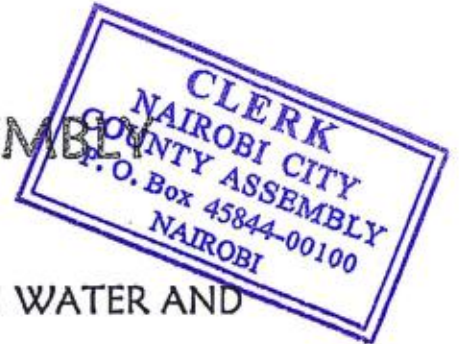




NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY



THE FIFTEETH REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION

ON

SITE INSPECTION VISIT TO WOODLEY WARD

ON 9TH FEBRUARY 2015

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PREFACE

The sectoral Committee on Water and Sanitation is one of the Sectoral Committees established under Standing Order 191. It is mandated under the Second Schedule to among other functions oversee all matters related to Water and Sanitation Services; water distribution, regulation, marketing and sewerage services.

The Committee on Water and Sanitation conducted an inspection visit to the City Inspectorate Training College whose objective was to inspect the problem of water service provision in the College.

This concern was raised by the County Representative for Woodley who attended a meeting of the Committee which subsequently visited the facility on 9th February 2015 out of emphasis that firsthand information will be key to compiling of a report to be resolved upon by the Assembly upon adoption by the Committee.

MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on Water and Sanitation comprises the following members:

1. Hon. Alex O. Otieno, MCA -Chairman
2. Hon. Kenneth Thugi, MCA -Deputy Chairperson
3. Hon. Michael Ogada, MCA
4. Hon. Herman Azangu, MCA
5. Hon. Robert Mbatia, MCA
6. Hon. HashimKamau, MCA
7. Hon. Abdi Hassan, MCA
8. Hon. Pius Otieno, MCA
9. Hon. Celestyne Ongere, MCA
10. Hon. Hawa Dafala, MCA
11. Hon. Maurice Akuk, MCA
12. Hon. Oscar Lore, MCA
13. Hon. Victoria Alali, MCA
14. Hon. Monica Ndegwa, MCA
15. Hon. Nancy Mwaura, MCA
16. Hon. Peter Wanyoike, MCA

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Committee on Water and Sanitation wishes to thank the offices of the Speaker and the Clerk of the Nairobi City County Assembly for the support extended to it in the conduct of this site inspection visit.


Further, the Committee is thankful to the Secretariat for their contributions during and after the visit and compilation of this report.

Finally, many thanks to the Members of the Committee on Water and Sanitation. Your commitment during the site inspection visit contributed immensely to the compilation of this report.

Hon. Members,

On behalf of the committee on Water and Sanitation, it is my pleasant duty and privilege, to present the Committee's Report on the inspection visit to the City Inspectorate Training College in Woodley Ward.

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1.0 FINDINGS, CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

1.1 FINDINGS

During the visit, the Committee found out that:

- I. The City Inspectorate training College is owned by the County Government that provides inspectorate training for officers of the County and other Counties whose proceeds are remitted to the County Government;
- II. The institution also provides healthcare services through a dispensary operating within it. In addition the field belonging to the institution is often hired by external entities at a fee and the proceeds remitted to the County Government;
- III. Located within the institution, are housing units for the County Inspectorate officers.
- IV. The college, dispensary and the housing units are not connected to direct water supply. They used to supplement water from Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company with water from a borehole whose pump was destroyed as a result of an electrical surge ;
- V. Nairobi water and Sewerage Company used to supply water to the residents through a communal tank but stopped; and
- VI. The college, dispensary and the staff houses outsource water from vendors who sell water at Ksh.20 per 20 liter jerry can.

1.2 MOVING FORWARD

Mr. Speaker, the Committee conducted a meeting with the Managing Director, Nairobi water and Sewerage Company; the Director, City Inspectorate and the Commandant, City Inspectorate Training College on 24th February 2015 to discuss and agree on how the problem of lack of water the City inspectorate Training College can be resolved.

The Committee was informed that inadequate water supply is a problem that affects the region due to general limited water supply in the County and particularly the college because of its high altitude. The College had an account with the company until 2012 when

the defunct City Council cleared the amount that had accumulated and stopped the payment for water into the institution. Therefore Nairobi Water and sewerage Company the Company closed the account and the meters withdrawn.

Regarding the borehole that the institution uses to supplement their water supply, the Committee was informed that the Company does not have the data of the borehole but they are liaising with the line ministry to get the data so that the borehole's operation can be restored.

In addition, the Committee was informed that the Communal water tank that the Company used to supply water was stopped because there is no account held at Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company for the water supplied to the tank.

Mr. Speaker, at the meeting, it was agreed as follows:

- I. Water supply will be restored to the college and the dispensary following an undertaking from Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company.
- II. The College and Department of Inspectorate to facilitate the opening of individual accounts for the staff with Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company.
- III. Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company to restore water supply to the communal water tank for the staff awaiting the opening of the individual accounts with the Company. But the water will be metered and cost shared among the resident officer.
- IV. The meeting challenged the Director of City Inspectorate to consult on the proposal that a certain percentage of the money remitted to the County Government as a result of activities at the institution be given to the institution for purposes of maintenance and billings or allow expenditure at source up to a limit.

1.3 CONCLUSION

The Sectoral Committee on Water and Sanitation is established and mandated by the County Assembly standing Order 191 and the Second Schedule. In pursuit of the foregoing, the Committee conducted an inspection visit to the City Inspectorate training College to inspect water service provision and met with relevant offices to find redress to the problem of lack of water to the institution. This report documents the findings and recommendations of the Committee on the above mentioned concern.

1.4 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee urges that this assembly adopts the recommendations of the Sectoral Committee on water and Sanitation and resolves as follows:

- I. That Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company to liaise with the Inspectorate Department urgently to restore water supply to the College and dispensary;
- II. That Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company to resume provision of water to the resident inspectorate staff of the college through the communal water tank awaiting application for individual staff water meters from Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company;
- III. That the Inspectorate Department to facilitate sensitization of the resident officers to apply for individual water meters from the Company.
- IV. That the Inspectorate Department to consult on the Committee's proposal that part of the revenue remitted to the County Government as a result of the activities of the Institution be retained or a limited expenditure at source be allowed for purposes of billings and maintenance.

