

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## REQUEST FOR DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN WARD COMMITTEES

The MEC for COGTA in the Free State, Mr. M.A Dukwana hereby invites interested groups and individuals operating in the sectors mentioned below to declare their interest to participate in the process of establishment of Ward Committees for their respective wards. The purpose is to ensure that all sectors operating in each ward are represented in the ward committee.

The sectors may include but not limited to women, elderly, youth, persons with disability, education, religious groupings, health and welfare, business (formal and informal sectors), environment and tourism, community safety forums, agricultural associations, unemployed, rate payers and civic associations. Interested individuals and groups are therefore invited to nominate candidates on the prescribed forms that can be obtained from the Municipal office of the Speaker.

### 1. What is a Ward Committee?

The Local Government: Municipal Structures Act 3 of 2021 provides for municipalities to establish ward committees in all wards in their area of jurisdiction. Ward Committees serve as a link between the ward councillor, community and the municipal council.

Chapter 4 of the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 dictates processes and procedures within which community participation must take place. The Act further provides that municipalities must develop mechanisms to involve communities and community organisations in performing their functions and exercising their powers.

### 2. Criteria for people who may stand for election:

A person eligible to be elected as a ward committee member must meet the following requirements:

Be at least 18 years or older on the date of the election, be a South African citizen, reside in a ward where He/She is to be elected and be a registered voter, must not have a criminal record, be properly nominated as per the procedure and must not be an employee of any municipality.

### 3. To qualify, the nomination of each candidate must meet the following:

A candidate can only be nominated by another person who is eligible to vote in that specific ward, nomination form must be signed by nominator, be seconded by 20 persons eligible in that specific ward, only the prescribed form may be used to nominate.

### 4. To be able to participate in the elections, a person must:

Be 18 years or older on the date of the election, be a South African citizen, reside in a ward where He/She is to be elected and be a registered voter, must not have a criminal record and must not be an employee of any municipality.

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