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**ON**

**STATUS OF THE WEBUYE HOSPITAL MEDICAL QUARTERS AND THE DRIVERS’  
QUARTERS SEWER LINES IN BUNGOMA TOWN**

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## **CHAPTER ONE**

### **1.0 PREFACE**

**Mr. Speaker Sir**, on behalf of the members of the Housing and sanitation Committee, it is my pleasure and duty to present to the House the Committee's report on the connection of sewer lines in Webuye Hospital Medical Quarters and Drivers Quarters in lower Milimani Estate, Bungoma.

### **1.2 THE MANDATE OF THE COMMITTEE**

**Mr. Speaker Sir**, the sectoral Committee on Housing and Sanitation is constituted pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 196 of the County Assembly of Bungoma and executes its mandate in accordance with Standing order 196(5) which provides as follows:

- a) Investigate, inquire and report all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned departments.
- b) Study the programme and policy objectives of departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
- c) study and review all county legislation referred to it;
- d) study, assess and analyze the relative success of the departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- e) investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned departments as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the County Assembly;
- f) to vet and report on all appointments where the constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing order 185(Committee on Appointments); and
- g) make reports and recommendations to the County Assembly as often as possible, including recommendations of proposed legislation.

### 1.3 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

**Mr. Speaker Sir**, the Housing and Sanitation committee as currently constituted comprises the following Members: -

1. Hon. Elvis	Abuka	Chairperson
2. Hon. Hillary	Kiptalam	Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. Metrine	Nangalama	Member
4. Hon. Godfrey	Mukhwana	Member
5. Hon. Sitati	Makhandia	Member
6. Hon. Eunice	Kirui	Member
7. Hon. Joram	Wanjala	Member
8. Hon. Everton	Nganga	Member
9. Hon. Sospeter	Nyongesa	Member
10. Hon. Humphrey	Sifuna	Member
11. Hon. Jack	Kawa	Member
12. Hon. David	Barasa	Member
13. Hon. Frankline	Simotwo	Member
14. Hon. Violet	Makhanu	Member
15. Hon. Charles	Nangulu	Member

#### **1.4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Committee is thankful to the Offices of the Speaker and the Clerk of the County Assembly for the logistical support accorded to it during the report writing as it executed its mandate.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Honorable Members of the Committee for their resourceful input that informed the content of this report. My sincere gratitude also goes to the members of the Secretariat for their dedication towards compiling this report.

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, on behalf of the Sectoral Committee on Housing and Sanitation to table this report on the Connection of the sewer lines at Webuye Hospital Medical Quarters and Drivers Quarters in lower Milimani Estate, Bungoma and its recommendations to the Assembly for deliberation and adoption.

Thank you.

Sign .....Date.....

**HON. ELVIS ABUKA, MCA, MILIMA WARD**  
**CHAIRPERSON, COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND SANITATION**

## **CHAPTER TWO**

### **2.1 INTRODUCTION**

#### **2.1.1 BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

**Mr. Speaker Sir,**

There was public outcry about the physical status of the two sewers at Webuye Hospital Medical Quarters and Drivers Quarters in lower Milimani Estate in Bungoma. This prompted the committee to assess the physical status of the two sewers and analyzing their effectiveness in offering services to the staff of the County. The committee then relayed the information to the relevant department of Housing and Sanitation but the department indicated that the section was currently under the County department of Health and Sanitation. Nevertheless, the department stated that an amount of Kshs. 5 million was allocated for connection of the two sewer lines and that the same amount was directed to the relevant department for implementation of the projects. Therefore, the committee found it prudent to invite the concerned officers in the department of health and sanitation to shade light on the matter.

#### **2.1.2 TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The committee sought information from the department of Health and Sanitation through a consultative meeting held at Iko Resort Hotel, Chwele. The scope of the discussion captured the following areas of interest to the committee;

- i. The actual area of coverage of the sewer lines in Webuye Hospital Medical Quarters and Drivers Quarters in lower Milimani Estate, Bungoma.
- ii. The financial status/allocation for the FY 2018/19 and 2019/20 for the two sewer lines.
- iii. The current physical and implementation status of the two sewer lines

### **2.1.3 RESPONSE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SANITATION**

**Mr. Speaker Sir,**

During the consultative meetings, the department confirmed that there were actually three (3) soak pits for Webuye Hospital Medical Quarters and a septic tank plus one (1) soak pit for the drivers' quarters in lower Milimani Estate- Bungoma.

It was also reported that the department had received the project allocation of Kshs. 5.6 million in the FY 2018/19 which was previously under Housing and sanitation. The department did get the bills of quantities done and the same was captured in the Procurement plan. Further, that that a requisition was done Ref. CG/BGM/MOH/Vol.1/117 dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 for initiation of the procurement process but only one bidder responded because it was a restricted bidder. The department went ahead to do evaluations and the evaluation the committee recommended the project to be retendered. The department however reported that the re-tendering process was not complete by the end of that financial year.

The department further explained that the approved budget of the FY 2019/20 indicated nil allocation towards the same project. Therefore, the Department intends to factor it in the FY 2020/21.

The current physical status of the two sewers remain undone and hence the challenge is still the focus on the allocation and availability of funds.

## **CHAPTER THREE**

### **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

**Mr. Speaker Sir**, after the committee discussions and deliberations on the responses given by the department of Health and Sanitation, the following were observed;

1. There was allocation and thus Appropriation of Kshs. 5,600,000 in F/Y 2018/19 towards implementation of the program
2. The sewer line in driver's quarters in Milimani Estate, Bungoma is in a pathetic state. Webuye Medical Hospital Quarters sewer line too require immediate rehabilitation.
3. The Directorate of Sanitation initiated tendering process that was never completed.
4. The County Government implemented the Finance Act, 2018 by increasing rent payable to its houses yet the sanitation aspect is still in unhealthy state.



## **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**Mr. Speaker Sir,** the committee therefore makes the following recommendation;

1. The directorate of Sanitation to consider re-budgeting for the same program in the FY 2020/21 budget estimates.
2. The directorate should consider treating the sewer lines rehabilitation as an emergency and ensure works are initiated as a matter of urgency.
3. Departments should always ensure compliance to house resolutions by implementing programs approved by the Assembly within the financial year in which the funds were appropriated.
4. All departments in the executive wing should be submitting implementation status of their approved programmes on quarterly basis to enable sector committees carry out in-depth oversight and ensure the budgets are adhered to as approved.
5. The directorate of Sanitation should adhere to the Procurement and Disposal Act and its regulations when initiating the tendering process. This will ensure the process is not abandoned before completion.

**CONCLUSION**

Mr. Speaker Sir, the approval of this report by this Honorable House will serve to provide the much-needed rehabilitation services of the two sewer lines and more specifically for the Department of Health and Sanitation to consider re-budgeting for the same program in the FY 2020/21 budget estimates.

Mr. Speaker Sir, it's therefore my pleasant duty and privilege to present to the House this report for deliberation and subsequent adoption.

Signed.....date.....

**(Hon. Elvis Abuka, MCA), Milima Ward**

**Chairperson Sectoral Committee on Housing and Sanitation**

## ADOPTION SCHEDULE

Name		Designation	Signatures
1. Hon. Elvis	Abuka	Chairperson	.....
2. Hon. Hillary	Kiptallam	Vice Chairperson	.....
3. Hon. Violet	Makhanu	Member	.....
4. Hon. Sospeter	Nyongesa	Member	.....
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