



MEETINGS TO UPDATE COMMUNITIES ON CURRENT MUNICIPAL ACTIVITIES

uMngeni Municipality hereby invites affected community members to attend scheduled public meetings (please see schedule below) for the purposes of informing them and elaborating on the following programmes and municipal activities:-

(a) Electricity loss reduction and income generating strategy

uMngeni Municipality is implementing an electricity loss reduction strategy as informed by the current status of credit meter consumption and prepaid vending trends of electricity. This will entail site investigations of customers who do not reflect payment or purchases of electricity. The outcome of these investigations will determine the scope of work that will be carried out to normalize the service connection and ensure that it is compliant and safe.

In the interest of service delivery, all customers are requested to allow access to their properties by our service provider on presentation of official municipal identification. Furthermore, the reduction in electricity losses and payment of overdue accounts result in added revenue to the Municipality for the maintenance and expansion of the electricity network and infrastructure concomitant with positive economic development implications including growth and job creation.

In light of the above and in a quest for reinforcing the culture of payment for municipal property rates and electricity, uMngeni Municipality has resolved to offer amnesty to ratepayers whose accounts are in arrears.

(b) Tabling of the 2013/2014 Annual Report

Members of the community are hereby informed in terms of Section 127 (5) of the Municipal Finance Management Act that the Draft Annual Report has been tabled by Mayor Cllr, MP Myeni at a Council meeting held 30 January 2015. The Annual Report is available for inspection at all the offices of uMngeni Municipality including libraries or can be downloaded from the website www.umngeni.gov.za

The closing date for submission of representations is 27 February 2015.

(c) Indigent Policy

uMngeni Municipality will elaborate on its indigent policy. New applications will be invited during the public meetings and processes thereof as well as the verification of the indigent status of the current applications.

(d) Supplementary Valuation Roll No 7 and Lodging of Objections

The objection period for Supplementary Valuation Roll No. 7 has been extended by Council until 28 February 2015.

(e) General Valuation Roll

Members of the community are hereby informed that the General Valuation Roll will be opened for inspection from 23 February 2015 to 31 March 2015.

During this period objections can be lodged with the Municipality.

As per Chapter 4 of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act, No. 32, 2000 communities are encouraged to take an active part in municipal affairs. uMngeni Municipality therefore requests members of the communities to attend the meetings (listed below) in their large numbers

The community meetings will be held as follows

WARD(S)	DATE	VENUE	TIME
1 and 12	09/02/15	Howick West Community Hall	17h00
4	10/02/15	Lidgetton Community Hall	17h00
3	11/02/15	Nottingham Road Farmers Association Hall	17h00
6 and 7	12/02/15	Hilton Community Hall	17h00
2 and 5	16/02/15	Howick Council Chambers	17h30
8,9,10 and 11	22/02/15	Mpophomeni Theatre	13h00