## MINUTES OF THE HYBRID COUNCIL MEETING OF WITZENBERG MUNICIPALITY, HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, VOORTREKKER STREET, CERES ON MONDAY, 27 JANUARY 2025 AT 10:00

#### **PRESENT**

#### **Councillors**

Alderlady EM Sidego (DA) (Speaker)

Councillor TE Abrahams (DA) (Executive Mayor)

Councillor JF Nel (ICOSA) (Executive Deputy Mayor)

Alderman K Adams (DA)

Councillor WJ Alexander (PA)

Councillor P Daniels (DA)

Councillor S de Bruin (DA)

Councillor GJ Franse (DA)

Councillor JP Fredericks (FF Plus)

Councillor AL Gili (ANC)

Councillor GG Laban (Witzenberg Aksie)

Councillor JS Mouton (ANC)

Councillor MJ Ndaba (ANC)

Councillor N Nogcinisa (ANC)

Councillor N Phatsoane (ANC)

Councillor KA Robyn (GOOD)

Councillor J Rooi (Witzenberg Party)

Alderman HJ Smit (DA)

Alderman D Swart (DA)

Councillor IL Swartz (EFF)

Alderman JJ Visagie (DA)

Councillor K Yisa (ANC) (Virtual attendance)

Councillor J Zalie (ANC)

#### **Officials**

Mr D Nasson (Municipal Manager)

Mr HJ Kritzinger (Director: Finance)

Mr M Mpeluza (Director: Corporate Services)

Mr J Kolkota (Deputy Director: Finance)

Ms N Oerson (Chief Internal Audit Executive)

Ms L Nieuwenhuis (Senior Manager: Legal Services)

Ms R Hendricks (Manager: Communication and Marketing)

Ms M Arendse-Smith (Acting Manager: Administration)

Ms MJ Prins (Word Processor Operator)

Mr J Pieterse (Senior ICT Officer)

#### 1. OPENING AND WELCOME / OPENING EN VERWELKOMING

The Speaker welcomed everyone present and requested Councillor W Alexander to open the meeting with prayer.

### 2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE AND CONFIDENTIALITY AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

## 2.1 Consideration of application for leave of absence, if any Aansoeke om verlof tot afwesigheid, indien enige (3/1/2/1)

None

**NOTED** 

## 2.2 Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest Declaration Vertroulikheid en Botsing van Belange Verklaring (3/2/1)

The Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest Declaration is attached as **annexure 2.2**.

No conflict of interest was declared.

**NOTED** 

### 3. STATEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS OR MATTERS RAISED MEDEDELINGS, AANKONDIGINGS OF SAKE GEOPPER

## 3.1 Gratitude, Congratulations and Commiseration Waardering, Gelukwensinge en Meelewing (11/4/3)

Council's congratulations were conveyed by Councillor K Robyn to the following Councillor spouses on their birthdays:

Mr K de Bruin 15 JanuaryMs F Adams 24 January

NOTED.

### 3.2 Matters raised by the Speaker / Sake deur die Speaker geopper (09/1/1)

The Speaker, Alderlady EM Sidego, conveyed the following to the meeting:

 That it is the first Council meeting for the year and wish everyone a prosperous 2025, where the bad is left behind and we concentrate on the good.

- Congratulations to all the matriculants who have passed their final examinations and all the best for their future endeavours. Unfortunately, not all matriculants were successful with the final examinations, however, Council wishes them all the best and believe that students will persevere and redo the matric year.
- Early January 2025, there was an unfortunate and tragic accident in Tulbagh resulting in the loss of four lives, all from the same family. Thank you to the Municipal Manager for all the contributions towards the funeral as well as the Councillors who attended the funeral and supported the family.
- Councillors are interested in obtaining branded T-shirts and request that the Administration attends to the matter.
- What the status quo of the tablets for Councillors is.
- That a meeting with all female Councillors will be scheduled soon.

Councillor Mouton thanked the Speaker for the support provided to the bereaved family of Tulbagh as well as Councillor W Alexander and the Municipal Manager. Condolences are, however, also extended to the Weits; Pieterse and Vergotine families during their time of bereavement.

Alderman K Adams enquired as to why Councillors are required to pay for their T-shirts as they are ambassadors for Council, after which the Municipal Manager indicated that the Cost Containment Policy is quite clear on the matter and Witzenberg must comply with the National Government Policy.

The Speaker responded that Councillors are representing the community and that there are many less fortunate within the community. Thus, the more that is taken, the less the community receives.

The Municipal Manager informed the meeting that there are two (2) processes in progress related to the purchasing of the tablets and that the market is also being tested in this regard.

#### **NOTED**

# 3.3 Matters raised by the Executive Mayor Sake deur die Uitvoerende Burgemeester geopper (09/1/1)

The Executive Mayor conveyed the following to the meeting:

- Well wishes to all Councillors and Administration staff for 2025.
- Condolences to the families who have lost loved ones during their time of bereavement.
- That the Tulbagh water crisis started in December 2024, but that it appears that the battle is in the process of being won. The matter will, however, be scrutinised to prevent such occurrences in the future.
- The transportation of Vredebes learners to Morrisdale is a concern as the funding is not sufficient for the first quarter and praying for a long-term solution.

#### **NOTED**

Councillor Zalie joined the meeting.

### 3.4 Matters raised by the Municipal Manager Sake deur die Munisipale Bestuurder geopper

The Municipal Manager informed the meeting of the following:

- That Mr Titus, an Administration official, has become very ill and consideration is being given to medical boarding.
- That the employer is in the process of arranging an incapacity hearing for the Translator of Council.

#### **NOTED**

#### 4. MINUTES / NOTULES

### 4.1 Corrections to the minutes / Wysigings aan die notule (3/1/2/3)

Councillor A Gili stated that the minutes of 19 December 2024 is not a true reflection of the meeting and raised serious concerns.

Item 4.1(c) will be dealt with at item 12.2.3.1.

#### **NOTED**

### 4.2 Matters arising from the minutes (3/1/2/3)

None

#### **NOTED**

## 4.3 Approval of minutes / Goedkeuring van notules (3/1/2/3)

The following minutes are attached:

(a) Special Council meeting, held on 12 November 2024: **Annexure 4.3(a)**.

- (b) Council meeting, held on 12 December 2024: **Annexure 4.3(b)**.
- (c) Special Council meeting, held on 19 December 2024: **Annexure 4.3(c)**.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (a) That the following minutes be approved and signed by the Speaker:
  - (i) Special Council meeting, held on 12 November 2024.
  - (ii) Council meeting, held on 12 December 2024.
- (b) That the minutes of the Special Council meeting, held on 19 December 2024, be held in abeyance.

### 4.4 Outstanding matters / Uitstaande sake (3/3/2)

Number	File reference	Heading, item no. and date	Directorate	Action	Progress	Target date
	17/3/2	8.2.2 of 24-01-2024 Proposed position of waste transfer stations	Technical Services	That proposed positions of waste transfer stations at erf 8714, Bella Vista & Erf 1, PA Hamlet be held in abeyance for PPP.	Work-in- progress	End of Feb. 2025

Alderman K Adams noted that the item is outstanding for far too long and that petitions were received from concerned Bella Vista citizens regarding the transfer station. Bella Vista is in dire need of a transfer station and enquiries are made as to the status of the matter and how long will it still take.

The Municipal Manager informed the meeting that it is a planning application in terms of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013 (SPLUMA). The committee is currently sitting on the matter as there were objections and if there are still objections after the outcome of the committee, the matter will be referred to the appeal body, which is the Mayoral Committee.

Councillor GG Laban noted that items listed on outstanding matters are concerning and that decisions cannot be made whilst Councillors are not aware. There are many concerns about the transfer station in Prince Alfred's Hamlet.

The Municipal Manager responded that the item was before Council and approved the possible sites for the building of the transfer site. A Public Participation Process was held and objections were received for both Bella Vista and Prince Alfred's Hamlet. The panel of service providers were appointed and approved by Council through the Council Supply Chain process to deal with the matter in terms of the SPLUMA legislation.

Councillor A Gili requested that the Councillor of the relevant ward must be involved in the process, upon which the Municipal Manager indicated that the Ward Councillor will be involved from the Public Participation Process onwards.

Alderman JJ Visagie informed that the Ward Councillors are indeed involved in the process and that the Municipal Manager was involved in the Public Participation Process of the transfer station in Prince Alfred's Hamlet.

Councillor K Robyn requested that all Councillors of the relevant ward be involved.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

that notice be taken of the outstanding matter.

#### **EENPARIG BESLUIT**

dat kennis geneem word van die uitstaande saak.

### 5. MOTIONS AND NOTICE OF SUGGESTIONS MOSIES EN KENNISGEWING VAN VOORSTELLE

### 5.1 Motion of exigency: Private developer on Bella Vista taxi rank (17/14/2)

Councillor A Gili tabled a Motion of Exigency requesting information regarding the developments of a private developer on the Bella Vista Taxi rank.

The Municipal Manager informed the meeting that the Bella Vista Taxi rank will remain as is and that the developer submitted a building plan. In terms of legislation, development cannot be denied unless it affects another development. It is an upgrade of a commercial premises, which does not require a Public Participation Process, but an application will be submitted to Council for parking or taxi rank.

#### **RESOLVED**

that notice is taken of the Motion of Exigency regarding the developments at the Bella Vista Taxi rank.

6.	<b>INTERVIEWS WITH</b>	DELEGATIONS
	<b>ONDERHOUDE MET</b>	<b>AFVAARDIGINGS</b>

None

**NOTED** 

### 7. GEDELEGEERDE BEVOEGDHEDE / DELEGATED POWERS

None

#### 8. GERESERVEERDE BEVOEGDHEDE / RESERVED POWERS

#### **8.1** Direktoraat Finansies / Directorate Finance

# 8.1.1 Section 71 Monthly Budget Statement Reports of the Directorate Finance: November and December 2024 (9/1/2/2)

The following Section 71 Monthly Budget Statement Report of the Directorate Finance are attached:

(a) November 2024 **Annexure 8.1.1(a)**(b) December 2024 **Annexure 8.1.1(b)** 

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council:

- (a) that notice be taken of the Section 71 Monthly Budget Statement Reports of the Directorate Finance for November and December 2024.
- (b) that the Section 71 Monthly Budget Statement Reports of the Directorate Finance for November and December 2024 be referred to the Portfolio Committee for Corporate and Financial Services, the Performance, Risk and Audit Committee and the Municipal Public Accounts Committee to take notice or to advise Council if deemed necessary.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

- (a) that notice be taken of the Section 71 Monthly Budget Statement Reports of the Directorate Finance for November and December 2024.
- (b) that the Section 71 Monthly Budget Statement Reports of the Directorate Finance for November and December 2024 be referred to the Portfolio Committee for Corporate and Financial Services, the Performance, Risk and Audit Committee and the Municipal Public Accounts Committee to take notice or to advise Council if deemed necessary.

# 8.1.2 Finance: Unauthorised expenditure relating to 2021/2022 financial year (9/1/2/2)

A report from the Director: Finance, dated 3 December 2024, is attached as **annexure 8.1.2**.

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council:

- (a) that notice be taken of the updated report relating to unauthorised expenditure.
- (b) that the matter related to the Unauthorised expenditure for the 2021/2022 financial year be referred to the Ad hoc Committee for investigation and report back to Council with recommendations.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

- (a) that notice be taken of the updated report relating to unauthorised expenditure.
- (b) that the matter related to the Unauthorised expenditure for the 2021/2022 financial year be referred to the Ad hoc Committee for investigation and submit a report to Council in this regard.

## 8.1.3 Finance: Irregular expenditure financial years 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 (9/1/2/2)

Report from Director: Finance, dated 3 December 2024:

### "1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to submit a report on irregular expenditure to Council for consideration.

#### 2. Legal framework

In terms of Section 32(2)(b) of the Municipal Finance Management Act, irregular expenditure may only be written off by Council if, after an investigation by a Council committee, the irregular expenditure is certified as irrecoverable.

#### 3. Background

The Preferential Procurement Regulations of 2017 clearly indicated that the 80/20 preference point system for acquisition of goods or services were only applicable to bids for Rand value equal to or above R30 000 and up to R50 million.

The Supreme Court of Appeal declared the entire Procurement Regulations of 2017 invalid on the basis that the content of the Regulations exceeded the Minister's power on what could permissibly be regulated on in terms of Section 5 of the Procurement Act and Section 217 of the Constitution.

The Preferential Procurement Regulations of 2022 were promulgated by the Minister of Finance on 4 November 2022 in Government Gazette no. 47452 and became effective on 16 January 2023.

The new regulations determine that the 80/20 preference point system for acquisition of goods or services with Rand value equal to or below R50 million for tender invitations. Quotation for procurement below R30 000 is included in the regulations definition of a tender.

Municipalities and the Western Cape Provincial Government worked closely on a new policy to be considered by each municipality and to ensure consistency in the legal and technical interpretation of the new legislation. The proposed draft policy was approved by the Witzenberg municipal Council before the implementation date and duly implemented by municipal officials.

During the 2022/2023 audit cycle, the office of the Auditor-general audited the implementation of the new legislation and had a different interpretation of the new legislation and concluded that for awards between R2 000 and R30 000, municipalities did not advertise the 80/20 points system and did not perform the calculation of points. The AGSA issued a transversal finding to all municipalities whose interpretation of the legislation was not consistent with theirs, including Witzenberg Municipality, listing their interpretation of the new legislation and viewed the municipality's process as non-compliance with the new legislation and all awards as irregular expenditure.

To resolve the matter, the finding was escalated to the Provincial Treasury, which engaged with the leadership of the AGSA and the National Treasury on the matter. A proposed resolution was communicated within days of finalising the 2022/2023 audit outcome (due to be finalised before 30 November 2023).

This administrative process would not have changed the outcome of the award, i.e. the same bidders would have received the award, with or without the calculation of points.

This was the only outstanding audit matter to finalise the audit and prevented the office of the AGSA from issuing a clean audit for the 2022/2023 financial year. Management agreed to disclose the irregular expenditure and to update the PPPFA policy and its standard operating processes to implement the regulation to be aligned with the interpretation of the AGSA.

In January 2024, Council approved the revised SCM policy, and proposed changes to become effective from 1 February 2024. The AGSA audited the implementation of the changes and compliance with the legislation and SCM policy and did not identify further irregular expenditure.

MFMA circular 68 titled "Unauthorised, Irregular, Fruitless and Wasteful Expenditure" stipulates the process to be followed when dealing with unauthorized, irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure. Section 32(2)(b), irregular expenditure may only be written off by Council if, after an investigation by a Council committee, the irregular expenditure is certified as irrecoverable.

Section 32(2)(b) of the MFMA provides the Council only with the power to consider and resolve on the expenditure. Municipal Councils are therefore advised to ensure that the wording of their Council resolutions is consistent with the wording in Section 32(2)(b) of the MFMA i.e. "Council hereby certify the expenditure as irrecoverable and resolve that it be written off or for recovery of the funds". Municipal Councils should note that its ability to resolve on the irregular expenditure is not dependent on National Treasury's decision in relation to the municipality's application for condonation in terms of Section 170 of the Municipal Finance Management Act. It is solely dependent on the investigation and recommendation from the Council committee.

Whatever the municipal Council resolves is sufficient for the municipality to adjust its annual financial statements from an accounting disclosure perspective. The treatment of expenditure associated with the non-compliance is therefore the responsibility of the Council.

Circular 68 form National Treasury dealing with Unauthorised, Irregular, Fruitless and Wasteful Expenditure is attached as **annexure 8.1.3**.

#### 4. Deliberation

The following amounts are disclosed in note 42.1 to the annual financial statements as irregular:

2022/2023 financial year R5 437 362,00 2023/2024 financial year R5 891 802,00

The only reason for regarding the expenditure as irregular is that the 80/20 points system was not used in awarding quotations with values of between R2 000,00 and R30 000,00. No instances were identified were awards should have been made to another bidder."

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council that the matter related to the irregular expenditure for the financial years 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 be referred to the Municipal Public Accounts Committee for investigation and report back to Council with recommendations.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

that the matter related to the irregular expenditure for the financial years 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 be referred to the Municipal Public Accounts Committee for investigation and report back to Council with recommendations.

## 8.1.4 Quarterly inventory count: Municipal stores, Drommedaris Street, Ceres: 28 November 2024 (6/1/1)

A report from the Manager: Supply Chain, dated 6 December 2024, is attached as **annexure 8.1.4**.

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council that notice be taken of the stock count of 28 November 2024.

Alderman K Adams enquires about the processes involved related to redundant stock at all sites.

The Municipal Manager informed that as indicated at the Mayoral Committee meeting, an auction will be held and that the item will be tabled at the next Council meeting.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

that notice be taken of the stock count of 28 November 2024.

# 8.1.5 Mid-year Budget Statement and Performance Assessment (Section 72) Report 2024/2025: 1 July 2024 until 31 December 2024 (9/1/1 & 5/1/5/17)

Memorandum from Director: Finance, dated 16 January 2025:

#### "1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to submit the mid-year budget and performance assessment for period 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024 to Council, for consideration.

#### 2. Legislature framework

In terms of Section 72 of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003):

- `(1) The accounting officer of a municipality must by 25 January of each year
  - (a) Assess the performance of the municipality during the first half of the financial year
  - (b) Submit the report to the Mayor, National Treasury and Provincial Treasury.'

The mayor must, in terms of Section 54(1)(f) of the act submit the report to the Council by 31 January of each year.

#### 3. Discussion

The Mid-year report for 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024 is attached as **annexure 8.1.5**."

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council:

- (a) that notice be taken of the Mid-year Budget Statement and Performance Assessment (Section 72 Report) for the period 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024.
- (b) that the report supra (a) be referred to the Performance, Risk and Audit Committee and Municipal Public Accounts Committee to take notice or to advise Council if deemed necessary.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

- (a) that notice be taken of the Mid-year Budget Statement and Performance Assessment (Section 72 Report) for the period 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024.
- (b) that the report supra (a) be referred to the Performance, Risk and Audit Committee and Municipal Public Accounts Committee to take notice or to advise Council if deemed necessary.

# 8.1.6 Quarterly Budget Statement [Section 52(d)] report: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2024/2025 (1 October 2024 to 31 December 2024) (9/1/2/2)

Report from Director: Finance, dated 16 January 2025:

### "1. Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to submit the Quarterly Budget Statement [Section 52(d)] report to Council for information.

#### 2. Background

The required report in terms of Section 52(d) is attached as annexure **8.1.6**."

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council:

(a) that notice be taken of the Quarterly Budget Statement [Section 52(d)] report for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2024/2025.

(b) that the report supra (a) be referred to the Municipal Public Accounts Committee and Performance, Risk and Audit Committee to take notice or to advise Council if deemed necessary.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

- (a) that notice be taken of the Quarterly Budget Statement [Section 52(d)] report for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2024/2025.
- (b) that the report supra (a) be referred to the Municipal Public Accounts Committee and Performance, Risk and Audit Committee to take notice or to advise Council if deemed necessary.

# 8.1.7 Annual Report, Financial Statements and Oversight Report: 2023/2024 (9/1/1)

The Municipal Finance Management Act (Section 129(1)) states that:

"The council of a municipality must consider the annual report of the municipality and of any municipal entity under the municipality's sole or shared control, and by no later than two months from the date on which the annual report was tabled in the council in terms of section 127, adopt an oversight report containing the council's comments on the annual report, which must include a statement whether the council —

- (a) has approved the annual report with or without reservations;
- (b) has rejected the annual report; or
- (c) has referred the annual report back for revision of those components that can be revised."

In terms of the MPAC Charter, approved on 10 December 2014, Council has mandated the Municipal Public Accounts Committee to perform an oversight function on behalf of Council.

The following documents are attached:

- (a) MPAC Oversight Report on Annual Report 2023/2024: **Annexure 8.1.7(a)**.
- (b) Annual Report 2023/2024: **Annexure 8.1.7(b)**.

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee resolved on 16 January 2025:

(a) that the MPAC considered and finalised the MPAC Oversight Report during the meeting and submitted the signed report to the Municipal Manager for attachment to the final 2023/2024 Annual Report.

- (b) that the Municipal Public Accounts Committee recommends to Council:
  - (i) that Council takes notice of the MPAC Oversight Report in the Annual Report 2023/2024 and, after consideration, accepts same.
  - (ii) that, having fully considered the 2023/2024 Annual Report of the Witzenberg Municipality, it is recommended that Council adopts the 2023/2024 Oversight Report and approves the 2023/2024 Annual Report without reservations.

Councillor GG Laban noted a few errors in the MPAC report regarding the irregularities and that Prince Alfred's Hamlet was not listed in the report. Enquiry is therefore made as to whether the questions must be raised during the meeting or in writing if not in agreement with the report.

The Municipal Manager informed the meeting that the Annual Report must be checked whether it is factually correct and that the irregular expenditure is covered in item 8.1.3 of the agenda, which will be investigated by the Ad hoc Committee and Municipal Public Accounts Committee respectively. Furthermore, that the Auditor-general had reviewed the report and if there were any mistakes or corrections, the Auditor-general should have been notified. Once the Municipal Public Accounts Committee has adopted the report, Council can only take a resolution in terms of the requirements of the Municipal Finance Management Act.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

- (a) that Council considered and adopted the MPAC Oversight Report of the 2023/2024 Annual Report.
- (b) that, having fully considered the 2023/2024 Annual Report of the Witzenberg Municipality, Council approved the 2023/2024 Annual Report without reservations.

Break taken from 11:43 until 12:00.

#### 8.2 Direktoraat Tegniese Dienste / Directorate Technical Services

None

#### 8.3 Direktoraat Gemeenskapsdienste / Directorate Community Services

### 8.3.1 Dilapidated building in Tulbagh cemetery: Approval to demolish (15/6/1/6)

A memorandum from the Manager: Environment and Amenities, dated 25 April 2024, is attached as **annexure 8.3.1**.

The Committee for Community Development resolved on 27 November 2024 to recommend to the Executive Mayoral Committee and Council that the memorial building at the Tulbagh graveyard, after consideration, be demolished.

The following recommendation was tabled to Council:

That the Executive Mayoral Committee recommends to Council:

that, after consideration, the demolition of the dilapidated building in the Tulbagh cemetery be approved.

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council:

- (a) that the matter related to the dilapidated building in Tulbagh cemetery: Approval to demolish be held in abeyance.
- (b) that an inspection in loco be held prior to deciding on the matter.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

- (a) that the matter related to the dilapidated building in Tulbagh cemetery: Approval to demolish be held in abeyance.
- (b) that an inspection in loco be held prior to deciding on the matter.

## 8.3.2 Lighthouse Safe Haven Early Childhood Development (ECD) Centre (7/1/4/1)

A memorandum from the Manager: Local Economic Development, dated 5 November 2024, is attached as **annexure 8.3.2**.

The Committee for Community Development resolved on 27 November 2024 to recommend to the Executive Mayoral Committee and Council that the principal of the Lighthouse Safe Haven Early Childhood Development Centre, Tulbagh be notified that the municipality, after consideration, have no property available to accommodate the centre.

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council that, after consideration, the principal of the Lighthouse Safe Haven Early Childhood Development Centre, Tulbagh be notified that the municipality does not have any property available to accommodate the centre.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

that, after consideration, the principal of the Lighthouse Safe Haven Early Childhood Development Centre, Tulbagh be notified that the municipality does not have any property available to accommodate the centre.

### 8.4 Direktoraat Korporatiewe Dienste / Directorate Corporate Services

## 8.4.1 Tulbagh Feeding Scheme: Request to lease a portion of erf 1326, Tulbagh (7/1/4/1)

The following documents are attached:

- (a) Report from Senior Manager: Legal Services and Manager: Socio--Economic Development, dated 3 December 2024: **Annexure 8.4.1(a)**.
- (b) Report from Manager: Socio-Economic Development, dated 7 June 2024: **Annexure 8.4.1(b)**.
- (c) Proposal: Witzenville Park by Care4Tulbagh: **Annexure 8.4.1(c)**.

Council unanimously resolved on 12 December 2024 that the matter regarding the Tulbagh Feeding Scheme: Request to lease a portion of erf 1326, Tulbagh be held in abeyance until the next meeting.

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council:

- (a) that the matter related to the Tulbagh Feeding Scheme: Request to lease a portion of erf 1326, Tulbagh be held in abeyance.
- (b) that an inspection in loco be arranged prior to decision making.
- (c) that the portfolio Chairperson of the Committee for Corporate and Financial Services arrange a meeting and engage with the other soup kitchens in this regard.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

- (a) that the matter related to the Tulbagh Feeding Scheme: Request to lease a portion of erf 1326, Tulbagh be held in abeyance.
- (b) that an inspection in loco be arranged prior to decision making.
- (c) that the portfolio Chairperson of the Committee for Corporate and Financial Services arrange a meeting and engage with the other soup kitchens in this regard.

# 8.4.2 Institutionalisation of Code for Ethical Leadership in Local Government (12/1/1/17)

The following documents are attached:

- (a) Circular 1/2024 from COGTA, 8 August 2024: **Annexure 8.4.2(a)**.
- (b) Code for Ethical Leadership in Local Government: **Annexure 8.4.2(b)**.

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 January 2025 to recommend to Council:

- (a) that the matter related to the Institutionalisation of Code for Ethical Leadership in Local Government be accepted.
- (b) that the Institutionalisation of Code for Ethical Leadership in Local Government be workshopped by Council.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**

that the matter related to the Institutionalisation of Code for Ethical Leadership in Local Government be accepted.

## 9. URGENT MATTERS SUBMITTED AFTER DISPATCHING OF THE AGENDA DRINGENDE SAKE NA AFSENDING VAN DIE AGENDA

None

**NOTED** 

### 10. FORMAL AND STATUTORY MATTERS FORMELE EN STATUTÊRE SAKE

# 10.1 Feedback on matters of outside bodies Terugvoering oor sake van buite-organisasies (3/R)

Councillors were informed that all reports related to outside bodies must be tabled at the next Council meeting.

## 11. QUESTIONS and/or MATTERS RAISED by COUNCILLORS VRAE en/of SAKE DEUR RAADSLEDE GEOPPER

None

**NOTED** 

### 12. COUNCIL-in-COMMITTEE / RAAD-in-KOMITEE

These items are dealt with in the confidential minutes.