



BERGRIVIER MUNICIPALITY

MPAC OVERSIGHT REPORT:

ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24



INTRODUCTION

- This Oversight Report on the 2023/2024 Annual Report of the Bergrivier Municipality has been compiled in terms of Section 129 of the Local Government Municipal Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003 (MFMA) and is presented here today.
- The Municipal Council must adopt an Oversight Report not later than 2 months after the tabling of the Annual Report which must include a statement whether the Council -
 - has approved the annual report with or without reservations;
 - has rejected the annual report; or
 - has referred the annual report back for revision of those components that can be revised.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF MPAC

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

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

MANDATE AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

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

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



METHODOLOGY

- The Draft Annual Report was tabled before Council on 21 January 2025;
- The Draft Annual Report was submitted to the relevant authorities and made public for comments. The closing date for submissions was 7 March 2025;
- No submissions were received;
- MPAC conducted the Oversight Process over 1 sitting on 14 February 2025 and process concludes with this presentation to the Municipal Council on 25 March 2025.



STRUCTURE OF THE 2023/2024 ANNUAL REPORT

VOLUME I

- Forewords
- Chapter 1: Municipal Overview and Executive Summary
- Chapter 2: Governance
- Chapter 3: Service Delivery Performance
- Chapter 4: Organisational Development Performance
- Chapter 5: Financial Performance

VOLUME II

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



OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

2023/2024 ANNUAL REPORT



FINDINGS ON 2023/24 ANNUAL REPORT

MPAC has gone through the draft Annual Report with a critical eye and no major problems or mistakes were found;

A few editorial issues or points of clarity have been identified and corrected.

The following matters are highlighted as concerns:

- High cost of waste management





COMMENT FROM DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

- No comments received.





OUTSTANDING ISSUES 2022/2023 OVERSIGHT REPORT

No substantial outstanding matters in the 2022/2023 Oversight Report.



CONCLUSION

- I would like to thank the members of MPAC and all officials who participated in the 2023/2024 Oversight Process for their time and cooperation.
- The process was successful and enabled the Committee to identify areas of concern and that it is noticeable the management of the municipality took the inputs and the recommendations serious.
- I am of the opinion that the 2023/2024 Annual Report accurately reflects the performance of the Municipality for the year under review and recommend that the Council approves the 2023/2024 Annual Report without reservations.