

# CITY INVITES PUBLIC INPUT ON DRAFT 2022/23 ANNUAL REPORT

**C**ONSULTATIONS on the City's draft Annual Report are set to begin on 22 February, running through until 18 March. This comes after the draft 2022/23 Annual Report was tabled at a Full Council meeting on 31 January, leading to the commencement of public engagements, consultations, and inputs. Stakeholders, including ward committees, Amakhosi, and the public, are encouraged to participate by providing feedback and comments before the report's adoption by Council.

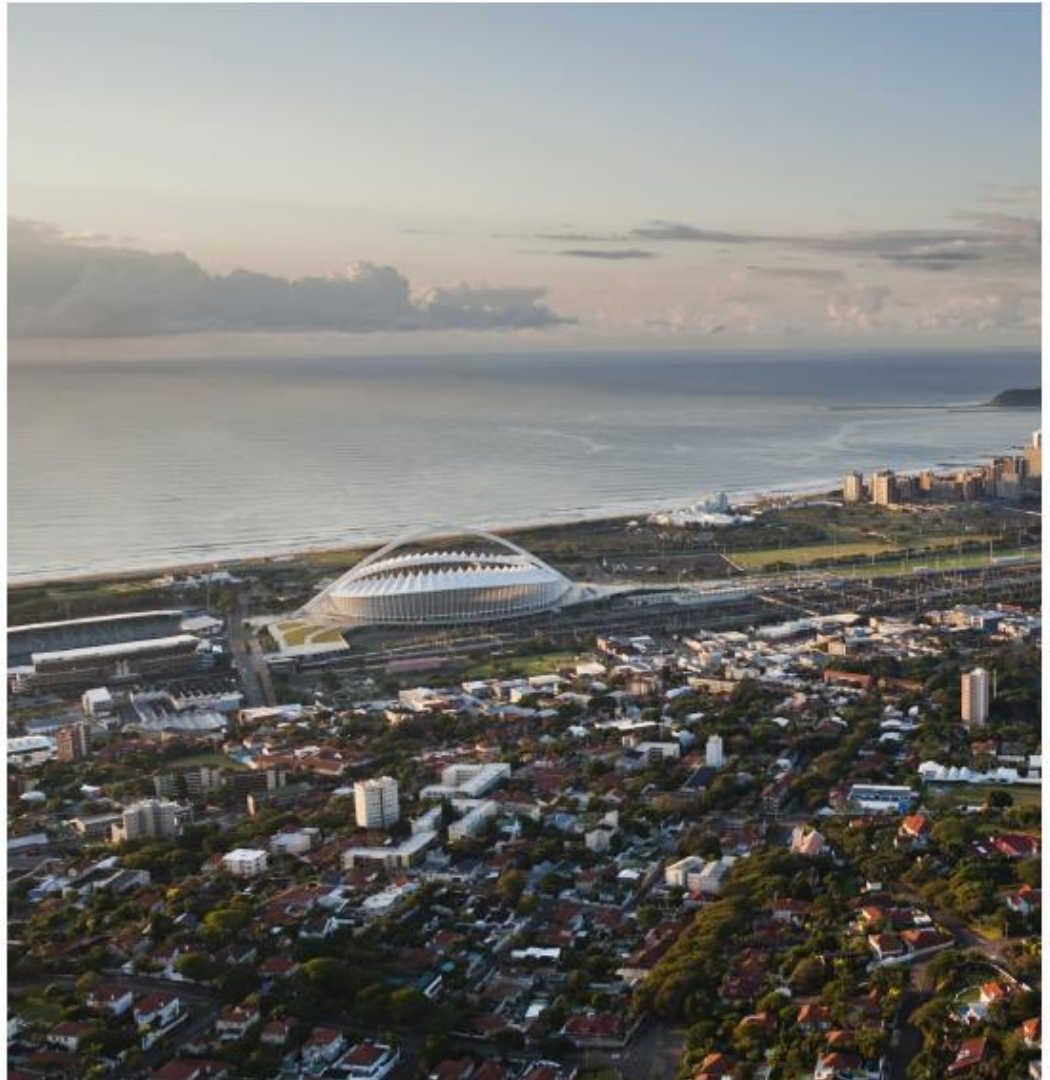
Engagements will be held with Amakhosi on 22 February, ward committees on 2 March, People with Disabilities on 9 March with engagements also planned with businesses within eThekweni Municipality.

The City has also scheduled a public meeting on 16 March at the Durban City Hall at 10am.

Residents are encouraged to attend these meetings to engage directly with City officials and provide their input on the draft Annual Report.

The City aims to ensure that the comments received from this process inform the Integrated Development Plan and the budgets for the upcoming financial years, laying the groundwork for continued progress and development in the years ahead.

Dr Nirmala Govender, Head of the Performance Monitoring and Evaluation Unit, said these consultations are important as they are a legal obligation mandated by the Municipal



Finance Management Act.

"As a City, we have to be transparent, accountable, and allow the public to have a say before the oversight report is adopted by Council. We have a responsibility to facilitate these consultations and give all stakeholders an opportunity to comment on and obtain clarity on any matters reflected in the Annual Report."

The draft report highlights an overall achievement rate of 77.03 percent for key performance indicators in the 2022/23 fiscal year, marking a significant improvement from the preceding year's 70.73 percent.

The public and stakeholders are urged to review the report, which is accessible on the City's website [www.durban.gov.za](http://www.durban.gov.za).

Residents can also visit their nearest library or Sizakala Centre to access the draft report and provide their comments.

Their input is critical as it enables the City to develop strategies to address public concerns.

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