburbs District	32	33	0	2	6	0	266	258
Nkulumane District	28	32	1	1	2	5	207	220
<b>Province</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>842</b>

Total TB patients in register remained the same for the months under review.

#### Cervical Cancer/VIAC Services: December 2022

	Screened	VIAC +ve	Suspicious of cancer	Cryotherapy	LEEP	Referred for Punch Biopsy
<b>Total</b>	<b>774 (1189)</b>	<b>21 (36)</b>	<b>1 (4)</b>	<b>2 (3)</b>	<b>20 (30)</b>	<b>0 (0)</b>

The number of clients screened for cancer decreased in December 2022. Those receiving LEEP service also decreased.

#### Dental Services at Pelandaba Clinic: December 2022

Activity	December 2022	November 2022	October 2022
Dental caries	140	185	198
Dental abscesses	11	9	8
Periodontal conditions	25	27	26
Other conditions	14	22	24
Tooth extractions	181	220	243
<b>Total cases</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>156</b>

Dental caries remained the most common condition treated at Pelandaba Dental Clinic.

Discussion ensued and the Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) enquired if the solar panels at clinics had been connected as he noted that the panels had been lying idle for a long time without being connected. Theft and vandalism of panels at some clinics has since occurred.

Alderman M. Lubimbi sought clarity about the sale of face masks at Council clinics. In response the Director of Health Services said that the department of Engineering was working together with Finance Department on the issue of installing the solar panels. Replacement of vandalised and stolen solar panels was being attended to accordingly in liaison with the donor. He further said that he was not aware that face masks were being sold at clinics and he would investigate the matter.

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

(8) **DONATIONS FROM INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL CORPS AND CHISIPITE DRILLING COMPANY (UNDP)**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

The department on 20 December 2022 received with appreciation a donation in the form of construction of structures at Maqhawe Clinic as follows:

1. International Medical Corps (WASH)
  - Construction of 20 hand washing basins with elbow taps.
  - Installation of solar geyser and construction of a shower.
  - They were still working on 2 more geysers, an additional toilet for the disabled and two water tanks (10000 litres).
2. Chisipite Drilling Company (UNDP)
  - Drilling of a solar borehole and installation of a pump. The borehole was now functional.

The department was grateful for the kind donations as they would enhance the department's effective operations.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted with appreciation.

(9) **DONATION RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT : BARHAM GREEN MOSQUE CHURCH**

The Director of Health Services reported (6<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

On 2 November 2022 the department received with appreciation a donation of 17 cases of 2 litres x 6 bottled drinking water for use at Dr Shennan Clinic from Moslems – Barham Green Mosque Church.

The department was grateful for the kind donation.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted with appreciation

(10) **HOUSING ADMINISTRATION: MONTHLY STATISTICS REPORT**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the City of Bulawayo had eleven (11) Housing Administration offices across the city and these were Nketa, Mpopoma, Mzilikazi, Lobengula, Entumbane, Tshabalala, Magwegwe, Pumula, Nkulumane, Luveve and Cowdray Park. Amongst various administration matters the offices facilitated cessions. These were for deceased estates, court orders and re-sales of

houses. The cessions were for properties that are on long term lease (25, 40 and 99 year leases) and those on agreements of sale. The tables below showed Housing Administration statistics for the months of November and December 2022 and staffing levels in the section.

Table 1.1 showed Housing Administration statistics for December 2022

	Administration Office	Deceased Estate	Court Orders	Voluntary transfers/resale	Conversion to Home Ownership
1	Nketa	0	0	0	0
2	Mpopoma	0	0	2	0
3	Mzilikazi	0	0	0	0
4	Lobengula	3	0	3	0
5	Entumbane	2	0	0	0
6	Tshabalala	1	1	2	0
7	Magwegwe	1	0	0	0
8	Pumula	4	2	2	0
9	Nkulumane	1	1	2	0
10	Luveve	2	0	1	0
11	Cowdray Park	0	0	11	0
12	Eastern	1	2	2	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1</b>

A total of sixty-seven (67) transfer cessions were done in the month of November 2022 as compared to forty-seven (47) transfer cession in December 2022.

Table 1.2 Showed Housing Section staffing levels

No.	Designation	Grade	Authorised Establishment	Actual Establishment	Variance	Acting
1	Senior Housing Officer	11	1	1	Nil	Nil
2	Housing Officer	9	6	6	Nil	Nil
3	Admin Assistant	7	6	1	5	5
4	Senior Clerical Assistant	5	Nil	3	+3	Nil
5	Housing Clerk	4	25	16	(9)	1
6	Clerical Assistant	4	3	2	(1)	Nil
7	Hostel Matron	5	1	0	(1)	
8	Housing Assistant	3	11	7	4	2
9	Hostel Overseer	1	1	0	(1)	
10	Cleaner	1	12	14	(2)	-

## **UPDATE ON HOUSING REGISTRY ACTIVITIES**

### **Processing of Housing Waiting List forms**

The processing of waiting list forms was an ongoing process and 638 housing waiting list forms were processed in the month of November 2022 as compared to 337 in December 2022. A total of twenty-two (22) duplicate forms were approved during the month of November 2022 whereas thirteen (13) were approved in December 2022. Five hundred and forty (540) renewal forms were processed during the period under review. The tables below summarises Housing Registry statistics for the month of November and December 2022 respectively.

Table 1.3 showed Housing Registry statistics for the month of November 2022

No.	Category	Number of forms processed	Number of Approved duplicates	Number of Captured Forms
1	Females	330		876
2	Males	199		838
3	Joint	109		437
	<b>Total</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2 187</b>

Table 1.4 showed Housing Registry statistics for the month of December 2022

No.	Category	Number of forms processed	Number of Approved duplicates	Number of Captured forms
1	Females	165		777
2	Males	98		763
3	Joint	74		456
	<b>Total</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1 996</b>

### **Capturing of Housing Waiting List forms**

The updated and captured of Housing waiting list forms into the system was an ongoing process and as of November 2022 an accumulative total of 67 749 forms had been captured whereas in December 2022 a total of 69 418 forms had been captured into the system. The table below showed accumulative totals of captured forms during the past two month

Table 1.5 Shows Accumulative totals of Captured forms as of November and December 2022

No.	Month	Cumulative Total
1	November	67 749
2	December	69 418

## **UPDATE ON HLALANI KUHLE/GARIKAI DOUBLE ALLOCATIONS REGULARISATION**

At the beginning of the period under review Council had sixty (65) unresolved cases of double allocation. However, a total of twenty-seven (27) cases were resolved during the period under consideration resulting in thirty-eighty (38) cases being outstanding. The table below summarised double allocation statistics.

Table 1. 6 showed the number of double allocations, resolved matters and outstanding cases

No.	Category	Total
1	Double allocation	65
2	Resolved matters	27
3	Outstanding	38

### Conversion to Home Ownership

A total of four hundred and ten (410) houses had been converted to date from rented to home ownership at Iminyela (170), Mabuthweni (201), and Emganwini (39) out of a combined total of 3214 houses from the three (3) residential areas. A total of 2804 cases were still outstanding. The table below summarised conversion statistics from the three suburbs.

Table 1.7 showed Conversion statistics at Iminyela, Mabuthweni and Emganwini (Millennium)

No.	Description	Total number of units	Number converted to date	Variance
1	Iminyela	1232	170	1062
2	Mabuthweni	1815	201	1614
3	Emganwini	167	39	128
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3214</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>2804</b>

In Mzilikazi/Makokoba a total of 1567 houses had so far been converted to home ownership out of a total of 2283 units and 716 units were yet to be converted. The table below showed statistics of home ownership conversion in Makokoba and Mzilikazi.

Table 1.8 Showed Home ownership conversions Makokoba /Mzilikazi

No.	Total number of units	Converted to date	Variance
1	2 283	1 567	716

Table 1.9 Rented properties

No.	Description	Total number of units	Converted	Variance
1	Pumula	6	1	5

### Construction of individual toilets

The construction of individual toilets had resulted in ten (10) toilets units being completed and 217 were partially complete at Iminyela. Four hundred and eight-four toilets (484) toilets had been done to date at Mabuthweni. A total of 1331 units were still outstanding from the two suburbs. The table below summarised individual toilet construction progress so far.

Table 1.10 showed individual toilet progress update

No.	Description	Total number of units	Number of individual toilets date	Variance
1	Iminyela	1232	10 Units completed	1 005
			217 Units partially completed	
2	Mabuthweni	1815	484	1 331

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

(11) **MZILIKAZI BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE WORKSHOPS MONTHLY REPORT DECEMBER-2022**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter;

**Overview**

- a. Routine General Maintenance activities are being conducted by the Section.
- b. Planned Maintenance and Capital Projects continued to be undertaken in conjunction with various Stakeholders.
- c. Attending to Buildings Affected by adverse Weather.

**Once-Off Maintenance Works on Demand**

The Section was in receipt of Works orders for the following once-Off, on demand works. These were works not ordinarily planned for, however, required immediate intervention.

**Table 2.1: Once-Off Maintenance Works on Demand**

	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>INTERVENTION</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
1.	Interventions at 17 Clinics by a Donor - International Medical Corps	WASH Interventions – Water and Sanitation Renovations and Upgrades.	Provision of Wash Points where necessary, Provision of Disabled-Accessible Toilets where appropriate and upgrades to Sanitary Installations work in progress
2.	Painting of Mzilikazi recreation Centre in Partnership with Mambira Foundation.	Painting of certain areas of the Building.	Painting had been completed and the work was done by Donor.
3.	Renovation of 3 Public Toilets in Partnership with Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH	Rehabilitation of 3 Public Toilets in Mzilikazi and Nguboyenja, to a functional state.	The works were ongoing. Contractor was on site and a BCC Project management Team from the Architectural Section and Mzilikazi Workshops was managing the project. Work in progress

4.	Buildings damaged by Inclement Weather	Temporary Repairs to Buildings Affected by Weather. This is an on-going response, especially during the period of heavy rains.	15 Units, being Flats around the City had their Roofs Blown Off by Wind during the Rains. Temporary Interventions had been made, however permanent repairs still need to be done, pending finalization of Insurance procedures. Mpopoma/Iminyela Flats affected was: 47042/6-8, 47045/2-7 47081/2-4 47048/2 59849/3 59862/7 47050/2 47081/2 47082/6 47043/4 47047/2. Tshabalal/Sizinda Flats affected are: 64634/14 67038/8 67041/16 67060/16. Sidojiwe Hostel affected.
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There was a need to setup the emergency funds for these interventions or an emergency procurement system allowing expedited process. Heavy Rains had been projected for the weekend of Friday 6 January 2023 and the Department had established an Emergency Response team to complement the Emergency Services in attending to these cases. Supply of requisite inputs, however, would be the limiting factor.

Response to emergency was also crippled by lack of transport of early and satisfactory response.

Lack of availability of enough labour as there was 40% labour force that results in partly response.

### **Transport, Plant & Equipment**

Detailed below was the current status of the Mzilikazi Workshops Fleet. Also included were the optimal numbers, in the event of proper staffing and availability of inputs. Of great importance however, were the current requirements, which considered the current and immediately anticipated staff numbers, current demand/work requisitions, Project Projections as per Strategic Plan and resource availability.

**Table 2.2: showed Transport, Plant & Equipment**

MZILIKAZI WORKSHOPS - (VOTE 0280)

**FLEET STATUS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Trade	Actual No.	Ideal No.	Current Requirement (2021)	Operating %	Remarks
Plumbing	1 x 1 ton truck	4 x 1 ton trucks	2 x 1 ton trucks	25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This was a HIGH DEMAND function.</li> <li>• <b>Fleet# 378 was now shared amongst all workshop functions.</b></li> <li>• High mileage and heavy wear-and-tear.</li> <li>• Haulage Overseer operating the vehicle was overworked and prone to speeding/mistakes due to high demand.</li> </ul>
Carpentry	0	4 x 1 ton trucks	2 x 1 ton trucks	0	This was a HIGH DEMAND function.
Painting	0	1 x 1 ton truck 1 x 3 ton truck	1 x 1 ton truck	0	
Bricklaying	1 x 7 ton truck	2 x 1 ton trucks 2 x 7 ton trucks	1 x 1 ton truck		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fleet # 405 was in use, especially on Capital Projects.</li> <li>• Currently dedicated to Vulindlela School.</li> <li>• Other sites/functions were not getting adequate access.</li> </ul>



Welding	0	1 x 1 ton truck	1 x 3 ton truck	0	The vehicle would service the welding, fencing, painting and stores requirements in the interim.
Fencing	0	1 x 1 ton truck 1 x 3 ton truck		0	
Supervision	0	4 x ½ ton or 1 ton trucks	2 x ½ or 1 ton trucks.	1	Vehicles would be utilized by the Admin and stores functions as well.

The section was facing a critical shortage of key resources which made it difficult to meet the ever increasing demands from the entire Organisation.

#### **Staffing**

Current Staff Compliment at the Mzilikazi Workshops was 37 (5 Female and 32 Male), with 4 Staff Members currently seconded to other Sections within the organization. The Staff establishment for the Workshop was 128; refer to the table below for details.

**Table 2.3: staffing**

	Trade	Grade	Establishment	Substantive	Acting	Variance
1	Charge Hand	9	3	1	1	2
	Bricklaying	8	2	2	0	0
2		6	6	0	2	6
	Carpentry	8	2	1	0	1
3		6	6	3	1	3
	Plumbing	8	2	2	0	0
		6	4	0	2	4
4	Painting	8	2	1	0	1
		6	6	0	5	6
5	Welding	6	2	1	1	1
6	Fencing	5	2	0	1	2
7	Tiler/Glazer	2	2	0	0	2
8	Trade worker	2	6	0	6	6
9	Stores person	6	1	1	0	0
10	W/Clerk	5	1	0	1	1
11	Stores Clerk	5	2	0	2	2
12	Site Stores	5	0	0	0	0
13	S/ Attendant	2	3	0	1	3
14	H/ Overseers	5	3	0	1	3
15	Sec/Assistant		0	0	0	0
16	Assistants		72			
	<b>Totals</b>		<b>128</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>46</b>

- The Section was pleased to report that 3 Journeyman Carpenters (Grade 6) had joined the workforce and it was anticipated that this would reflect in the performance of Maintenance and Capital Projects.
- 2 Staff members were scheduled to retire in 2022.



## **Capital Projects**

**Refer to the attached detailed list of the project on annexure A**

### **General remarks**

The section was facing a critical shortage of key resources which made it difficult to meet the ever increasing demands from the entire Organisation as indicated above.

- The number of available vehicles against these capital projects and general maintenance was a mis-match
- There would be a need to scale down these projects in proportion with available resources and budgets in the long run.

Thereafter it was -

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be  
received and noted.

## **(12) ARCHITECTURAL AND QUANTITY SURVEY SECTION MONTHLY REPORT - DECEMBER 2022**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the architectural section amongst other duties does the following:

Create building designs, write and present reports on building projects, supervise construction projects, develop project briefs, administer projects, evaluate and advise on refurbishments. Refer to attached annexure B for the major works carried out by the section in the month of December 2022.



Thereafter it was -

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be  
received and noted.

## **(13) RESULTS BASED FINANCE PROGRAMME QUARTERLY REPORT OCTOBER–DECEMBER 2022**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:

### **Introduction**

The report gave an update on the Results Based Finance (RBF) programme activities that were implemented between the months of October and December 2022. The RBF programme was an urban maternity programme that was implemented jointly with Health Services Department. The programme assisted vulnerable and expectant mothers with maternity vouchers. Activities that were done during the quarter under review included assessment and registration of beneficiaries. Eligible beneficiaries were issued with maternity vouchers which they redeemed at participating health facilities such as Nkulumane, Luveve, Magwegwe, Mzilikazi and Mpopoma amongst others.

### Assessment and enrolment of beneficiaries

A total of 3264 beneficiaries were assessed and enrolled into the programme during the quarter under review as compared to the 3302 that was achieved in the previous quarter. The beneficiaries were visited at their homes for assessment purposes by Social Workers. Areas that had highest number of assessed beneficiaries were Cowdray Park (482), Nkulumane (471) and Emakhandeni (247) whereas Dr Shennan had the least number of enrolled beneficiaries as only twenty- nine (29) people were assessed and enrolled. The table showed statistics of assessed and enrolled beneficiaries during the quarter under review.

Table showed statistics of assessed and beneficiaries

No.	Station	October	November	December	Sub Total
1	Nkulumane	164	152	155	471
2	Pumula	62	85	51	198
3	Northern suburbs	75	39	19	133
4	Dr Shennan	10	12	7	29
5	Nketa	122	113	102	337
6	E. F. Watson	49	44	124	217
7	Maqhawe clinic	50	52	24	126
8	Pelandaba	75	89	60	224
9	Tshabalala	43	46	41	130
10	Magwegwe	104	75	90	269
11	Emakhandeni	81	94	72	247
12	Mzilikazi	58	76	50	184
13	Cowdray Park	217	183	82	482
14	Luveve	65	67	85	217
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1175</b>	<b>1127</b>	<b>962</b>	<b>3264</b>

### Programme impact

The programme objectives had a huge bearing towards efforts of achieving Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) number three (3)-Good Health and Wellbeing. Over and above, the program continued to strengthen relationships between health care providers and communities and also improved access to health services at community level. The RBF programme had also enabled Social Workers to identify other underlying social protection issues contributing to challenges faced by some beneficiaries. This had enhanced effectiveness of social safety nets programming.

### Conclusion

Stakeholders appreciated the role of the programme in helping vulnerable women to access maternal services from health facilities. The programme had gone a long way in providing equity in health care as vulnerable women were assisted.

Thereafter it was -

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

#### (14) UPDATE ON SOCIAL SERVICES ACTIVITIES

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:

##### Introduction

Social Services section was mandated with the responsibility to manage, maintain and hire out public amenities such as halls, stadia and open air arenas. The halls were busier as it was the festive season whereas the stadia had reduced activities as the local football season had taken an annual break soon after the conclusion of the 2021/2022 football season.

##### Community halls

There was marked increase in the booking of community during the period under review as result of festive season celebrations and other associated activities. There were two hundred and seventy-three (273) booked sessions across all the halls as compared to the two hundred and fifteen (215) recorded in the month of November 2022. Nkulumane hall recorded twenty-six (26) booked sessions which was the highest out of all the halls for the month under review. The table below showed community halls booking statistics for the month of December 2022

Table showed name of stadia ward and booked sessions:

No.	Hall	Ward	Number of sessions	Amount(US\$)
1	Emhlangeni	7	19	491.15
2	Stanley	7	18	631.20
3	Stanley Square	7	2	162.50
4	Tshaka Gym	7	14	361.90
5	Macdonald	8	19	638.50
6	Mpopoma	9	7	268.70
7	Matshobana	9	7	225.40
8	Entumbane	10	22	724.50
9	Emakhandeni	11	10	346.75
10	Njube	12	8	257.30
11	Iminyela	13	3	96.75
12	Mabutweni	13	3	96.40
13	Pelandaba	13	4	128.30
14	Lobengula	14	13	464.85
15	Luveve	16	14	449.10
16	Pumula North	17	12	439.00
17	Magwegwe	18	7	268.50
18	Pumula	19	7	227.70
19	Sizinda	21	20	619.60
20	Tshabalala	21	13	361.90
21	Nketa	24	14	441.10
22	Nkulumane	24	26	889.95
23	Pumula South	27	11	401.75
	<b>Total</b>		<b>273</b>	<b>9,249.65</b>

### Closure of Barbourfields and White City Stadia for maintenance purposes

Barbourfields and White City stadia were closed to the public and stakeholders on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of December 2022 and the two facilities are expected to remain closed up to the 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2023. The closure of the stadia was to facilitate maintenance work which was aimed at improving the quality of the turf. Maintenance work was timed to coincide with the annual local football premierships' break in order to avoid disruption of the league games. This was also meant to give stadia maintenance team ample time to work on the stadia before the football league season resumes in 2023.

Thereafter it was -

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

### **(15) DONATION OF FOOD HAMPERS BY TENDY THREE INVESTMENT PRIVATE LIMITED**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that Tendy Three Investments (Pvt) Limited donated food hampers to five hundred (500) less privileged beneficiaries. This donation was the second one inside a year after the company assisted one thousand (1000) beneficiaries on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August 2022. The beneficiaries were drawn from Nkulumane, Tshabalala, Lobengula, Mzilikazi and Pumula. Distributions were done through the social work offices in the respective areas. Bulawayo Mayor His Worship Councilor S.Mguni graced the distributions at Nkulumane Housing office.

### Targeted Groups

The targeted groups were the elderly people, the disabled people, orphans and other vulnerable children, the chronically ill as well as other vulnerable groups. Each food hamper contained mealie-meal, sugar beans, cooking oil, bars of soap and two loaves of bread. The table below showed the list of items contained in each hamper.

Table showed list of items contained in each hamper

No	Item Description	Quantity
1	Mealie meal(10kgs)	1
2	Sugar (2kgs)	1
3	Jam (500g)	1
4	Cooking oil(2litres)	1
5	Sugar beans (500gs)	1
6	Bread (Loaves)	2
7	Soap (Bars)	2

### Distribution Statistics

A total of five hundred (500) beneficiaries received food hampers of which one hundred and seventy-one (171) were males whereas three hundred and twenty-nine (329) were females. The table below shows the distribution statistics from all the offices.

Table showed Office and number of beneficiary from each area

No	Area	Male	Female	Total
1	Nkulumane	24	76	100
2	Tshabalala	47	53	100
3	Lobengula	39	61	100
4	Mzilikazi	40	60	100
5	Pumula	21	79	100
	<b>Total</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>500</b>

### Conclusion

Beneficiaries expressed gratitude for the donations that came at an opportune time when people were celebrating the festive season. The donation went a long way in cheering the less privileged and food insecure during Christmas time. Tendy Three Investment Private Limited is commended for this and other humanitarian support they had extended to the vulnerable in the city.

Thereafter it was -

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

## **(16) 2022 CITY OF BULAWAYO SCHOOLS GRADE SEVEN (7) ZIMSEC RESULTS ANALYSIS.**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that in 2022, the City of Bulawayo had a total of 5069 learners that registered and wrote ZIMSEC Grade seven (7) National Examinations in its Twenty Nine (29) Primary Schools. The recently published results indicated that 48.06% (2427 Learners) passed all the six (6) examinable subjects with 5 or better. It would be recalled that Council considered units 1 to 5 as pass marks. It was also being noted that the 2022 group was the 2<sup>nd</sup> to write the Competence Based Curriculum Junior Examinations.

There was a slight drop in the pass rate from 55.92% to 48.06% in 2022 compared to 2021. The 2022 Candidates were affected by COVID 19 in both 2020 and 2021 which saw disruptions in the school calendar. Learning time was minimal and a number of initiatives were undertaken by the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education to ensure learners covered a lot of lost ground. A total of 11 BCC Schools had a pass rate above 50% while the remaining 18 schools also did their best with pass rates ranging from 3.33% to 49.28 % (as per BCC Standards). Ndebele (89.01%) as usual was passed exceptionally well, followed by Social Sciences (84.14%), English (74.93%), Agriculture, IT, Science and Technology (68.31%), Physical Education (66.02%) and lastly Mathematics (57.05%) was the least passed subject.

The Top three (3) Council Schools in 2022 Grade 7 ZIMSEC Examinations were as follows:

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>	
	<u>INCREASE/DECREASE</u>			
	<b>BCC</b>	<b>(MoPSE)</b>		
1. Malindela	86.16%	(92.45%)	63.46%	+22.70%
2. Mawaba	70.11%	(86.41%)	79.52%	-9.39%
3. J.W Mthimkhulu	63.49%	(63.49%)	76.52%	-13.03%

The least performing school in 2022 was Aisleby Primary with 3.33%, however the Ministry Standard was 13.30% which was a slight improvement from the 2021 pass rate. St Peters 8.33% (25% MoPSE standard) maintained the 2<sup>nd</sup> position from last. Manondwane with 22.75% (42% MoPSE standard) was 3<sup>rd</sup> from last. It was noted that the competition in the Top Three Positions in the last five years had been intense and there were always changes although some schools had been consistently in the top five. Ntshamathe, a traditional top performer dropped significantly in 2022. Ingubo improved from the 27<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> with a pass rate of 48.02% (68.93% MoPSE Standard). Nketa Primary dropped from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Position (Top 3) in 2021 to 10<sup>th</sup> in 2022. The hard work by the learners, heads, teachers and the support from the parents was much appreciated. The past two academic years had not been easy but a lot of work was done to ensure learners get positive results given the effects of COVID 19. It was hoped 2023 would not have any disturbances for better results to be achieved. The department together with School Development Committees was working with the School Administrators to ensure peri-urban schools attain better results. Teaching and learning materials as well as establishing conducive staff accommodation was being prioritised.

Refer to annexure C for detailed results analysis.

### **STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE PASS RATES**

Advocacy in Heads Meetings on the importance of formulating strategies at school level, some of which were highlighted below:

1. Set targets to be met at all times for an upward trend to be realized in all subjects.
2. Encouraging Team Teaching in schools on examination classes.
3. Action research by junior classes through IT means available in schools and in the libraries.
4. Strengthening reading at all levels from Pre-reading at ECD to Grade 7 where learners adopt the “Learning to Read” in order to “Read to Learn” orientation.
5. Introduction of e-Learning Platforms to capacitate both Learners and Teachers in the new learning areas/subjects.
6. Promoting the adoption/strengthening of library reading programmes.
7. Strengthening both in-class and school remedial programmes.
8. Continuous Staff Development workshops for teachers at school levels on new learning areas being examined at Grade 7 level.
9. Use of the Internet and ICT for individual studies by learners in schools.
10. Encourage implementation of Vacation Schools (to curb the conduct of extra lessons at homes).

Thereafter it was -

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.



**(17) DONATION OF ICT EQUIPMENT (COMPUTERS) TO TWO (2) SCHOOLS BY POTRAZ**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that two Council schools, namely, Queen Elizabeth II Primary (20) and St. Peters Primary (21) received ICT Equipment (computers) donated by POTRAZ during the World Post Day commemoration at Luveve Post Office on the 18<sup>th</sup> of November 2022. The details were shown below:

**5.2.1. POTRAZ ICT EQUIPMENT DONATION**

SCHOOL	TYPE OF ICT EQUIPMENT DONATION		
	Make	Model	Serial Number
Queen Elizabeth II Primary (20)	HP	Laptop	CND 2030D28
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032G2R
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030G63
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030FIG
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032DCF
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032G20
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030GBC
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030DVX
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032HVB
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032HHF
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030GGH
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030G37
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030FVM
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032GND
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030GDP
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032HKC
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030FYT
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030GLY
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030F3R
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030F33
St. Peters Primary(21)	HP	Laptop	CND 2030FIV
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030GII
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032GRV
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032H3B
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030F4J
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032HNR
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030F5F
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030F4F
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030GF6
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032G8T
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032JO5
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032GNK
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030GB9
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032G55
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032GTN
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032FNW
	HP	Laptop	CND 2030G59
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032H5Y



	HP	Laptop	CND 2030F45
	HP	Laptop	CND 2032GVJ
	HP	Printer	CNCKMC91PZ

### **POTRAZ COMPUTER ROOM FURNITURE DONATION**

St. Peters Primary further received computer room furniture donated by POTRAZ on the 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2022. The details were showed below:

SCHOOL	TYPE OF DONATION			
	Furniture	Quantity	Furniture	Quantity
	Desks	15	Chairs	30

### **NKETA LIBRARY DONATION OF ICT EQUIPMENT FROM POTRAZ.**

Nketa Library on the 29<sup>th</sup> of November received a donation of ten (10) HP Laptops and nine (9) Laptop Bags from POTRAZ as part of their nationwide E-Learning Programme. The laptops were delivered by courier to the Library.

Council appreciated and acknowledged the above donations which would go a long way to assist the beneficiary schools, Library and the community as they embrace e-learning being a critical component in the education processes. All the equipment was secured and would be maintained well all the time.

Thereafter it was -

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

### **(18) REQUEST TO REPOSSESS STAND NO.9053/10 PUMULA EAST: SIYAPUNYU SIMON**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that on Stand 9053/10 Pumula East was rented to Siyapunya Simon on a month-to-month tenancy basis since 29 June 1982. Several checks on the property revealed that Mr. Edward Ncube (08-105737 H26) currently stayed there; he was related to Simon and was left to look after the house since some time in 1983 when Simon relocated to Zambia. Ncube had been looking after the house well and paying rates to city council for the past 40 years and the rates account was currently paid up.

Several efforts to locate Simon and his family were unsuccessful indicating that he breached his contract by abandoning his tenancy which was a breach of contract. Such actions imply that he did not deserve to be occupying the said property. In terms of policy a tenant had to be physically in occupation of the premise all the time. As such Siyapunya Simon had breached the Council policy.

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

- (a) That the property be repossessed from Simon Siyapunya on the basis of the information given above.
- (b) That Edward Ncube be allocated the property which should be subsequently be converted to home ownership.

**(19) REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY FOR A WAIVER OF AGREEMENT OF SALE**  
**CONDITION: CLAUSE 16&17: RESIDENTIAL STANDS.**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (7<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that applications had been received from 6 beneficiaries with a request to waive clause 16 & 17 of the agreement of sale. The beneficiaries were requesting from council the authority to dispose their properties as the conditions in clause 16 & 17 does not allow property owners to dispose their properties before 5 years after signing the agreement of sale. The applications read briefly as follows:

“I Flyson Alison I.D 08-2929G08 request for waiver (Clause 17) to cede my rights and title of stand 15555 Pumula South to Lovemore S. Mdlongwa and Dalweyinkosi Sibanda who hold housing registry form no. 359/09/2020. My house is a four roomed house that is fully serviced with both water and sewer and i currently live there. The reasons for my sale being that i want to relocate to my home country Malawi and will use the proceeds from the sale of my house for relocating. I will not be coming back to Zimbabwe.”

“I Sharmaine A. Dube in light with clause 16 of the memorandum of agreement made and entered into by Bulawayo and I Sharmaine .A .Dube. Due to relocation reason that I won’t be in the country to have the buyers name in ownership. I however ask council to approve of the change of ownership in which I understand it should have been done in June next year.

“I Bhukumuzi Dube hereby request your office to transfer the stand to Busani Sibanda as mentioned above. I have sold the stand to him after having developed a two roomed house. I no longer have interest in the place and thus request your office to facilitate the transfer.”

“I Tendai Chidzongu residing at number 18405 Cowdray Park, would like to ask for a waiver on the property mentioned, I would like to sell my property because I need cash urgently to travel overseas if this case would be treated urgently, I would appreciate.”

“I Zvikomborero C Zimunya ID 84-013835 S 75 intend to sell my house 8861 Luveve 5 due to the fact that I am relocating to Harare and might not be coming to Bulawayo in the foreseeable future”.

“I Trynos Dube ID 21-023223D21 wish to sell my house to Walter Gwenure due to the fact that I got a permanent job in Australia. As such I may face challenges to come back and do the transfer documents once gone”.

In terms of the Agreement of sale clause 16, a property cannot be sold to a third party without council authority. The clause 4 reads as follows

‘Save with prior consent of the municipality the purchaser shall not at any time during the currency of this agreement nor during the period of 5 years immediately following the transfer of the property into the purchasers name, lease part the purchaser shall pay cost of transfer of stand into his name together with all survey costs applicable to the sale. The major issue is that properties cannot be sold to third parties before the five year period’

In view of above mentioned the under listed residents had applied for a waiver to dispose their properties they had financial problems which had necessitated them disposing their properties the applicants were listed in the table below showed the name of beneficiary, stand number and the date of the agreement of sale as well as the level of development.

NAME	STAND NUMBER	DATE OF AGREEMENT SIGNED	DEVELOPMENT
Flyson Alison	58195/3 Mabuthweni	16/06/2021	1 room outside toilet
Sharmaine Andile Dube	15764 Cowdrypark	03/09/2018	
Bhekumuzi Dube	8567 Cowdrypark	13/07/2020	2 rooms completed
Tendai Chidzundu	18405 Cowdrypark	31/12/2020	4 rooms completed
Trynos Dube	8971	09/06/21	Complete House
Zvikomborero C Zimunya	8861	13/01/20	Complete House

The properties had been fully developed. The department had circulated the applications to other departments who responded as follows:

The Acting Director Engineering Services Department had no objections to the request.

The Director of Health services had no objections to the application

The Director of Town Planning advised that there were no spatial planning objections to the waiver of clause 16 of the agreement of sale of the above mentioned stands provided all the other departments were agreeable.

The Director of Human Capital had no objection to the waiver as long as it was in terms of policy; however they advised that the Financial Director and Chamber Secretary are better placed to comment.

The Director of Financial Services recommended that 58195/3 Mabuthweni clears their balance of ZW\$4 422.24 before the application can be considered.

The Chamber Secretary advised that in terms of Clause 17 the consent has to be sought prior to the sale. However, for all the properties involved, sale had already been concluded. In making a decision, consideration could be to the mischief the Clause intended to address, as well as whether there was any prejudice Council was likely to suffer by

granting consent when the sale had been concluded. In general the relevant clause gives discretion to grant or deny consent.

The department had no objections to the applications subject to all moneys being paid in terms of policy.

The Department had no objections to the requests.

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a waiver be granted to all the applicants  
since the building conditions had been met.

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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ARE LAID UPON THE TABLE**

# ANNEXURE 'D'

**REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND ENGINEERING  
SERVICES COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ON MONDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023 AT 11.00 A.M.**

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**PRESENT:**

Alderman	S.	Khumalo (Chairperson)
Councillor	M.V	Chunga (Deputy Chairperson)
Alderman	M.	Lubimbi
“	E.	Rafomoyo
Councillor	M.	Dube
“	F	Javangwe
“	R.D.	Jeje
“	K.	Mujuru

**ALSO:**

The Town Clerk  
The Chamber Secretary  
The Acting Director of Engineering Services  
The Director of Housing and Community Services

**APPOLOGY:**

Councillor	A.	Batirai
“	D.	Mabuto
“	S.	Mutanda
“	J.	Ndlovu

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(1) **FIRE AND AMBULANCE**



The Chamber Secretary submitted (9<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter.

Discussion ensued and Councillor R.D Jele suggested that future reports should outline specific wards where fire calls were most prevalent. Such information would help identify the most affected areas and raise awareness to the residents. He raised concern on the challenge of shortage of portable pumps which had been recurring for several months without any solutions. He also enquired on how often Council inspected own BCC buildings and other public buildings for fire prevention equipment e.g. fire extinguishers. He sought clarity on fire extinguishers for Nkulumane Clinic that were taken for service in June 2022 and had not yet been returned.

Councillor F. Javangwe asked if fire hydrants had the capacity to provide water during water shedding periods.

Alderman E. Rafomoyo raised concern about fire and ambulance vehicles repair challenges. He emphasized the need for management to follow up on vehicles sent for repairs.

In response, the Assistant Director of Housing and Community Services explained that Council facilities had the required fire prevention equipment. Council inspected and serviced own equipment. The main challenge was maintenance of the equipment due to procurement challenges.

The Acting Director of Engineering Services advised that Council was currently considering procurement of a back up bowser for the Chamber Secretary's Department for use during water shedding periods as the hydrants had no water during shedding. In relation to vehicle repair concerns, he explained that Council was in the process of restructuring the workshop to enhance effectiveness.

The Chamber Secretary advised that the hydrant system was the backbone of fire services; water shedding therefore rendered this system ineffective. She further said that in terms of fire prevention Council Departments complemented each other with resources and each department had a health and safety officer. She explained that public buildings were inspected annually and given certificates. However, private buildings were only inspected upon request. A follow up would be done to check on servicing progress on fire extinguishers for Nkulumane clinic. With regard to portable pumps, she highlighted that Council had engaged Operation Florian to donate the pumps in place of vehicles/fire tenders. Council anticipated receipt of the portable pumps in April 2023. These were necessary especially during the water shedding period.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(2) **CITY OF BULAWAYO ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BY-LAWS, 2023**



The Chamber Secretary submitted (6 January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter.

The matter was considered and she explained that the by-laws had been reviewed and aligned with the provisions of the Environmental Management Act, bringing them up to date. They repeal the ones currently being used. Comments from other Council departments had been incorporated.

After considerable deliberations, it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the City of Bulawayo Environmental Management by-laws 2023 be adopted.

(3) **ROADS BRANCH**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the above mentioned matter:-

**Revenue Budget**

The following tables showed the snapshots for the available Revenue and Capital Budgets as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

*Table 2.1: Revenue Budget 2022*

Vote no.	Budget (\$)	Budget Available (\$)	Remarks
38	210,384,000	*TBA	Traffic control
77	1,192,802,000	*TBA	Road works
78	114,775,400	98,934,340	Drains
80	18,802,400	*TBA	Precast concrete products
Total	3,073,527,600	*TBA	
December drawdown		*TBA	Commitment for procurement of road construction materials and PPEs.

**Foot note:**

TBA\*: To be advised, budgets and funds available were held in abeyance till the AS400 system budget figures were updated.

Organisational cash flow constraints adversely affected the department's requirements for road repair materials, plant and equipment spare parts during the month of December. Refer to Appendices 2.1 and 2.2 attached.



Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(4) ROAD MAINTENANCE**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follow on the above mentioned matter:-

*Table 2.2: Maintenance*

Item	Description	Planned 2022	Planned in Dec 2022	Partial Target to Dec 2022	Actual in Dec 2022	Cumulative to Date	Variance %
1	Re-gravelling	30km	2.5km	30km	0km	7.4km	75
2	Storm-Water	12km	1.0km	12.0km	0.35	7.195km	40
3	Storm Water Community Groups	150km	25km	150km	19.3	151.9km	(0.01)
4	Entrance Slab Production (No)	360	30	360	10	149	58.6
5	Pothole Patching Cold Mix (Including CommGrps)	1800t	150t	1800t	0	316.5	82.4
6	Pothole Patching Jet Patcher	0m2	500m2	3000 m2	1455	3953	(31.8)
7	Median Cleaning & verges	48 km	4km	48km		11.14	76.8
8	Stone pitching	1080m	90m	1080m	40m	899	16.7
9	Streams/canals	6 000m	500m	6000m	0	0	100

*The Variance was the difference in percentage between the partial target and the cumulative to date.*

**Regrading / Regravelling**

**Re-gravelling**

The tendered works for Regrading and Regravelling works comprising the first ten wards which had been grouped into three Lots is shown in Figure 2.1 below. Of the three Lots, 1 and 2 had been awarded whilst Lot 3 was cancelled due to budgetary constraints and would be carried over to the following year. Work on Lot 1 had still not commenced. Works in Lot 2 started off in Ward 27 and about 1.7km had been covered. Works were now on hold as the Contractor awaits payment on the submitted claim. The claim was awaiting the finalisation of the validation process. These regravelling works were funded under the Devolution funds (IGFTs). Refer to figure 2.1 for the wards that were earmarked for regravelling during the year 2022.

**Figure 2.1: Summarises Wards that were earmarked for Regravelling during 2022**

**Reactive gravelling on tarred roads**

Sections of roads that were badly potholes were regravelled to improved riding quality and the following roads were targeted during the month under review;

ACTIVITY	SECTION	LENGTH
Re-grading and/ or Re-gravelling	*Matshobana, Luveve Road	700m
	*Glenview road, Richmond	2000m
	*Princess road, Richmond	1000m
	* Waverley road, Thorngrove	1000m
	*Steelworks road, Steel-dale	600m

### Gravel request

*Table 2.3: Gravel Requests*

Loads Dumped	Remarks
156	Gravel was dumped citywide upon request by Councillors and residents. Due to lack of plant and equipment Council was unable to spread the gravel and it was anticipated that residents within the community would assist in spreading the dumped material.

### Storm-water Drain Clearing and spoil removal and Grass Clearing.

#### Council teams

*Table 2.4: Storm Water Drain Clearing by Council Teams*

Location	Description
4006 Nketa 7	30m
19406 Station Road. Thorngrove	70m
Cosmos Road, Harrisville.	80m
Zuba garage Matopos road	30m
.Engen garage Makokoba	20m
Along Cecil Avenue, Selborne Park.	17.5 Mitre Drains
Sherwood Drive, Woodlands	40m
A6245 Old Pumula	30m
14867 Nkawu Road, Selborne Park	50m

Drain clearing works continued throughout the City. With the onset of the rainy season, the section was mostly doing reactive maintenance to minimise flooding on hotspot areas that were prone to flooding

### Catch pits cleaning and repair

Activity	Location	Number	Remarks
Catch pits cleaning and repairs	L.A.P.F House	3	Repairs cleaning
	2nd, 3rd, 4th, 8th, Lobengula street and R G Mugabe	10	

### Spoil (Loading and Spreading)

Table 2.5: Spoil (Loading and Spreading)

Location	Description
A6245 Pumula Old	WIP
8th Avenue, R G Mugabe Way, 3rd Avenue, Lobengula St, and Masotsha Ndlovu in the City Centre.	6 Loads by 5 cubic metres
Waterfront, Hillside Dams, Hillside	2 Loads by 5 cubic metres
18 508 Nkawu Road, Selborne Park.	50m by 2m (Spreading)
12300 Pumula South	20m by 2m spreading
Zuba garage Matops	1 load by 5 cubic metre

### Grass clearing - Road Verges

There was no median clearing during the month.

### Community Drain Clearing

The wards had been grouped in terms of proximity for the purpose of supervision and those with median clearing had been given priority. Wards with median clearing and wards in the medium to low density suburbs would have had two groups each. Payments for Batch 3 groups comprising wards; 2, 3, 5, 15 and 16 had been processed and paid. Batch 4 groups completed works by the 16<sup>th</sup> of December 2022 and payment vouchers were sent to the Financial Services Department for payments.

**Note:** Ward 27 did not start with the rest of the batch 4 groups as they failed to turn up. The group was later engaged as a reactive measure to minimise flooding in the ward from the 19<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2022. The group worked on selected drains around Jehovah's Witness church and Ashys shops.

### Stone pitching.

### Council teams

Table 2.6: Stone Pitching by Council Teams

Location	Description
112300 Pumula South	15m drain
651 Nkulumane	6m drain
2039 Mahatshula	15m
Holdengarde Ave and Caithness Hi	4m* 2m, Pavement Repairs

### Community groups

Work for the group in ward 22 continued during the month until the commencement of the Christmas holidays. Delivery for materials and outstanding tolls for ward 23 groups was still outstanding at the close of the year and it was expected that these would be available at the beginning of 2023. Commissioning of works in ward 17 was still on hold due to unavailability of resources. The department continues to push for the procurement of cement with a number of requisitions for the same outstanding. It was also expected that all groups would be commissioned after the construction industry shutdown was over. All programs for stone pitching continue to be funded under ward retention funds.

### Culverts Installation and repairs

Table 2.7: Culvert installation & repairs

Location	Description
8A Holdengarde Avenue & Caithness Rd, Hillside	18 Pipes * 0.6m * 2m
18508 Selborne Park	20 * 0.6m pipes
Umvutshwa Cemetery	5 Pipes * 0.45m * 1.2m
Station Rd, Thorngrove	30X .6m pipes

### Precast Products

Table 2.8: Precast Products

	Entrance Slabs	Heavy Duty Kerbs
Opening Balance	5	45
Produced	28	10
<b>Sub- Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>55</b>
Less Issued	20	5
<b>Closing Stock</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>50</b>

## Pothole Patching

Pothole patching continued through the use of a Jetpatcher during the reporting month, whilst gravel patching was used as a temporary measure in the absence of cold mix and shortage of materials for the Jetpatcher. Figure gave an illustration of the areas covered and type of pothole patching works carried out in the highlighted sections. Table presents a descriptive summary of work coverage citywide.

**Table 2.8: Pothole patching during the month of December**

Project Name	Section	Scope of Works	Progress %	Materials used
Burnside Road	14 <sup>th</sup> Ave to Douglas dale Rd (entire length)	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	90	Catmix = 400 litres 10mm stone = 5 tonnes Area ~ 100 m <sup>2</sup>
Freree/Jacaranda Ave	Airport rd to Lady Stanley Ave	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	80	Catmix = 300 litres 10mm stone = 2 tonnes Area ~ 75 m <sup>2</sup>
Lady Stanley Avenue	Jacaranda to Masotsha Ave	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	80	Catmix =100 litres 10mm stone = 0.5 tonnes Area ~ 100 m <sup>2</sup>
R Mugabe Way	Airport Rd to 14 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	90	Catmix =400 litres 10mm stone = 2 tonnes Area ~ 100 m <sup>2</sup>
J.M.N Nkomo	1 <sup>st</sup> Ave to 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	80	Catmix =250 litres 10mm stone = 1.5 tonnes Area ~ 80 m <sup>2</sup>
1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue	J.N.M Nkomo to R Mugabe Way	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	90	Catmix =100 litres 10mm stone = 0.5 tonnes Area ~ 50 m <sup>2</sup>
Khami Road	Lobengulast Station Rd to	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	40	Catmix =1600 litres 10mm stone = 12.5 tonnes Area ~ 500 m <sup>2</sup>

3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue Extension	Luveve Rd to Fort St	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	70	Catmix =1200 litres 10mm stone = 10 tonnes Area ~ 400m <sup>2</sup>
S Parirenyatwa	1 <sup>st</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Pothole Patching with Jet Patcher	90	Catmix =100 litres 10mm stone = 1 tonnes Area ~ 50 m <sup>2</sup>
H Chitepo	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Gravel Patching		
Fort Street	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Gravel Patching		
Lobengula St	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Gravel Patching		3% cement stabilized
Luveve Road	City to Intembard	Gravel Patching		
Basch Street	3 <sup>rd</sup> to Khamird	Gravel Patching		
Waverly Road	6 <sup>th</sup> Ave Ext to Winsgrove Rd	Gravel Patching		
Mpopoma Avenue	Luveve Rd to Khami Rd	Gravel Patching		
Khami Road	Basch St to Masiyephambili	Gravel Patching		
Bradfield Shopping Area	Bradfield	Gravel Patching		

### Plant and Equipment

The department had met challenges in providing ongoing in house projects with plant and equipment with most of the machinery having broken down and still awaiting repairs. This had led to delays of progress of works on multiple sites resulting in the stand still of most works requiring plant and equipment. In a bid to combat the backlog of all work, the department proposes the hire of plant as illustrated in table 2.9 below:

## ASPHALT CONCRETE WORKS

### In-House Teams

None carried out during the month of December 2022.

### Community Groups

Works on Community groups were still on hold due to lack of materials and tools attributed to funding constraints. The patching by Community groups is funded by Council and was targeting minor roads, and access roads.

#### i) **Pothole Patching by Community Groups** (Materials and Plant/Equipment)

The pothole patching groups would require 2,800 tonnes of cold mix asphalt concrete per month over three months. The breakdown cost for pothole patching by community groups was detailed in Table 2.8a below. The pothole patching by Community groups would focus on access roads in the residential areas.

**Table 2.8a:** Required materials, plant, equipment and tools for pothole patching per month.

Description	Unit	Qty	Rate, US\$	Amount, US\$
Cold mix	Ton	2800	440	1,232,000
Stable 60	Litre	5000	1.50	7,500
Tools	No	Varies	Varies	30,000
7 ton Flatbed 1	Km	3000	3.5	10,500
7 ton Flatbed 2	Km	3000	3.5	10,500
7 ton Flatbed 3	Km	2500	3.5	8,750
7 ton Flatbed 4	Km	2500	3.5	8,750
7 ton Flatbed 5	Km	2500	3.5	8,750
7 ton Flatbed 6	Km	2500	3.5	8,750
7 ton Flatbed 7	Km	2500	3.5	8,750
7 ton Flatbed 8	Km	3000	3.5	10,500
7 ton Flatbed 9	Km	3000	3.5	10,500

7 ton Flatbed 10	Km	3000	3.5	10,500
Labour Payment	No	100	180.0	18,000
Total cost per month per batch comprising of 10 wards				<b>US\$1,383,750</b>

**Foot note:**

- Each batch would require ZWL975,543,750 per month yet the Financial Services can afford ZWL100,000,000 per month to cover all road maintenance activities i.e routine and periodic works. This made it impossible to commence the pothole patching programme due to funding constraints.
- Each Ward was expected to work for 20 days using 14 tonnes of cold mix per day.

**Pavement Rehabilitation (CBD)**

Rehabilitation of Central Business District (CBD) pavements (Ward 1 Community Groups) was still on hold due to material constraints.

**Ward Retention Projects**

*Table 2.10: Ward Retention Projects*

Ward	Project Description	Current Status
2	Rehabilitation of Street Lights in Highmount: Tagore road Lotus Road Shakespeare Road	Material including 2400m of aluminium wire and 29 LED lamps have been received. Project is at 10% progress
5	Rehabilitation of Street Lights in Hillcrest: Hampshire Road Cornwall Leicester Stafford Huntingdon Hereford Durham Worcester Cumberland	Project is ongoing, 46x35W energy savers were received together with 2000m aluminium wire. Progress is at 80% completion
	Community Pothole Patching	Project has not started due to financial constraints.



Ward	Project Description	Current Status
6	Rehabilitation of Street Lights in Barham Green: Burke Road Beethoven Road	Material including 800m of aluminium wire and 5x35W have been received. Project is at 5% progress
17	Community Stone Pitching	Groups yet to be commissioned. Awaiting the confirmation of materials and tools before the work can be engaged.
22	Community Stone Pitching	Work has commenced and concentration is currently on resource mobilisation. Orders for cement are being processed.
23	Community Stone Pitching	Resource mobilisation on going . Orders for cement are being processed.

#### **Back filling of burst water trenches.**

No reports on backfilling of water trenches was received during the reporting month.

Discussion ensued and Councillor K. Mujuru had noted that Council could create an alternative route to decongest Luveve Road by rehabilitating the road that led to UCE from Cowdray Park.

Councillor R. D Jele recalled that Council had previously resolved to utilise proceeds from the TTI parking initiative for road repairs within the CBD. He therefore sought clarity on progress made so far to that effect.

Councillor F. Javangwe urged the department to consider Khami Road potholes as a priority that required immediate attention.

The Chairperson (Alderman S. Khumalo) noted with concern that the Engineering Services Department was overwhelmed with a wide variety of ongoing works. He therefore suggested that a department of works be created to reduce work load from the department. He further sought clarity about the construction of a roundabout on Masiyepambili Drive.

In response, the Acting Director of Engineering Services explained that the department was currently concentrating on reconstruction works along Luveve Road. All available resources had been channelled towards the project, splitting the resources for other uses would slow down works along Luveve Road. . He also explained that the roundabout design for Masiyepambili had been finalised. However, resource constraints were hampering implementation.

The Town Clerk advised that it was imperative to establish a route to decongest Luveve Road. The UCE road was an option that could be utilised by Cowdray Park road users. He advised that the TTI parking initiative funds could only be used within the designated range i.e. from 3<sup>rd</sup> avenue to 15<sup>th</sup> avenue. The funds had not accumulated enough to cater for significant road repairs.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(5) WATER DELIVERIES USING BOWSER**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follow on the above mentioned matter:

*Table 2.11: Water Deliveries using Bowser*

Point of Delivery	No. of Deliveries	Comment
Clinics, Schools, Funerals, kiosks and Residents	69	From the fleet of 4 Water Tanks available, only 2 were in operation. This caused a lot of delays and pressure on the team.

**Footnote:** Only two water bowsers were functional

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(6) ROAD REHABILITATION 2022**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follow on the above mentioned matter:

**Capital Budget: Table 2.12: Status of 2022 Capital budget**

*Table 2.12: Status of 2022 Capital Budget*

Vote no. 0077	Description	Budget, ZWL	Available Budget, ZWL	Expenditure, ZWL
14716	Servicing	395,200,000	378,012,301	17,187,699
11505	Construction	172,000,000	172,000,000	0,00
11713	Overlays	198,000,000	18,000,000	180,000,000
14712	Reseals	152,000,000	50,798,756	101,201,244
14714	Reconstruction	76,000,000	76,000,000	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>993,200,000</b>	<b>764,740,388</b>	<b>298,388,943</b>

## 2022 DEVOLUTION (IGFTs) UTILISATION

Funding ZWL	Works ZWL	Expenditure to date ZWL	Remarks
<b>IGFTs</b> 1,348,383,000	Road works 316,451,000	70,500,000 -	Re-gravelling and Reseals works. Funds committed 100% of the allocation. Awaiting payments to Contractors.
	Earth moving plant, equipment Refuse trucks Hydraulic platform vehicle Pole auger 843,000,000	Procurement process ongoing.	Funds committed 100% of the allocation. Procurement process.
	Fire & Ambulances 121,615,797	121,615,797	MLGPW advised that payment was made during the period April to July.
	Water & Sewerage 128,932,000	160,455,163	100% complete
	Electro-mechanical	3,453,630.52	Procurement of street lighting materials and paying DSK for the remaining pump.
	<b>Subtotal 2</b>	<b>356,024,590</b>	

## REGRAVELLING AND RESEALING WORKS

Table 2.13: Regraveling & Resealing Works

Type of Intervention	Target Length, km	Achieved Length, km	%age Progress	Contractor	Remarks
<b>Regravelling works</b>	10.3	2.5	15	Traversal (Pvt) Ltd	Works ongoing in ward 27. Preparation of base 2 complete, Contractor pulled out due to delayed payment.
<b>Reseal works</b>	1.8	0	0	Asphalt Products (Pvt) Ltd	St. Albans road works have not started. Contractor to proceed with the works once payment for the overlay works is made.
<b>Reseal works</b>	1.8	0	0	ZADA (Pvt) Ltd	Promised to resume works once the revised contract price was agreed by both parties.
<b>Total</b>	<b>13.9</b>				

## **EMERGENCY ROADS REHABILITATION PROGRAMME2 (ERRP2)**

The ERRP2 allocation for the year 2023 is ZWL817,014,116.08 eight hundred and seventeen million fourteen thousand one hundred and sixteen eight cents. The department intends to spend 70% (ZWL571,909,881) of the allocation on periodic maintenance works, Waverly Road overlays (from 3rd Ave to Khami road, 1.7km) and the remaining 30% (ZWL245,104,235) on routine maintenance (i.e. pothole patching, crack sealing and slurry sealing).

The disbursements of the funds for the ERRP2 was carried out by ZINARA on quarterly basis and on submission of Interim Payment Certificates (IPCs) for completed works. Council was yet to receive the disbursements for the first quarter.

Thereafter it was –

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

## **(7) EMERGENCY ROAD WORKS ON FIVE KEY ROADS**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follow on the above mentioned matter:

### **(a) Pothole Patching City Wide for the Period December 2022 to March 2023 by in-house teams**

(i) The pothole patching programme could not commence in earnest due to the following:

(ii) The bulk of the input materials were delivered around the 23<sup>rd</sup> of December 2022, refer to table 2.14a for quantities and dates in red text.

(iii) Asphalt Product (Pvt) Ltd the sole supplier of cold/hot premix closed for Christmas break on the 21<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> December 2022 making it impossible to patch with premix since the Ministry of Transport batching plant was down.

(iv) The teams continued using the Jet patcher and gravel where potholes were now too deep.

### **Pothole patching material requirements by in-house teams**

**Table 2.14a: Pothole patching material and tools requirements**

Description	Unit	Qty	Rate, US\$	Amount, US\$	Qty received	Date
Catmix	litre	60,000	1.50	90,000	30,000	23.12.2022
Bitumen 70/100	kg	30,000	1.50	45,000	7,000	23.12.2022

<b>Stable 60</b>	<b>litre</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>1.50</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>23.12.2022</b>
<b>MC30</b>	<b>litre</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>1.50</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>none</b>	<b>none</b>
<b>Quarry dust</b>	<b>ton</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12,500</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>23.12.2022</b>
<b>10mm stone</b>	<b>ton</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>23.12.2022</b>
<b>Batching fees</b>	<b>ton</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150,000</b>		
<b>Tools</b>	<b>varies</b>	<b>Varies</b>	<b>varies</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>none</b>	<b>none</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>350,500</b>		
<b>Approximately</b>			<b>US\$120,000 per month</b>			

**(ii) Localised Reconstruction and Overlay Works – in house Teams, Plant & Equipment**

The breakdown cost of plant/equipment requirements for localised reconstruction and overlays was detailed in Table 2.14b below which showed the current status in red text.

Table 2.14b: Plant and Equipment Requirements – Cost breakdown.

<b>Plant/Equipm ent</b>	<b>BCC No</b>	<b>Breakdown Description</b>	<b>Estimated cost(US\$)</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Sino truck Howo	320	10 tyres	4000	tyres delivered and salvaged flaps
Sino truck Howo	321	10 tyres & brake shoes	5000	tyres delivered and salvaged flaps
*Sino truck Howo	323	10 tyres & brake shoes	5000	Still awaiting delivery of flaps.

*Sino truck Howo	329	10 tyres, brake shoes & suspension sandwich	6000	Still awaiting processing of requisitions.
*Sino truck Howo	328	10 tyres	4000	Still awaiting delivery of flaps, received 2 tyres.
Flatbed truck	834	Brake shoes, clutch	-	Has been fixed – awaiting engine oil.
Flatbed truck	265	900-20 tyres/tubes/flap	2100	Running – awaiting delivery of tyres.
Flatbed truck	214	900-20 tyres/tubes/flaps	2100	Running – awaiting delivery of tyres.
Flatbed truck	264	Engine overhaul/clutch/brakes	30000	Updating requisitions
Flatbed truck	116	Engine overhaul	30000	Updating requisitions
Excavator	709	Starter replacement	800	Starter received now under repairs.
Excavator	712	Stainless steel welding rods & hose.	1100	Functional
TLB	638	Faulty Hydraulic pump	4000	Awaiting delivery of hydraulic main pump.
Jetting Machine	Jet	Fuel system	-	Under repairs
Tipper truck (5m <sup>3</sup> )	300	6 tyres/ tubes/flaps	2100	Running -awaiting delivery tyres.
Tipper truck (5m <sup>3</sup> )	302	6 tyres/ tubes/flaps	2100	Running -awaiting delivery tyres.
Tipper truck (5m <sup>3</sup> )	303	6 tyres/ tubes/ flaps	2100	Running -awaiting delivery tyres.
Tipper truck (5m <sup>3</sup> )	142	6 tyres/ tubes/flaps	2100	Running -awaiting delivery tyres.
Tipper truck (5m <sup>3</sup> )	307	6 tyres/ tubes/flaps	2100	Running -awaiting delivery tyres.

Grader	731L	Repairing works in progress	-	Running but only does light work.
Grader	730H	Lean Cylinder	600	Fixed –awaiting engine oil delivery.
Grader	797L	Leaking transmission hoses	600	Under the workshop overheating.
Front End Loader	798	Bearing & Belt	100	Running
NP300 Van	309	Service	-	Fixed
Waterbowser	338	Service	-	With Duly's
Waterbowser	336	Hard gear shifting	-	Down
Waterbowser	791	<i>Accident damaged</i>	-	Down
Total			US\$105,300	

**Foot note:**

- (i) On average there were two running Howo trucks 20m<sup>3</sup> that were being shared with Health Services. (ii) For surfacing work the Asphalt Products' batching plant produces 80 tons per hour and the department had to provide four Howo trucks for surfacing works and this had not happened for the greater part of 2022.
- (ii) Flat beds (7-tonne trucks for pothole patching) on average 2 out of 5 were on the road and had been patching using gravel.
- (iv) Excavator 1 out of 2 is running;
- (v) TLB was down which makes it difficult to carry out new drainage excavations;
- (vi) Though most Tipper trucks (5m<sup>3</sup>) were running with tyres that were due for replacement the rate at which punctures occur was overwhelming.
- (vii) On average the department had two water bowzers running but of late only one was on the road.

**Table 2.14c: Roadworks to be carried out as part of Emergency Road Improvement (Rehabilitation) Works**

The update and summary of Road works that were granted green light to proceed by the Joint Environmental Management & Engineering and Finance & Development Committee Meeting held on 12 December 2022 was detailed in table 2.14c below.

ORDER OF PRIORITY	ROAD NAME	SECTION	SCOPE OF WORKS	ESTIMATED COST (USD) ABSOLUTE MINIMUM WORKS	ESTIMATED COST (USD) DESIRED WORKS	REMARKS
1	Luveverd	Lobengulast to Nketa drive (9km)	Rehabilitation	1,200,000	9,200,000	Works re-scoped after the recent rains.
2	Khamird	Fly over, Mpopoma Ave to Zimtile (2.5km)	Overlay	1,375,000	TBA	Phase 1 will be pothole patching entire stretch and localised pavement reconstruction.
3	Steel Works rd	Lobengulast. to Mpopoma Ave (4.5km)	Rehabilitation	5,850,000	TBA	
4	Matoposrd	23 <sup>rd</sup> Ave to Leander road (2.5km)	Overlay	2,750,000	TBA	
5	Wellington rd	Wellington/ Northleachintersec(0.5km)	Reconstruction	325,000	TBA	
6	Waverly st	3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave to Khami road (1.7km)	Improvement	948,600	TBA	

### Luveve Road

The works were to be re-scoped after the recent rains due to further deterioration that occurred on the entire stretch of Luveve road and works commenced on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 2023 for ninety days. The delay in the commencement of works was attributed to construction industry shut down during the Christmas-New Year's break, delay in supply of tyres and flaps for Howo tipper trucks, and Flatbeds for pothole patching and the fixing of graders. Though the status of tipper trucks and flatbeds had not changed significantly, the works on Luveve road were progressing. The department intends to hire graders, paver, front end loader, and TLB on an "as and when" required basis to avoid unnecessary delays on a major road with high daily traffic flows. The funding for the works would be from Council's own funds and Emergency Roads Rehabilitation Programme 2, the estimated costs of works were detailed in table 2.14c.

### Khami Road

The first phase of works, pothole patching was intended to commence on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2023 using Wulftch Incorporation (Pvt) Ltd's alternative material for pothole patching. The main works would follow after Steel works road, the estimated costs of works were detailed in table 2.14c.

### Steel Works road

The first phase of works, pothole patching would be done in parallel with Luveve road to keep the road trafficable. The main works would follow after Luveve road works, the estimated costs of works were detailed in table 2.14c.

### Matopos road



The first phase of works, pothole patching would be done in parallel with Luveve road to keep the road trafficable. The main works would follow after Khami road works, the estimated costs of works were detailed in table 2.14c.

#### **Wellington road**

The first phase of works, pothole patching would be done in parallel with Steel Works road to keep the road trafficable. The main works would follow after Matopos road works, the estimated costs of works were detailed in table 2.14c.

#### **Waverly street**

The first phase of works, pothole patching would be done in parallel with Luveve road to keep the road trafficable. The main works would follow after Matopos road works, the estimated costs of works were detailed in table 2.14c.

Thereafter it was –

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

### **(8) TRAFFIC CONTROL AND SAFETY**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follow on the above mentioned matter:

Table 2:15: Traffic Control Budget

<b>Vote</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Budget 2022 (ZWL)</b>	<b>Available Budget December 2022(ZWL)</b>	<b>Expenditure To Date (ZWL)</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
38	197	Traffic Lines	67,821,800	65,807,776	2,014,024	-
38	198	Traffic Signs	25,041,800	23,763,831	1,277,969	-
38	203	Regional Roads	3,999,200	-12,296,938	16,296,138	-
38	205	Collector Roads	0	-56,163,297	60,284,664	-
38	219	Arterial Roads	26,186,400	TBA	TBA	-
38	252	General Maintenance	8,151,600	8,151,600	0	-
38	282	CBD Roads	4,891,000	3,652,434	1,238,566	-
		<b>Total</b>	<b>136,091,800</b>	<b>(TBA)</b>	<b>TBA</b>	

Table 2.16: Traffic Control Activities

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Planned 2022</b>	<b>Planned in November 2022</b>	<b>Actual November 2022(km)</b>	<b>Partial target</b>	<b>Cumulative to date</b>	<b>Variance %</b>
1	Line Marking (km)	60	5	0.376	50	12.38	75

2	Traffic and Street Name Signs Replacement (no.)	1,000	100	8	800	123	84.6
3	Speed Humps and Rumble Strips (sites no)	24	2	3	20	3	80

**Traffic Control Activities**

*Table 2.17: Traffic Control Activities*

Item	Activity	Road	Section of road	Distance	Comments
1	Humps	0			

2. Word and Symbol Marking

	Disabled symbols	CBD		8 symbol	
	Disabled Bays	CBD		2 Bays	
	Cycle	J.M.Nkomo	Takawira -10th Ave	8 words	
	Entrances	Fort St	11th and 12th Avenue	2	
	Bus stop symbol	JMN Nkomo	9th and 10th Ave	2 words	
	Bus stop	JMN komo	9th & 10th Avenue	2	
	Bus stop bays	CBD		5No.	

**Traffic signs**

*Table 2.18: Traffic Signs*

ITEM	SIGN	SITE	QUANTITY	SIGN TYPE	COMMENT
1	Sign production	Workshop	4	Danger Warning	Humps
			1	Informative	
2	Sign erection	Sunninghill	4	Informative	
3	Sign recoveries	3Mpopoma and Emakhandeni	2	Danger warning	Recovered as a result of vandalism of one of the poles.

## **SOILS LAB**

### **Gravel extractions**

*Table 2.19: Gravel Extractions*

<b>Developer</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Pit</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Admire and Sons Pvt Ltd	Extracting decomposed Gravel	St Peters Village	To access 3000m <sup>3</sup> for road construction. Collected 765 m <sup>3</sup> .
National fencing	Extracting decomposed Gravel	Kumalo	Collected 10m <sup>3</sup> to fill up potholes along Wolverhampton road.

### **Road Density Tests**

*Table 2.20: Road Density Tests*

<b>Developer</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Roads tested</b>	<b>Comment</b>
BCC Roads Construction	Pumula South Project	10m Rd 1 - Subgrade 10m Rd 2- Subgrade 10m Rd 3- subgrade 10m Rd 4- Subgrade	Nuclear method used to test all roads.

### **Quality Control**

*Table 2.21: Quality Control*

<b>Developer</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Aggregate Properties	Cowdroy Park roads	Priming,tack coat and seal coat application	Aggregates used for tacking had no source documents.

## **Soils Survey**

*Table 2.22: Soil Surveys*

<b>Road</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Churchill Road , Bellevue	Field-Test pitting and profiling. Lab- Sieving for grading and consistency limits test	Work in progress

## **Challenges**

- No vehicle for the section's everyday jobs.
- CBR Machine, Compaction Machine and Marshall Stability machine were all down.
- The Radiation Protection Authority of Zimbabwe prohibits the haulaging of nuclear gauge and staff members in the same load box of a truck for health and safety precautions.
- Gravel pits need to be reclaimed especially in Western areas as ponding rises during the rainy season.

Discussion ensued and Councillor F. Javangwe called for the installation of speed humps near Pelandaba SDA School as fatal accidents were prevalent in the area.

In response the Acting Director of Engineering Services expressed the need to balance a range of variables before they could accede to speed humps requests. Some routes were specifically designated for emergencies and could not accommodate speed humps however the request would be looked into.

The Chamber Secretary advised that other alternative traffic control measures could be considered for roads that could not accommodate speed humps for example traffic lights or engagement of the police to control traffic during peak hours.

Thereafter it was –

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

## **(9) PRE-SALE STANDS: SERVICING OF MEDIUM AND HIGH-DENSITY RESIDENTIAL STANDS CITY WIDE WITH ROADS, WATER AND SEWER RETICULATION SYSTEMS**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follow on the above mentioned matter:

### **Implementation Strategy on Servicing of Pre-sale Stands**

The Implementation strategy should be as per Council of 01 June 2022. The Inter-departmental committee meeting of representatives from the Financial Services, Legal, Health, Engineering Services, Housing and Community Services shall continue further engagements with the beneficiaries of stands.

### **Inter departmental Engagement With Beneficiaries**

There were no meetings carried out during the month of December 2022, save for the protest by beneficiaries from Emnganwini and Tshabalala developments. The committee was not available to attend to the complaints of the group and it was planned that the beneficiaries should be met in January 2023. Beneficiaries from Woodville, Emhlangeni phase 2 Magwegwe Extension and Emnganwini continued paying top ups for the completion of works in their wards. The top up figures for these four developments (4) were agreed with the beneficiaries. It should however be noted that the arbitration case on the Emnganwini and Tshabalala developments would had to be finalised before completion of works can be considered.

The department continued on minimal works at Emhlangeni Phase 2 and shut down by the middle of the month as was the norm for Christmas festivities. Works were expected to commence after the annual construction industry shutdown. It was anticipated that after review of the top up amounts in January 2023, the works would gather momentum. The committee recommended that at least payment of 60% of the top ups would guarantee movement on the completion of the projects.

Beneficiaries from Pumula South have requested a meeting between the committee and the entire beneficiaries on their issue particularly the top up amounts required. The beneficiaries would be engaged in January 2023.

Thereafter it was –

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

### **(10) DONATIONS**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follow on the above mentioned matter:

#### **COWDRAY PARK CDF FUNDS**

The culvert pipes donated by the House of Assembly Member (Luveve Constituency), Hon. S Ndlovu had been installed on the 31.5m road in the vicinity of the area that was serviced by Hawkflight by the contractor BHSC. The construction of headwalls and lining of the drains inlets and outlets paths had commenced to allow for the handing over of the culvert crossing to the City.

Thereafter it was –

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted with appreciation.

(11) **COWDRAY PARK HLALANI KUHLE SERVICING**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the contractor Bulawayo Homeseekers Consortium Trust (BHSCT) had been awarded a 6 months extension of time from September 2022 with no price variation . This extension would allow the contractor to complete all outstanding works.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(12) **HOPEVILLE DEVELOPERS (PVT) LTD - WOODVILLE ROAD**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that Hopeville developers had expressed interest in reconstructing Woodville road from Airport road to the end of the development extents, approximately 1.7km long. The details, terms and conditions of the donations would be communicated in due course.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(13) **AP GLENDINNING (PVT) LTD- DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT NORTHWEST OF ZONKI-ZIZWE SHOPPING CENTRE**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the department was approached by AP Glendinning (Pvt) Ltd [APG] requesting to improve the surface water drainage system from Zonkizizwe Shopping Centre, Bradfield, at Hillside Road bridge to a point towards the Trade Fair grounds. This section of the storm water drainage canal was totally overgrown with vegetation and general debris, which in turn hampers the smooth flow of storm water during the rainy period. The length was approximately 270m. The canalisation was now complete.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.



(14) **ROAD CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY FOR COST EFFECTIVE AND DURABLE ROADS**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the department was currently engaging Wulftch Incorporation (Pvt) Ltd on alternative material for pothole patching and had promised to carry out a demonstration on site on Thursday 12 January 2023. Wulftch had patched potholes in Masvingo using the same material and the Masvingo Engineer was content with the performance of the product. The department intends to try the product on Khami road and Matopos road.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(15) **MASIYEPHAMBILI DRIVE / KHAMI ROAD INTERSECTION: ACCIDENT MITIGATION MEASURES**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that preliminary assessment for the Khami road/Masiyephambili drive intersection was undertaken 3 years ago with a view to replacing the traffic signal controlled junction with a roundabout junction. However, due to funding constraints, the preliminary assessment was not progressed to detailed design and subsequent implementation of the proposal.

The detailed designs had been done. However, due to financial constraints, Council would install rumble strips as soon as the bituminous material was available. The rumble strips would be installed during the Luveve Road Improvement Works.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(16) **WHITESTONE AND MQABUKO HEIGHTS ROADS CONSTRUCTION : REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ENDORSEMENT.**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the department was currently engaged in meetings with Anzac Properties (Pvt) Ltd on their request for endorsement for the completion of the road network construction. An interdepartmental meeting would be planned in the month of January 2023 to attend to the request by Anzac Properties.

Stand holders still request the inclusion of Council so as to enhance trust and confidence between the two parties. Members would be informed that a council resolution of the 5th of June 2013 acknowledged the developers' engagement of the stand holders on the same. Furthermore, a letter dated the 10th of August 2014, was written to the developer affirming Councils' stance to support the engagement of the beneficiaries.

It was to be considered that Anzac Properties request for a letter of endorsement be granted. The letter would be for them to share with their beneficiaries, advising them that it was in their best interest to complement and cooperate with the developers for the completion of the project. This would in turn afford the beneficiaries a developed road network, and title deeds and subsequent security of their investments.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(17) MABUTWENI - IMINYELA REDEVELOPMENT**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the Mabutweni (1815 units) - Iminyela (1232 stands) improvement works comprises the following:

- Provision of accesses to individual properties;
- Provision of Water and Sewer to individual properties.

The current survey plan or Town Planning layout showed the boundary lines without the building lines which made it impossible to progress the designs for water, sewer and roads.

According to the Survey team, the topographical survey was expected to take 8 weeks. The estimated cost of the survey was USD\$184,200.00.

The designs for water, sewer and roads would follow once the topographical survey had been completed and these were expected to take four (4) weeks. The survey works would commence during the 2023 financial year.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(18) TRANSPORT UNIT REPORT**

The Acting Director of Engineering Services reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the above mentioned matter

**FLEET MAINTENANCE WORKSHOPS**

Bulawayo city council had a total of 413 vehicles including heavy plant, generators, motor vehicles and motorbikes serviced and maintained under four workshops. These were; Famona's Ambulance and Fire Brigade, 13th Ave Transport Workshop, Roads Workshop and Cleansing Workshop. Below was the fleet availability status as per our workshops.

**Fleet availability status as per workshop**

*Table 2.23: Famona Workshop*

Type Of Vehicle	Quantity	Runners	Non-Runners
Turn Table Ladder	2	1	1
Break Down Trucks	1	1	0
Water Tenders	9	5	4
Water Carriers	2	1	1
Emergency Tenders	4	3	1
HP	2	2	0
General Purpose Lorry	0	0	0
RIVs	2	1	1
LRV	1	0	1
Command Vehicles	4	4	0
Other Support Vehicles	2	2	0
Foam Tenders	2	2	0
Ambulances	19	8	11
Command Vehicles	1	1	0
Other Support Vehicles	4	4	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>20</b>

*Table 2.24: Cleansing workshop*

Type Of Vehicle/Plant	Quantity	Runners	Non-runners
Refuse Trucks	18	11	7
Box Trucks	3	0	3
Tippers	3	1	2
Water carriers	2	1	1
3 Tonne Trucks	4	1	3
1 Tonne Trucks	30	20	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>26</b>

*Table 2.25: Roads Workshop*

Type Of Vehicle/Plant	Quantity	Runners	Non-Runners
Nissan Ud Tippers	11	5	6

Type Of Vehicle/Plant	Quantity	Runners	Non-Runners
Nissan Flat backs	7	3	4
Nissan Ud Quester	2	2	0
Mazda F6	10	4	6
Toyota Gd6	1	1	0
Liutech Compressor	2	2	0
Nissan Cw290	1	0	1
Nissan Cabster	4	1	3
Nissan Hardbody	1	0	1
Toyota Stallion	2	0	2
Mazda Bt50	1	1	0
M.F. 375 Tractors/Case	6	4	2
M.F.350 Tractor	1	0	1
Nissan U80 W/Bowser	2	1	1
Nissan Np200	8	6	2
Nissan Np300	9	7	2
Nissan Np300 Yd25	5	4	1
Nissan Ud40	1	1	0
M.F. 290 Tractors	10	3	7
Land Fill Compactor.	1	0	1
Ladini Mobile Crane	1	1	0
Bulldozers	5	1	4
Excavators	5	1	4
Motor Graders	7	1	6
Front End Loaders	3	1	2
Rollers	7	5	2
Back Hoe Loaders	2	1	1
Sino truck Howo	6	1	5
<b>Jet vac</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Nissan Quon Bowser</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>66</b>

*Table 2.26: Transport Workshop*

Type Of Vehicle	Quantity	Runners	Non-Runners
7 Tonners	12	6	6
3 Tonners	15	8	8
B16/Na20	51	17	34
Np200	24	19	5
NP 300	28	20	8
Utility Vehicles	12	6	6
Patrols	2	1	1
GD 6	8	8	0
YD 25	16	15	1
Isuzu	2	2	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>69</b>

*Table 2.27:Generators*

Workshop	Quantity	Runner	Non-Runner
Famona	3	3	0
Roads	24	24	0
Cleansing	8	8	0
Transport	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>

The above tabulated data showed that from the total of 413 vehicles and plant, 232 (56%) of these were operational while 181 (44%) were not running. The 44% consists of vehicles and plants that were awaiting auction and the delivery of spares. Due to unavailability of spares and service kits in our supply chain, downtime persists in the servicing of the fleet. Even though workshops ordered spares and service kits, these were still yet to be delivered. Table 2.27 showed the available motor generators and reveals that all 34 (97%) generators were running.

### **Current Status of the council fleet**

#### **Supply and delivery of motor vehicles**

Bulawayo City Council had made progress in the procurement and maintenance of its fleet. In 2021, council tendered for the supply and delivery of motor vehicles which comprised of five (5) half-tonner pickups and two (2) SUVs. The five (5) half-tonner pickups were delivered and were now operational, seconded to the Financial Service's Cut-off and Meter Reading Section. All these vehicles had also been installed with vehicle

tracking and fleet management system bringing about a total of 203 vehicles under the fleet management system.

#### **Supply and delivery of one tonner pick-ups**


Council also tendered for the procurement of seven (7) one tonner pickups this year and this tender had been awarded.

#### **Supply and delivery of plant and roads maintenance equipment**

The city was in dire need of equipment and plant. To fulfil this need, the city tendered for the procurement of plant and roads maintenance equipment and this tender was currently on the evaluation stage. The tender includes the procurement of a combined chip spreader & bitumen distributor vehicle, a hand operated bitumen sprayer "baby tar", front-end loaders, excavator, pole auger vehicle, hydraulic platform vehicle, tipper truck 10 cubic metres, refuse compactor trucks 19 cubic metres, refuse compactors and 140m motor grader.

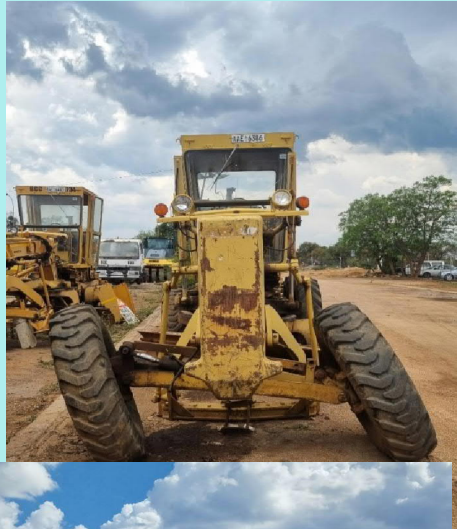
#### **Refurbishment of five mechanical plant**

Currently, council had a number of equipment and plant that were down. Due to this, it identified five (5) of these that were essential in road constructions and landfill sites. These plants need urgent refurbishment to bring them back to their working condition and the tender for the refurbishment of five (5) mechanical plant was advertised and awarded. Below were the images of some of these plants that were identified.

Vehicle Desc.	Condition
<p><b>Excavator - BCC 708</b></p>	



rader- BCC734





**Bulldozer-  
BCC657**



Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(19) WATER BRANCH**



The Acting Director of Engineering Services submitted (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter:

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(20) SEWERAGE SECTION**



The Acting Director of Engineering Services submitted (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter:

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted

**(21) WASTEWATER TREATMENT WORKS**



The Acting Director of Engineering Services submitted (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter:-

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(22) WATER QUALITY SECTION DECEMBER 2022**



The Acting Director of Engineering Services submitted (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter:-

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(23) ELECTRO MECHANICAL**



The Acting Director of Engineering Services submitted (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter:-

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted

**(24) PROJECTS**



The Acting Director of Engineering Services submitted (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter:-

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(25) GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS – GIS**



The Acting Director of Engineering Services submitted (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter:-

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted

**(26) EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**



The Acting Director of Engineering Services submitted (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter:-

The matter was considered and there after it was

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the two Companies Satewave Technologies and Erisn Africa be engaged to submit specific detailed proposals that will be further evaluated by the City of Bulawayo before being submitted to ZIDA for additional review and consideration of the projects.

**(27) BUILDING CONTROL SECTION MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2022**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (12<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**BUILDING PLANS**

A total of 247 building plans with a value of US\$5 804 985 were approved in December 2022, constituting an increase of 21, 68% compared to the previous month's figure. A total of 201 building plans with a value of US\$3 904 190 submitted in December 2022, a decrease of 3, 8% compared to the November 2022 figure. A total of 4 948 inspections were carried out in October 2022 constituting an increase of 3, 45% as compared to the previous month total. This had been a very difficult month on the issue of transport as all Council vehicles were down at some point.

Three of the vehicles were still to be fixed by the relevant department. Building plan filing backlogs were being cleared on a daily basis.

#### **VEHICLE STATUS**

FLEET NO.	CONDITION	DEFECTS	COMMENT
171	<i>RUNNER</i>	-	<i>UNDER WORKSHOP</i>
236	<i>RUNNER</i>	-	<i>RUNNING</i>
860	<i>RUNNER</i>	-	<i>UNDER WORKSHOP</i>
845	<i>RUNNER</i>		<i>UNDER WORKSHOP</i>

#### **STAFF STATUS**

##### **Skilled Workers**

<i>Description</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Authorised</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Variance</i>
<i>BUILDING CONTROL OFFICER(BUILDING TECHNOLOGY)</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>PLAN EXAMINER(BUILDING TECHNOLOGY)</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>DISTRICT BUILDING INSPECTOR(BUILDING TECHNOLOGY)</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>BUILDING INSPECTOR (BUILDING TECHNOLOGY)</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>ADMIN ASSISTANT (ADMINISTRATION)</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>CLERICAL ASSISTANT(CLERICAL)</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>RECEPTIONIST(CLERICAL, COMMUNICATION)</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>

#### **STATISTICS**

Shown below were statistical figures of approved plans, submitted plans and building inspections carried out:

##### **APPROVED PLANS FOR DECEMBER 2022**

WARD	TYPE OF DEVELOPMENTS	NUMBER	VALUEUS(\$)	FLOOR AREA (M <sup>2</sup> )
1	COMMERCIAL PUBLIC	9	107 830	525
		2	23593	166
2	RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL	2	33 441	38
		1	6000	
3	RESIDENTIAL PUBLIC	23	1 593 719	7373
		1	313 000	2090
4	RESIDENTIAL	11	708 988	4757
5	RESIDENTIAL	3	40 693	147
6	RESIDENTIAL	7	382 715	1 544
7	RESIDENTIAL	2	6 000	67

8	RESIDENTIAL	2	14 902	29
9	RESIDENTIAL INDUSTRIAL	1 6	7 473 426 485	78 1 888
10	RESIDENTIAL	2	4 010	20
11	RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL	2 1	12 938 11 000	95
12	RESIDENTIAL	3	22 897	152
13	RESIDENTIAL	1	3 200	31
14	RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL PUBLIC	3 1 1	53 632 46 500 26 500	419 282 450
15	RESIDENTIAL	1	5 700	54
16	RESIDENTIAL	6	281 130	763
17	RESIDENTIAL	5	91 127	601
18	RESIDENTIAL	6	46 108	435
19	RESIDENTIAL	1	6 600	57
20	RESIDENTIAL	6	81 680	626
21	COMMERCIAL	1	1 272	50
22	RESIDENTIAL	4	38 510	276
23	RESIDENTIAL PUBLIC	1 1	10 967 2 900	110 203
24	RESIDENTIAL	3	30 841	212
25	RESIDENTIAL	12	214 635	1 407
26	RESIDENTIAL PUBLIC	22 1	267 037 33 500	2 083 500
27	RESIDENTIAL	19	255 096	1 821
28	RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL	65 1	766 852 22 600	5 857 100
29	RESIDENTIAL	8	85 886	608

**BUILDING CONTROL ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2022**

ACTIVITY	NUMBER	VALUE IN US \$	FLOOR AREA (M <sup>2</sup> )
<b>SUBMITTED PLANS</b>			
➤ INDUSTRIAL	6	472 061	
➤ COMMERCIAL	9	59 245	
➤ PUBLIC	13	555 899	
➤ RESIDENTIAL	173	2 816 984,86	
<b>APPROVED PLANS</b>			
➤ INDUSTRIAL	6	426 485	1 888

➤ COMMERCIAL	14	193 930	907
➤ PUBLIC	6	117 793	3 409
➤ RESIDENTIAL	221	5 066 777	29 591
<b>BUILDING INSPECTIONS</b>	559	8 385	
➤ MANDATORY	4 381		
➤ ROUTINE	24		
➤ OCCUPATION CERTIFICATES			
<b>HOARDING</b>	2	40,33	8
<b>ADVERTISING SIGNS</b>	6	-	
<b>PLAN SEARCHING</b>	-	-	

### **PROPERTIES ISSUED WITH CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPATION**

In terms of the model building bye laws (1977), chapter 2, sections 44 & 46 no new building should be occupied without an occupation certificate issued by the local authority. As such the Department inspectors routinely issues certificates of occupations to new residential development that comply with the bye laws. New Commercial and Public buildings were inspected by an interdepartmental team before an occupation certificate was issued. On issuing of the occupation certificate the number of new toilets were recorded and forwarded to the Financial Director for sewerage billing for areas with sewer reticulation. As a result the revenue base of Council was improved.

The table below indicated completed new developments that were issued with certificates of occupation for the period of December 2022 and part of November 2022 together with estimated minimum sewerage fees and monthly fixed charges raised.

**TABLE ON OCCUPATION CERTIFICATES ISSUED IN THE CITY**

<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>NO OF JOBS COMPLETED</b>			<b>NO OF NEW WATER CLOSET S ADDED</b>	<b>APPROXIMATE SEWARAGE CONNECTION FEES RAISED @ Eastern-US\$186,62 Western- US\$178, 74 Ind.&amp; Co US\$247, 58 Per connection</b>	<b>APPROXIMATE MONTHLY FIXED CHARGES RAISED@ US\$ Eastern-\$1, 63 Western-\$0, 82</b>
	<b>ADDS</b>	<b>NEW</b>	<b>Ind. &amp; Com</b>			
<i>EASTERN</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>69</i>	<i>US\$ 4 292,26</i>	<i>US\$112,47</i>
<i>WESTERN</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>121</i>	<i>US\$10 903,14</i>	<i>US\$99,22</i>
	<i>3</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>190</i>	<i>US\$15 195,40</i>	<i>US\$211,69</i>

### **ILLEGAL CONSTRUCTION WITHOUT APPROVED PLANS AND BUILDING INSPECTIONS:**

The Section was following up on all illegal structures that had so far been identified issuing final notices and charging penalties on defiant illegal developers. To date 170 had been identified across the city.

### **UPDATE ON DILAPIDATED AND UNSIGHTLY BUILDING IN THE CBD**

On dilapidated and unsightly buildings, the Section was in the process of following up on all identified buildings while issuing out notices on the newly identified ones, 43 were at various levels of completion, 34 were between 90 and 100% in completion.

Thereafter it was –

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

### **(28) MONTHLY REPORT FOR SWIMMING POOLS FOR DECEMBER 2022**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (12<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

#### **ATTENDANCE AND REVENUE**

All the five (5) Municipal pools recorded declines in both revenue collection and attendance as compared to the same period of 2021. These were due to unfavourable weather pattern for swimming during the course of the Month.

Below were statistics of attendance and revenue collected in all five pools.

#### **BARHAM GREEN POOL: VOTE 0024**

<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
ADULTS	9	US\$ 27.00	Each adult paid US\$3.00
ADULTS	6	ZWL\$ 13 485.48	Various rates used
CHILDREN	83	US\$ 124.50	Each children paid \$1.50
CHILDREN	4	ZW\$ 4496.16	Various rates used
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>US\$ 151.50</b> <b>ZW\$ 17981.64</b>	

#### **BULAWAYO CITY POOL: VOTE 0025**

<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
ADULTS	110	US\$ 330.00	Each adult paid US\$3.00
ADULTS LUNCH	15	US\$ 22.50	Each adult paid US\$1.50
CHILDREN	301	US\$ 451.00	Each child paid US\$ 1.50
ADULTS	43	ZW\$ 92 317.03	Various cross rate used
CHILDREN	35	ZW\$ 41 297.30	Various cross rates used
BAPTISM	147	US\$ 30.00	For 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
BAPTISM	153	US\$ 60.00	For 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>US\$ 893.50.00</b> <b>ZW\$ 133 614.33</b>	

**NORTH END POOL: VOTE 0026**

DETAILS	ATTENDANCE	REVENUE	REMARKS
ADULTS	75	US\$ 225.00	Each adult paid US\$3.00
CHILDREN	234	US\$ 351.00	Each adult paid US\$ 1.50
ADULTS	1	ZW\$ 21 63.36	Each child paid ZW\$ 2163.36
CHILDREN	17	ZW\$ 18 376.58	Various rates used
EXCESS	-	US\$ 2.22	Excess monies
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>US\$ 576.00</b> <b>ZW\$ 20 542.16</b>	

**MPOPOMA POOL: VOTE 0101**

DETAILS	ATTENDANCE	REVENUE	REMARKS
ADULTS	5	US\$ 15.00	Each adult paid US\$3.00
CHILDREN	44	US\$ 66.00	Each child paid \$1.50
CHILDREN	32	ZW\$ 35 256.63	Various cross rates used
BAPTISM	108	-	Paid in advance for 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2022
BAPTISM	1484	Zw\$ 25 880.05	Baptism for 24th December 2022
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1673</b>	<b>US\$ 81.00</b> <b>ZW\$ 61 136.68</b>	

**LUEVE POOL VOTE: 0102**

DETAILS	ATTENDANCE	REVENUE	REMARKS
ADULTS	6	US\$ 18.00	Each adult paid US\$3.00
CHILDREN	36	US\$ 54.00	Each child paid US\$1.50
CHILDREN	4	ZW\$4 370.70	Various rates used
BIRTHDAY	76	US\$ 160.00	1x Session for 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2022
WEDDING	102	ZW\$7456.00	Part payment for 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2022
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>US\$ 232.00</b> <b>ZW\$78 937.79</b>	

The pools recorded 3130 bathers, whilst the revenue collected was ZW\$312 212,60 and US\$1 934

**STAFFING**

POSITION	GRADE	AUTH.EST	ACTUAL EST	VARIANCE
SWIMMING POOLS SUPERINTENDENT	9	1	1	0
S\POOL SUPERVISOR	6	6	3	3



S/POOL ASSISTANT2/ GATE ATTENDANT	3	5	3	2
S/POOL ASSISTANT1/ LIFEGUARD	4	6	2	4
CUBICLE ATTENDANTS	2	12	0	12
LABOURERS	1	19	8	11
TOTAL	-	49	17	32

### **REPAIRS**

No repairs carried out at Barham Green, Northend and Luveve pools. Repairs were done at Bulawayo City Pool where the electricians attended to a faulty underground cable which was no longer supplying power to the main Offices. Bateman water works serviced and fitted back a faulty chlorinator for Bulawayo pool which was used for purification of pool water. The Engineering Department also attended to a burst main circulation pipe work at Mpopoma pool. They also serviced the flooded motor for the same pool.

### **GROUND MAINTENANCE**

The shortage of staff on the ground was being felt as we could not cope with general maintenance work. However, all pools were well maintained and the pool water met the required standard. Water temperatures were favourable as usual for swimming and they ranged between 25<sup>0</sup>C to 26<sup>0</sup>C.

### **WEDDINGS**

Luveve hosted one (1) wedding ceremony on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of December 2022.

### **BIRTHDAY PARTY**

Luveve hosted a birthday party bash on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2022.

### **CHURCH BAPTISMAL**

Bulawayo City Pool hosted two (2) baptismal on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December 2022, whilst Mpopoma hosted three (3) baptismal on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December for two churches and on the 24<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

### **DONATIONS**

Mr Hodgson of paint and Allied was still donating his labourers to help in titivating Bulawayo pool and his painters were still busy painting in the female side ablutions and change rooms. A letter of appreciation would be written to him on behalf of Council as soon as he finishes.

### **STAFFING**

Shortage of staff remains a challenge as the current establishment was overwhelmed with loads of work on the grounds. Refer to details below.

<b>POSITIONS</b>	<b>GRD</b>	<b>AUTHORISED ESTABLISHMENT</b>	<b>ACTUAL ESTABLISHMENT</b>	<b>VARIANCE</b>
<i>S/POOLS SUPERINTENDENT</i>	9	1	1	0
<i>S/POOLS SUPERVISORS</i>	6	6	3	3
<i>S/POOLS ASSISTANT I</i>	4	6	2	4
<i>S/POOLS ASSISTANT II GATE ATTENDANT</i>	3	5	3	2
<i>CUBILE ATTENDANTS</i>	2	12	0	12
<i>LABOURER</i>	1	19	8	11
<b>TOTALS</b>	-	49	17	32

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(29) PARKS SECTION MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2022**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (12<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

**Degradation in Greater Bulawayo and Water Catchment Areas**

**Water Catchment Area**

Joint patrols were conducted at the catchment areas by Rangers and Z.R.P. During these patrols, a total of 140 hand tools and 3 detector machines were confiscated and handed over to Esigodini Z.R.P as exhibit. Twenty (20) illegal gold panners were handed over to Esigodini courts for prosecution. A total of 201 illegal gold panners were arrested throughout the year of 2022.

**Greater Bulawayo (mineral and sand extraction)**

A total of two (2) stakeholder meetings were conducted at Dejavu Restaurant on the Welfare of Donkeys and the other one was conducted at Rainbow Hotel on the Hualin Quarry mine located at Pumula North.

During the patrols, a total of 59 tickets were issued to various offenders. Twenty six (26) tickets had already been cleared and a sum of US\$1 802.37 was realised. A total of 33 tickets was still outstanding with a value of US\$15 980.27.

Patrols were conducted in both Eastern and Western areas of the city. A total of fourteen (14) truckloads were recorded at the two (2) designated pit sand sites and a total US\$230.00 was realized from the sales. Illegal cultivation was now rampant as the rain season continues. Slashing of maize was conducted at Nketa Park and Luveve Gum Plantation to curb the invasion of protected areas by illegal cultivators.

Refer to the table below for detailed statistics.

**TABLE 3.1.: LANDS INSPECTORATE MONTHLY STATISTICS FOR DECEMBER 2022**

<b>OFFENCE /ACTIVITY</b>	<b>NO. OF PAID TICKETS</b>	<b>RATE</b>	<b>VALUE OF PAID TICKETS US\$</b>	<b>NO. OF UNPAID TICKETS</b>	<b>VALUE OF UNPAID TICKETS US\$</b>
<b><u>Soil Excavation</u></b> <i>Truck 5 Tonne Van</i>	<i>1</i>	- -	- \$135.00	<i>1</i> -	\$3107.82 -
<b><u>Wood cutting</u></b> <i>Wheel barrow Scania</i>		- -	- -	<i>4</i> <i>9</i>	<i>478.68</i> <i>\$9323.46</i>
<b><u>Dumping</u></b> <i>Scania</i>		-	-	<i>2</i>	<i>\$2071.88</i>
<b><u>Other Activities</u></b>					
<i>Pit sand sale-14</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>\$230.00</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Tree Inspection</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>\$20.00</i>		<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Illegal barbing</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>\$71.80</i>	<i>\$ 200.00</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>\$287.20</i>
<i>Illegal grazing</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>\$88.89</i>	<i>\$ 71.80</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Movement permit</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>	<i>\$1155.57</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Stream bank cultivation</i>		-	<i>\$ 10.00</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>\$711.23</i>
	<i>26</i>		<i>\$1 802.37</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>\$15 980.27</i>

**Total Value of Paid Tickets US\$ - \$ 1 802.37**

**Total Value of Unpaid Tickets US\$ - \$15 980.27**

**Hire of Amphitheatre RTGS\$ - \$38 019.48**

### **VELD MANAGEMENT**

#### **Grass cutting**

Grass cutting and stumping done at:

**Housing Offices:** Nketa 6, Nkulumane, Tshabalala, Luveve, Pelandaba, Entumbane and Mpopoma.

**Clinics:** Nketa 6, Nkulumane, Tshabalala, Luveve, Maqhawe and Magwegwe.

**Halls:** Njube, Mpopoma, Sizinda and Tshabalala.

**Libraries:** Entumbane, Njube, Mpopoma, Tshabalala, Nketa 7

**Other installations:** Ascot race course, Ascot shopping centre, Fairbridge robots, Nkayi road intersection, Masotsha Ndlovu intersection, Airport road, Famona Fire brigade, Trade Fair open space, Central Park, Centenary Park, Tower Block, City Hall, Mthwakazi , Mabutweni Girls Club, Ikhwezi Training Centre, Inyathi Youth Centre, Nketa 6 and 7 Parks, Sizinda Youth Centre, Kelvin North.

**Hedge trimming and tree trimming**

Done at: Ascot race course, Northend Fire brigade, Northend Clinic, Central and Centenary Parks, Mthwakazi, Lobengula Housing office, Entumbane Housing Office and Clinic, Nketa 6 Park, Nketa 7 Housing Office, Tshabalala Clinic and Housing Office, Pelandaba housing Office.. Tree trimming was done following reports made in and around the Central Business District.

**Trees and Lawn Propagation/ Conservation Education**

A total of twenty (20) trees were planted at Centenary Park. Flowers were planted at Amphitheatre, Central and Centenary Parks in preparation of the festive season. Lawn was planted at Central Park. Sprucing up and resuscitation of the Central Park was still in progress. Sprucing up and resuscitation of Centenary park was in progress.

**Staffing**

**(i) General Workers**

<b><i>Parks East</i></b>	<b><i>Authorised 70</i></b>	<b><i>Actual 66</i></b>	<b><i>Variance -4</i></b>
<b><i>Parks West</i></b>	<b><i>Authorised 75</i></b>	<b><i>Actual 49</i></b>	<b><i>Variance -28</i></b>
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b><i>145</i></b>	<b><i>115</i></b>	<b><i>-32</i></b>

**(ii) Lands Inspectorate**

**Rangers**

<b><i>Authorised 74</i></b>	<b><i>Actual 56</i></b>	<b><i>Variance - 18</i></b>
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**Illegal occupation of Council land and stray animals**

Animals impounded at Gum Plantation Pound:

- Cattle 29
- Calves 08
- Goats 08
- Donkeys 06

**TOTAL 51**

**Council Horses**

- Stallions 03
- Females 05
- Colts 07
- Filly 03
- Castrated 05

**Total 23**

**Council Ducks**

- Ducks	08
- Ducklings	02
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>10</u></b>

**Tractor Analysis**

	<b><i>FLEET NO.</i></b>	<b><i>CONDITION</i></b>	<b><i>COMMENT</i></b>
1	605	NON-RUNNER	AT ROADS WORKSHOP
2	607	NON-RUNNER	AT ROADS WORKSHOP.
3	628	NON-RUNNER	AT ROADS WORKSHOP
4	689	NON - RUNNER	AT ROADS WORKSHOP
5	690	NON-RUNNER	AT ROADS WORKSHOP
6	692	RUNNER	VERY OLD( needs constant attention)
7	701	NON-RUNNER	AT ROADS WORKSHOP
8	696	NON-RUNNER	AT ROADS WORKSHOP
9	719	RUNNER	CENTRAL PARK( cannot use a mower)
12	706	NON - RUNNER	AT ROADS WORKSHOP

**Contract workers**

A total of fifty (50) contract labourers were engaged from the 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2022 to the 20<sup>th</sup> of March 2023. Projects to be undertaken include renovation of the 3 stadia, tree planting, festive season preparation, grass cutting, titivation of Parks and Council Installations. The boosting of the Parks Staff played a crucial role as festive preparations were done on time. The Carols by candle lights, switching on of lights by the Mayor and Christmas festivities were a great success.

Thereafter it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(30) **FLOODING OF 9 HOLLYHOCK CLOSE, HARRISVALE BEING STAND 15 HARRISVALE**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (12<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**Introduction**

The stand number of the affected property was 15 Harrisvale township- the correct street address for this property was No. 9 Hollynock Close. The stand was within the original town planning layout of Harrisvale, i.e.TPE 108.The stand measures 1164m<sup>2</sup> in extent and was title surveyed vide General Plan BDT 182 which was approved on 27 September 1976. The property was on freehold and currently occupied by Brian Ndlovu. In March of 2018, the owners of no. 15 Holly Hock Close submitted a Public Liability claim for damages on the property following flooding of the property, which resulted in the disbursement of the funds by the insurance

company. In January of 2022, the property flooded again and the tenants submitted a second Public Liability claim. A site inspection of the area was carried out by an inter-departmental team and the following was noted:

- i. The property that gets flooded was at the lowest point such that the water that collects from surrounding properties passes through it.
- ii. A stone pitched trapezoidal drain 800mm wide and 600mm deep was constructed on the peripheries of the affected house to convey water to an undeveloped area adjacent to the property.
- iii. All drains that lead to the affected property were stone pitched to improve conveyance of water.
- iv. An earth drain 2 metres wide by 800mm deep was constructed to carry water that collects from the newly constructed suburb of Neqi Township to divert the water from flowing to the affected house. These measures were designed to convey storm water when the area receives normal rainfall and the affected house did not get flooded.

The flooding incident was a natural cause and insurance does not cover liability against natural causes. The current owners were the third owners of the property and queries were raised on the sudden emergence of flooding occurrences, considering no historical information was available of the previous tenants flooding, as previous owners could have sold the property in an attempt to avoid the occurring floods.

Mitigation measures taken by the Director of Engineering Services to further alleviate the possibility of flooding in the event of heavy floods reoccurring and these include,

- Widening the opening on the dura wall,
- Installation of a new culvert crossing the Jungle Road,
- bush clearing the area abutting the affected property,
- Retrenching the drainage leading to the Jungle Road from the affected property.
- The drainage along Cosmos Rd coming from new developments upstream of the Storm-water Catchment area, would be redirected from turning off Cosmos Rd and continue to release storm-water on the drain along the Jungle Rd at the intersection of Cosmos rd and The Jungle Rd.

The foundations of the affected property were noted to be normal foundations but considering the terrain of the area, the property owners were required to install special foundations as the area was on low-lying ground and was serviced with a drainage servitude, which would be susceptible to water logging, thereby affecting the integrity of the structure. The affected property was furnished with 4 brick courses above ground level and no apron, which further aggravates the flooding of the property. Although these mitigation factors would reduce the storm-water flows, they would not fully protect the property from flooding, which had seemingly reduced their frequency cycle in the past years from 5 years to 2 years. The Director of Engineering Services would continue to carry mitigation measures subject to the availability of resources i.e. labour, plant and materials.

A further site inspection of the area was carried out in the vicinity of number 9 Hollyhock Close, Harrisvale by a team from Engineering Services (Roads) and Financial Services. a subsequent

survey was conducted to determine the extent of properties that were likely to be affected by flooding.

### Further Findings

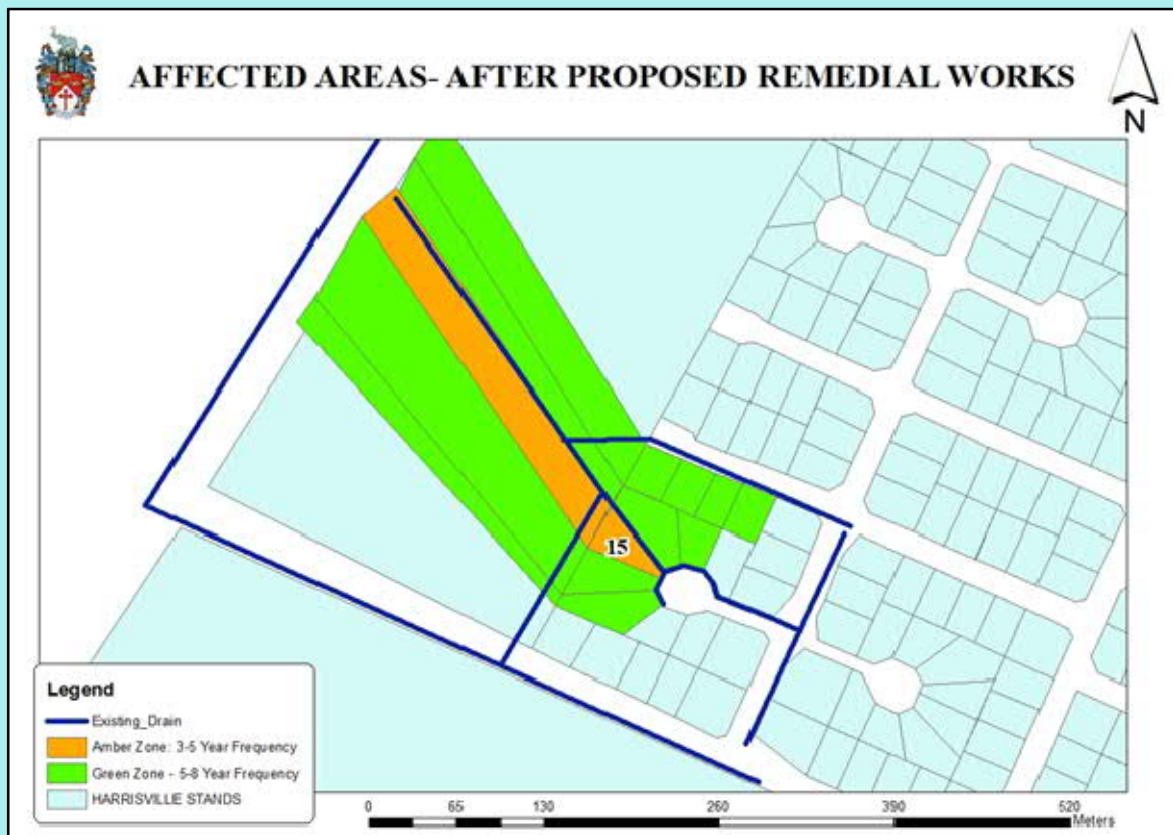
It was further noted that the property no. 9 Hollyhock Close was located on watercourse and the properties on either side of no. 9 were on low lying ground (i.e. within the flood plain). The geographical location for number 9 makes it prone to flooding. It was observed that the two properties numbers 14 and 16 had their floor slabs raised to levels that were above normal, 150mm above ground level. This made the properties on 14 and 16 less susceptible to flooding.

Within no.9 Hollyhock Close, there was a storm water drainage 800mm wide and 600mm deep lined trapezoidal drain along its Northern Boundary which serves to dissipate storm water from Hollyhock close, through an undeveloped open space on the Western side of the afore-mentioned stand, across Jungle road and into a stream running adjacent to Jungle road.

Evidence of flooding was recorded to had occurred in March 2018, January 2021 and February 2022. In March 2018, the flooding was severe to the extent of the occupant submitting a Public Liability claim which was settled. Furthermore it had been observed that when an intense storm hits the area the drain outlet also gets flooded such that instead of the water draining away it then builds backwards further causing flooding of the property. The Engineering department had put measures to mitigate flooding but the occurrence seems to occur once in 1 or 2 year storm event.

### Conclusion

It was not possible to completely eradicate flooding on no. 9 Hollyhock Close as it was located within the extents of the watercourse.



In view of the fore-going it was proposed that the property be demolished and the land area becomes a thoroughfare for water drainage. The owner be fairly compensated and be assisted to



acquire a stand should he want to build instead of purchasing another property once fully compensated.

The matter was considered and Councillor R.D Jele was of the view that Council utilise the property for other purposes such as establishing a youth centre instead of demolishing it.

In response, the Assistant Director of Housing and Community Services advised that the property was on the water way hence occupation of any kind was not possible. He added that Council would compensate the owner and assist the owner to acquire a stand should he wish to. Offering building assistance put Council at risk of encountering the same challenge it was currently facing.

There after it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

1. That Stand 15 Harrisvale, being 9 Hollyhock Close, Harrisvale be demolished and the land area becomes a thoroughfare for water drainage.
2. That an appropriate funding is identified by the Finance Director to compensate the owner based on a fair valuation of the property.
3. That the current owner to surrender his title deeds to Council as part of the implementation process once compensation has been concluded.
4. That Should the owner opt to rebuild he can be assisted to purchase a stand from Council.

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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ARE LAID UPON THE TABLE.**



# **ANNEXURE 'E'**

**REPORT OF THE TOWN LANDS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE : MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TUESDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup>  
JANUARY, 2023 AT 11.00 A.M.**

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**PRESENT:**

Councillor	R. D	Jele (Chairing)
“	P.	Moyo (Chairperson)
“	S.	Mutanda
“	S	Chigora
“	F	Msipa
“	F.	Javangwe
“	M.	Ncube
“	F.	Mhaka
“	S	Sibanda
“	T	Ruzive

**ALSO:**

The Chamber Secretary  
The Director of Town Planning

**ABSENT:**

Councillor K. Mujuru

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(1) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A GROCERY SHOP ON SUBDIVISION A OF STAND 1155 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (11 FORT STREET): LOVEMORE MOYO: AREA = 576 SQUARE METRES.**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (28<sup>th</sup> November 2022) to establish a grocery shop had been received from Lovemore Moyo. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the grocery shop had not started operating.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
RE/155 B.T	Mr A.N Hassim	11B Fort,St, Byo
1154 B.T	Brethren In Christ Church	9 Fort Street, Byo
1153 B.T	Brethren In Christ Church	P O BOX 1890, Byo
1144 B.T	Traffic Safety Council of Zimbabwe	12 Fort Street, Byo
1145 B.T	Mrs J Madhoo	10 Fort Street, Byo
S/D A/1143 B.T	Mrs K Patel	14 Fort Street, Byo
S/D A / 1156 B.T	Heritage Insurance Company	13 Fort Street, Byo of Zimbabwe (Pvt) Ltd
RE /1156 B.T	The Institute Of Personnel Management of Zimbabwe	P O Box 111, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish a grocery shop on Subdivision A of Stand 1155 Bulawayo Township, be granted to Lovemore Moyo subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements.

(2) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH AN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (ECD) ON STAND 73499 LOBENGULA WEST BULAWAYO: MAGWEGWE CENTRAL SDA CHURCH: AREA = 7 902.82 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (4<sup>th</sup> February 2022) to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) had been received from Magwegwe Central SDA Church. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the early childhood development centre had not started operating.





The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
2693 Magwegwe	Mr P Kankhondi	2693 Magwegwe, P O Magwegwe, Byo
2694 Magwegwe	Mr M Khumalo	2694 Magwegwe, P O Magwegwe, Byo
2628 Magwegwe	Mrs C Siziba	2628 Magwegwe, P O Magwegwe, Byo
2629 Magwegwe	Mr N Mathe	2629 Magwegwe, P O Magwegwe, Byo
2630 Magwegwe	Mr SM Ndhlovu	2630 Magwegwe, P O Magwegwe, Byo
72512 Lobengula	Mr B Sithole	72512 Lobengula, P.O. Lobengula, Byo
72513 Lobengula	Mr T Mlilo	72513 Lobengula West, P O Magwegwe, Byo
72702 Lobengula	Mrs C Moyo	72702 Lobengula West, P O Magwegwe, Byo
72555 Lobengula	Mr C Mushunje	72555 Lobengula West, P O Magwegwe, Byo

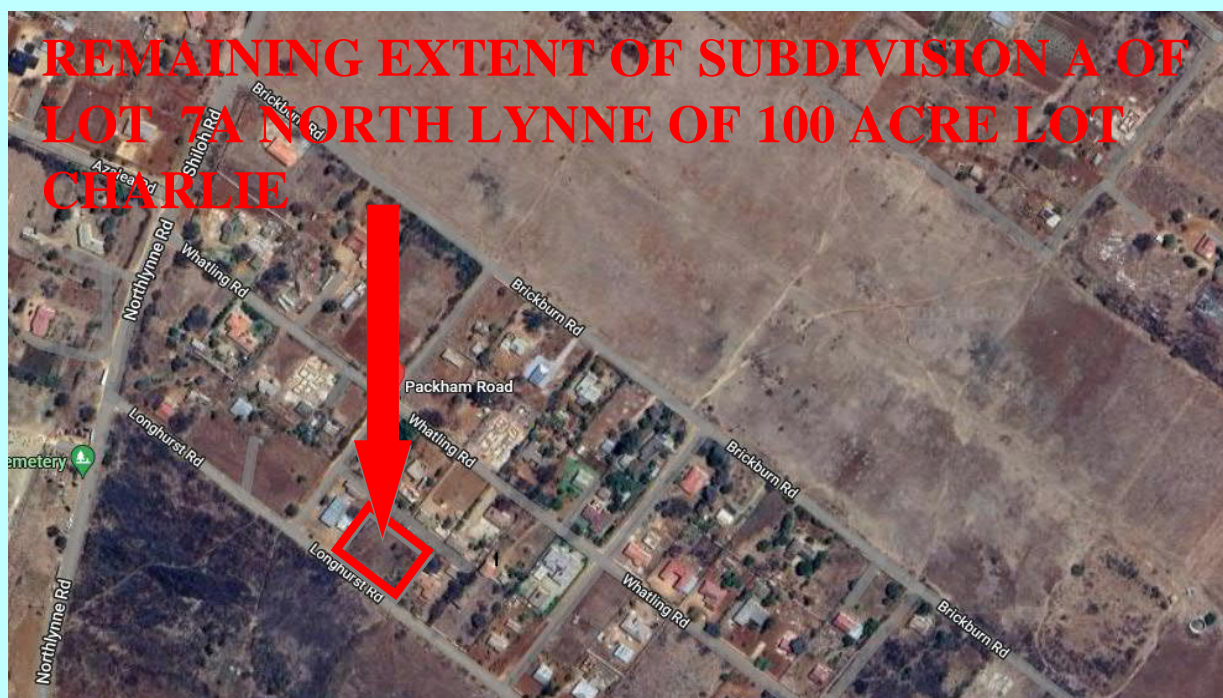
On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was –

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) on Stand 73499 Lobengula West Bulawayo be granted to Magwegwe Central SDA Church, subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly payment of US\$50. This levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

(3) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A SERVANTS QUARTER MEASURING FIFTY SQUARE METRES (50M<sup>2</sup>) ON REMAINING EXTENT OF SUBDIVISION A OF LOT 7A NORTH LYNNE OF 100 ACRE LOT CHARLIE (23 WHATLING ROAD): GIDEON MUZHINGI: AREA = 1774 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022) to construct a servants quarter measuring fifty square metres (50m<sup>2</sup>) had been received from Gideon Muzhingi. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to the municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the servants' quarter had not been constructed.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
Lot 62 Northlynne	Mr C Zaloumis	19 Whatling Rd, Northlynne Byo
Lot 63 Northlynne	Messrs S&ML Ndlovu	17 Whatling Rd, Northlynne Byo
Lot 64 Northlynne	Mr J Mashamba	15 Whatling Rd, Northlynne Byo
Lot 65 Northlynne	Mr TA Buys	13 Whatling Rd, Northlynne Byo
R/E/ Lot 3a Northlynne	Mr M Cheneka	P O Box 2805, Bulawayo
10 North Lynne	Mrs C Masanganise	18 Longhurst Rd, Northlynne Byo
Lot 7a Northlynne	Mrs C Masanganise	
Lot 6 North Lynne	Mr ST & Mrs C Masanganise	P O Box 1538, Bulawayo



On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to construct a servants quarter measuring fifty square metres (50m<sup>2</sup>) on the Remaining Extent of Subdivision A of Lot 7a North Lynne of 100 Acre Lot Charlie, be granted to Gideon Muzhingi subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements, including a once-off premium of US\$200.

**(4) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH AN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (ECD) ON STAND 2091 COWDRAY PARK TOWNSHIP OF COWDRAY PARK OF THE HELENVALE BLOCK (2091 COWDRAY PARK) :LITTLE STARS: AREA = 200 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022) to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) had been received from Little Stars. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the early childhood development centre had not started operating.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
2090 Cowdray Park	Ms L Moyo	2090 Cowdray Park, P.O Luveve, Byo
2092 Cowdray Park	Mr B.N Jubane	2092 Cowdray Park P.O Luveve, Byo
2108 Cowdray Park	Mr N Mathuthu	2108 Cowdray Park P.O Luveve, Byo
2265 Cowdray Park	Mr M Ndlovu	2265 Cowdray Park P.O Luveve, Byo
2109 Cowdray Park	Mr M Gozho	2109 Cowdray Park P.O Luveve, Byo
2089 Cowdray Park	Mr M Ngwenya	2089 Cowdray Park P.O Luveve, Byo

The Committee considered the matter and Councillor S. Chigora sought clarification on whether the stand which is 200 m<sup>2</sup> could accommodate all the required equipment and activities of a Pre- School.

Councillor T. Ruzive was also at the view that stand was too small for a pre-school. He also enquired if Council had any standards required for Pre- Schools would the size of the stand allow for an outside assembly point case of emergency?. In response the Director of Town Planning explained that the 200 m<sup>2</sup> had been permitted to house pre- schools. The other issues related to the numbers of students were provided by the Health services Department. This was addressed at the Licensing stage. The applicant was also required to comply with other development permit conditions.

Thereafter it was -

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That a development permit to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) on Stand 2091 Cowdray Park Township of The Helenvale Block ,Bulawayo, be granted to Little Stars, subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly payment of US\$50. This levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

(5) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH AN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (ECD) ON STAND 9541 COWDRAY PARK TOWNSHIP OF COWDRAY PARK (9541 COWDRAY PARK): EVAH NDLOVU: AREA = 200 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022) to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) had been received from Evah Ndlovu. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the early childhood development centre (ECD) had not started operating.





The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
9540 Cowdray Park	Mr S Nemangwe	85025 Sidojiwe, Bulawayo
9542 Cowdray Park	Mr S Sibanda	3263 New Magwegwe, Bulawayo
9564 Cowdray Park	Miss S Chuma	27 Cowdray Park, Bulawayo
9565 Cowdray Park	Mr I Mashutu	9565 Cowdray Park, Bulawayo
9563 Cowdray Park	Miss S Sibanda	9563 Cowdray Park, Bulawayo
9543 Cowdray Park	Mr V Khumalo	B5280 Pumula, Bulawayo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) on Stand 9541 Cowdray Park Township be granted to Little Stars, subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly payment of US\$50. This levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

(6) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH AN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (ECD) ON THE REMAINING EXTENT OF STAND 411 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (44 GEORGE SILUNDIKA STREET): THE BEEHIVE INFANTRY SCHOOL: AREA = 694 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (10<sup>th</sup> November 2022) to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) had been received from the Beehive Infantry School. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the early childhood development centre (ECD) had not started operating.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
426 B.T	Zimbabwe Foundation For Education	11a 3rd Ave/G.Silundika Strt, Byo
323 B.T	E Marima Investments (Pvt) Ltd	C/O Tetrad Invest Bank, Charter Hse, G/Floor, Cnr Fort St & L/ Taka
322 B.T		
S/DA/412 B.T	Binga Crocodile Farm (Pvt) Ltd	42a George Silundika Street, Byo
S/DA/413 B.T	Child Evangelism Fellowship Zimbabwe	40 G/Silundika Street, Byo
S/DA/411 B.T	c/o John Pocock & Company Pvt Ltd	189 Takawira Avenue



On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That a development permit to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) on The Remaining Extent of Stand 411 Bulawayo Township, Bulawayo, be granted to The Beehive Infantry School, subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly payment of US\$75. This levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

**(7) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A BOTTLESTORE WITHIN A SUPERMARKET ON STAND 4168 EMAKHANDENI TOWNSHIP OF STAND 2204 EMAKHANDENI TOWNSHIP (COMMERCIAL CENTRE EMAKHANDENI 8): ISIZWE MARKETING (PVT) LTD: AREA = 270 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (14<sup>th</sup> November 2022) to establish a bottle store within a supermarket had been received from Isizwe Marketing (Pvt) Ltd. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the bottle store within a supermarket had not started operating.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
2214 Emakhandeni	Bambanani Co-Operative	1677 Emakhandeni,Emakhandeni, Byo
2212 Emakhandeni	Mrs T Hlalo	297 Leopold Takawira Rd Kumalo Byo
4211 Emakhandeni	Mr M.D Sandi	17 Euphobia, Drive, Newton West, Byo
4161 Emakhandeni	Mrs M Moyo	Box 5 Luveve, Byo
4217 Emakhandeni	Mr S Dube	2891 Emakhandeni P.O Entumbane. Byo
4169 Emakhandeni	Mr P Sibanda	3958, P O Magwegwe North, Bulawayo
4217 Emakhandeni	Mr S Dube	2891 Emakhandeni, P.O Entumbane, Byo
1300 Emakhandeni	Mr M.Tafira	1300 Emakhandeni, P.O Entumbane, Byo
1301 Emakhandeni	Mr N.Kutingera	1301 Emakhandeni, P.O Entumbane, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish a bottlestore within a Supermarket on stand 4168 Emakhandeni Township of Stand 2204 Emakhandeni Township, be granted to Isizwe Marketing (Pvt) Ltd subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly payment of US\$60, this levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

**(8) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A DUPLEX ON STAND 18485 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP LANDS (5 MATTHEYSON ROAD, NORTHEAST): JAMES SITHOLE: AREA = 1066 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (21<sup>st</sup> November 2022) to construct a duplex had been received from James Sithole. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing of the report the duplex had not been constructed, the stand is currently vacant.





The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
18484 Bulawayo North	Cllr N&S Hlabani	3521 Emganwini, P O Nkulumane, Byo
18480 Bulawayo North	Miss O Makope	72548 Lobengula West, Byo
18479 Bulawayo North	Mr E Ndlovu	8 Maclean Av, Northend, Byo
18481 Bulawayo North	Mr B.S Ndlovu	4 Maclean Ave Northend, Byo
7056 Bulawayo North	Mr N Sibanda	10 Mattheyson Rd, Northend, Byo
7053 Bulawayo North	J.C Doolabh	4 Mattheyson Road, Northend, Byo
7054 Bulawayo North	ZESA	P.O Box 2097, Byo
7055 Bulawayo North	Ms E Sibanda	8 Mattheyson Road, Northend, Byo

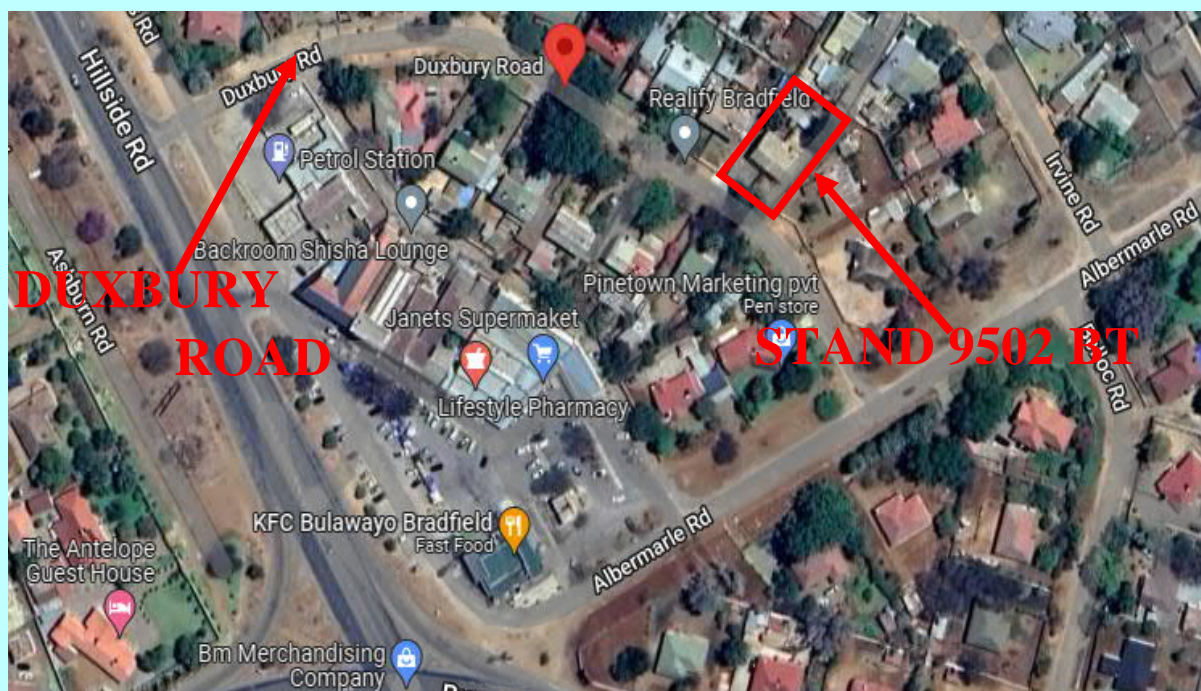
On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to construct a duplex on Stand 18485 Bulawayo Township Lands, be granted to James Sithole subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements, including a once-off premium of US\$1000.

(9) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A COTTAGE MEASURING ONE HUNDRED (100) SQUARE METERS ONSTAND 9502 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP OF BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP.(31 DUXBURY AVENUE, BRADFIELD): DUMISANI MOYO: AREA = 450 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (10<sup>th</sup> November 2022) to construct a cottage measuring one hundred (100) square metres had been received from Dumisani Moyo. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report a cottage measuring one hundred (100) square meters had not been constructed.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
9493 BT	Zimbabwe Red Cross Society	22 Irvine Avenue, Bradfield, Byo
9494 BT	Miss M Mpofu	24 Irvine Avenue Bradfield Byo
9504 BT	Mr S Walliker	27 Duxbury Avenue, Bradfield Byo
9529 BT	Miss LR Hlabangana	24 Duxbury Avenue Bradfield, Byo
9528 BT	Mr MB Robinson	22 Duxbury Avenue Bradfield, Byo
9495 BT	Mr&Mrs JS&H Magaya	26 Irvine Avenue Bradfield Byo
9505 BT	Mr B&L Cordell, & Norman	25 Duxbury Avenue Bradfield, Byo
9501 BT	Mr I Mutangiranwa	33 Duxbury Avenue Bradfield, Byo
9496 BT	Miss SP Pilime	28 Irvine Avenue Bradfield, Byo
9506 BT	Mr PR Sissons	23 Duxbury Avenue Bradfield, Byo
9497 BT	Burlingame Pvt Ltd	30 Duxbury Avenue Bradfield, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was: -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to construct a cottage measuring one hundred (100) square meters on Stand 9502 Bulawayo be granted to Dumisani Moyo subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other Municipal by-law requirements, including payment of a once off premium of US\$300.

**(10) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH AN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE ON STAND 3549 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP OF BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP LANDS. (19 CUMBERLAND DRIVE, HILLCREST): ZERF CERISE:AREA = 2 220 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an application dated (7<sup>th</sup> November 2022) to establish an early childhood development centre had been received from Zerf Cerise. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report an early childhood development centre had not been established.





The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
3436 BT	Mr J Mguni	17 Cumberland Drive, Hillcrest, Byo
3437 BT	Mr Z. M Msimanga	5 Sussex Place, Hillcrest, Byo
3438 BT	Mr B Mpofu	3 Sussex Place, Hillcrest, Byo
3548 BT	Mr D.G Ngubo	5 Monmouth Drive, Hillcrest, Byo
3550 BT	Mr S Dossery	21 Cumberland Drive, Hillcrest, Byo
	Mr CD Dossery	
4750 BT	Mr M.Mhute	23 Cumberland Drive, Hillcrest, Byo
4751 BT	Esoteric Enterprises P/L	10 Monmouth Dr, Hillcrest, Byo
3439 BT	Mr S Majoni	12 Hampshire Dr, Hillcrest, Byo
3446 BT	Mrs T.G Manjoro	8 Northampton Crescent, Hillcrest, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was -

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish an early childhood development centre on Stand 3549 Bulawayo Township Lands, be granted to Zerf Cerise subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements, including payment of a monthly levy of US\$20 which is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.



(11) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A COTTAGE MEASURING ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY (130) SQUARE METERS ON STAND 258 HILLSIDE SOUTH TOWNSHIP 14 OF MATSHEUMHLOPE (11 KNOTTS WAY, HILLSIDE) : FABIAN JOHNSON: AREA = 4 030 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated (3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022) to construct a cottage measuring one hundred and thirty (130) square meters had been received from Fabian Johnson. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report a cottage measuring one hundred and thirty (130) square meters had not been constructed.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
249 Hillside	Mr HM Sibanda	36 Elvington Road, Hillside, Byo
250 Hillside	Mr S Mkandla	38 Elvington Road, Hillside, Byo
251 Hillside	Mr DS Khan	40 Elvington Road, Hillside, Byo
259 Hillside	Mr TJ Oldrigde	9 Knotts Way, Hillside, Byo
257 Hillside	Mr ZW Nsimbi	37 Elvington Road, Hillside, Byo
260 Hillside	Mr S Springer	7 Knotts Way, Hillside, Byo
261 Hillside	Mr K Tink	4 Wheldrake Road, Burnside, Byo
262 Hillside	Mr AS Nyamatore	6 Wheldrake Road, Burnside, Byo
265 Hillside	Mr C Mugova	33 Elvington Road, Hillside, Byo
275 Hillside	Mr K Ndlovu	4 Wheldrake Road, Hillside, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to construct a cottage measuring one hundred and thirty (130) square meters on Stand 258 Hillside South Township 14 of Matsheumhlope, Bulawayo, be granted to Johnson Fabian subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other Municipal by-law requirements, including payment of a once off premium of US\$500.

(12) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A SERVICE STATION ON SUBDIVISION A OF SUBDIVISION B2 OF SUBDIVISION B BELLEVUE (108 DERBY ROAD, BELLEVUE): ZENZO MADONKO: AREA = 4 047 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated (3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022) to establish a service station had been received from Zenzo Madonko. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the service station had not been established.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
493 Bellevue	National Railways of Zimbabwe	P O Box 602, Bulawayo
494A Bellevue	Mr EV Sibanda	8224 LuveveGwabalanda, P O Luveve, Bulawayo
495 Bellevue	Mr EV Sibanda	8224 LuveveGwabalanda, P O Luveve, Bulawayo
496 Bellevue	Mrs JS Chauke	101 Derby Road, Bellevue, Bulawayo
Lot1 of Lot C of	Mr D&E Sibanda	3 Plumtree Road, Somerton,
Lot 2 of Lot C of	Mrs H Parrays	17 Spencer Avenue, West Somerton, Bulawayo



On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish a service station on Subdivision A of Subdivision B2 of Subdivision B Bellevue, Bulawayo, be granted to Zenzo Madonko subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements, including payment of a monthly levy of US\$150 which is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

**(13) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT TOWN HOUSES SIX (6) UNITS ON STAND 228 RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP (228 RIVERSIDE). APPLEDALE RIVERSIDE TRUST: AREA = 8 124 SQUARE METRES.**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022 to construct town houses six units had been received from Appledale Trust. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing of the report six town house units had not been constructed.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
108 Riverside	Ginger investments (Pvt)	Kingmererd Riverside, Byo
109 Riverside	Ginger investments (Pvt)	14 Kingsmererd, Riverside, Byo
110 Riverside	Ginger investments (Pvt)	12 Kingmererd, Riverside, Byo
111 Riverside	Ginger investments (Pvt)	10 Kingsmererd, Riverside, Byo

112 Riverside	}	A.H Siwela	16 Pisani Close, Glencoe, Riverside, Byo
113 Riverside			
114A Riverside		Ginger Investments (Pvt)	2-4 Kingmererd, Riverside, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was :-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to construct town houses six units on Stand 228 Riverside Township be granted to Appledale Trust subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements, including payment of a once off premium of US\$3000.

**(14) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH AN INDUSTRIAL CANTEEN ON STAND 5739 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (16 PRETORIUS ROAD, BELMONT, BULAWAYO): SUCKSON MAKWASHA: AREA = 496 SQUARE METRES.**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022 to establish an industrial canteen had been received from Suckson Makwasha. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the industrial canteen had not started operating.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
5728 B.T	United Tyre services (Pvt) Ltd	85 Plumtree Rd, Barham Green, Byo
5727 B.T	Bike & Boat Bar (Pvt) Ltd	87 Plumtree Rd, Belmont, Byo
5727 B.T	Griffiths Investments (Pvt) Ltd	22 Pretorius Rd, Belmont, Byo
5734 B.T	Lilla Bullero Investments (Pvt) Ltd	14 Pretorius Rd, Belmont, Byo
5691 B.T	Mr&G Lottering	17 Gainsborough Rd, Barham Green, Byo
5692 B.T	Mr A Lakay	15 Gainsborough Rd, Barham Green, Byo
5693 B.T	Mr I Noble	13 Gainsborough Rd, Barham Green, Byo
5690 B.T	Mr G Storey	19 Gainsborough Rd, Barham Green, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish an industrial canteen on Stand 5739 Bulawayo Township, be granted to Suckson Makwasha subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly levy of US\$100. This levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

(15) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A PRESCHOOL ON STAND 6464 NKULUMANE TOWNSHIP OF SUBDIVISION A OF VALLEY FIELD (6464 NKULUMANE, P. O NKULUMANE, BULAWAYO): MANGALETA STEFANO PHIRI: AREA = 300 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022 to establish a preschool had been received from Mangaleta Stefano Phiri. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the preschool had not started operating.





The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
6462 Nkulumane	Mr E Nyathi	6462 Nkulumane, P.O.Nkulumane, Byo
6463 Nkulumane	Mr T Sibanda	6463 Nkulumane, P.O.Nkulumane, Byo
6465 Nkulumane	Mr N Sikwabayila	6465 Nkulumane, P.O.Nkulumane, Byo
6466 Nkulumane	Mr E Ndhlovu	6466 Nkulumane, P.O.Nkulumane, Byo
6467 Nkulumane	Mr A Maphosa	6467 Nkulumane, P.O.Nkulumane, Byo
6468 Nkulumane	Mr C Nkomazana	6468 Nkulumane, P.O. Nkulumane, Byo
6472 Nkulumane	Mr K Manyathela	6472 Nkulumane, P.O.Nkulumane, Byo
6450 Nkulumane	Mrs C Chirodzero	6450 Nkulumane, P.O. Nkulumane, Byo
6451 Nkulumane	Mr J Msebele	6451 Nkulumane, P.O.Nkulumane, Byo
6452 Nkulumane	Mr A Mahalangu	6452 Nkulumane, P.O. Nkulumane, Byo
6453 Nkulumane	Mr S Zondo	6453 Nkulumane, P.O. Nkulumane, Byo
6454 Nkulumane	Mr K Masuku	6454 Nkulumane, P.O. Nkulumane, Byo
6455 Nkulumane	Miss P Ncube	6455 Nkulumane, P.O. Nkulumane, Byo
6550 Nkulumane	Hydrocephalus Ass Trust	6550Nkulumane, P.O. Nkulumane, Byo



On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That a development permit to establish a preschool on Stand 6464 Nkulumane Township of Subdivision A of Valley Field, Bulawayobe granted to Mangaleta Stefano Phiri, subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly levy of US\$50. This levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

**(16) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A TAKE-AWAY  
ON SUBDIVISION A OF STAND 159 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (128 JASON MOYO  
STREET, BULAWAYO): SILOZI CORP (PVT) LTD: AREA = 694 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022 to establish a take-away had been received from Silozi Corp (Pvt) Ltd. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the take-away had started operating with a temporary license No.701384105.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
RE/154 B.T	Scott's Properties (Pvt) Ltd	P.O Box 1009, Byo
RE/153 B.T	Deacons and Christos (Pvt) Ltd	P.O Box 1640, Byo
S/D A 154 B.T	Scott's Properties (Pvt) Ltd	127 Main street, Byo
S/D A 153 B.T	Mr LM Scott	P.O Box 1009, Byo
257 B.T	E Marima Investment (Pvt) Ltd	P.O Box 2620, Byo
160 B.T	Tee-To-Tum Trading P/L	70 Robert Mugabe Way, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish a take-away on Subdivision A of Stand 159 Bulawayo Township be granted to Silozi Corp (Pvt) Ltd, subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements.

(17) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A COFFEE SHOP ON REMAINDER OF STAND 448 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (91 G.SILUNDIKA AVENUE, BULAWAYO): CASH PIT TRADING T/A SO SWEET: AREA = 416 SQUARE METRES.**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 2nd November 2022 to establish a coffee shop had been received from Cash pit trading T/A So Sweet. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the coffee shop had not started operating.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
489 BT	Citron Trading Company	92 B Robert Mugabe Way, Bulawayo
490 BT	Lowvert Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	Box 1789, Bulawayo
449 BT	Renu Investments (Pvt) Ltd	93 G. Silundika, Bulawayo
477 BT	Amtec (Pvt) Ltd	P.O.BOX.1691, Bulawayo
389 BT	Bxiham Investments P/L	92 G.Silundika, Bulawayo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

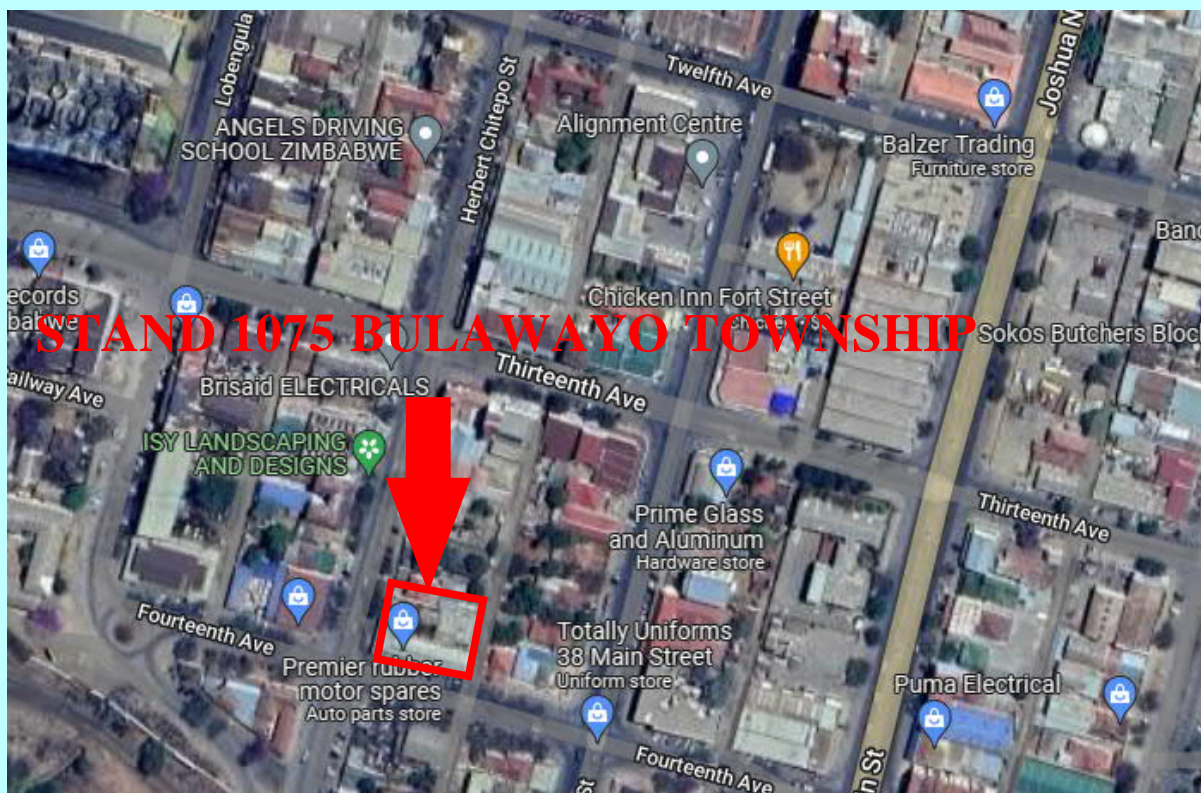
**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish a coffee shop on Remainder of Stand 448 Bulawayo Township, Bulawayo, be granted to Cash Pit Trading T/A So Sweet subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements.



**(18) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A SPORTS BAR ON STAND 1075 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (149 HERBERT CHITEPO, BULAWAYO): DROPMARK SUPPLIES: AREA = 1110 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 to establish a Sports bar had been received from Dropmark Supplies. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the Sports bar had not started operating.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
SD/A OF 1076 B.T	Mr A Josee	148 Fort Street, Byo.
RE/1076B.T	Mr Y.M Fulat	148B Fort Street, Byo.
RE/1077 B.T		
SD/A of 1074 B.T	Accelerated Investments Pvt Ltd	145A Hebert Chitepo, Byo.
RE/1074 B.T	Mr W.Moyo	145 Hebert Chitepo, Byo.
RE/1350	Mr HA Seedat	136 Fort Street Byo.
Lot 1 of 1350 BT	Alisaad Investments	30, 14 <sup>th</sup> Ave Between Fort/Hebert Byo.
SD/A of 1077 BT	Mr IA Jina	146A Fort Street,Byo.

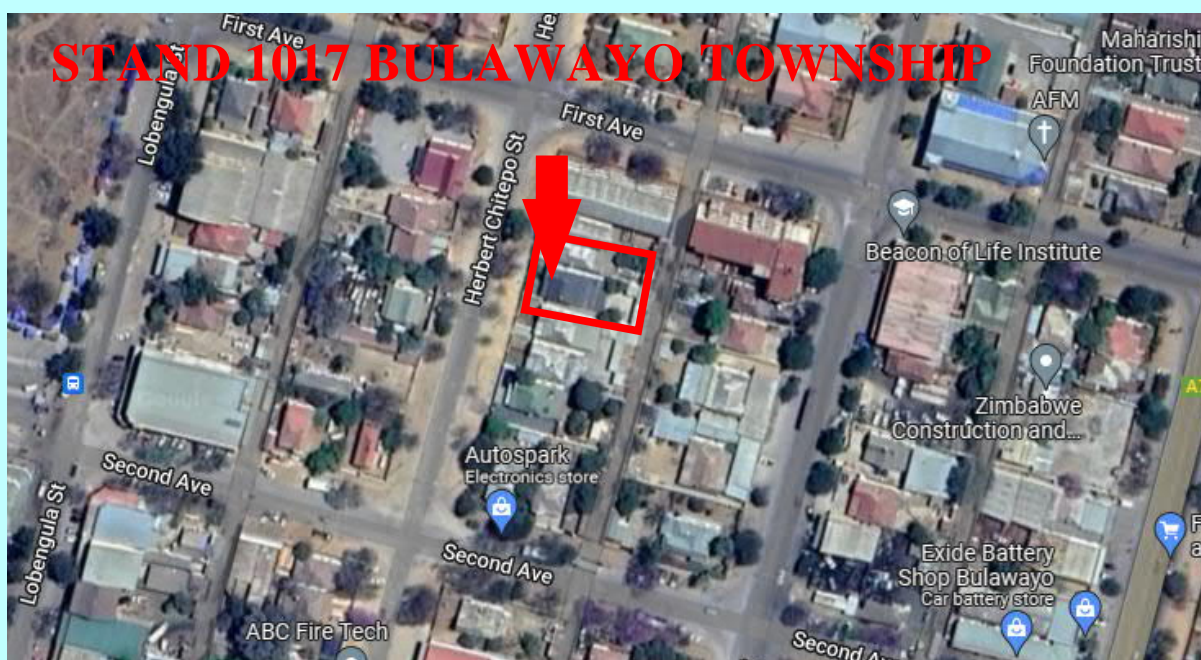
On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish a Sports bar on Stand 1075 Bulawayo Township, Bulawayo, be granted to Dropmark Supplies subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly payment of USD \$50, this levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

**(19) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH AN INFANT SCHOOL ON THE REMAINDER OF STAND 1017 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (31A HERBERT CHITEPO, BULAWAYO): BROODFAIR FOUNDATION TRUST: AREA = 600 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 18 November 2022 to establish an Infant School had been received from Broodfair Foundation Trust. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the infant school had already started operating without council authority. As such the application shall attract a regularization fee of US\$1000.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
1016 BT	Airstream Enterprises (Pvt) Ltd	2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Herbet Chitepo, Byo
1018 BT	Glenden Investments (Pvt) Ltd	33A, Herbet Chitepo St City Centre, Byo
1133 BT	Mrs Ms Dube	34 Fort Street, Byo

S/D A OF 1134 BT Mr M Jasat

32 Fort Street, Byo

985 BT Messrs FA & A Mahomed & AKhatib 34 Herbet Chitepo St, Bulawayo

S/D A OF 986 BT Mr L Ncube

32 Herbet Chitepo St, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:-**

That a development permit to establish an Infant School on The Remainder of Stand 1017 Bulawayo Township, Bulawayo, be granted to Broodfair Foundation Trust subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements, including a once off regularization fee of US\$1000.

**(20) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A TAKE AWAY ON STAND 490 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (88 ROBERT MUGABE K, BULAWAYO): ACTIVE SUSHI: AREA = 1388 SQUARE METRES.**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 27 October 2022 to establish a Take-away had been received from Active Sushi. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the Take-away had started operating without council authority. As such the application shall attract a once-off regularization fee of US\$1000.





The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
489 BT	Citron Trading Company	37 Robert Mugabe Way, Bulawayo
491 BT	Grey Street Property Investments	C/o Roder Properties P/L 5-9 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Byo
447 BT	Cambrian Agencies (Pvt) Ltd	89A George Silundika St, Byo
13568	John Love Investments (Pvt) Ltd	89 R G Mugabe Way, Byo
RE/S/D F/552 BT	Mr & Mrs DA & RA Nathoo	92 G. Silundika, Byo
S/D F/551 BT	Link Investments P/L	87 A R .G Mugabe Way, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was :-

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish a Take Away on Stand 490 Bulawayo Township, Bulawayo, be granted to Active Sushi subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law, including a once –off regularization fee of US\$1000.



(21) **APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH A LIQOOR WHOLESALE ON STAND 6482 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP (9 WOODBURY ROAD, BULAWAYO): MEGA SAVE WHOLESALE: AREA = 2450 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022 to establish a Liquor Wholesale had been received from Mega Save Wholesale. The application had been advertised and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the Liquor wholesale had started operating without council authority. As such the application shall attract a once-off regularization fee of US\$1000.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
6481 BT	Mr D Mendelsohn	11 Wingrove Road, Bulawayo
6473 BT	Alestra Enterprises (Pvt) Ltd	2 Woodbury Road, Bulawayo
6484 BT	Mrs PA Schulian	14 Woodbury Road, Thornegrove, Byo
6483 B.	TMayfair Furnishers	7 Wingrove Road, ThornegroveBulawayo
6520 BT	Joyglen Investments	7 Wingrove Road, ThornegroveBulawayo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That a development permit to establish a Liquor Wholesale on Stand 6482 Bulawayo Township, Bulawayo, be granted to Mega Save Wholesale subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly payment of USD \$100, this levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council and a once off regularization fee of US\$1000.

**(22) APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ESTABLISH AN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (ECD) ON STAND 31155/21 ENTUMBANE TOWNSHIP (31155/21): SOLOMON MUSARARIKWA: AREA = 203 SQUARE METRES**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an application dated 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022 to establish an early childhood development and adjacent property owners notified. No objections had been received. It had also been circulated to municipal departments and no adverse comments had been received. At the time of writing the report the early childhood development centre (ECD) had not started operating.



The following adjacent property owners were notified:

<b><u>PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>ADDRESS</u></b>
31155/20 Entumbane	Mr N Moyo	31155/20 Entumbane, Entumbane, Byo



31256 Entumbane	Mr T Mulunjwana	31256 Entumbane, P O Entumbane, Byo
31154/22 Entumbane	Mr C.B Gambakwe	31154/22 Entumbane, P O Entumbane, Byo
31209 Entumbane	Mr D Tembo	31209 Entumbane, P O Entumbane, Byo
31156/19 Entumbane	Mr K Phiri	31156/19 Entumbane, P O Entumbane, Byo
31156/20 Entumbane	Mr M.A Mushipe	31156/20 Entumbane, P O Entumbane, Byo

On the recommendation of the Town Clerk it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:-**

That a development permit to establish an early childhood development centre (ECD) on Stand 31155/21 Entumbane Township ,Bulawayo, be granted to Solomon Musararikwa, subject to full compliance with the requirements of the Director of Town Planning, Acting Director of Engineering Services, Director of Health Services, Director of Housing and Community Services, and any other municipal by-law requirements including a monthly payment of US\$50. This levy is subject to review at the pleasure of Council.

**(23) IMPLEMENTATION OF COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS OF REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE DECEMBER 2022 TOWN LANDS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that the following applications for Development Permits that had been submitted into the December 2022 Town Lands and Planning Committee were approved by Council on the 4<sup>th</sup> of January 2023 and the respective permits had been issued as tabulated below: -

Property	Applicant	Use	Permit No.	Permit Date
Stand 142 Manningdale Township of Manningdale A	Leonard Ngoma	Cottage measuring one hundred and thirty square metres	2951/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 4169 Emakhandeni Township (commercial centre Emakhandeni 8),	Great Wasu Investment	Bottle store within a supermarket	2952/2023	04/01/2022

Stand 17023 Kelvin west	Mandlenkosi Masuku	Liquor wholesale	2953/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 490 BT	Cake Designs	Licensed Restaurant (special)	2954/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 15076 BT	Beef and Allied	Fresh produce wholesale	2955/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 15076 BT	Beef and Allied	Meat wholesale	2956/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 33 Whitestone Township	Mr R.Ndlovu	Cottage measuring 130m2	2957/2023	04/01/2022
Lot 24 &25 Northlynne of 100 Acre lot Charlies	Felistas Moyo	First Aid -Nurse Training Center	2958/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 16475 BT	Wood ink P/L	Licensed restaurant special	2959/2023	04/01/2022
RE/ Stand 1308 BT	Musimboti clinic	Herbal surgery	2960/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 3 of lot 264A Hillside	Bekezela Noko	Two (2) town house units	2961/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 18612 BT	Proud Maga	Restaurant	2962/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 15003 BT	First Solution	Meat wholesale	2963/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 25079 Pumula South	Shylette Tshabalala	Childhood Development centre (E.C.D)	2964/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 19072 BT (Highmount),	Sebastian Ndlovu	Cottage measuring one hundred square metres (100m <sup>2</sup> )	2965/2023	04/01/2022
Stand 343 Emganwini Township	ShoniwaSitsheliwe	Early Childhood Development centre (E.C.D)	2966/2023	04/01/2022

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received  
and noted

**(24) DEVELOPMENT PERMITS GRANTED IN TERMS OF THE REGIONAL, TOWN  
AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1996**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that the following permits  
had been granted:-

	October	November	December
<b>Residential Areas</b>	240	191	135
<b>Industrial Areas</b>	1	1	0
<b>Business Areas</b>	12	15	8
	0	2	2
	<b>253</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>145</b>

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received  
and noted

**(25) APPROVAL OF SUBDIVISIONS AND CONSOLIDATIONS**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that SDC 22/2022 for the  
subdivision of Lot 86A North Lynne of 100 Acre Lot Charlie. The subdivision shall be known  
as Lot 1 of Lot 86A North Lynne of 100 Acre Lot Charlie and shall be used for residential  
purposes. The property owner was Leslie Hunter Dawson. The property was located along  
Watling Road.

**(26) PROPOSAL TO CRAFT A BYE-LAW TO GRANT COMMERCIAL PROPERTY  
OWNERS'IN THE CBD AND OTHER COMMERCIAL CENTRES FREE LEASES ON  
PAVEMENTS AND TO ALLOW RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OWNERS TO ADOPT  
AREAS IN FRONT OF THEIR STANDS**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that the City of Bulawayo  
like most cities within the third world countries was facing challenges with the cleanliness  
especially with regard to areas abutting properties within the city, that was, pavements within  
the Central business district and other commercial centre throughout the city. These spaces had  
presented challenges in the Central Business District and the Suburban Commercial Centres as  
they get invaded by vendors and there was also a lot of fouling on them as the property owners  
had no control and authority. The concept would provide for the adoption and sense of  
ownership by property owners. This also applied to areas in front of residential properties, that  
was, between the edge of the stands and the riding lanes of the road which was often left  
untidy. This would help in the effectively management of such spaces.

The invasion of these spaces caused conflict with shop owners as they blocked free  
movement of shoppers in and out of the shops and also blocked display windows. The illegal  
informal trading was also associated with inadequate hygiene conditions, and poor waste

disposal. The shop owners on the other hand had no authority to remove the informal traders or to control any activities taking place within the pavements as these fell on council land outside the boundaries of their stands.

It should be noted that the canopies providing shade for the pavements were constructed by the shop owners and it would therefore be not unreasonable to grant the shop owners some form of control over the pavement areas.

In the case of residential properties, the spaces between their stands and the riding lanes of the road were often neglected and not taken care of as the property owners indicated that these spaces were council land. It was therefore proposed that the property owners be given authority to adopt these spaces.



**Figure 1: Street vendors on pavements**

In the case of commercial properties within the City, a proposal was being placed forward to grant shop owners the right to lease the pavements adjacent their shops for free. This would enable the shop owners to have control over maintaining the cleanliness and tidiness of the pavements.

These measures were being adopted by Council in a bid to keep the city clean. This was in line with the Vision of the city that sought to create a smart and transformative city by 2024. In addition to that, this move was going to promote health, safety, order, amenity, convenience in the City of Bulawayo.

The following conditions shall apply to the granting the free leases for the pavements

- a) The pavements shall be kept in a neat and tidy condition
- b) ZESA's general servitude covering the property shall be observed.
- c) No barricading of the pavements shall be allowed.
- d) Members of the public must not be denied access to the pavements and the free leases should not be a hindrance to pedestrian movement
- e) All costs related to the granting of the free leases must be borne by the shop owners.
- f) Council was to be indemnified against any loss of life or damages that may result from the granting of the free leases.
- g) The pavements shall not be used as extensions to the shops

The Committee considered the matter and discussion ensued. Councillor S. Chigora sought clarity on how the proposed by-law would deal with residents who would not be interested in signing the free leases. He supported the crafting of this by-law.

Councillor R.D Jele concurred. There were some residents neglecting the areas in front of their business or residential properties. They had argued that the space was Council land and it was the duty of Council to clean the space.

Councillor S. Sibanda supported the crafting of the by-law. Business owner should be warned against extending their business to the front verandas and payments.

In response the Director of Town Planning explained that engagements were being done with the business community. The proposal to craft a by-law was triggered by complaints raised by the business community. There were a lot of illegal activities that took place in front of their business premises. In most cases business persons had failed to control or deal with such activities. Free leasing of spaces/pavements in front of their shops would empower them to deal with such challenges.

The Chamber Secretary also explained that it took a while for a by-law to be approved. A policy document would be generated so that implementation started. The policy document would have adequate information detailing how offenders would be dealt with. Shop owners should take charge of their premises and pavements, but at the same time accommodating movements. Other stakeholders in affected areas would be consulted accordingly. In general most residents wanted to keep their premises clean.

Thereafter it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the concept to grant free leases of pavement to property owners in the Central Business District and other commercial centres throughout be approved. That the concept to grant permission for residential property owners to adopt areas in front of their stands so that they maintain these areas be approved. That a by-law on the free leases and adoption of stand frontage be crafted.

**(27) UPDATES ON VARIOUS PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES CURRENTLY BEING UNDERTAKEN BY THE TOWN PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**LAYOUTS**

**Layouts preparation**

**Layouts with Ministry for approval**

- Highmount Phase 2 – 350 Low density stands
- Killarney East - 840 Low Density stands



The department of spatial planning had indicated that they had completed assessment of the layouts which had been forwarded to the Minister for approval.

**Layouts under Preparation include**

- B2 of Bellevue approximately 900 low density stands-was now complete and had been submitted to this Townlands and planning committee for adoption.
- Subdivision D of Reigate approximately 1000 medium density-base mapping being done
- Hyde Park Estate –base mapping and concept plan being done

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received  
noted.

**(28) MASTER PLAN REVIEW**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**Statutory Plans**

- **Masterplan review**

The Master Plan review documents were submitted to the Minister for approval on 12 October 2022 and these were currently being assessed by the Ministry officials.

- **Local Development Plan 16 (Southern Central Areas)**

The LDP was advertised in the Government gazette on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 and became operative on 13 May 2022. This Local Plan was now helping in guiding development within the areas that it covered.

- **Local Development Plan 8 review (Industrial Areas)**

Household surveys, traffic surveys and a focus group meeting with industrialists was successfully held. Report of study completed and report back consultation meetings had started and report of study had been presented to interdepartmental committee and management now to be presented to policy makers and external stakeholders.

- **Local subject plan on suburbs**

The amendment of Local Development Plans (LDP5,) focusing on suburbs started in October with Household surveys, traffic surveys. The report of study had been prepared and stakeholder consultations had started where an interdepartmental stakeholder consultation had been done.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be  
received and noted.

**(29) EGODINI REDEVELOPMENT**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

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Installation of reinforcing steel, concrete bases, starter bars and column stubs was 100% complete. Installation of final road surface would only commence in January 2023, and was expected to be completed in early February 2023 with beneficial occupation commencing mid-February 2023.

**Informal Traders' stalls**

All informal traders stall concrete bases were 100% complete. Brickwork and structural steelwork for 660 informal trader stalls was 100% complete. Following a project progress site visit undertaken on 9 November 2022 by the Provincial Minister Office, the Joint Operations Command ("JOC"), BCC management and various informal traders' associations, the Developer received a request from BCC to consider a few requests arising from the site visit. The Developer having carefully considered these requests was in the process of accommodating those requests that were both technically and financially feasible at this late stage of Phase 1A construction. Unfortunately, these requests had an adverse effect on the project timeline due to requisite amendments to existing approved building plans and additional works to be undertaken post revision approvals. To limit the impact of these delays, the Developer proposed that the informal trader stalls were leased out in tranches as the additional works were completed. Leasing of the first tranche of informal traders' stalls would be opened up in January 2023, with beneficial occupation occurring in mid to late February 2023 and trading commencing on 1 March 2023.

The Committee considered the matter and Councillor S. Sibanda enquired on how the Egodini vending bays would be allocated and where those interested should register.

In response the Director of Town Planning explained that vending bay allocation at Egodini mall would be done by Council. First preference would be given to vendors who traded at Egodini before the hand over of site to developer. Council had a list of the beneficiaries and their vending associations also had one. Potential vendors were encouraged to register at Dugmore offices.

Therefore it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(30) ASCOT LOCAL SUBJECT PLAN (LSP)**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that an advert calling for expressions of interest for the preparation of a Local Subject Plan for Ascot was flighted and had since closed. The adjudication process had been completed and the three respondents had been requested to submit their technical and financial submissions by 23<sup>rd</sup> December. Thereafter the final adjudication to select a consultant would be done .The LSP would help guide development of the area.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted

**(31) MAKOKOBA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that the Makokoba LDP would also be advertised for expressions of interest pending finalization of Ascot LSP.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(32) LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION PLAN (LEAP) REVIEW**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) that a stakeholder consultation meeting was held on the LEAP review on the 10<sup>th</sup> November and this was well attended. A small working group was expected to meet in January 2023 to work on the LEAP document with the document expected to be finalised by April 2023.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(33) LAND SURVEY REPORT**

The Director of Town Planning reported (10<sup>th</sup> January 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

	<b><u>December 2022</u></b>	<b><u>Year To Date (2022 cumulative number)</u></b>
Total Approved Presale Stands	0	0
Total Other Stands Approved	4	29
Non-Title Surveys (Internal Surveys)	0	48
Title Surveys Instructed (# of Stands)	731	2698
Relocation and pointing out of beacons to beneficiaries (# of properties)	9	407
Update of Compilation Plans: Number of Compilations updated.	0	962
Layouts evaluation and field verifications.	0	6
Diagram cancellations.	0	4
General Plan cancellations.	1	1
Topographic/Engineering Surveys	0	12
Title Surveys (Internal)	1	6

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be  
received and noted.

**The meeting terminated at 12:30 p.m**



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## MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE THREE THOUSAND AND SIXTY SEVENTH MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ON WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023 AT 4.30 P.M TO CONSIDER THE ITEMS SET OUT IN THE ATTACHED AGENDA AND TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE DEEMED ADVISABLE.

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27<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.

**S. ZHOU**  
**CHAMBER SECRETARY**

*Our Bulawayo Our Water, Our Water our Bulawayo*

**CITY OF BULAWAYO**

**MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL:**  
**WEDNESDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023 AT 4.30 P.M**

**A G E N D A**

- (1) **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'A'

- (2) **REPORT OF THE FUTURE WATER SUPPLIES AND WATER ACTION COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY , 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'B'

- (3) **REPORT OF THE HEALTH, HOUSING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'C'

- (4) **REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND ENGINEERING SERVICES COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'D'

- (5) **REPORT OF THE TOWN LANDS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'E'

- (6) **REPORT OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'F'

- (7) **REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023.**

\*\*\* Attached ANNEXURE 'G'

- (9) **APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**
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## **ANNEXURE ‘A’**

**MINUTES OF THE THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY SIX  
MEETING OF THE BULAWAYO CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL  
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ON WEDNESDAY, 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023  
AT 12.00 NOON.**

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**PRESENT:**

	His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni)
Councillor	Mlandu Ncube (Deputy Mayor)
Alderman	M. Lubimbi
“	E. Rafomoyo
Councillor	A. Batirai
“	S. Chigora
“	M.V. Chunga
“	M. Dube
“	F. Javangwe
“	R.D. Jele
“	D. Mabuto
“	T. Maposa
“	F. Mhaka
“	C. Mlalazi
“	P. Moyo
“	F. Msipa
“	K. Mujuru
“	Mildred Ncube
“	E. Ndlovu
“	J. Ndlovu
“	S. Sibanda

**ALSO:**

The Town Clerk  
The Chamber Secretary  
The Acting Director of Engineering Services  
The Deputy Financial Director  
The Director of Health Services  
The Human Capital Director  
The Director of Housing and Community Services  
The Director of Town Planning  
The City Valuer and Estates Officer

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**4.1.2023**

**(1) MINUTES:**

**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 be taken as read and signed.

**OPENING REMARKS**

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) welcomed the house to the first Ordinary Council meeting (3366) for the Year 2023. The following was his address.

“The year 2022 is now behind us. Service delivery challenges are still with us. We are meeting today when the city is under immense pressure, assault and insults from our political detractors. They have taken every opportunity to twist facts and doctor them to their political advantage.

**Roads**

One senior politician from Matabeleland North Province is being quoted in a leading Sunday newspaper describing Bulawayo as having turned into a growth point. This house must agree with this senior Matabeleland politician and remind him that the collapse of the city's road network in 2021 to 2022 is attributed to the failure of Central Government's Emergency Road Rehabilitation Programme (ERRP). As the adage goes: - statistics don't lie. 2021/2022 saw the erratic or non-disbursement of allocated Zinara funds; some which were diverted towards the Government's ERRP Programmes. This saw 18 Bulawayo roads taken over by the department of roads and the central mechanical and equipment department (CMED) and various associated contractors under the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure Development. Out of the 18 roads; only 3 of them were completed. that is Masiyephambili; Njube main road and Masotsha Ndlovu. 12 of the said 18 roads are at 0%. these are; Matopos roads (3km stretch); Leopold Takawira (7.8km stretch); Old Khami road (5.3km stretch); Khami road (5.2km stretch); Plumtree road (2.8km stretch); Intemba road (10.0 km stretch); Joshua Mqabuko Nkomo (1.2km stretch); Lobengula street (1.1km stretch); Cecil avenue (6.0 km stretch); Victoria Falls road (9.0 km stretch) and Gwanda road (9.0km stretch). All these 12 roads taken over by Government for rehabilitation in 2021 are still at 0%.

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We then have 3 of the aforesaid 18 roads that have been partially done; but the quality of the work is questionable. Fife street (2.7 km stretch) - only 15% was done. Nketa Drive; (2.1km) 50% is said to have been done. a section of the said road is bleeding in Mpopoma near Hyde park road. CMED has tried to rectify the problem without success. 60% of 12th Avenue Extension is said to have been done. I call upon this house; from across the political divide to speak with one voice as we call upon the Central Government to disband the ERRP which has had a deleterious effect on the city's road maintenance efforts. Instead of being an active player; Government must capitalise local authorities to handle their own roads maintenance units in the spirit of devolution of power.

**Illegal Vending Activities**

The year 2022 saw the invasion of pavements and streets by vendors and touts who have been operating under the name of the head of state. We have not heard any condemnation of the said groups by the governing party yet they have been collecting money and allocating vending spaces in the name of that political party. 5th avenue which had been opened to vehicular traffic has been turned into a jungle as space barons have taken over. So daring are the vendors such that they even occupy the pavements of established businesses and sell the same items as those found in established retail shops that pay rentals; rates to Council and taxes to Government. The level of garbage that they generate and dump on sanitary lanes; which sanitary lanes they also use as toilets; is unprecedented. Ladies and Gentlemen; Bulawayo is sitting on a health and security time bomb. The situation is untenable and is not benefitting any political party; but individual space barons who have declared a stalemate with the municipal police. This stalemate can only be unlocked by state security agents. We call upon the state security agents to exercise their constitutional duties and deploy the full might of the law; without fear and favour to flush out these elements.

**The Marathon Year - Effective oversight on Management.**

Aldermen and Councillors; 2023 is a marathon year. Residents expect much from us in the remaining 6 or 7 months of our term. In our end of year message; we promised to serve better in 2023. Our detractors thought that this was just political grandstanding. As Councillors we must not abdicate our oversight role on management via the committees that we sit in and surrender it to staff. Management must research on issues that we raise in our meetings and bring about options for us to deliberate and make policies. All resolutions that we have made in the past 4 years must be accounted for. We want to see Committees coming up with strategies on how to improve efficiency in their line of duty. For instance; Health; Housing and Education Committee; Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committees tell us the measures you have put in place to counter illegal dumping of garbage in the CBD. Use the power of Public-Private Partnership. Yes; we have been let down by government on roads rehabilitation by failing to pay contractors who have abandoned most city roads. The question will be asked as to what we are doing with contracts and partnerships that we control? Talk of Egodini mall redevelopment; the recycling and waste to energy project that has not been consummated? Developers who were given housing stands but have not even started bush clearance?

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**Accelerating transformation.**

The theme for the year 2023; deriving from the 2023 budget speech is; "accelerating transformation". Our management need to be creative; innovative and embrace change. It

can't be business as usual in 2023; we can't be using slashers to cut grass yet there are portable motorised grass cutters. We have only one year left to achieve a leading; smart and transformative city by year 2024; yet we still use 1994 service delivery methods. In 2023; we can't be paying sweepers to clean front of residential and business premises; yet there are owners who are doing business and making money and generating waste from those buildings. There are lots of waste pickers and recycling groups that are crying out loud for empowerment. Litter has become today's raw material. Why are we not taking advantage of that to reduce the burden of refuse collection and channel that money to other uses? Some want to do waste to energy like biogas. Let's strengthen our policies. I know that the city fathers stand ready to approve policies that are meant to improve service delivery.

Town Clerk; there are a lot of Expressions of Interests ranging from solar street lighting; road signage and advertising; amusement parks and the ascot smart city; to mention but a few. We must approve and finalize these projects by April 2023. This is the time to put our hands on the deck and deliver real transformation to our residents. That transformation must be felt by an ordinary resident in Makokoba; Cowdray Park; Sizinda and Nkulumane, Hillside and Burnside among others but first we start with the Central Business District (CBD).

Best Wishes for 2023.

I want to take this opportunity to wish the people of Bulawayo a prosperous and transformative year ahead. Let's always pray for good rains when we are in our spaces.

God bless Bulawayo.”

Noted.

(2) **REPORT OF THE FUTURE WATER SUPPLIES AND WATER ACTION COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Future Water Supplies and Water Action Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted.

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(3) **REPORT OF THE HEALTH, HOUSING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Health, Housing and Education Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted with the

exception of the undermentioned items which be dealt with as follows:-

(a) **Food Hygiene : Registration of Premises for the Month of November, 2022 - (Item 1)**

Councillor D. Mabuto noted with concern that the standards of food hygiene in restaurants and food outlets in the City was deteriorating as some food outlets sold spoilt food to consumers. He urged Council's Health Inspectors to monitor food outlets in order to ensure that they adhered to the Public Health by-laws.

Councillor A. Batirai shared the same sentiment citing that unregistered food outlets were a health hazard to the city.

Alderman E. Rafamoyo's view was that unlicensed operators should be dealt with in terms of existing by-laws and statutes.

Councillor R.D. Jele observed that the back yards of most food outlets were infested with litter. He was of the opinion that Council should ensure that all shops had adequate refuse disposal facilities. Shop owners who failed to adhere to the by-laws should be fined.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

(b) **Cleansing Section - (Item 2)**

Councillor M. Dube was concerned that long distance bus operators had turned Leopold Takawira Street, opposite Centenary Park to a bus rank. It was worrisome to note that Council's Traffic Enforcement vehicles were also seen parked in the vicinity as if they were part of the bus crew. He would have expected them to be arresting offenders instead of sitting and watching offenders violating by-laws.

Councillor S. Chigora concurred noting that littering in the City was excessive. There was a public outcry over bus operators who plied the

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Harare route and their pick-up point was at the first avenue extension (near gumtrees). He further noted that apart from littering there was also noise pollution in the early hours of the morning coming from the touts. He suggested that the owners of the buses be approached and reach an amicable understanding with them.

Councillor F. Mhaka was of the view that illegal bus operators be given a time frame to end their illegal operations. He suggested that Council could also engage the bus owners and offer them the City Hall Car Park as their pick-up point. The same should also apply to buses plying the South Africa route. This could also generate revenue. Councillor P. Moyo concurred.



The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) was of the opinion that Council should engage TTI and request them to extend their operations to such areas since they had adequate resources.

Alderman E. Rafomoyo concurred and proposed that TTI's operations be extended to the said areas and was seconded by Councillor F. Mhaka.

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) suggested that it was ideal to revisit the issue of licensing and only those who adhered to the by-laws should have their licences renewed.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

**(c) Health Inspectorate - (Item 3)**

Councillor F. Javangwe raised a concern over the hygiene status of public toilets during water shedding periods. Residents had requested the closure of the facilities during water shedding periods because they were becoming a health hazard particularly during the rainy season. Contaminated water was flowing towards the vending stalls that were situated in that proximity.

Councillor M. Dube did not support the closing down of public toilets during water shedding, instead he suggested that alternatively elevated tanks could be installed to address water challenges and facilitate the cleaning of toilets.

Councillor P. Moyo noted with concern that there was public outcry over the increasing number of pay toilets throughout the City. Pay toilets were now more than public toilets and in the public eye it was as if Council was prioritising income generation than service delivery. He further highlighted that

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there was need to ensure that pay toilets were serving their purpose especially in ward (11).

Councillor T. Maposa felt that the policy on pay toilets had to be revised and more public toilets be availed. Ward (21) did not have any ablution facilities yet various social activities were conducted at Sizinda Hall.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

**(d) Cemeteries/Cremations - (Item 5)**

Councillor A. Batirai noted with concern that COVID 19 was re-emerging. He enquired on the measures that were being implemented by Council to counter the pandemic.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

(e) **Architectural and Quantity Survey Section monthly report: November 2022 - Item (11)**

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) noted with concern that most Council's installations needed urgent attention in terms of renovation. He cited buildings like the City Hall and POSB gardens that reflected the image of the City hence the need to spruce them up. Councillor R.D Jele concurred to the above sentiments stating that Council facilities such as community halls also required refurbishment.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Health, Housing and Education Committee be adopted.

(4) **REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND ENGINEERING SERVICES COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted with the exception of the undermentioned items which be dealt with as follows:-

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(a) **Fire and Ambulance - (Item 1)**

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) commended Operation Florian for donating fire equipment. However he was concerned about the ambulances which were awaiting repairs at Famona Fire station when it was clear there was a shortage of ambulances. He urged the department concerned to ensure that the ambulances were repaired and added to the operational fleet.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) recalled that a request had been sought on why the ambulances had not been repaired and the response was awaited.

In response Alderman E. Rafomoyo explained that the eight ambulances were beyond repair and were awaiting auction.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committee be adopted.

**(b) Roads Branch - (Item 2)**

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) recalled that he had previously requested for pothole patching along 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue/Herbert Chitepo but up-to-date nothing had been done. He advised the Engineering Services Department to be systematic in attending to potholes. The jetpatcher should be moved to other areas upon completing all the potholes in that particular area.

Councillor S. Chigora felt that departments were not executing their duties effectively. It was their responsibility to attend to projects or queries brought forward. He noted with concern that Councillors were now executing the Engineering Services Department's role through identifying and reporting faulty roads. Councillors' mandate was policy making and not supervising projects.

In response Alderman E. Rafomoyo explained that Council did not have enough cold mix to conduct pothole patching in the entire City hence severe and dangerous potholes were currently being prioritized.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committee be adopted.

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**(c) Road Maintenance - (Item 3)**

Councillor F. Mhaka recalled that roads that required urgent maintenance had been identified and a resolution had been passed that they be repaired before the festive season, however nothing had been done up to date. He further said he had requested for his ward's retention fund to purchase materials to fill potholes in Matopos road but nothing was availed. His concern was that resolutions passed were not being implemented.

Councillor D. Mabuto said that projects could not be implemented due to lack of funds.

Councillor E. Ndlovu noted that poor project implementation was as a result of lack of monitoring and evaluation. No follow up of projects was done.

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) expressed the same sentiments that there was no feedback from departments. Luveve, Steeldale and Matopos roads were supposed to have been rehabilitated before the festive season but the roads had still not been attended to.

In response to the sentiments raised, Alderman E. Rafomoyo explained that Council was still awaiting the donation of 80 tonnes of cold mix from Asphalt hence the delay in the implementation of the resolution of the Joint Finance and Development and Environmental and Engineering Services Committees.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committee be adopted.

(c) **Pre-sale stands : Servicing of medium and high density residential stands City wide with roads, water and sewer reticulation systems - (Item 7)**

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) was concerned about Council's delays in completing the pre-sale stands in Tshabalala and Emganwini. Beneficiaries had lost faith in Council.

Councillor R.D. Jele suggested that the affected residents be engaged to map a way forward which would not compromise Council's reputation.

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Councillor S. Chigora proposed that an Adhoc Committee comprising of Councillors be formed to come up with strategies and monitor the development of the stands.

Councillor E. Ndlovu said Council's mandate was to deliver services to the community. He said that the department was falling short of what was expected of them, their reports concentrated on challenges rather than solutions and this had to be rectified in the next Council meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendation of the Environmental Management and Engineering Services Committee be adopted.

(c) **Sewerage Section - (Item 17)**

Councillor P. Moyo noted that leaks and sewerage blockages were reported almost on a daily basis. It took the department longer than anticipated to attend to the faults.

Councillor R.D. Jele explained that the department had challenges in terms of material to do the repairs. A full report would be submitted to Council on what the department had managed to do and what was outstanding.

(5) **REPORT OF THE TOWN LANDS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE : MEETING HELD ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Town Lands and Planning Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted.

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(6) **REPORT OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the General Purposes Committee together with reports on:-

- (a) Acting Appointments in Excess of Six Months: Town Clerk's and Chamber Secretary's Departments.
- (b) Summary Report on General Staff Loss on Duty for the Period Ending 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022.
- (c) Recruitment of Council Employees Local Government Laws Amendment Act – 2008.
- (d) Request for Authority to fill 500 Vacancies across Departments.
- (e) Report on the Look and Learn Visit to Mutare, Gweru and Harare by the General Purposes Committee and Senior Officials to Share and Learn.
- (f) Acting Appointments in Excess of Six Months: Town Planning Department.
- (g) Request for Signing Powers: Acting Principal Town Planner: Ms Sithabisiwe Ncube (S.R. Number 30326) Vote 0074.

as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be

adopted.

(7) **REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE : MEETING  
HELD ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022**

**RESOLVED:**

That the report of the Finance and Development Committee as submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted with the exception of the undermentioned items which be dealt with as follows:-

(a) **City Financial Health Information - (Item 8)**

Councillor R.D. Jele noted that residents had raised concerns over the water bills. Billing had inaccuracies and these needed to be rectified.

Alderman E. Rafomoyo concurred. Complaints had been lodged about the wrong billing system and to date there was no correction and no attention given to the issue. This reflected badly on Council. He requested for proper and accurate billing system.

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Councillor D. Mabuto recalled that the issue of incorrect bills had been discussed at length in the previous Council meetings. He urged the Financial Services Department to address the anomaly. He sought clarity on why bills were no longer physically delivered. He called for good and quality service delivery.

Councillor S. Sibanda was of the view that Councillors should encourage residents with inaccurate bills to seek for assistance from the revenue halls.

Councillor F. Msipa said that there was need for physical delivery of bills as the elderly could not access electronic bills

Councillor S. Chigora explained that the billing was done through a system. Estimations concluded that rates should be the same except for water and sewer charges which depended on one's consumption. He suggested that a sample be brought to the meeting so that Councillors would appreciate how rates were being charged. It would be an advantage to explain to the residents how the billing system worked.

**RESOLVED:**

That the recommendations of the Finance and Development Committee be adopted.

(b) **3% Ward Retention Income and Expenditure Report for the month of  
November 2022 - (Item 13)**



Alderman E. Rafomoyo noted with concern that ward retention projects were not being implemented. Projects submitted three years ago were still pending. He explained that the ward retention fund was created in order to fund the ward's projects however the pace was moving slowly.

Councillor D. Mabuto noted that the funds had been eroded by inflation and could not fund projects which had been submitted before. He did not support the recommendation of the Finance and Development Committee (15<sup>th</sup> December, 2022) citing that the Adhoc Committee comprised of members of that Committee only. He felt that members from other Committees should have been co-opted into the Adhoc Committee.

Councillor E. Ndlovu concurred.

Alderman E. Rafamoyo noted that the recommendation did not have a time frame. He and Councillor D. Mabuto proposed that the Adhoc Committee be given a timeframe of one month to monitor and submit a report to the Financial Services Department.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) explained that the Adhoc Committee was nominated from the Finance and Development

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Committee which dealt with financial issues. Its mandate was to visit all the wards and collate projects and submit them to the Financial Services Department. A report would then be submitted accordingly.

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) also advised that the Committee's mandate was to monitor the progress of projects and identify challenges faced by the Financial Services Department and recommend what action to be taken.

It was agreed that the Committee be given one month time frame.

**RESOLVED:**

- (i) That the recommendation of the Finance and Development Committee be adopted and
- (ii) That the Adhoc Committee be given one month as time frame to collate the projects and thereafter submit to the Financial Services Department.

**(8) APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The following application for leave of absence had been received:-

Councillor T. Ruzive	:	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> January, 2023.
Councillor J. Ndlovu	:	5 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> January, 2023.

**RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL DO NOW SIT IN COMMITTEE:**  
**COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE:**

(9)

**MARKET SYSTEMS AND GENDER EQUALITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION ASSESSMENTS**

The Chamber Secretary reported (3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023) that a letter dated 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 with the following contents had been received from `Mercy Corps:-

“Mercy Corps under the CEDIS program (Catalyzing Economic Development through the Informal Sector Programme) is planning to conduct a Market System Assessment (MSA) and Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) Assessment targeting different actors from government, local government stakeholders, traditional local leadership, the private sector, informal traders’ association, and women and youth in the informal enterprise in Bulawayo.

The objective of the Market Systems Assessment is to understand market performance and participation of women and youth in these markets. Whereas GESI assessment is to enhance the design of impactful interventions that will increase women and young female benefits in the informal sector considering that our target group are women.

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The assessment is going to use a qualitative methodology. A total of 12 focus group discussions (FDGs) of between 6-8 people will be done in Bulawayo and they will be complemented by an equal number of Key Informant Interviews. For the Market Systems Assessment one-on-one interviews will be done with identified market actors that include government and local leadership officials.

The program plans to work with partner ministries from Ministry of Women’s Affairs, Community, Small and Medium Enterprise Development, Ministry of Youth, Sport, Art and Recreation, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Social Development, as well as Mercy Corps staff and Research Assistants to collect data from Monday 9 January to 20 January 2023.

Thank you for your usual support.”

These assessments would assist in understanding the performance of women and youth in various markets and also enhance the design of effective interventions that would increase women and young females’ benefits in the informal sector.

It was -

**RESOLVED:**

That the abovementioned report  
be received and noted.

(10) **REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE AS A MEMBER OF GLOBAL ALLIANCE COUNTRY TEAM FOR THE INTERNATIONAL AIDS CONFERENCE: DR EDWIN SIBANDA.**

The Human Capital Director reported (29<sup>th</sup> December 2022) that he had (28<sup>th</sup> December 2022) received the following letter of nomination of Dr Sibanda (Director of Health Services) from the Permanent Secretary for Health & Child Care Ministry as reflected hereunder;

21<sup>st</sup> December, 2022

“The City Health Director  
Bulawayo City Council  
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Dear Dr Sibanda

**RE: GLOBAL ALLIANCE COUNTRY TEAM MEMBERS NOMINATION**

The Global Alliance to end AIDS in Children by 2030 was launched on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August in Montreal, Canada, on the sidelines of the International AIDS Conference, Zimbabwe was one of the countries invited to join the first phase of Global Alliance and was dully represented by a delegation led by the Hon. Deputy Minister of Health

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and Child Care, John C. Mangwiro. Following from the launch, countries have been tasked to produce road maps and costed work plans to address gaps towards ending AIDS in children by 2030 across four pillars:

1. Early testing and optimized treatment for infants, children and adolescents living with HIV.
2. Closing the treatment gap for pregnant/ breastfeeding adolescents and women.
3. Preventing new HIV infections among pregnant/ breastfeeding adolescents and women.
4. Addressing rights, gender equality and the social and structural barriers to access services and promote participation.

The high-level costed country action plan will be presented at a peer review meeting for Zimbabwe and Mozambique that is scheduled for 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2023 and subsequently at the Tanzania continental launch of the Global Alliance on 1<sup>st</sup> of February, 2023.

You have been nominated to be a member of the Global Alliance Country team tasked with overseeing implementation of activities towards ending Paediatric AIDS by 2030

Yours sincerely

**Air Commodore (Dr) J. Chimedza**  
**Permanent Secretary for Health & Child Care”**

In view of the above it was -

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That authority be granted to Dr Edwin Nkosinathi Sibanda – Mzingwane the Director of Health Services (SR 21597) to participate as Board Member of The Global Alliance Country Team as nominated by the Ministry of Health & Child Care tasked with overseeing

Implementation of activities towards ending Paediatric AIDS by 2030, and Further attend to scheduled meetings and programs in this regard.

- (2) That he shall utilize Special Leave days for the duration of each Scheduled activity, meetings and programs of the International Global Alliance.

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(11) **APPLICATION FOR BULAWAYO CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT AND AUTHORISATION TO STAGE RESEARCH INTERVENTIONS IN THE CITY OF BULAWAYO: ACCOUNTABILITY LAB ZIMBABWE.**

The Human Capital Director reported (29<sup>th</sup> December 2022) that he had (28<sup>th</sup> December 2022) received the following application letter from Dr McDonald Lewanika, Country Director, Accountability Lab Zimbabwe requesting for authority to stage research interventions in the City of Bulawayo as reflected hereunder;

``The Town Clerk  
Bulawayo City Council  
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Dear Sir,

**RE: REQUEST FOR BCC SUPPORT AND AUTHORISATION TO STAGE RESEARCH INTERVENTIONS IN THE CITY OF BULAWAYO.**

The above matter refers.

Accountability Lab Zimbabwe intends to stage a research project entitled project entitled "Evaluating Social Cohesion and Community Values in Southern Africa." It is conducting this research in partnership with Tree of Life, Washington State University, and Africa University. The study assess whether community- based interventions can build social trust and cohesion in several communities in Zimbabwe. We would like to stage these interventions during the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2023 (January to March, 2023).

1. Community values workshops where members collaboratively produce a community value shared identity statement.
2. Trust- building workshop through psychosocial awareness and coping skills.
3. Surveys before and after each intervention to the effectiveness of each intervention.

Accountability Lab seeks your authorization, in writing, to stage the above – stated interventions in Bulawayo. The above processes are for knowledge creation and development purposes to produce valuable knowledge for communities, policymakers, and scholars on social cohesion and trust, nationally, regionally, and globally. WSU requires this authorization for Ethics clearance.

Accountability Lab Zimbabwe is part of a trans-local network of organizations that makes governance work for people by supporting active citizens, responsible leaders, and accountable institutions. It operates in Bulawayo through partnerships with BVTa, Community Podium, and other organizations.

Sincerely

Dr McDonald Lewanika  
Country Director: Accountability Lab Zimbabwe  
Email: [Mcdonalds@accountabilitylab.org](mailto:Mcdonalds@accountabilitylab.org)

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In view of the above it was -

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That authority and support be granted to Accountability Lab Zimbabwe in partnership with Tree of Life, Washington State University and University to stage Research Intervention in the City of Bulawayo with the view of staging the following: (i) Community values workshops where members shall collaboratively produce a community value and shared identity statement, (ii) Trust- building workshop through psychosocial awareness and coping skills, and (iii) Surveys before and after each intervention to the effectiveness of each intervention.
- (2) That they avail copies of the final research projects to Council for retention.
- (3) That Council is indemnified against any liability or injury that may occur during the research.

**(12) REQUEST TO UNDERTAKE BENCHMARKING VISIT TO CITY OF HARARE FOR NIGHT TIME SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS : 11 TO 12 JANUARY 2023.**

The Director of Health Services reported (31<sup>st</sup> January 2023) that the department had piloted night time refuse collection in the Central Business District and was planning on rolling out night time street sweeping as well. The City through the departments of Health Services and Human Capital aimed at benchmarking the provision of the unprecedented service for effectiveness and efficiency of the systems and controls in the following areas of operations:

1. Night time manual and mechanical sweeping
2. Night time refuse collection
3. Underground refuse bins operation

In order to come up with a robust system it was important for the city to learn from cities that had implemented night time solid waste management operations. It was therefore proposed that a bench marking visit be undertaken to the City of Harare from 11 to 12 January 2023 since it had implemented night time solid waste operations.

The Director of Health Services nominated Mr C. Malaba an Assistant Director of Health Services (Environmental Health), Mr N. Ndlovu a Cleansing Superintendent and Mr E. Nyathi a Senior Administrative Officer to undertake this visit.

Benchmarking required a skill from the Organisation and Methods Officer. The Director of Health Services therefore consulted the Human Capital Director who nominated Mr N. Moyo a Senior Organization and Methods Officer to undertake this visit.

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All costs (travelling, accommodation, meals and incidental allowances) would be borne by the Council. The Director of Health Services further requested use of a Council vehicle for this visit.

It was therefore recommended that Mr C. Malaba, Mr N. Ndlovu, Mr E. Nyathi and Mr N. Moyo be granted special leave from 10 to 12 January 2023 inclusive of travelling dates and be paid incidental allowances and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED:**

That Mr C. Malaba; Mr N. Ndlovu;  
Mr E. Nyathi and Mr N Moyo be granted  
special leave from 10 to 12 January 2023 inclusive  
of travelling dates and paid incidental allowances  
and meals in transit accordingly.

**(13) CREMATION OF UNDER-TWELVES**

The Director of Health Services reported (3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023) that the city conducted approximately 5000 burials a year. With the finite nature of land and the competing uses for the same designation of more land for cemeteries continued to be a nightmare. In the past four years 3 new cemeteries had been designated in the city, namely Athlone West, Marvel, and Pumula South, of these cemeteries Athlone West had since been decommissioned after it filled up only three years from commission with approximately 7500 burials. In February 2022 the city took over Umvutcha Cemetery with a projected grave capacity of 45000. With the current burials the cemetery would be decommissioned in the next ten years given that it was a preference for many. The decommissioning of cemetery had continued to put Council in a dilemma as it battled with providing burial land within reasonable distance for the residents and designating it for other beneficial purposes. The sad reality was that once land had been designated for a cemetery it could not be used for other purposes. Literature had it that rehabilitation of burial land could only be possible after a hundred years from the last burial. The cemeteries were in essence decommissioned from regular burials however second interments and burials in reserved graves continued long after the said decommission hence the overhundred year waiting period could never be achieved.

The alternative method of disposal of the dead had been cremation, which however had not been embraced by the indigenous population. This method of disposal was mainly practised by the Hindu community and some of the Caucasians/Asians. Cremation among the indigenous blacks had been far apart. Cases had been documented where family members had refused the cremation of their own despite that having been the wish of the deceased. The common disposal practice had been burial right throughout all ages. Burials were followed with erection of monuments and in some cases annual rituals by some members of society.

Graves were held dearly and were visited occasionally to be maintained. The departed had continued to be seen to preside over the ones left behind and this has made it difficult to bring about the idea of cremation which was literally regarded as burning the deceased.

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In view of the aforementioned in order to preserve land there was need to arrest the number of burials through introduction of an alternative means of disposal of the dead department was of the view that cremation should be peddled as an alternative. Given the sentimental value that indigenous populations had on graves of their departed there was need to observe the cultural rites and practices associated with the deceased adults and as such prescribe that cremation be compulsory for under-12s who somehow had not had influence on society on the cultural realm.

It was therefore recommended that cremation be adopted as a compulsory means of disposal of the dead for all children under the age of twelve years.

Discussion ensued and Coucillor F. Javangwe was against the idea of forced cremation. As it was against African tradition.

Coucillor A. Batirai said cremation should be voluntary and not compulsory.

Coucillor C. Mlalazi's view was that only still births to one year should be cremated. She was against the compulsory or forced cremation of 12 year olds.

However Coucillor S. Chigora however, was of the view that there was need to do a cost benefit analysis even the elderly could be cremated, and Council could start by offering free services in order to encourage a buy- in into the practice.

Coucillor E. Ndlovu however felt that cremation should be encouraged for all ages and not made compulsory or forced for any age group.

Responding to the sentiments raised by the councillors, the Director of Health Services explained that the reason behind compulsory cremation was that Council was running out of burial space. Previously the state used to offer free cremation services for still born babies but this was no longer available resulting in parent's incurring burial expenses and also being exposed to unscrupulous dealers who collected money from them but never disposed of the bodies as usually these are not attended by family members.

The Chamber Secretary advised that Paupers Burials were guided by the Cremation and Burial Act

It was -

**RESOLVED:**

That the 12 year age limit for cremation be not acceded to; instead the age limit for compulsory cremation be adjusted to 0-12 months.



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**(14) 2023 BUDGET APPROVAL PROCESS, SUBMISSION AND VERIFICATION OF COMPLETED PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS ASSESSMENT DOCUMENTS FOR MAYORS AND TOWN CLERKS – 7<sup>TH</sup> AND 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023 VILLAGE LODGE, GWERU – VARIOUS POLICY MAKERS AND OFFICIALS**

The Town Clerk reported (4<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that he was in receipt of a letter from the Acting Secretary for Local Government and Public Works advising that the 2023 budget approval process for local authorities was scheduled to take place at the Village Lodge in Gweru. He had accordingly invited the following to be part of the approval process:-

- i. His Worship, the Mayor ( Councillor Solomon Mguni)
- ii. The Finance and Development Committee Chairperson (Councillor Tawanda Ruzive)
- iii. The Town Clerk (Mr. Christopher Dube)
- iv. The Finance Director (represented by Mr. Cyprian B. Dabengwa)
- v. The Chamber Secretary (Mrs. Sikhangele Zhou)
- vi. The Human Capital Director (Mr Makhosi Tshalebwa)
- vii. The Budget Focal Person. (Mr. Isaac Matare)

For the office of the Minister of State for Bulawayo Metropolitan Province to have an appreciation of what informed the Council budget, he had considered it prudent that it be represented at this meeting. Accordingly, he proposed that it be represented by two persons, one from the Economic Development and another from the Governance arms of her office. Council would have to bear the cost of their participation.

It was therefore –

**RECOMMENDED THAT:**

1. His Worship, the Mayor, the Finance and Development Committee Chairperson, the Town Clerk, the Finance Director, the Chamber Secretary, the Human Capital Director and the Budget Focal Person represent Council at the 2023 budget approval process and that Council pays for their transportation and subsistence allowances in the usual manner.
2. Council approves the participation of two officers from the office of the Minister of State for Bulawayo Metropolitan Province in the budget approval process and that the cost of their participation in terms of transportation and subsistence

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Discussion ensued and Councillor S. Chigora raised concern on the expenditure of Council funds to sponsor Government Officials when they participated in the oversight duties. Government had a budget from the National Fiscus. He said that this was an unbudgeted expense to Council. He also sought clarity on their input on the budget and whether their presence would add any value to the process. There was a need to engage the Ministry in future with regard to such issues as that was part of the ministry's oversight duties which the ministry should budget for.

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni) concurred with Councillor S. Chigora and acknowledged that the principle was wrong and should not be encouraged or supported. He however was agreeable for a compromise regarding this trip on the understanding that it would be the last time where council funded Government Officials

Councillor E. Ndlovu repercussions where concurring that the principle was wrong felt that there could be adverse Government Officials were not included and he therefore would support the position of compromise so that the budget approval process was not stalled by the absence of the officials.

Alderman E. Rafomoyo wanted to know if there was any that forced Council to bear the cost of their participation.

Councillor D. Mabuto said Council had set a bad precedent before. There was no Constitutional nor legal provision for this. He however proposed that the Government Officials be allowed to take part in the Budget approval process and Council pays the costs there if on the understanding that it would be the last time and the issue would be raised with the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works.

Responding to the sentiments raised by the Councillors, the Town Clerk advised that Council had always raised concerns on these unfunded mandates. He said if the Government Officials were not included, Council Budget would be rejected. He further explained that there was communication which directed Council to work with Government Officers. If the Officials were left out, the Ministry was likely to say that the Council team was not properly constituted. The Government Officials had been assisting Council and had an input in the Budget.

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On that note, it was -

**RESOLVED:**

1. That His Worship, the Mayor, the Finance and Development Committee Chairperson, the Town Clerk, the Finance Director, the Chamber Secretary, the Human Capital Director and the Budget Focal Person represent Council at the 2023 Budget Approval process and that Council pays for their transportation and subsistence allowances in the usual manner.
2. That Council approves the participation of two Officers from the office of the Minister of State for Bulawayo Metropolitan Province in the Budget Approval process and that the costs of their participation in terms of transportation and subsistence allowances at Central Government rates be borne by Council.

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**Council**  
**4.1.2023**

(15) **MINUTES OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE: MEETING HELD ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER, 2023.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the Audit Committee containing report on:-

**(a) Performance Audit of the City's Facilities Maintenance;-**

As submitted be received and the various recommendations contained therein be adopted.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of this item be kept confidential and not open to inspection by any person other than a Councillor or a Council Official.

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# **ANNEXURE ‘F’**

**REPORT OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE  
COMMITTEE ROOM, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ON MONDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY,  
2023 AT 11.00 A.M**

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**PRESENT:**

Councillor Mlandu Ncube (Deputy Mayor) (chairing)  
Alderman S. Khumalo  
Councillor P. Moyo  
" S. Moyo  
" S. Mutanda  
" T. Ruzive

**ALSO:**

The Town Clerk  
The Chamber Secretary  
The Acting Director of Engineering Services  
The Financial Director  
The Acting Director of Health Services  
The Director of Housing and Community Services  
The Human Capital Director  
The Deputy Director of Town Planning

**APOLOGY:**

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni)

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(1) **REPORT ON THE CITY OF BULAWAYO UNITED NATIONS VOLUNTARY LOCAL REVIEW ON IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGs)**

The Town Clerk reported (13<sup>th</sup> December, 2022) as follows on the above mentioned matter:-

**Background**

The critical role of cities, local authorities and communities was acknowledged by member States at the Sustainable Development Goal Summit, held at United Nations Headquarters in 2019, during which a commitment was made to support and bolster localities in their pursuit of fulfilling the 2030 Agenda. Since then, an increasing number of local authorities had begun utilizing the Voluntary Local Reviews (VLRs) mechanism to track implementation of SDGs at the local level. In Africa, local authorities had been using VLRs to highlight and boost local action towards the implementation of both the Africa Agenda 2063 and SDGs Agenda 2030.

The Voluntary Local Review (VLR) was an **analysis of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** for a specific local context, thus, a very important monitoring tool for their implementation at city or regional level. Voluntary Local Reviews (VLRs) had the potential to accelerate the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. They provided a platform for localizing SDGs, an opportunity for stakeholders to contribute to development and enable sharing of experiences and best practices.

Zimbabwe had to date produced two (2) pilot Voluntary Local Reviews - Harare and Victoria Falls. The City of Bulawayo had been identified together with other towns to develop the VLR as guided by United Nations Department for Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA). The 2022 VLRs were prepared with the support of the UNDESA, Ministry of Public service, Labour and Social Welfare and the Ministry of Local Government, Public Works and National Housing. The City of Bulawayo had completed the first and second phases of the VLR report, taking into account inputs from diverse stakeholders drawn from the length and breadth of the City.

**Voluntary local review process**

The format of the African Voluntary local review included three phases (Phase 1, 2 & 3).

**Phase 1**

The first phase – vision, preparation and stakeholder mobilization – involved the planning and institutionalization of the review. The City of Bulawayo firstly identified and prepared stakeholder list corresponding to each Sustainable Development Goal.

Key collaborators were also identified i.e UNDESA consultant; Council Department focal persons, and the City's gender focal office provided a list of institutional leads for organizations dealing with social and vulnerable groups. Awareness-raising of the partners and citizens was initially done through the formulation, dissemination and review of the City's Strategic plan



from 2019 to 2022, where linkages of the City' Key Result Areas, National Priorities, Africa Agenda 2063 and SDGs were emphasized. This was followed by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) interdepartmental consultative meetings with the City of Bulawayo and external stakeholders from the 26<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup> of May 2022. Thereafter, the local review was institutionalized through the formation of a Steering Committee to come up with an inception report.

The leading Department in the VLR coordination for the City of Bulawayo was Town Clerk, through the City Economic Development Office with the support of United Nations DESA, Ministry of Public service, Labour and Social Welfare and the Ministry of Local Government, Public Works and National Housing. A hybrid of “dominant” and “hub and spoke” models was adopted in coming up with the VLR.

## **Phase 2**

A mixed research design that involved both quantitative and qualitative data was employed in the data collection methodology. Primary data was collected through surveys, questionnaires, interviews, stakeholder engagements, focus groups sessions and written submission requests. Secondary research was done to gather more insight on Sustainable Development Goals and their localization across the globe. The following documents were reviewed and analysed: Zimbabwe Voluntary National Reviews, African Voluntary Local Reviews, other countries Voluntary Local Reviews, National Development Strategy 1, City of Bulawayo Corporate Strategy, Bulawayo Metropolitan Provincial Strategy, Poverty Assessment Studies and Surveys, Multi-Indicator Cluster Surveys among others. Validation took place through consultations with key stakeholders through interviews to get an in-depth analysis of the phenomena.

A Stakeholder engagement workshop was held on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of October 2022 at Mavuna Guest Lodge, Bulawayo. Hundred all-inclusive stakeholders converged and contributed to the success of this Voluntary Local Review Report (VLR). Stakeholders were divided into three groups Economic, Social and Environment so as to fully contribute in their areas of expertise. Presentations were done and comments consolidated to form a draft document. Furthermore, written submissions were requested from other key stakeholders who did not manage to attend the workshop. To achieve inclusive and the principle of leaving no one behind and SDGs survey was conducted on 281 participants in the City's wards, streets, homeless areas, informal trading areas, orphanages and old people's homes.

The SDGs survey was conducted using the Geographical Information System (GIS) mapping (which produces co-ordinates and maps) and the results contributed a lot represent to views of different stakeholders in the City of Bulawayo. The other benefit of the SDGs survey was that, stakeholders were visited in their places of residency, business and consumption. Please find attached the draft VLR Report for information.

### **Phase 3**

Phase 3 involved publication and dissemination. Dissemination should be wide and could involve the press and media to share key messages.

### **Conclusion**

Data availability on some SDGs was the main challenge. ZIMSTAT Data was not consistent and that made the review difficult at a local level. It was not possible to get submissions from all institutions because of insufficient resources, time and confidentiality clauses of some organizations. It was hoped the First Voluntary Local Review for the City of Bulawayo would form a basis for data for future reviews.

The Town Clerk had recommended that

- there was need to have a disaggregated data and SDGs Portal for the City of Bulawayo.
- there may be further opportunities to tap into the sister city network or other global city networks, such as the UCLG, C40 Cities and the Partnership for Healthy Cities, to name a few, to jointly establish regional priorities and coherence on goals that may be too challenging to tackle by one City alone.
- there was need to form a City of Bulawayo Sustainable Development Goals Committee
- there was need for peer review with other Global Cities on how they implement Sustainable Development Goals.

There after it was:-

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That Authority be granted for the city to participate in the Voluntary Review and further the City participates in the DPF view with other Local Authorities.

#### **(2) REQUEST FOR FREE USE OF THE LARGE CITY HALL: POSITIVE MINDS ORGANIZATION**

The Town Clerk reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that he was in receipt of correspondence from Positive Minds Organization requesting for free use of the Large City Hall to host a fundraising event on the (3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023).

According to the writer, Positive Minds, an organisation that ran under the theme “empowering voices, knowledge and actions” was founded by Milton High School alumni. The initiative aims at equipping high school students with skills and tools of building a purpose driven life.

The writer also stated that the objective of the organisation was to offer leadership training, talent grooming, charity and motivational speaking training to the students and youth of

Bulawayo. Furthermore, they aimed at raising awareness on Vuzu parties, girl and boy child empowerment, feuds between schools and drug and substance abuse.

Through the fundraising event, the organisation stated that it intended to unearth talent within the youth of Bulawayo and also furnish the Bulawayo Junior Council with event planning and time management skills.

In terms of current policy, Council grants free use of its facilities only for National events such as Independence, Heroes and Defence Forces Days. Council grants 50% discount to Private Voluntary Organisations and special needs groups as and when such applications were submitted to the General Purposes Committee for determination/consideration as appropriate.

Discussion ensued and Councillor T. Ruzive proposed that the applicant be granted 50% discount.

Alderman S. Khumalo seconded and highlighted that initiatives by school children have to be supported.

There after it was:-

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That the request by Positive Minds Organisation for free use of the Large City Hall on (3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023) be not acceded to, instead the applicant be granted 50% discount of the relevant hire charges for the Large City Hall (i.e pay 50% of normal charges)

### **(3) REQUEST FOR FREE USE OF THE SMALL CITY HALL : HERE WE RISE**

The Town Clerk reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that he was in receipt of correspondence from Here We Rise requesting for free use of the Small City Hall to host a beauty pageant for disabled people on the 18<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.

According to the writer, Here We Rise was a Trust that catered for people with disabilities in the entertainment sector. The organisation stated that it strived to change the mindset that disabled people were incapacitated to accomplish anything within society by creating a platform to showcase their talent. They further stated that their initiative aimed at reaching out to disabled people in both rural and urban areas to participate in the pageant. The contestants of the pageant would include the visually impaired, hearing impaired, albinos and the physically challenged.

The writer stated that the beauty pageant would promote inclusion and recognition of disabled people in the entertainment industry as well as enhance networking.

In terms of current policy, Council grants free use of its facilities only for National events such as Independence, Heroes and Defence Forces Days. Council grants 50% discount to Private Voluntary Organisations and special needs groups as and when such applications are submitted to the General Purposes Committee for determination/consideration as appropriate.

Discussion ensued and Alderman S. Khumalo said because of the nature of the request he proposed that the applicant be granted 50% discount.

Councillors seconded on the granting of 50% discount

There after it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That the request by Here We Rise for the free use of the Small City Hall on (18<sup>th</sup> February, 2023) be not acceded to, instead the applicant be granted 50% discount of the relevant hire charges for the Large City Hall.  
(i.e pay 50% of normal charges)

**(4) ROTARY – PERMISSION FOR STREET COLLECTION**

The Town Clerk Reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the following application had been received from the Rotary Club of Bulawayo South. The letter read as follows:-

“Rotary club of Bulawayo South has, for the last five years been allocated two streets collection dates. We use the street collections to promote visibility of Rotary, and particularly of Rotary’s efforts to eradicate polio.

We respectfully request your permission in order that we may continue to participate in this global Rotary International initiative. If Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023 are available, please could we be assigned those dates. Alternatively, any two Saturdays during school terms, in the first or last week of the month, would be suitable.

If you require any further information, please telephone me on the numbers below. Thank you in advance for your kind assistance.”

There after it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the Rotary Club of Bulawayo South be granted permission to hold Street collection and be allocated dates on Saturday During the year for the purposes of conducting Street Collection.

(5) **REPORT ON 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER BASED VIOLENCE:  
SMALL CITY HALL: (2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER, 2022)**

The Human Capital Director reported (16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the 16 days of Activism against Gender based Violence commemoration was celebrated every year from the 25<sup>th</sup> of November to the 10<sup>th</sup> of December. The main purpose of the event every year was to build a movement that works together in fighting all forms of violence against women and girls. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December, 2022, City of Bulawayo partnered with the Ministry of Women Affairs and Law Society of Zimbabwe to commemorate 16 days of activism against GBV through a march around the city. The march comprised of various stakeholders namely Zimbabwe Gender Commission, Ministry of Women Affairs, Community, Small and Medium Enterprises Development, Junior Councillors, Bulawayo Resident Association, HOCIC, Contact Family Counselling Centre, Zimbabwe Women's Lawyers Association, Musasa Project, SOS Children's Village, Nehemiah Trust, Zimbabwe Health Interventions, Representatives of People with Disabilities and our special guest was the Minister of State for Provincial Affairs,

Honourable Judith Ncube. The commemoration ran under the theme 'UNITE, Activism to end violence against women and girls'.



**Figure 1:***The City of Kings march commemorating 16 days of Activism against GBV-City of Bulawayo staff members marching with other stakeholders. Zero tolerance to GBV*

There after it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted

(6) **REPORT ON GENDER BASED VIOLENCE AWARENESS TRAINING: GESI CHAMPIONS: PUBLIC LIBRARY HALL: (7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022)**

The Human Capital Director reported (16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that city of Bulawayo in collaboration with World Vision International held a Gender Based Violence awareness training for Gender Champions at the Public Library Hall on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2022. The event ran under the theme '*End Gender Based Violence now! All lives matter!*' The training was done as a way of empowering communities with information on the causes of Gender Based Violence and how best to end it. Stakeholders present were Bulawayo City Council, the Ministry of Women Affairs Small and Medium Enterprises Development and World Vision International. Gender Champions from different wards were also present. The commemoration had a total of 37 participants comprised of 28 females, 9 males. Of the 37 participants 2 females and 3 males were Persons with disabilities.



**Figure 2:** *Workshop in Pictures-2022*

There after it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

(7) **REPORT ON THE 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER BASED VIOLENCE YOUTH DIALOGUE: SMALL CITY HALL: (9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022)**

The Human Capital Director reported (16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the City of Bulawayo, Gender Health and Safety section commemorated 16 Days Activism against Gender Based Violence by organizing a Youth Dialogue with the Junior Councilors. The event was held on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December at the Small City Hall which ran under the theme '*Young lives matter!! End Gender Based Violence Now!*' Stakeholders present were Zimbabwe Women's Lawyers Association, Musasa Projects and Child Line Zimbabwe. Gender Focal Persons across all council



departments were also present. The event had 38 participants, comprised of 24 females and 14 males. The commemoration was targeting the youth in various schools from the ages of 13-18 years to foster a sense of self-worth amongst youths. Gender Based Violence undermines a person's sense of self-worth and self-esteem. It affects not only physical health but also mental health and may lead to self-harm, isolation, depression and suicidal attempts. It was against this background that the City of Bulawayo held a dialogue with Youths to create sustainable conversations around the root causes of GBV, how to transform social norms and empower young women and girls in societies.



**Figure 3:** Junior Councilors with anti-GBV messages on 16 Days of Activism 2022-Young Lives Matter. End GBV Now!!!

#### **Action Plan for Gender, Safety and Health Section.**

- Stakeholders across Bulawayo including City of Bulawayo to continue to hold awareness trainings and strengthen the movement on EVAWG.
- City of Bulawayo to harness the idea of quarterly review meetings with various stakeholders as far as working towards EVAWG/SGBV/Drug Abuse was concerned.
- Trainings and campaigns to be held in a bid to address parents and guardians on the effects of IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) on children and formulate strategies on ending Child Marriages.

There after it was:-

#### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.



(8) **REPORT ON THE COMMEMORATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: DATE: 15 DECEMBER, 2022: VENUE: FAMILY OF GOD CHURCH, BULAWAYO**

The Human Capital Director reported (16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the Ministry of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare (Bulawayo Metropolitan Province) in partnership with Zimbabwe Women's Development Enterprises (ZWIDE) commemorated the International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December, 2022. IDPD was an international day reserved and commemorated for on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December every year.

The Government of Zimbabwe (GOZ) ratified the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) in a bid to mainstream human rights of persons with disabilities in all development initiatives. It was against this background that the country localized the Convention to suit their environment by formulating a National Disability Policy as a way of addressing non-discrimination, equality of opportunity and promoting gender equality. The 2022 IDPD ran under the theme '*Transformative solutions for Inclusive Development. The role of innovation in fuelling on Accessible and Equitable World*'. In support of the commemoration, Bulawayo City Council attended the event and worked closely to make the event a success. The commemoration had a various stakeholders from Bulawayo including Down Syndrome Association, Federation of Disabled Persons in Zimbabwe, National Treasure (Albinism Association), Epilepsy Support Foundation, Zimbabwe Council of the Blind, Ministry of Youth, Sport, Arts and Recreation, Khulumani FM and Zimbabwe Broadcasting Cooperation.



**Figure 4:** *Commemoration of the IDPD 2022-Ministry of Public Service, Labor and Social Welfare*

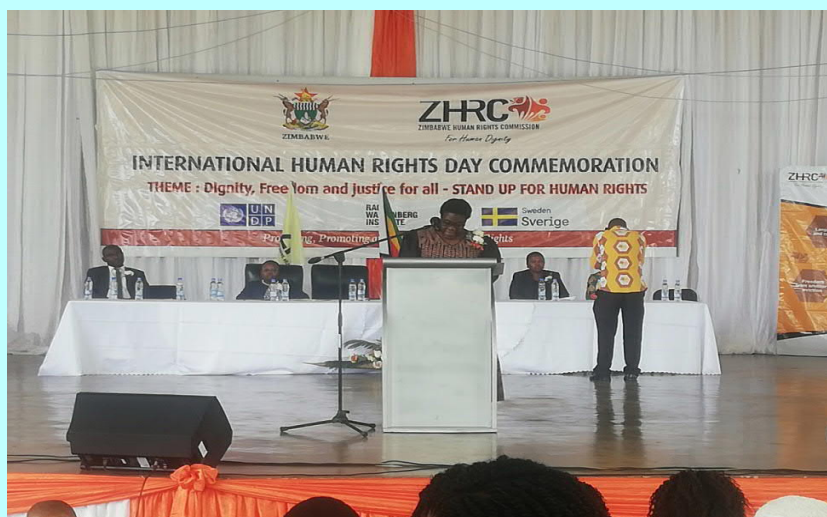
There after it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

(9) **REPORT ON UNVEILING OF NEW ZIMBABWE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (ZHRC) OFFICES AND COMMEMORATION OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY: 9<sup>th</sup> OF DECEMBER, 2022.**

The Human Capital Director reported (16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that Council participated at the 2022 Human Rights Day which was held by the Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission (ZHRC) on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December, 2022 at the Bulawayo Amphitheatre. The event was held under the theme “*Dignity, Freedom and Justice for All – Stand Up for Human Rights*”. In attendance was Honourable Minister of Provincial Affairs J. Ncube, Commissioners from Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission, UNDP representatives, Government Technocrats and stakeholders from different organizations. Organizations present showcased services they offer. The commemorations were preceded by the unveiling ceremony of new offices for Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission (ZHRC) at number 46 Park Road, Suburbs in Bulawayo.



**Figure 6:**Key-Note Address by Minister of Provincial Affairs J. Ncube during the commemoration

There after it was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

(10) **AUTHORITY FOR REGISTRATION OF ELIGIBLE COUNCIL STAFF INTO THE JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION (JSC) INTEGRATED ELECTRONIC CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (IECMS)**

The Human Capital Director reported (16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that communication dated 4 January 2023 had been received from the Judicial Service Commission

\*\*\* (copy attached).

In line with prevailing Standing Authority, the Town Clerk in consultation with His Worship the Mayor nominated three (3) members of staff to represent Council in the consultative multi-stakeholder seminar held on the 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023 at the Bulawayo High Court. The Union leadership was also notified about the workshop as well.

The Town Clerk had nominated Mrs Memory Tshuma (SR No. 00013) Human Capital Officer, Ms T. Ngwenya (SR No. 00020) Legal Officer and Mr Maxwell Sibanda (SR No. 01024) Principal Human Capital Officer to attend the workshop.

In light of the advice received from the JSC, on the issue the Council should have its staff registered in the facility in order to interface electronically with both the Labour Court and the Administrative Court.

It was-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

- (i) That the action taken by the Town Clerk with regard to authorisation of the three (3) aforementioned members of staff to participate in the JSC sponsored seminar be ratified, and further –
- (ii) That the Town Clerk be hereby authorised to nominate eligible staff from the relevant Council departments for subsequent registration into the Integrated Electronic Case Management System for both the Labour Court and the Administrative Court electronic interface under the auspices of the JSC.

(11) **APPLICATION FOR BULAWAYO CITY COUNCIL'S ASSISTANCE BY THE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE OF ZIMBABWE ON THEIR PLAN TO INCREASE AWARENESS TO THEIR STUDENTS REGARDING CIVIC RESPONSIBILITIES USING INFORMATION FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF BULAWAYO**

The Human Capital Director reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that he (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) received the following application letter from Theological College of Zimbabwe requesting for authority to access information and to interview various Council officials from different relevant departments in the City of Bulawayo as reflected therein;

"The Town Clerk  
Bulawayo City Council  
Bulawayo

Dear Mr Tshalebwa,

Complements of the New Season!

My name is Thobekile Ncube –Director of Women’s Ministry at the Theological College of Zimbabwe. This term (January to March, 2023), we plan to increase awareness in our students regarding civic responsibilities. I believe the Bulawayo City Council may help us achieve our goals. I am attaching our Course Outline for January, 2023 showing our need for various speakers on different topics/ departments.

These topics include health; bills and tariffs increase; refuse, environment, housing issues, stands application and allocations/ fees and civic meetings and by-laws. Your help will be much appreciated.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Thobekile Ncube +263 772 984 920

**WOMEN’S MINISTRY DIRECTOR  
THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE OF ZIMBABWE**

**THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE OF ZIMBABWE**

**Women’s Ministry: Critical Thinking**

**Civic Responsibilities: Tuesday 1: 30 – 3: 00pm**

**January 2023**

Lecturer: Mrs E. Mugari

▪ **Course Description**

The course seeks to increase awareness and educate students/citizens on matters of civic responsibilities. Guest speakers will be invited from the Bulawayo City Council and ZESA departments to address, educate and engage students on the matters of health, bills/tariffs, refuse, environment, housing, stands’ fees/ application, civic meetings/ by – laws and ZESA issues.

▪ **Course Objectives**

By the end of this course, students should have an appreciation of what their civic responsibilities are, based on what they will learn from the guest speaker and class

interactions. In particular, the students should be equipped with where and how to seek help within the respective departments. Once equipped, these students will be able to support fellow citizens in their community.

17<sup>th</sup> Jan – Introduction / Reflections

24<sup>th</sup> Jan – Health matters (Guest speaker)

31<sup>st</sup> Jan – Bills payment/ Tariffs increase (Guest speaker)

7<sup>th</sup> February – Refuse removal/ refuse (Guest speaker)

14<sup>th</sup> February – Environmental matters (Guest speaker)

21<sup>st</sup> February – E X E A T

28<sup>th</sup> February – Housing issues: where to go /who to see etc (Guest speaker)

7<sup>th</sup> March – Stands: applications location/ costs / allocation / starting process (Guest speakers)

14<sup>th</sup> March - Civic meetings: by- laws/ founs (Guests speaker)

21<sup>st</sup> March – ZESA: cable thefts and reporting /crime/ schedule of power cuts/ communication/ tariffs increase etc (Guest speaker)

28<sup>th</sup> March – Conclusion/ Reflections

▪ **Course Requirements (Assessment)**

At the end of the term, students will get a “Pass” on condition that they attend 80% of the sess.”

In view of the above it was-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

- 1) That "authority be granted for Council officials from its various departments that are relevant to the Theological College of Zimbabwe's requests to present on the issues raised on behalf of the City of Bulawayo.
- 2) That the Theological College of Zimbabwe bears all the administrative costs relevant to this presentation

(12) **INVITATION TO ATTEND DR-TB GUIDELIES REVIEW WORKSHOP : 12 TO 16 DECEMBER 2022 : MUTARE : DR H.T. SIGAUKE : S.R. NUMBER 21601 AND MRS C. BANANA : (S.R. NUMBER 23497).**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an invitation had been received from the Ministry of Health and Child Care to send participants to attend the above workshop. It read as follows:-

“Drug-resistant tuberculosis (DRTB) remains a disease of public health significance in Zimbabwe. The country appears on two high-burden countries lists for DRTB and TB/HIV but remains on the watch list for drug-sensitive TB. Treatment coverage for DRTB and access to quality diagnosis and treatment remain a priority for presumed and diagnosed patients respectively.

Following revision of the country’s drug resistant tuberculosis clinical guidelines with support from the World Health Organization in 2019, the Ministry has been scaling up new drugs and regimens for the management of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis. The new guidance emphasizes the use of a standardized shorter all oral regimen for the management of RR/MDR TB. There is additional guidance on the implementation of even shorter (6-month) regimens BPaL and BPaLM released in 2022.

Against this background, National TB Program intends to review the DR-TB guidelines”.

The Director of Health Services nominated Dr H.T. Sigauke a Clinical Medical Officer and Mrs C. Banana a Deputy Chief Nursing Officer to attend the above workshop.

In view of the dates of the workshop the matter was discussed with the Town Clerk who authorised Dr H.T. Sigauke and Mrs C. Banana’s attendance.

All costs would be borne by the organisers. Authority was sought to use a Council vehicle. Fuel would be reimbursed.

It was therefore recommended that Dr H.T. Sigauke and Mrs C. Banana be granted special leave from 11 to 17 December 2022 to attend the above workshop and be paid incidental allowances and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

That the action taken by the Director of Health Services in consultation with the Town Clerk in authorizing the abovementioned staff members to attend workshop in Mutare from 12 December to 16 December, 2022 and the payment of incidental allowances, meals in transit only as



appropriate as other costs were met by the organizers, as well as use of a Council vehicle for which fuel would be reimbursed, be confirmed.

(13) **INVITATION TO FLIP THE SCRIPT NATIONAL MEETING : 13 DECEMBER 2022 : RAINBOW TOWERS HOTEL : HARARE : SISTER P. NDLOVU : (S.R. NUMBER 23524).**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an invitation had been received from the Ministry of Health and Child Care to send a participant to attend the above meeting.

The objectives of the meeting were:

- To review performance of the ART champion.
- To discuss closeout way forward.

The Director of Health Services nominated Sister P. Ndlovu a Sister-in-Charge to attend the above meeting.

In view of the date of the meeting, the matter had been discussed with the Town Clerk who had authorised Sister P. Ndlovu's attendance.

All costs would be borne by the organisers.

It was therefore recommended that Sister P. Ndlovu be granted special leave from 12 to 14 December 2022 to attend the above meeting and be paid incidental allowances and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

That the action taken by the Director of Health Services in consultation with the Town Clerk in authorizing Sister P. Ndlovu (S.R. No. 23524) to attend the meeting in Harare from 12 to 14 December, 2022 and the payment of incidental allowances, meals in transit only as appropriate, as other costs were met by the organizers, be confirmed.



(14) **INVITATION TO ATTEND A NATIONAL LAUNCH OF FAMILY PLANNING 2030 COMMITMENTS AND THE FAMILY PLANNING STRATEGY 2022 – 2026 : 16 DECEMBER 2022 : MEIKLES HOTEL : HARARE : DR E.N. SIBANDA - MZINGWANE : (S.R. NUMBER 21597).**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an invitation had been received from the Ministry of Health and Child Care to send a participant to attend the above launch. It read as follows:-

“Zimbabwe has been a member of the family planning global partnership since the year 2012. The Ministry of Health and Child Care made the first FP2020 commitments at the London summit in 2012. At the end of the FP2020 Commitments, Zimbabwe was invited by the FP2030 global partners to make new commitments. Wider consultations with stakeholders were conducted and now there are final commitments awaiting to be launched. Furthermore the country has also developed the new Family Planning Strategy 2022-2026”.

The Director of Health Services wished to attend the above launch.

In view of the dates of the launch, the matter had been discussed with the Town Clerk who had authorised Dr E.N. Sibanda-Mzingwane’s attendance.

All costs would be borne by the organisers. Authority was sought to use a personal vehicle. Fuel would be reimbursed.

It was therefore recommended that Dr E.N. Sibanda-Mzingwane be granted special leave on 16 December 2022 to attend the above launch and be paid mileage and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

That the action taken by the Director of Health Services in consultation with the Town Clerk in authorizing Dr. E.N. Sibanda (S.R. No. 21597) to attend the abovementioned Launch in Harare on the 16 December 2022 and the payment of incidental allowances, meals in transit only as appropriate, as other costs were met by the organizers, as well as use of a personal vehicle for which fuel would be reimbursed, be confirmed.

(15) **INVITATION TO ATTEND A TRAINING ON TARGETED SCREENING FOR ACTIVE TB : 28 TO 29 DECEMBER 2022 : SUBURBAN VILLAGE : GWERU : DR M. FALAYI : (S.R. NUMBER 21602), MRS C. BANANA: (S.R. NUMBER 23497), MR B. MPOFU : (S.R. NUMBER 21599) AND MR A. NCUBE : (S.R. NUMBER 12318).**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an invitation had been received from the Ministry of Health and Child Care to send a participant to attend the above training. It read as follows:

“Despite declining trends in TB notifications, COVID-19 re-prioritization of resources resulted in an increase in missed TB cases amongst communities. As a means to detect and treat these missed cases, the Ministry of Health and Child Care, through the NTP is implementing community based mitigatory measures countrywide. One of these is the scaling up of Targeted Screening for Active TB (TaS4TB) which has been shown to contribute significantly to the detection of missed TB cases since 2015. This intervention makes use of mobile X-ray trucks equipped to screen for active TB amongst high risk groups.

The Ministry of Health and Child Care, through its various partners has procured and received a fleet of 9 X-ray screening trucks equipped with a rechargeable X-ray machine, solar panel roofs, solar batteries, generators and a laboratory section with a 16 module Gene X-pert machine. In the current Global Fund TB grant (2021-2023) Targeted Screening for Active TB (TaS4TB) is to be decentralized to provincial level, where the Ministry of Health and Child Care’s provincial and district teams will be implementing to promote sustainability and foster ownership by the sub-national levels.

Against this background, the NTP seeks to build the capacity of Provincial teams in conducting targeted active screening. The main objective of the training will be to train provinces on a standardized and uniform method of conducting high quality Targeted Screening for Active TB amongst TB risk groups and hard to reach populations”.

The Director of Health Services nominated Dr M. Falayi a Clinical Medical Officer, Mrs C. Banana a Deputy Chief Nursing Officer, Mr B. Mpofu an X-Ray Operator and Mr A. Ncube a Driver to attend the above training.

In view of the dates of the training, the matter had been discussed with the Town Clerk who had authorised Dr M. Falayi, Mrs C. Banana Mr B. Mpofu and Mr A. Ncube’s attendance.

All costs would be borne by the organisers. Authority was sought to use a Council vehicle. Fuel would be reimbursed.

It was therefore recommended that Dr M. Falayi, Mrs C. Banana, Mr B. Mpofu and Mr A. Ncube be granted special leave from 27 to 29 December 2022 to attend the above training and be paid incidental allowances and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

That the action taken by the Director of Health Services in consultation with the Town Clerk in authorizing the abovementioned staff members to attend training in Gweru from 27 December to 29 December, 2022 and the payment of incidental allowances, meals in transit only as appropriate as other costs were met by the organizers, as well as use of a Council vehicle for which fuel would be reimbursed, be confirmed.

**(16) INVITATION TO ATTEND A GLOBAL ALLIANCE TECHNICAL MEETING TO FINALISE AND ENDORSE THE COUNTRY WORKPLAN FOR ZIMBABWE: 5 JANUARY 2023 : KADOMA CONFERENCE CENTRE : KADOMA : DR E.N. SIBANDA-MZINGWANE : (S.R. NUMBER 21597).**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an invitation had been received from the Ministry of Health and Child Care to send a participant to attend the above meeting. It read as follows:

“Zimbabwe is a partner country in the Global Alliance to end AIDS in children by 2030 (GA). The Government of the Republic of Tanzania has invited the Vice President and Minister of Health and Child Care to attend the Political Launch of the Global Alliance to

end AIDS in Children by 2030, which will take place in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania on 1 February 2023.

In preparation for the launch, partner countries of the Global Alliance have been tasked to produce road maps and costed workplans to address gaps towards ending AIDS in children by 2030 across four pillars:

- Early testing and optimised treatment for infants, children and adolescents living with HIV.
- Closing the treatment gap for pregnant/breastfeeding women living with HIV and improving continuity of treatment.
- Preventing new HIV infections among pregnant/breastfeeding adolescents and women.
- Addressing rights, gender equality and the social and structured barriers to access services and promote participation.

The high level costed country action plan will be presented at a peer review meeting for Zimbabwe and Mozambique that is scheduled for 24 January 2023 and subsequently at the Tanzania Political launch of the Global Alliance on 1 February 2023.

In this regard, members of the Global Alliance Country team and technical officers are invited to a meeting to finalise and endorse the country workplan for Zimbabwe”.

The Director of Health Services wished to attend the above meeting.

In view of the date of the meeting, the matter had been discussed with the Town Clerk who had authorised Dr E.N. Sibanda-Mzingwane's attendance.

All costs would be borne by the organisers. Authority was sought to use a personal vehicle. Fuel would be reimbursed.

It was therefore recommended that Dr E.N. Sibanda-Mzingwane be granted special leave from 4 to 5 January 2023 to attend the above meeting and be paid mileage, incidental allowance and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

That the action taken by the Director of Health Services in consultation with the Town Clerk in authorizing Dr. E.N. Sibanda (S.R. No. 21597) to attend the abovementioned Launch in Harare on the 16 December 2022 and the payment of incidental allowances, meals in transit only as appropriate, as other costs were met by the organizers, as well as use of a personal vehicle for which fuel would be reimbursed, be confirmed.

**(17) INVITATION TO THE ELECTRONIC STATE PARTIES SELF-ASSESSMENT (E-SPAR) 2022 REPORT WRITING CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP : 11 TO 13 JANUARY 2023 : KADOMA : DR N.P. SIBANDA : (S.R. NUMBER 22304)**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an invitation had been received from the Ministry of Health and Child Care to send a participant to attend the above workshop. It read as follows:

“Ministry of Health and Child Care with support from World Health Organisation will be conducting the International Health Regulations (IHR) State Party Self Assessment Report (SPAR) 2022 Report Writing Consultative Workshop. The International Health Regulations (2005) (IHR) are an international agreement legally binding on 194 State Parties, including all WHO Member States, which entered into force on 15 June 2007. States Parties are obligated by the Regulations to develop, strengthen, and maintain national minimum core public health capacities. The successful implementation of the regulations requires full stakeholder engagement and participation in the development and strengthening of the capacities defined in the regulations.

State Parties are under the International Health Regulations (IHR) obliged to develop and maintain minimum core capacities for surveillance and response to any potential public

health events of international concern. State Parties are required to fulfil their obligation to report annually to the World Health Assembly (WHA) on the implementation of capacity requirements under these Regulations”.

The Director of Health Services nominated Dr N.P. Sibanda a Divisional Environmental Health Officer to attend the above workshop.

In view of the dates of the workshop, the matter had been discussed with the Town Clerk who had authorised Dr N.P. Sibanda’s attendance.

All costs would be borne by the organisers. Authority was sought to use a Council vehicle. Fuel would be reimbursed.

It was therefore recommended that Dr N.P. Sibanda be granted special leave from 10 to 14 January 2023 to attend the above workshop and be paid incidental allowances and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

That the action taken by the Director of Health Services in consultation with the Town Clerk in authorizing DR. N.P Sibanda (SR 22304) to attend the abovementioned workshop from 10 to 14 January, 2023 and the payment of incidental allowances, meals in transit only as appropriate as other costs were met by the organizers, as well as use of a Council vehicle for which fuel would be reimbursed, be confirmed.

**(18) INVITATION TO ATTEND AN INITIATION TO THE BILL AND MELINDA GATES STRATEGY REVIEW MEETING : 18 TO 19 JANUARY 2023 : HARARE : MRS S. HOVE : (S.R. NUMBER 23436)**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that an invitation had been received from the Ministry of Health and Child Care to send a participant to attend the above meeting. It read as follows:

“The Bill and Melinda Gate Foundation (BMGF) has been supporting the Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision (VMMC) programme since inception in 2009. In Zimbabwe, the Foundation supported various aspects of the Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision (VMMC) programme through local implementing partners. Their funding has served as catalyst that was used to test new approaches before wider roll out of the programme. The Bill and Melinda Gate Foundation (BMGF) Global strategy on Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision (VMMC) is coming to an end in December 2023. In view of this development the Bill and Melinda Gate Foundation (BMGF) is hereby seeking input from the various stakeholders to review their current strategy and share insights to inform future support.

The Ministry of Health and Child Care is therefore inviting you to a two-day review meeting to share insights and experiences on this grant and made recommendations for the new strategy. The Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) has been requested to lead the consultative processes on behalf of the Bill and Melinda Gate Foundation (BMGF)’’.

The Director of Health Services nominated Mrs S. Hove the Chief Nursing Officer to attend the above meeting.

In view of the dates of the meeting, the matter had been discussed with the Town Clerk who has authorised Mrs S. Hove’s attendance.

All costs would be borne by the organisers.

It was therefore recommended that Mrs S. Hove be granted special leave from 17 to 20 January 2023 to attend the above meeting and be paid incidental allowances and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

That the action taken by the Director of Health Services in consultation with the Town Clerk in authorizing Mrs. S. Hove (S.R. No. 23436) to attend the abovementioned meeting in Harare from 17 to 20 January, 2023 and the payment of incidental allowances, meals in transit only as appropriate, as other costs were met by the organizers, be confirmed.

**(19) INVITATION TO ATTEND A TRAINING ON MEDICAL WASTE HANDLING AND TRANSPORTATION : 24 TO 25 JANUARY 2023 : KADOMA RAINBOW HOTEL : KADOMA : MR N. NDLOVU : S.R. NUMBER 22236**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) an invitation had been received from the Ministry of Health and Child Care to send a participant to attend the above training. It read as follows:

“The Government of Zimbabwe through the Ministry of Health and Child Care has received funding under the Zimbabwe COVID-19 Emergency Response Project (ZCERP). Part of the funding will be used for transportation of COVID-19 waste from districts to provincial and other selected incineration for disposal. However, there is need to train Drivers (Class 2),

Provincial Transport Officers and PEHO/PREHO on safe handling and transportation of COVID-19 waste”.

The Director of Health Services nominated Mr N. Ndlovu a Cleansing Superintendent to attend the above training.

In view of the dates of the training, the matter had been discussed with the Town Clerk who authorised Mr N. Ndlovu’s attendance.

All costs would be borne by the organisers. Authority was sought to use a Council vehicle. Fuel would be reimbursed.

It was therefore recommended that Mr N. Ndlovu be granted special leave from 23 to 26 January 2023 to attend the above training and be paid incidental allowances and meals in transit accordingly.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

That the action taken by the Director of Health Services in consultation with the Town Clerk in authorizing the abovementioned staff member to attend training in Kadoma from 23 to 26 January, 2023 and the payment of incidental allowances, meals in transit only as appropriate as other costs were met by the organizers, as well as use of a Council vehicle for which fuel would be reimbursed, be confirmed.

**(20) INVITATION TO ATTEND A SEMINAR ON COMMUNITY - BASED TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN ZIMBABWE**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the Department was in receipt of letter from the Ministry of Environment, Climate, Tourism and Hospitality Industry inviting the Arts Culture and Heritage Officer to attend a seminar on Community - Based Tourism Development in Zimbabwe on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2023 at Holiday Inn in Harare. The invitation was as follows:

**“INVITATION TO ATTEND A SEMINAR ON COMMUNITY - BASED TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN ZIMBABWE**

The Ministry of Environment, Climate, tourism and Hospitality Industry, with assistance from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), has been working on a program to capacitate and empower communities through Community Based Tourism Enterprises (CBTEs). Community-Based Tourism (CBT) is a key tool for managing and preserving our shared natural resources and cultural heritage, both tangible and intangible. As Phase Two of the assistance comes to an end, it was felt needful to reflect on the key deliverables, achievements, lessons learnt and challenges, for the period in reference.



We bring to your attention the progress that has been made in developing the Bulawayo Community Based Tourism product which is being sponsored by JICA. The Bulawayo CBT stakeholders committee held a capacity building workshop from the 5th to 9th December 2022. All participating stakeholders were trained in various aspects of tourism, tour guiding, digital marketing, business management and grooming and etiquette. Furthermore, the CBT team on the 15th of December 2022 and 13th January 2023 carried out a trail run tour of the trail covering the City Hall Wishing Well, City Hall curios market, JM Nkomo's statue, Madlodlo Beer Garden, Stanley Square and Stanely Hall National Monuments, Mukambo Market, Mzilikazi Arts and Craft School, Bulawayo home Industry and a Makokoba Township home experience.

All communications should be addressed to "The Secretary for Environment, Tourism and Hospitality Industry" Telephone: 748266 Telegraphic address: "TOURISM" Fax: 749421 Ministry of Environment, Climate, Tourism and Hospitality Industry 12th Floor Kaguvi building Corner Simon Muzenda and Central Avenue P.O. Box CY 1718 Causeway Harare In view of the above, the Bulawayo Community Based Tourism Organising Committee has been invited to attend a 1 day seminar, to be held on Wednesday the 1st of February 2023, at Harare Holiday Inn. Participants will travel Harare on Tuesday 31 January 2023, returning on Thursday, 2nd February 2023. Selected members of the team of five representatives will make presentation of the progress that has been made so far. We therefore kindly invite the City of Bulawayo's Arts, Culture and Heritage Officer, Mrs Charity Nyathi, who has been instrumental in developing the CBT product as part of the organizing committee, to attend this Seminar. This will be an opportunity to also meet other CBT committees and learn how they have achieved their goals.

Please note that all travel costs shall be catered for by JICA.

Attached hereto is the agenda and programme is for ease of reference.

D. Makosa (Mr). Provincial Tourism Officer for Bulawayo Metropolitan Province"

It was –

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

1. That Council grants Mrs Charity Nyathi (SR No. 90960), the Arts Culture and Heritage Officer three (3) special leave days in order to attend the workshop.
2. That Council pays incidental allowances and meals in transit as all Other costs will be borne by the organizers of the workshop.

(21) **INVITATION TO MS SIKHULEKILE MOYO TO ATTEND EMERGENCY SOCIAL CASH TRANSFER LESSONS LEARNT WORKSHOP IN HARARE**

The Director of Housing and Community Services reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that the Department received a letter from World Vision Zimbabwe dated the (16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) inviting Ms Sikhulekile Moyo to attend an Emergency Social Cash Transfer Lessons Learnt workshop in Harare. The invitation reads as follows:

*“Emergency Social Cash Transfer (ESCT) Bulawayo project will hold a lessons learnt workshop in Harare. We would like to therefore invite Ms Sikhulekile Moyo who has been representing BCC in the implementation of the project in Bulawayo to attend the workshop.*

***The workshop aims to:***

- *Review project progress to date*
- *Share lessons learnt and best practice across operational districts*
- *Proffer recommendation for improving the programming*

***Logistics:***

*Travel to date: 18 January 2023*

*Workshop date: 19 January 2023*

*Travel from date: 20 January 2023*

*Transport and other workshop expenses will be covered by World Vision as per World Vision /UNICEF rates*

*For more information do not hesitate to call the undersigned*

*Yours Sincerely*

*Innocent Moyo (ESCT Bulawayo Field Officer)”*

In view of the above and the time frame the Town Clerk in consultation with His Worship the Mayor authorised the attendance to the workshop by the Social Welfare Officer Sikhulekile Moyo to attend The Emergency Social Cash Transfer Lessons Learnt Workshop in Harare. All the expenses were met by the organizers of the workshop.

**RESOLVED (Submitted For Confirmation Only)**

1. That the action taken by the Town Clerk in consultation with His Worship the Mayor in authorising the Social Welfare Officer Sikhululekile Moyo to attend the Emergency Social Cash transfer Lessons Learnt Workshop in Harare be confirmed.
2. That the Social Welfare Officer Sikhululekile Moyo utilise Special Leave for the period concerned.
3. That all attendant costs be covered by the sponsor.

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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ARE LAID UPON TABLE.**

# **ANNEXURE ‘G’**

**REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ON TUESDAY,  
24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023 AT 11.00 A.M**

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**PRESENT:**

Councillor	T.	Ruzive (Chairperson)
“	M.	Dube (Deputy Chairperson)
“		Mlandu Ncube (Deputy Mayor)
“	S.	Chigora
“	F.	Javangwe
“	F.	Mhaka
“	C.	Mlalazi
“	L.	Mlilo
“	S.	Sibanda

**ALSO:**

The Town Clerk  
The City Legal Officer for the Chamber Secretary  
The Assistant Financial Director  
The Divisional Environmental Health Officer  
The City Valuer and Estates Officer

**APOLOGIES:**

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor S. Mguni)  
Councillor P. Moyo

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**(1) MACRO-ECONOMIC INDICATORS**

The Financial Director reported (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

<b>Inflation</b>	<b>Month on month</b>	<b>Year on year</b>
National Inflation Rate	2.36%	212.68%
Bulawayo Inflation Rate	2.8 %	214.4%
<b>Rates</b>	<b>01/12/22</b>	<b>31/12/22</b>
Auction Rate	\$654.8651	\$671.4466
Interbank	\$654,9630	\$684,3339

It was :-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(2) PARKING REVENUE**

The Financial Director reported (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows on the abovementioned matter:-

**Table B**

Details	USD	ZAR	ZWL	PULA
<b>Parking</b>				
18 Feb – 31 December 2022	88,275	93,483	71,925,799	2,010
<b>Clamping</b>				
18 Feb – 31 December 2022	64,431	43,596	22,176,471	500
<b>Buses</b>				
01 August to 31 December 2022	5,540	20,450	74,400	0
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>158,245</b>	<b>157,529</b>	<b>94,176,671</b>	<b>2,510</b>
Total Less VAT	154,114	15,304	9,901,758	318
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,206</b>	<b>137,580</b>	<b>82,250,367</b>	<b>2,192</b>

In the ensuing discussion, Councillor S. Chigora recalled that the Committee had previously resolved to extend TTI Parking Solutions' contract to Harare and Gwanda roads. He therefore enquired on the progress considering that buses were illegally operating from these roads. He was also concerned that bus collections were low compared to the number of buses that commuted locally and across borders. He urged management to devise strategies to collect from buses that operated from undesignated points.

Councillor F. Mhaka emphasised the need to improve revenue collection. He was concerned that there was no tangible progress in relation to formulating strategies to collect revenue from cross border buses. He further suggested that Council bring in a private player if it did not have the capacity to implement.

Councillor S. Sibanda raised concern on lawlessness by buses operating along Fort Street during the night. The buses were a major contributor to litter around the Central Business District and should be held to account. He enquired if Council enforcement was only active during the day. He further highlighted that the Renkini Bus Terminus was in bad condition. There was need for Council to first modernise the rank before considering enforcement on local buses to resume operating from the rank.

Councillor L. Mlilo suggested that clamped buses should be given a time frame to pay fines. Vehicles that failed to comply with the time frame had to be impounded.

Councillor M. Dube was of the view that Council should strictly enforce the law on buses operating in illegal points if they could not collect from them.

Councillor F. Javangwe proposed that a certain percentage of parking revenue be utilised for cleaning the Central Business District. He also felt that allocating the City Hall Car Park to cross border buses would create chaos around the City Hall.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) noted with concern that the parking initiative was creating undesignated ranks in the outskirts of the Central Business District. He proposed that cross border buses be allocated 3 hours loading time at the City Hall Car Park to generate revenue for Council. If the City Hall Car Park was not a feasible option, Council should find another area to allocate the buses.

The City Valuer noted the concerns raised. He explained that local buses began operations for the day at the designated rank and then proceeded to undesignated areas before leaving town. Council had engaged TTI Parking Solutions to assist with enforcement. In relation to Renkini Bus Terminus redevelopment, he explained that a report containing Expressions Of Interest would be submitted for review by the Committee.

The Town Clerk advised that there was no legal basis for Council to collect from buses that operated from undesignated areas. Collecting from these buses would encourage lawlessness throughout the entire Central Business District. He further advised that Council by-laws prohibited buses from operating within the city centre as they posed a threat to road conditions. There was a special dispensation for school buses to operate from the City Hall.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(3) INCOME PERFORMANCE**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to Income Performance.

Discussion ensued and Councillor F. Mhaka enquired on the method used to determine rates.

Councillor S. Sibanda questioned the applicability of indexing in USD since Council billed in RTGS.

Councillor S. Chigora stated that rates in USD were not subject to change despite an increase in exchange rates. He emphasized that the bank rate for the concerned period should be quoted in the statement for transparency purposes. He further emphasised the need for stakeholders to be able to read and understand their statements.

In response, the City Legal Officer advised that interpretation of the bill was critical. There was need to consider other aspects such as the balance brought forward as reasons for the fluctuation of rates. Council could not bill in USD as it was not in alignment with the law. She further emphasised the need to educate people on bill interpretation.

The Town Clerk advised that residential properties had zones and units which determined rates. The renting factor was subject to change but zones and units did not change. He further advised that the index was there, however, Council had not been moving with the rate.



It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(4) ACCRUED EXPENDITURE BY TYPE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2022**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the above mentioned matter.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

**(5) MISCELLANEOUS INCOME RECEIVED BY DEPARTMENTS IN DECEMBER 2022**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the above mentioned matter.

In the ensuing discussion, Councillor S. Sibanda stated that licensing fees had become unbearable for the business community to operate. Illegal businesses were crippling formal businesses who paid exorbitant licensing fees to operate.

The Chairperson (Councillor T. Ruzive) suggested that strict measures be put in place to curb illegal businesses that threatened the operations of formal businesses.

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mlandu Ncube) concurred with Councillor S. Sibanda. He further added that businesses paid licensing fees because there was a service that the state or the collecting body must return. This included protection and creation of an enabling environment for businesses. He therefore questioned what Council was doing to create an enabling environment for formal businesses.

In response, the City Legal Officer emphasized the need for enforcement on shops operating without licenses.

The Town Clerk advised that the purpose of management was to implement policies formulated by Councillors. The budget had already been approved and fees could not be simply reduced. The only way to rectify this was through a supplementary budget or make considerations to review the fees when formulating the next budget.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(6) **CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PER DEPARTMENT**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the above mentioned matter.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(7) **CASH MANAGEMENT**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the Cash Management.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the abovementioned report be received and noted.

(8) **CITY FINANCIAL HEALTH INFORMATION**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the City Financial Health Information.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

(9) **RATIOS**

The Financial Director reported (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows the above matter relating to Ratios.

**Table R**

<b>Ratios</b>	<b>Ideal ratio</b>	<b>Actual ratio</b>
<b>Revenue Management</b>		
Monthly Billing to monthly Receipts	1:1	1: 0.6
Debtors to Creditors	2:1	5.09:1

There was a slight upward movement in the liquidity ratio from 4.84 in November 2022 to 5.09 in December 2022.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(10) OVERTIME INCURRED BY DEPARTMENTS**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the above mentioned matter.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(11) VALUES OF VACATION LEAVE DAYS**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the above mentioned matter.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(12) DEVOLUTION FUNDS REPORT**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the above mentioned matter.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(13) 3% WARD RETENTION INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**



The Financial Director submitted (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) the attached report relating to the abovementioned matter.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(14) STATUS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Financial Director reported (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that Council was audited by Grant Thornton since 2016 for a period of 5 years ending with the 2020 accounts. Financial Statements from year 2021 were expected to be done by a new auditor appointed by the Office of the Auditor General (OAG).

Council had received communication from the OAG appointing AMG Global Chartered Accountants as Council's auditors for year 2022. This left financial year 2021 without an auditor and the OAG was seized with rectifying the anomaly.

Grant Thornton was at an advanced stage on completing the 2019 and 2020 Financial Statements that were done simultaneously. The financial statements were being reviewed by the Partners. The 2021 Financial Statements were ready for handing over to the auditors who would be appointed for the work. The new auditors AMG Global started working on the 2022 accounts during the recently held stock counts.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(15) PROPOSAL TO SET UP A MUNICIPAL BANK: CHIMUTENGO GROUP**

The Financial Director reported (18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) as follows the above mentioned matter.

Council (November 2018) had resolved to engage a consultant to undertake a feasibility study on setting up a bank after the Urban Councils Association of Zimbabwe completed its study.

An unsolicited proposal together with a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was received from Chimutengo Group, offering to partner Council in setting up a Municipal Bank. The Group had made presentations to Council Management and Financial Services Department team. A Council Inter-Departmental Committee was tasked with analysing the proposal.

**Analysis of proposal**

Following a due diligence process to read and analyse the proposal to set up a Municipal Bank and the accompanying MOU from the Chimutengo Group (CG), the Council Inter-Departmental Committee, on the 8th March 2022 invited the CG team to clear out certain grey areas. The Committee sought clarity on the following issues:-

- Document originality
- Capacity of CG to implement a project of this magnitude

- Impractical principles in relation to the Zimbabwean Economy
- A very binding and closed MOU.

Regarding the originality of the document it was the Committee's conclusion that the proposal document did not adequately address the Zimbabwean situation in general and Bulawayo in particular. In essence it was a theory paper not backed by any practical grounding.

The Committee noted that the concept of a Municipal Bank was new in Zimbabwe and indeed in most parts of the world and consequently questioned how CG, who have not themselves been involved in similar projects would be able to set it up and properly manage it as per their proposal.

Furthermore, the Committee noted that the MOU was very binding and based on the anomalies raised in the proposal there was need to invite other players and thus afford an opportunity to compare and contrast different proposals.

## **Conclusions**

The conclusion from the meeting was that this project was a mammoth experiment and presented numerous risks on the use and management of public funds, and that Council would effectively be used as a guinea pig on a venture that had not been tried before and whose implications had not been thoroughly studied and understood, especially in the Zimbabwean context

The matter was considered and Councillor S. Chigora enquired on how management intended to cast the net wider.

In response the Town Clerk advised that there was need to first deal with Chimutengo Group. Once the issue was closed, Council would advertise for Expressions Of Interests concerning the Municipal Bank.

It was:-

### **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That Council casts the net wider  
and consider other interested players in  
the Bank project, guided by the existing  
Council resolution.

## **(16) STRATEGIES TO ENHANCE REVENUE COLLECTION.**

The Financial Director reported (19<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that Council had billed ZWL52.5 Billion for rates and fees in the year 2022 and collected ZWL 20.7 Billion. The average collection efficiency on billed accounts was 39%. The balance of debtors as at 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023 stood at ZWL \$29.1 billion.

Revenue collection was key in ensuring availability of necessary funding for the procurement of resources for efficient service provision. Amongst the factors that contributed to the low collection efficiency in the year 2022 were the increase in tariffs in January 2022 and subsequent rebasing of tariffs. Generally consumers wait to receive their statements and thereafter adjust their spending priorities and start paying new increased tariffs from 60 days after adjustment. ZWL tariffs were adjusted five times in 2022 resulting in the need for

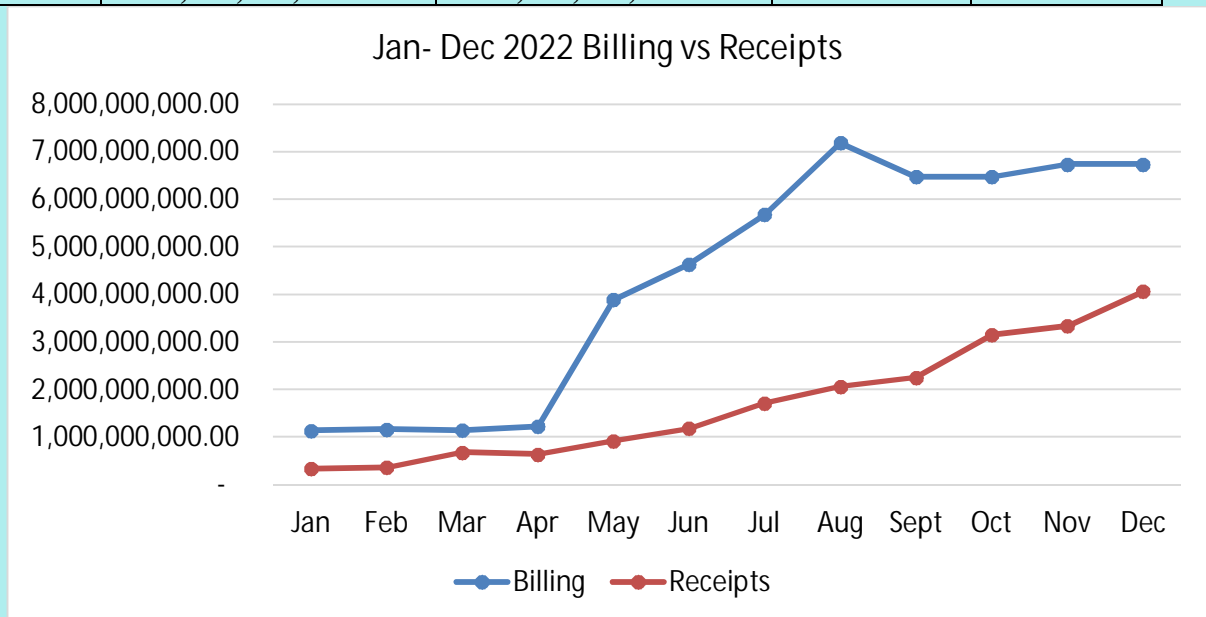
consumer to adjust accordingly. Manpower challenges also had a negative impact on the revenue collection.

The process of forming the Debt unit also took some time as resources such computers, manpower and vehicles had to be mobilised.

The table and line graph below showed billing versus collection for the period January to December 2022. The month of May had the lowest collection efficiency due to the commencement of rebasing. Following stability of the exchange rate, resourcing of the Debt Management Unit with Interns for Customer liaison, vehicles for cut-off, printers for receipting and debt management plus generators for district offices with effect from September collection efficiency had been improving to above 50% of billing in December.

#### 2022 BILLING AND RECEIPTS

Month	Billing	Receipts	Efficiency	% change in receipts
Jan	1,133,399,559.62	336,481,035.04	30%	
Feb	1,162,026,878.36	361,552,930.50	31%	7%
Mar	1,142,700,959.46	678,933,252.32	59%	88%
Apr	1,222,516,989.67	638,154,673.83	52%	-6%
May	3,891,263,568.43	921,042,266.95	24%	44%
Jun	4,635,723,492.20	1,181,051,867.72	25%	28%
Jul	5,678,376,839.30	1,718,312,486.52	30%	45%
Aug	7,191,042,476.70	2,067,439,978.53	29%	20%
Sept	6,477,864,334.27	2,257,170,551.72	35%	9%
Oct	6,477,864,334.27	3,151,635,161.72	49%	40%
Nov	6,739,172,694.75	3,335,464,722.51	49%	6%
Dec	6,739,172,694.75	4,066,235,853.24	60%	22%
<b>Total</b>	<b>52,491,124,821.78</b>	<b>20,713,474,780.60</b>	<b>39%</b>	



#### 2023 Targets for enhancing revenue

In an effort to improve revenue collection and reduce debtors the following targets amongst others had been **set**

- i) Restore customer confidence in the bills through reading all functional meters for 4 consecutive months and billing based on actual consumption to eliminate high bills caused by previous under estimates.
- ii) In conjunction with Engineering Services Department replace malfunctioning bulk meters on an on-going basis
- iii) Verify and adjust exceptions before the next billing cycle
- iv) Reduce customer turnaround time to 2 minutes for card paying customers across all service centres and separate bulk cash payments from express cash payments
- v) Decongest Revenue Halls through improving integration of online payment modes, e-bills accessibility and customer confidence in them.
- vi) Follow up on defaulting customers and enforce payment within 90 days
- vii) Collect 80% of monthly billing (20% of billing was for closed companies, Parastatals [NRZ, CSC, ZETDC, ZPC] and indigents).

### **Strategies to achieve the targets**

1. Conduct face to face awareness outreaches on meter reading, billing and payment of bills targeting internal stakeholders, all wards, residents associations and business community quarterly. This was aimed at demystifying the billing processes, explaining the payment modes, refreshing customer understanding of the debt management policy to build confidence in the billing process and emphasize the need to pay for services.
2. In the first half of 2023 system vendor to develop:
  - i) Multi –currency receipting module
  - ii) A real-time interface with payment solution service providers for real-time processing and feedback on online and mobile payments
  - iii) Activate debt management module
  - iv) Automate e-billing
3. Pilot smart metering in the city centre by end of the year
4. Come up with payment incentives by mid-year
5. Insist on clearance of outstanding property balances before offering services other than emergency services
6. Decentralise customer relationship management to enhance know your customer (KYC) on an ongoing basis as staff become available.
7. Undertake a debtors' accounts disaggregation process to identify functional and non-functional accounts. This would assist Council to determine the appropriate strategies to be used in debt collection
8. Increase number of receipting counters at the Revenue Hall (4 counters were fitted mid-January 2023)
9. Install self-service counters at the Revenue Hall and selected supermarkets by the end of the year
10. Finalise the review of Water Sewerage and Sewerage By-Law by mid-year
11. Craft Meter policy by end of 2023

In order to implement the strategy to enhance revenue collection the following resources would be required

- 1) Personnel Requirements
  - A compliment of 47 Meter Readers for at least 4 months to read 943 meter books (meter reading routes) for four consecutive months.



- Assistant Accountant- Meter Reading ( to do pre-billing exceptions and pull outs)
- 5 Adjustment Clerks
- 18 Interns to assist with data cleaning, customer liaison and cashiering

2) 6 vehicles were needed for the Cut off teams, verification of meter readings, bill deliveries and supervision of staff.

These strategies together existing strategies such as water disconnections would be reviewed on quarterly to evaluate effectiveness and impact.

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the above mentioned report be received and noted.

**(17) TRANSFER OF FUNDS ZWL\$39 360 000 FROM PALISADE FENCING: TSHABALALA, MAGWEGWE, NKULUMANE, NKETA, PELANDABA AND MAQHAWE CLINIC VOTES FOR PURCHASE OF THE TSHABALALA CLINIC COLD ROOM 13KV POWER BACK UP GENERATOR**

The Acting Director of Health Services reported (23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2023) that the department was mandated to take custody of all National Vaccines for use in the Bulawayo Metropolitan province. All vaccines were stored under cold chain in cold rooms that must be powered at all times. Meanwhile the department had two (2) cold rooms, one at Khami Road main Pharmacy complete with a standby generator and the second at Tshabalala Clinic without an alternative power source.

It was against this background that the department sought authority to partially transfer funds from the abovementioned clinic votes under Palisade Fencing for solar panels (These clinics had been secured using RBF funds) to Tshabalala Clinic for the purposes of purchasing a standby generator as follows:

FROM			TO		
VOTE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	VOTE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
0459/16802	Palisade Fencing for solar system	\$6 560 000	0459/00000	Tshabalala Clinic Standby Generator	\$6 560 000
0457/	Enclosure for solar panels	\$6 560 000	“	“	\$6 560 000
0461/	Palisade Fencing for solar system	\$6 560 000	“	“	\$6 560 000
0463/	Palisade Fencing for solar system	\$6 560 000	“	“	\$6 560 000
0470/	Palisade Fencing for solar system	\$6 560 000	“	“	\$6 560 000
0476/		\$6 560 000	“	“	\$6 560 000

	Palisade Fencing for solar system				
		<b>\$39 360 000</b>			<b>\$39 360 000</b>

It was therefore recommended that \$39 360 000 to purchase a standby generator be viremented as submitted above.

The department had made consultations with Financial Services Department who had no objection to the virement of funds.

\*Please note that the requisition for the purchase of the above item was raised last year and sent to Stores. Unfortunately, the generator could not be purchased, hence the department was re-applying for transfer of funds to fund the current budget.

It was :-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

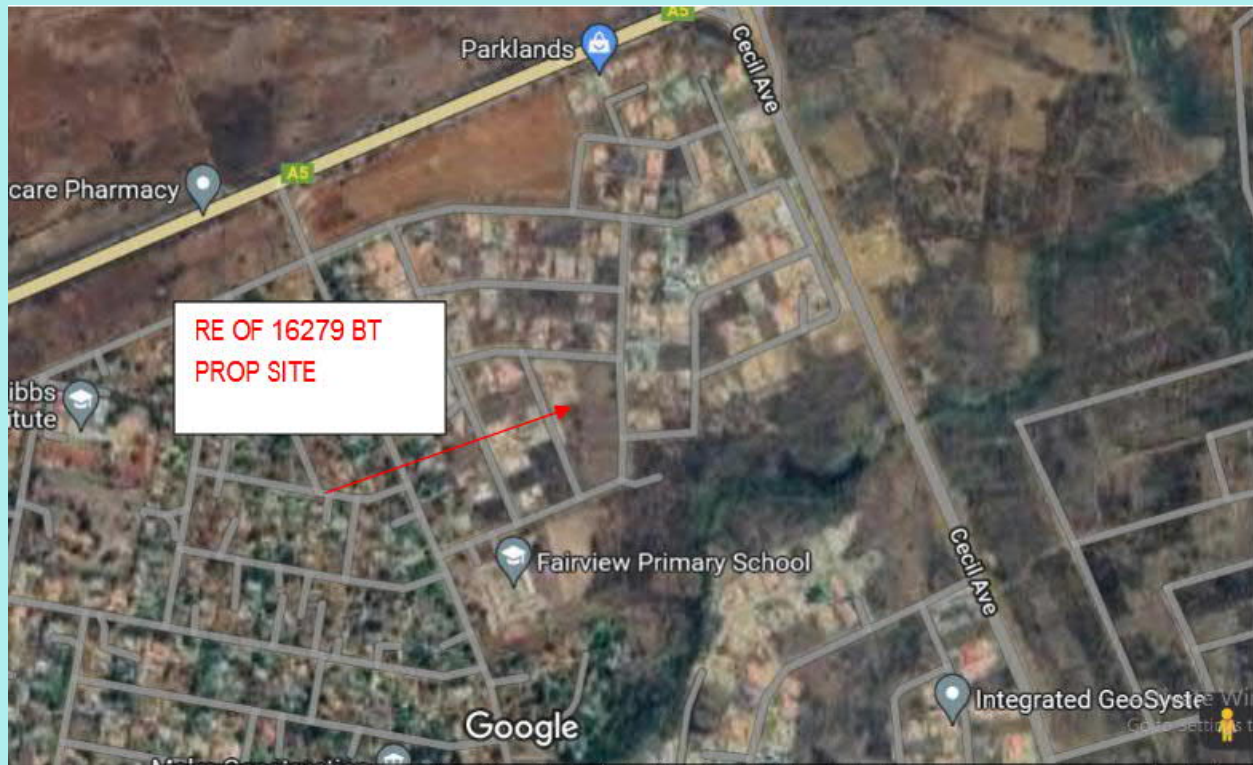
That authority is sought to virement funds amounting to \$39 360 000 to purchase a standby generator as submitted above.

**(18) RELOCATION OF WOMEN INSPIRED ORGANISATION FROM STAND 19831 EMHLANGENI (MEASURING 2870M<sup>2</sup> IN EXTENT, TPB 823) TO THE REMAINDER OF 16279 BULAWAYO TOWNSHIP PARKLANDS TO ESTABLISH A WOMEN'S INSPIRED EMPLOYMENT CENTER: TPA 9870 AREA 977M<sup>2</sup> IN EXTENT**

The Director of Town Planning had reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) to the Town Lands and Planning Committee (17<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that Council (7<sup>th</sup> November 2020) had resolved to lease Stand 19831 Emhlangeni to Women's Inspired Organisation for the establishment of a women's inspired development centre. Stand 19831 Emhlangeni measured 2870m<sup>2</sup> in extent as depicted on plan TPB 823. According to the application the centre would be used to uplift women and underprivileged through business mentoring, start up, guidance business consulting brand building and career guidance.

It shall be noted that when the beneficiary wanted to commence development on the stand, the Zimbabwe National Army personnel indicated that they did not want any development on that site which was in close proximity to One Brigade Army Barracks. The stand was separated from HQ One Brigade camp by approximately 178 hectares piece of land which was currently under lease to the Zimbabwe National Army for an aerodrome. Council was currently engaging the Zimbabwe National Army regarding the development on this piece of land. In the spirit of facilitating development in the city, an alternative site had been identified to enable the establishment of a women's inspired employment centre in the earliest possible time while engagements were still going on with the army.

The proposed new site was the Remainder of 16279 Bulawayo Township which was a local authority stand and measured 977m<sup>2</sup> in extent as depicted on TPA 9870. It should be noted that the stand was smaller than the previous stand which was 2870m<sup>2</sup>. The organisation was consulted on the size disparities of the stands and indicated they had no objections hence this report.



The Town Lands and Planning Committee had recommended to this Committee that :-

1. Women's Inspired Organisation be relocated to Stand RE of 16279 Bulawayo Township measuring 977m<sup>2</sup> in extent for the establishment of a women's inspired employment centre.
2. The application was circulated to municipal departments and other service organizations and no objections were received; however, the following comments should be noted: -
  - a) The proposed relocation was on the Remainder of 16279 Bulawayo Township.
  - b) The stand shall be used for the establishment of a women's inspired employment centre, to uplift women and underprivileged through business mentoring, start up, guidance business consulting brand building and career guidance only.
  - c) All the developments shall be according to Council by-laws and regulations.
  - d) ZESA's general servitude covering the property shall be observed.
  - e) Non - title survey costs were to be incurred by the applicants.
  - f) City Valuer had recommended a monthly rental of USD30 or equivalent for the lease of the stand.
  - g) The other conditions of the lease to remain the same.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the recommendation of the Town Lands and Planning Committee be adopted.

**(19) RESUMPTION OF OPERATIONS BY PUBLIC COMMUTER OMNIBUS OPERATORS IN THE CITY OF BULAWAYO (STATUTORY INSTRUMENT 213A OF 2022)**

The Director of Town Planning had reported (10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) to the Town Lands and Planning Committee (17<sup>th</sup> January, 2023) that Council (3<sup>rd</sup> October 2012) had adopted the City of Bulawayo's Public Transport Policy which was to be responsible for all the

management, running, monitoring and evaluation of the City of Bulawayo Public transport System.

The objectives of the public transport policy included the following:-

- To ensure the provision of an efficient transportation system that met the needs of the people during the plan period as per the City of Bulawayo Master Plan.
- To promote and create a well-controlled, efficient and coordinated public transport system with the full participation of all stakeholders.
- To ensure that commuter omnibuses which intended to operate in the City were issued permits and belonged to a recognised company

The adoption of this policy saw the formation of 3 companies as the individual transport operators were brought together to create order. The companies that were formed were (1) BUPTA; (2)BCT; (3) TSHOVA MUBAIWA. These companies were given specific routes to ply and draft service level agreements were prepared and unfortunately when we were in the process of discussions to finalise these agreements the Covid-19 pandemic started which led government to gazette a statutory instrument where ZUPCO was declared the sole public transport provider.

On the 21<sup>st</sup> December the Government gazetted Statutory Instrument 213A of 2022 whose effect was to lift the ban on commuter omnibus operators, or more popularly known as kombis. The Statutory instrument read as follows:-

**Statutory Instrument 213A of 2022**  
**Public health (COVID-19 Prevention, Containment and Treatment) (National Lockdown) (No.2) (Amendment) Order, 2022 (No.43)**

THE Minister  
of Health has, in terms of section 8(1) of the Public Health (COVID -19, Prevention, Containment and Treatment) Regulations, 2020 published in Statutory Instrument 77 of 2020), made the following Order: -

1. This order may be cited as the Public Health (COVID -19 Prevention, Containment and Treatment) (National Lockdown) (No.2) (amendment) Order. 2022 (No.43).
2. Transport Services, whether intracity or intercity, for the carriage of passengers shall no longer be restricted to the transport services mentioned in section 4(2) of the public Health(COVID-19 Prevention, Containment and Treatment)(National Lockdown) (No.2) Order, 2020)(“the principal order), published in Statutory Instrument 200 of 2020, and all laws within respect to the licensing of those services that were in force immediately before the commencement of the principal order shall recommence in force with immediate effect.

With the lifting of the ban on commuter omnibuses as public operators as the local authority we therefore intent to move forward with the implementation of the provisions of the public transport policy. We would therefore proceed with issuance of recommendation letters to Commuter Omnibus operators in line with our existing public transport policy.

The schedule of fees that had been used prior to the outlawing of commuter omnibuses and these were the fees that we would continue to charge were the following:-

- Commuter omnibus (+19 Passengers) (12 months) -----USD 300.00
- Commuter Omnibus (7-19 Passengers) (12 months) -----USD240.00



- Metered taxi: (12 months) -----USD 150.00
- Driving Schools: (12 months) -----USD 240.00

The matter had been considered and discussion ensued with Councillor R.D. Jele highlighting the need to move to mass transportation as provided for in the MDS 2. The government of Zimbabwe had encouraged investment in bigger buses. Transportation chaos was created by a poor policy. This gave illegal transporter (Honda Fits) an advantage.

Enforcements should be done immediately. The proposed operations fees were high and should be revised downwards. Concurring to Councillor R.D. Jele, Councillor F. Mhaka felt that there should be order in the city. Honda Fits should be encouraged to operate as Taxi Cabs. The Smart City concept should be embraced. A smart transport policy would eliminate illegal transport operators. Relevant by laws should be enforced.

Councillor F Javangwe was concerned about illegal Commuter Omnibus Terminus/Ranks which were mushrooming in the city. Some of them were blocking traffic especially along Herbert Chitepo and L. Takawira Street (opposite Tredgold) and along Herbert Chitepo between 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Outside Pick n Pay Hypermarket). Efforts should be done to remove them from the area.

Councillor S. Sibanda noted that the operating fees should be affordable and not encourage evasion and corruption. He also wanted to know if Council had any plans to deal with illegal transporters. He supported the operation of Honda Fits. Residents wanted this service as Honda fits were able to do door to door deliveries. There was a need to lobby Central government to allow Honda Fit vehicles to be part of the transport system. The current Honda Fit terminus / ranks in the city should be cleared, a lot of fouling was taking place in those areas.

Councillor F. Msipa did not support the operations of Honda Fits except as taxi cabs, Central Government was only allowing vehicles with 7 to 19 Seater capacity as Commuter Omnibuses.

Councillor S. Mutanda felt that Honda Fits should be removed from the CBD and be registered as taxi cabs

The Director of Town Planning in response explained that the charges in the report were annual fees. These were the amounts payable before Covid-19 National Lockdown. Commuter Omnibuses had been banned during the period. The amounts payable would be reviewed if the economic conditions indicated the need. Previously Council would issue a letter to the operator who would submit it to the Ministry of Transport for a relevant clearance. Council had a Public Transport Policy which had ushered in the formation of 3 public Transport namely BCTT, Tshova Mbayiwa and BUPTA. Each Transport Company would be allocated an area of operation. The implementation of the Public Transport policy would force illegal transport operators out of business. The implementation of the policy would be also be coupled with effective enforcements of other by-laws. Honda Fits according to the Transport Act Chapter 13:15 could operate as registered metered Taxi Cabs.

The Chamber Secretary also explained that the Transport Act Chapter 13:15 allowed vehicles of 7 seater and above to be commuter Omnibus. 6 Seater and below could only be turned to metered Tax Cabs. Council would continue to enforce relevant by laws in line with City's Vision. Smaller Vehicles were bound to increase carbon emission and congestions and the smart city concept was enched a mass transportation that was efficient and reliable. However Councillors felt the need to lobby for the amendment of the Road Traffic Act to accommodate smaller vehicles consideration of an advocacy paper could be given under the auspices of the Urban Councils Association of Zimbabwe (UCAZ)

Thereafter it was -

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the Town Lands and Planning  
report be adopted.

**(20) MINUTES OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON ALLOCATION OF STANDS AND  
PREMISES FOR DEVELOPMENT: MEETING HELD ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2023**



The attached minutes of the Sub-Committee on Allocation of Stands and  
Premises for Development were submitted for consideration:-

It was:-

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**

That the minutes of the Sub-Committee on Allocation  
of Stands and Premises for Development be received and  
the various recommendations contained therein be  
adopted.

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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ARE LAID UPON THE TABLE.**