

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**  
**MACHAKOS COUNTY ASSEMBLY**

**OFFICIAL REPORT**

**Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2021**

The House met at 10.29 a.m.

*[The Speaker (Hon. (Mrs.) Mwangangi) in the Chair]*

**PRAYERS**

**MOTION**

REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF MACHAKOS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2016

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Muthoka, the Chairperson, can you take us through.

**Hon. Muthoka:** Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker, that aware that Article 183(3) of the Constitution of Kenya, provides that the County Executive Committee shall provide the County Assembly with full and regular report on all matters relating to the County;

Further, aware that Article 185(3) of the Constitution provides that a County Assembly, while respecting the principle of the separation of powers, may exercise oversight over the County Executive Committee and any other County Executive organs;

Noting that Standing Order 188(2) mandates the Committee on Implementation to scrutinize the resolutions of the Assembly (including adopted committee reports), petitions and the undertakings given by the County Executive Committee and examine: whether or not such decisions and undertakings have been implemented and where implemented, the extent to which they have been implemented; and whether such implementation has taken place within the minimum time necessary; and also whether or not legislation passed by the Assembly has been operationalized and where operationalized, the extent to which such operationalization has taken place within the minimum time necessary;”

Further aware that Standing Order 188(3) provides that the Committee may propose to the Assembly, sanctions against any member of the County Executive Committee who fails to report to the relevant select Committee on implementation status without justifiable reasons;

Acknowledging that in executing its mandate, the Committee requested for information from the Department of Finance and Revenue Collection on the implementation status of the of the Report of the Public Accounts and Investment Committee on the Financial Statements of County Executive of Machakos for the year ended 30th June, 2016;

Hon. Speaker, I wish to move the motion that this Hon. House discusses and approves the Report of Committee on Implementation on the Implementation Status of the Report of the Public Accounts and Investment Committee on the

Financial Statements of County Executive of Machakos for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2016.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I will to call upon Hon. Rozina to second the Motion.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Rozina Kanini.

**Hon. (Ms.) Kanini:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I do second.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Muthoka, the Chairperson, can you take us through the report. Before you read, can you try to summarize so that we do not go through the entire report.

**Hon. Muthoka:** Yes. I will the introduction and the necessary parts only.

### *1.0 INTRODUCTION*

Hon. Speaker, on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019, the Public Accounts and Investment Committee (PAIC) tabled a report on the Auditor General's report on the financial statements of the County Executive of Machakos for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 which was approved by the House with recommendations. The Assembly forwarded the report to the County Executive for implementation as per the recommendations.

Article 183(3) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 provides that the County Executive Committee shall provide the County Assembly with full and regular report on matters relating to the County. Further, Article 185(3) of the Constitution provides that a County Assembly, while respecting the principle of the separation of powers, may exercise oversight over the County Executive Committee and any other County Executive organs.

Further, Standing Order 181 provides that within 60 days of a resolution of the House or adoption of a report of a select committee, the relevant Executive Committee Member under whose portfolio the implementation of the resolution falls shall provide a report to the relevant Committee of the House in accordance with Article 183 (3) of the Constitution.

Hon. Speaker, based on the above provisions, the Committee requested for information from the office of the County Secretary on the status of implementation of a report of the PAIC on the Auditor General's report on the financial statements of the County Executive of Machakos for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2016. The committee invited the County Secretary to Committee meetings to discuss the implementation status of the said report.

### *3.0 COMMITTEE COMPOSITION*

Hon. Speaker, the Membership of the Committee on implementation as currently constituted comprises of the following Hon. Members:

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| 1. Hon. Fredrick Muthoka | - Chairperson      |
| 2. Hon. Rosina Kanini    | - Vice Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Irene Mbivya     | - Member           |
| 4. Hon. Angela Munyasya  | “                  |
| 5. Hon. Geoffrey Kamulu  | “                  |
| 6. Hon. Mohamed Ali      | “                  |
| 7. Hon. Caleb Mule       | “                  |
| 8. Hon. Moses Mitaa      | “                  |
| 9. Hon. John Musyimi     | “                  |
| 10. Hon. Justus Kiteng'u | “                  |
| 11. Hon. Eric Musembi    | “                  |
| 12. Hon. Joshua Muli     | “                  |
| 13. Hon. Francis Kalumu  | “                  |

*SECRETARIAT*

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| 1. Loise kithuka | Clerk Assistant |
| 2. Samuel Mutua  | ”               |

*5.0 IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE REPORT OF THE PAIC COMMITTEE ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF MACHAKOS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2016**5.1 Overview of the Report*

Hon. Speaker, the report of the PAIC committee on the Auditor General's report on the financial statements of County Executive of Machakos for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 was approved by County Assembly of Machakos on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2019. The report was forwarded to the County Secretary for implementation and reporting to the County Assembly within sixty days as per provisions of the Standing Order 181.

Hon. Speaker, the PAIC committee report made the following recommendations for implementation by the County Executive.

1. That pursuant to Section 47 of the Public Audit Act 34 of 2015, in the next audit report all elements of financial statements should be presented in the proper form and content as prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board.
2. That the Accounting Officer should ensure that all payment vouchers, invoices and schedules of payments are ready for checking during the time of audit and that availing these documents after the audit exercise is of no consequence.
3. That the Accounting Officer, for the purpose of future audit reports should keenly scrutinize the financial statements to avoid loss of details and insufficiency of information, which may adversely affect the interpretation of the prepared financial statement.
4. That the County Government of Machakos should invest in embracing digital collection system of revenue if at all the county wants to realize its revenue target and block loopholes of revenue loss at the collection centers. As regards the LAIFOMS system that was said to have failed and decommissioned, the County Government should procure re-installment of the system since it will guarantee the County accuracy pertaining to revenue records.
5. That the County Government of Machakos should utilize funds as budgeted in every financial year and strictly abstain from delayed services, which deny citizens of Machakos timely services.
6. That the priority areas such as provision of roads, water, education, revenue collection and creation of jobs for our youths are to be dominant when it comes to expenditure. This is because the County may purchase many vehicles whose impact may not be felt by the citizens of Machakos.
7. That there is need for the Accounting Officer to be fully prepared with all supportive documents any time he is to receive Auditors. This is because availing documents to the committee after the audit exercise does not clear the query.
8. That the County Government of Machakos should within 90 days avail to the Assembly a staff establishment and related salary structure for purposes of transparency and accountability as provided in Article 10 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010.
9. That the Accounting Officer for purposes of future reports, should extract all IFMIS details related to a particular query and avail them for auditing but not referring the office of the Auditor General and the Committee to check details in the system.

10. That the Accounting Officer for purposes of future audit reports, should provide sufficient information in the proper format to the auditors in order to enhance the level of accountability in the respective departments.
11. That the Accounting Officer for the purposes of future reports should provide all fine details and in the proper format to the Auditors since this will improve the level of accountability and transparency.
12. The County Government of Machakos should sharpen its financial collection and monitoring to ensure that all revenue streams are harnessed fully and that no revenue losses result from corrupt and irresponsible officers.
13. That Machakos County has all the potential to achieve revenue target owing to its wide range of revenue streams. The County should therefore sharpen its financial collection monitoring and close supervision. The County can also engage private revenue collectors who should be given a revenue collection target.
14. The County Government should develop strategies to boost revenue targets.
15. That the County Secretary should within 90 days finalize the arrangement of official handing over of all assets inherited from the defunct council and ensure that all ownership documents of the said assets are obtained and safely archived.

### *5.2 Implementation of the Recommendation*

Hon. Speaker, in undertaking its mandate, the Committee on Implementation identified the following key areas of implementation from the above stated recommendations and engaged the County Secretary on the same.

#### *5.2.1 Embracing Digital Collection*

Hon. Speaker, the PAIC recommended that the executive should embrace digital collection of revenue as way of blocking and sealing loopholes that result to loss of revenue. In implementing this recommendation, the Committee was informed that the County Government has been using cashless means of collecting revenue in all streams. This has been actualized by use of LAIFORMS, direct cash deposits to County revenue accounts, bankers cheques and Safaricom paybill numbers, which are linked to Machakos County M- PESA revenue account. The Committee was given a list of paybill numbers used for payment. (Annexure)

The committee was also informed that the County Government was in the process of implementing a revenue management system that uses a single paybill for ease of reconciliation but currently they are using several pay bill numbers for the different revenue streams which the committee felt is a loophole for loss of county revenue.

#### *Fund Accounting for Kenya Roads Board*

Hon. Speaker, on this matter, the Committee was informed that the department of Transport, Roads and Public Works has put measures in place to ensure actualization of full absorption of all funds in each year by drawing annual procurement plans, strict adherence to budgetary allocation and close monitoring of cash flow projections.

The bank statement for road maintenance Levy Fund account for the year under review was availed to the Committee on implementation. After scrutinizing the bank statements, the Committee was convinced satisfied with the information provided.

#### *Compensation of employees*

Hon. Speaker, the PAIC committee report recommended that the County Government should submit to the Assembly a staff establishment and related salary structure for the purposes of transparency and accountability as provided in Article 10 of the Constitution of Kenya.

The Committee noted that the department of public service and quality management had finalized on the Capacity Assessment and Rationalization of the Public Service. Further, the

committee was informed that the report is aimed at developing a uniform staff establishment and salary structure with organo charts for all departments and staffing levels. The committee was informed that the above report has been adopted and is being implemented in phases.

The Department of Public Services and Quality Management reported to have finalized the adoption and implementation on the report of the Capacity Assessment and Rationalization of the Public Service (CARPS). The County Secretary submitted the CARPS report to the County Assembly although it was not within the stipulated time of 90 days as recommended in the report of the Public Accounts and Investment Committee.

#### *Local Revenue collection*

Hon. Speaker, the PAIC Committee report had recommended that the County Government of Machakos can engage private revenue collectors to assist the County in revenue collection. The Committee was informed that in an effort to implement the above recommendation, the County government had engaged a company by the name Collection Africa to collect revenue from land rates, which is one revenue stream, on its behalf. The Chief Officer, County Treasury informed the committee reason for engaging the company in only one revenue stream was that they were piloting the program to evaluate its effectiveness in collection of revenue.

On evaluation of the pilot test results, the county found that the success rate was low and its resources would better be utilized in building the county own internal capacity through Rapid Results Initiatives (RRIs) and strengthening of internal control systems by utilizing existing staff from the department of Finance and Economic planning. These, alongside other measures, have enabled the directorate of revenue management to improve on revenue collection.

However, the committee was not furnished with the revenue collector report even after several attempts to request for it.

#### *Assets inherited from the defunct authorities*

Hon. Speaker, the PAIC report had recommended that the County Secretary should within 90 days, finalize the arrangement of official handing over of all assets inherited from the defunct councils. In addition, all ownership documents should be obtained and archived.

The committee was informed that the County Government has appointed a County Assets and Liabilities committee which is awaiting the handover report from Inter-Governmental Technical Relations Committee (IGTRC). The committee was further informed that, the assets that had been listed in the PAIC report had ownership documents except for a few. The Committee was also informed that the County Treasury had established a unit to fast track the ownership documents for the remaining assets and transfer of the same to the County Government. The committee was furnished with details of the County Assets and Liabilities Committee.

#### **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

Hon. Speaker, based on the responses provided by the County Secretary, the Committee made the following observations;

1. Majority of the recommendations of the PAIC report on the issues raised by the Auditor General on financial statements for the year ended 30 June, 2016 had been acted upon by the respective accounting officers in the Departments in question.
2. The Accounting Officer in charge of the department of Labor, Public service and ICT had failed to comply with the recommendation of the PAIC committee by failing to avail to the County Executive staff establishment and related salary structure within the 90 days as was directed by the PAIC committee.

3. The committee found the Accounting Officer in charge of the department of Labor, Public service and ICT to have acted in contempt of the County Assembly pursuant to Section 53(2) of the Public Audit Act 2015.
4. That there exists a County Assets and Liabilities committee, which is awaiting the handover report from Inter-Governmental Technical Relations Committee (IGTRC).

### *COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS*

Hon. Speaker, the Committee, guided by the observations and Standing Order 188(2)(b) which states that 'the Committee shall scrutinize the resolutions of the Assembly including adopted committee reports, petitions and the undertakings given by the County Executive Committee and examine whether or not legislation passed by the Assembly has been operationalized and the extent to which such operationalization has taken place, within the minimum time necessary.'

The committee makes the following recommendations:

1. The County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department of Labor, Public Services and ICT should within 14 working days avail the County Executive staff establishment and related salary structure the County Assembly for consideration.
2. The County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department of Finance and revenue Collection should furnish the committee with the Revenue Collector (Collection Africa) report to draw a conclusion on whether it was viable to engage a revenue collector to assist the county in collection of revenue as was recommended by the PAIC committee.
3. The County Secretary should enforce adherence to Section 53(1 and 2) of the Public Audit Act, 2015 by all accounting officers in County departments.
4. The County Secretary should ensure that each department forwards a report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Public Accounts and Investments Committee on the report of the Auditor General to the County Assembly within the three months provided under Section 53(1) of the Public Audit Act 2015 without being reminded of the same.
5. Pursuant to Section 53(2) of the Public Audit Act 2015, the Committee recommends H.E the Governor to initiate administrative actions against the Accounting officer in the department of Labor, Public service and ICT for failure to comply with the provisions of Section 53(1) of the Public Audit Act 2015.
6. The Chief Officer department of Finance and Revenue Collection within 14 days to forward to the Assembly the hand over report of County Assets and Liabilities committee which they got from Inter-Governmental Technical Relations Committee together with the status of the Machakos County Assets and Liabilities.

### *CONCLUSION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT*

Hon. Speaker, the Committee is grateful to the Office of the Speaker and that of the Clerk of the County Assembly for the support accorded during its sittings. I wish to express my appreciation to the Hon. Members of the Committee for sacrificing their time and energy during the preparation of this report.

Hon. Speaker, it is therefore my privilege and duty on behalf of the Implementation Committee to table this report on the floor of this Hon. House for discussion and adoption. Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Muthoka.

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*(Question proposed)*

Members, I invite you now to deliberate on this very important report.

**Hon. Kisini:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I first want to thank the Implementation Committee for coming up with such a good report and for analyzing so many items of what happened in that year. Although the year is very far from today because we are talking of the financial year 2016 and many things which had happened at that time might have lapsed from our minds but through the PAIC committee has analyzed what has happened in many departments and made recommendations.

For example, when they talked of the assets which were to be transferred from the former municipals to now the County Government and they have given those recommendations. They have also talked of staff establishment, ways of collecting rates through giving a private collector and so if it was done I think we could be far.

However, Madam Speaker, such reports should be speeded up so that we do not talk of FY 2016 when we were not even here. You can see what has happened years down the line and to remember what had transpired in 2016 is impossible. I want to say the recommendations are good but I would request we have a speed up of doing these accounts. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Mutiso.

**Hon. P.J. Mutiso:** Thank you, Madam Speaker, for catching my eye. I support this report; it is a good elaborate report since I have gone through it. What I can say is; if this can be implemented, things will work well although there are some areas which the Executive needs to do something. Sometimes I think they give the committee headache because if the committee for example, asks for IFMIS report, they do not provide it and when they delay, they also delay the committee's time to give a report in this House and to implement and correct in some areas.

For example, if this report is for 2016/2017 and it is about five years ago and it has taken a lot of time and I believe there are also other reports which have been delayed there because of some delays or maybe issues with Executive. For example, if they are asked to provide a report on ICT or labor and they do not, that is an headache to this House because the Assembly does not know the staff that we have, the monies that are paid to our people and maybe some are not workers of this...or shadow workers and yet they are paid that is also a problem to this House and you know Members of this House they are the one to oversight the Executive.

I think on other areas, like I have seen on collection; we know that revenue collection sometimes if you collect cash there are also other problems because maybe a staff can be tempted and he/she will not be able to give the money or the funds collected and that is also a problem. Why? I think we must have a system as it is provided here if we can get a private collector it will be good for us but not one. I also wonder sometimes you can see in some areas we have so many paybills. Why should we have many if it is just one area? We can have one, if we have many, there must be a reason known by the person who implements all these.

So, Madam Speaker, I also support this report and also recommend the good work done by the implementation committee through the able Chair Fredrick Muthoka and if the other committees can follow suit, things will work well. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Mbevi.

**Hon. Mbevi:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I stand to support the report and congratulate the committee for the work well done. I just stand to comment on the recommendation No. 1 that the CECM should avail the County Executive staff established in related salary structure and the

County Assembly for consideration. Madam Speaker, why I am on this is because there has been a lot of speculation and a lot of concern on the ghost workers in this county of Machakos.

So if the CECM avails the structure and the executive staff it will avoid and bring forward the right number of workers of Machakos County as a whole. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Kieti.

**Hon. Kieti:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for giving me this opportunity. I want to thank the Chairman and the Implementation committee for the work well done in coming up with this report. Madam Speaker, issues about finances and reporting on matters that pertain to finances are very key and when you look at the report that the committee has presented to this Hon. House, there are issues that are touching on audit and one of the things that is very clear on the observations that the committee made is on let me call it poor auditing because these people are not providing the necessary documents that facilitate proper auditing because if vouchers are not available, I have seen there are complaints about vouchers that are not availed, invoices and also schedules of payments.

If these key documents are not available during audit, then the audit report that can be generated from such a report cannot be worthwhile so I want to echo what the committee has just recommended that these documents must be availed when auditing is being done so that we achieve the objective of auditing because if the documents are not there then you cannot account for funds very well.

The other thing is on revenue collection. I want also to support the idea of using digital collection because this one is likely, if not interfered with, to help us achieve our targets as far as revenue collection is concerned. It is out of this revenue which is one of the sources of income for the County when we are budgeting. If our revenue collection is down, it means we are also going ....our targets will also be down so I want to support the idea of having digital collection and then the same be enhanced such that it is well-protected to ensure every shilling is counted for, which is collected from the revenue streams that we have in our County.

Madam Speaker, I also want to say that proper utilization of funds is also a challenge within our county because this Hon. House has been passing budgets but after passing budgets Hon. Speaker, I want to say that we have achieved very little in budget implementation. So I want to request the Executive to observe proper utilization of our budgets so that the absorption rate of the monies that we budget for are well-utilized, because it is out of that we will get development in the areas that we come from and also payments of bills which has also been a thorn in the flesh for Machakos County because every time we are talking about pending bills which have never been paid and this is as a result of not utilizing the budget as we pass it. Otherwise, I support the observations of the report. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Cosmas. Hon. Brian Kisila.

**Hon. Kisila:** Thank you, Madam Speaker, for catching my eye. I want to commend the committee for the good job they have done and I want us to go to recommendation No. 5 of the committee, which is very important. They are saying that they have recommended that within 14 days the Chief Officer forwards a report to this Assembly on the County assets and liabilities. This is a very important recommendation. We are going through a transition, obviously next year there will be another Executive coming in and it is important that we know the status of our asset and liabilities.

If you go even to various wards, you will know that the county has a lot of assets but we do not have document saying that these assets belong to the County. It is very risky when we do not have a document because you never know; people might just transfer the assets to become theirs or



they might just disappear. So if there is one thing this Assembly should do is to leave an intact register where we know the assets of this county.

Secondly, is about the pending bills. We should not transition without knowing the exact amount of pending bills because every year we are being old of pending bills. It is important that we get a number and as an Assembly let us get serious especially on this recommendations and follow up to the letter. So, Madam Speaker, I think I want to thank the committee for a good job but let them follow up on this recommendation so that we are very sure we are leaving the County with a document which proves that we know all our assets so that people do not take advantage of us not having a register and transfer the assets to their own names. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Brian Kisila. Hon. Mitaa.

**Hon. Mitaa:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker, for the opportunity. I also want to join my colleagues and thank the committees, that is the implementation and PAIC committee because it is the one that authored the report which the Implementation committee has worked one. Hon. Speaker, I would not want to repeat what my colleagues have stated but there is a point I want to strengthen and this point has just being mentioned by Hon. Kisila.

Hon. Speaker, for a very long time we have been pushing to get a report on what was transferred from municipalities to counties. This is something this Assembly has been pushing for and it is very unfortunate that up to date nine years down the line, we do not know what was transferred from the municipalities, Hon. Speaker, and we know that we have assets which belong to Machakos County Government and although no confirmation is available.

Some might have gone to individuals Madam Speaker, and maybe that is why every time we seek for a report on what belong to us as of that time we have not yet acquired, Madam Speaker. Now as Hon. Kisila has stated hopefully next year we will be transitioning to a different government. It will be very hard now to track what was acquired or what was transferred in the first government of Machakos County Government. I would seek your indulgence Madam Speaker, to know how we can now put the department in charge to task because if there exists a county asset and liabilities committee what are they earning for Hon. Speaker?

What is the reason for them to be in office if they cannot give reports, Hon. Speaker? This might also be another wastage of public resources so Hon. Speaker, through your guidance, let us now push, let us go the hard way and ensure that, because these assets are there and the report is there maybe it has some information which some individuals somewhere do not want the public to get. We need to know why they cannot give us information on issues which are tangible within our county, Hon. Speaker. So that point by Hon. Kisila I prioritize it. Let us know what belongs to Machakos County Government as of 2013 when the first government of Machakos took office. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Mitaa. Any other Member with a comment on this? *Mheshimiwa* George King'ori?

**Hon. King'ori:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just want to say that regardless of what the report has said, we have to agree that we have also other assets like land which have not been reclaimed by the County Government and it should be reclaimed because land is also another thorny issue when it comes to development of our areas. So we also need to know which are the public lands which belong to the County Government because this is becoming a thorny issue because we are lacking land to do development yet we have a lot of land lying idle which belong to the government. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. King'ori. Any other Member with a comment? I call upon the mover to respond.

**Hon. Muthoka:** Thank you, Members, for supporting the report. This is an important report for us as a County Assembly because you know by next year August the government will be changing hands and we do not know. We see vehicles moving around without number plates. We do not know how many ambulances we have; we do not know how many bowsers we have even we do not know our land. Take example of here where the city was to come up. People have already invaded from Katumani coming up so it is important for us to know and to implement this report. So I urge the office of the Speaker, and the Clerk to forward the report to the Executive. Thank you.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Muthoka. I see in your conclusion on No. 6 you have given the department of finance and revenue collection 14 days to produce this report. That is very good it is a very important report I know as Members we must ensure that there is accountability by the County Government.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

*(Applause)*

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** This House adjourns to Wednesday 8th December, 2021 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 11.21 a.m.