

COUNCIL MEETING: 25 APRIL 2024

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REPORT ON THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE SECTION 79 STANDING COMMITTEE:
PETITIONS: 20 MARCH 2024

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COUNCILLOR S WILKINSON (DA)
CHAIRPERSON: SECTION 79 STANDING COMMITTEE: PETITIONS

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**MATTERS WHICH THE SECTION 79 STANDING COMMITTEE: PETITIONS FINALISED
ON 22 FEBRUARY 2024 BY VIRTUE OF THE POWERS DELEGATED TO IT IN TERMS
OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION OF 30 MAY 2002**

**B. SECTION 79 STANDING COMMITTEE: PETITIONS MEETING
(22.02.2024)**

I. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

That it be noted that Councilor BW Lawrence was not granted leave of absence from the meeting therefore he be deemed absent without leave.

II. MINUTES FOR CONSIDERATION

That the minutes of the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions meeting held on 22 February 2024 be approved.

III. RESOLUTIONS: SECTION 79 STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING: PETITIONS:
20 MARCH 2024

1. OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
PETITION FROM RESIDENTS REQUESTING FOR FORMALIZATION OF ERF 174
BLOCK S, SOSHANGUVE, WARD 26, REGION 1, UNDER CLLR J SHUME

Before commencement of the discussion of this at the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions meeting held on 20 March 2024, the petitioners as well as Ward Councillor TJ Shumi, were present and were afforded the opportunity to address the committee.

After hearing the above deliberations, Mr N Sekano from the Human Settlement, highlighted to the committee that the department proposed to relocate the community members, and it is only permitted to move from 50 people and so far they have 135 however it is a matter of finding clarity as to will there be relocated to, hence the area called Mazambaneng , it is not suitable for occupation.

Here after the following Cllrs took part in a debate:

**Chairperson S Wilkinson
Cllr A Randall
Cllr T Vilakazi
Cllr TJ Shume**

It was in that moment that a representative from the Human Settlement was asked to provide clarity to the committee if he was certain that the moving of the community will be done after they engage with the province in this regard.

The Chairperson then proposed that this matter be held in abeyance until the Department of Human Settlement provide proper feedback within 30 days.

In view of the above the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions resolved as set out below.

RESOLVED:

That this matter be held in abeyance until the Department of Human Settlement provide proper feedback within 30 days.

2. OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
PETITION FROM RESIDENTS REGARDING ELECTRICITY IN WARD 28, REGION 6, UNDER CLLR NJ SEELANE

Before commencement of the discussion of this at the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions meeting held on 20 March 2024, the petitioners as well as Ward Councillor, Councillor NJ Seelane were present and were afforded the opportunity to address the committee.

After hearing the above deliberations by the community, the following Councillors took part in a lengthy debate about educating communities through workshops:

**Cllr Chairperson S Wilkinson
Cllr SPC Tsiane
Cllr TJ Shume**

Here after the Ward Cllr, NJ Seelane indicated to the committee that their problem is not a request for service delivery, instead they brought names forward as evidence so that it be proceeded with in this regard.

Here after the Chairperson S Wilkinson proposed the following additional recommendations to the recommendations of the report which it was acceded to by the committee to read as follows:

(Unaltered)

- “3 That the Director Petitions and Memoranda: R Sambu from Petitions Directorate consider this as a service issue within 90 days.”**
- 4. That this matter be held in abeyance until 90 days progress report be submitted to the Petitions and memoranda Section.”**

In view thereof the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions resolved as set out below.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Group Head: Energy and Electricity Department should organize a workshop with the petitioners/community in Ward 28 plus Finance Department to educate them about the importance of paying electricity and the danger of illegal connections.
2. That the Group Head: Energy and Electricity Department should ensure that residents at the mentioned area pay for the electricity they consume and disconnect illegal electricity in all households.
3. That Director: R Sambu from Petitions Directorate consider this as a service issue within 90 days.
4. That this matter be held in abeyance until 90 days progress report be submitted to the Petitions and memoranda Section.

3. OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
 PETITION FROM RESIDENTS REGARDING ELECTRICITY PROBLEMS IN WARD
 17, REGION 6, UNDER CLLR SP LELAKA

Before commencement of the discussion of this at the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions meeting held on 20 March 2024, the petitioners as well as Ward Cllr, Cllr SP Lelaka were present and were afforded the opportunity to address the committee.

After hearing the above deliberations by the petitioners and the Ward Cllr, the Chairperson S Wilkinson, proposed and seconded by Cllr TJ Shume, an additional recommendation to the recommendations of the report, which the proposal was acceded to by the committee to read as follows:

(Unaltered)

- “3. That the Director: R Sambu from Petitions and Memoranda, engage, escort assist Ward Cllr Lelaka at every possible avenue that regards to the petition which is either a combined engagement or individual engagements starting with the MMC: Cllr T Fosi.”**

In view of the above, the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions resolved as set out below.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Group Head: Energy and Electricity Department should organize a workshop with the petitioners/community in the area to educate them about the importance of paying for electricity and the danger of illegal connections.
2. That the Group Head: Energy and Electricity Department should ensure that residents at the mentioned area pay for the electricity they consume and disconnect illegal electricity in all households.
3. That the Director: R Sambu from Petitions and Memoranda, engage, escort assist Ward Cllr SP Lelaka at every possible avenue that regards to the petition which is either a combined engagement or individual engagements starting with the MMC: Cllr T Fosi.

4. OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER:
PETITION FROM RESIDENTS REGARDING LEAKING SEWERAGE IN TAMBO,
WARD 75, REGION 2, UNDER CLLR N MAHLANGU

Before commencement of the discussion of this at the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions meeting held on 20 March 2024, the Ward Councillor, Cllr N Mahlangu was present and was afforded the opportunity to address the committee, here after the Ward Cllr indicated the petition was resolved.

In view of the above the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions resolved as set out below.

RESOLVED:

It be noted that the sewer pumpstation was repaired and the sewer spillage in Tambo Ville was resolved on the 23rd of November 2023, therefore the petition be closed.

5. OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
PETITION FROM RESIDENTS REGARDING TOWN PLANNING
CONTRAVENTION/REZONING AND PURCHASE OF ERF 8205, WARD 21,
REGION 1, UNDER CLLR P MBOKANE

During the discussion of this at the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions meeting held on 20 March 2024, the Chairperson Cllr S Wilkinson, indicated that this matter is finalised therefore it is as recommended.

In view of the above, the Section 79 Standing committee: Petitions resolved as set out below.

RESOLVED:

It should be noted that that the rezoning certificate has already been issued to the registered applicant, therefore, the Economic Development and Spatial Planning department cannot at this late stage consider the objection(s).

6. OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
 PETITION FROM RESIDENTS AGAINST THE NOISE INSTRUMENTS DURING
 CHURCH SERVICE AT CORNER NOKHUKHU AND 3RD STREETS, WARD 68,
 REGION 3, UNDER CLLR V RAMBAU

Before commencement of the discussion of this at the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions meeting held on 20 March 2024, the petitioner was present and was afforded the opportunity to address the committee.

After hearing the above deliberations by the petitioner, the Chairperson then proposed that all the recommendations of the report be removed, and a new recommendation was added which was acceded to by the committee to read as follows:

(Unaltered)

“That the Environmental Health must execute all processes in law enforcement and in the by law enforcement to make the noise stop.”

In view of the above, the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions resolved as set out below.

RESOLVED:

That the Environmental Health must execute all processes in law enforcement and in the by law enforcement to make the noise stop.

**7. OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER:
PETITION FROM RESIDENTS AGAINST FEEDING SCHEME IN LAUDIUM
COMMUNITY, WARD 61, REGION 4, UNDER CLLR P NAEEM**

Before commencement of the discussion of this at the Section 79 Standing Committee: Petitions meeting held on 20 March 2024, the petitioners as well as Ward Cllr, Cllr N Patel were present and were afforded the opportunity to address the committee.

Here after a representative from the City Planning, elaborated that, even though a feeding scheme is a great sense of humanity, the establishment of it is not allowed and by laws should be observed in this regard and the feeding scheme organization cannot exist in the said premises.

After a lengthy discussion by the following Cllrs,

**Chairperson Cllr S Wilkinson
Cllr N Patel
Cllr AM Randall
Cllr L Aphane
Cllr T Vilakazi**

The Chairperson S Wilkinson alluded that the recommendations of the report should be amended administratively, specifically recommendation 2 to read as follows:

(Unaltered)

“2. That the owners of the properties must close with immediate effect.”

In view thereof, the Section 79 Standing Committee Petitions resolved as set out below.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the business moves to a more suitable premises (not Res 1) and immediate application to the health office on this alternative premises to allow assistance and guidance for health certification.**
- 2. That the owners of the properties must close with immediate effect.**