REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 5th April 2023

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 9.00 a.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Lantano Nabaala) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

MOTION

LAIKIPIA COUNTY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-2027

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I beg to move the following motion;

> THAT this Assembly adopts the report on the Laikipia County Integrated Development Plan for the Financial Year 2023-2027 by the Finance and County Planning Committee dated 4th April 2023.

Hon. Speaker, I have a report on County Integrated Development Plan. This document was committed to the Committee on 1st March 2023. We also gave the document to the Assistant Clerks and sent the document to them on 2nd March 2023 to all the committees. The deadline for submission was 27th March 2023.

The advert was made on 10th March 2023. We also held a public participation on 21st, 22nd and 23rd of the month. Mr. Speaker, I think the Members are aware and they have this document in their offices and on their gadgets. Therefore, the Members are aware of this document. I think they have gone through it and they understand what it contains. Mr. Speaker, allow me to go through the document. The page one is the cover page. Page 2 is a list of tables and I know Hon. Members have gone through.

On page 5, there is the abbreviations and the members can understand the meaning of these abbreviations.

On preface, Mr. Speaker, Sir, the Constitution of Kenya 2010, the County Government Act 2012 and the Public Finance Management Act 2012 and Standing Order mandates a Committee of the Assembly to oversight the county planning process which is a cycle of events that begins in 1st July and ends by 30th June of every financial year. The planning ensures that available limited resources are used optimally to address the needs of the citizens.

It is important to state that, planning is a key aspect of development in the County to enable funding for the successful implementation of the functions as set out under Schedule four (4) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010.

The County Integrated Development Plan is a key document that comprises a five-year plan which serves as a basis for development of the County's Annual Budgets. It guides the budget making process by informing the Annual Development plans for the next five years and informs the County executive's decision in coming up with budget estimates. Mr. Speaker, this is the document that involves the budget estimates and I know the Executive will bring that document into this House. Now Hon. Members understands what is in this document.

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The Laikipia County Integrated Development Plan for 2023-2027 has been prepared based on the priorities of its citizens.

Background Information for the Planning Document

The County Planning process commences with the preparation of a five-year County Integrated Development Plans (CIDP). The CIDP provides clear goals and objectives together with an implementation matrix for the achievement of set outcomes. In addition, the County is required to prepare Sectoral Plans and Spatial Plans - all these being ten-year plans covering specific interest areas.

Once the County Government prepares the CIDP, submits it to the County Assembly for approval. The County Government prepares an Annual Development Plan (ADP) that operationalizes the County Integrated Development Plan by providing an annual roadmap towards implementation of the development projects and programs contained.

The ADP for the financial year 2023/24 will mark the beginning of the implementation of the CIDP 2023-2027. This brief summarizes how the submitted County Integrated Development Plan has lived up to the legal expectations, conformed to the best planning practices, and is in tandem with the County's budgeting requirements.

Membership of the Committee

The Committee is composed of the following Honourable Members;

1. Hon Stephen Ndiritu - Chairperson
2. Hon John Gichuki - Vice chairperson
3. Hon Mary Gathoni - Member
4. Hon Paul Leshuel - Member
5. Hon George Karuiru - Member
6. Hon Catherine Umija - Member
7. Hon Samuel Mugambi - Member

Committee's Mandate

The Committee on Finance and County Planning is constituted pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 191 that provides that;

(1) There shall be select committees to be known as Sectoral Committees the members of which shall be nominated by the Committee on Selection in consultation with Assembly parties at the commencement of every Assembly.

On the mandate page, I know members have been with this document and they can go through that page and understand the mandates of the committee. Allow me to go to the next page.

Acknowledgment

Mr. Speaker, Sir, the Laikipia County Integrated Development Plan Financial Year 2023-2027 was introduced in the House and duly tabled as per the provisions of Standing Order No. 191(5) (g) on the 1st March 2023. Subsequently, upon its tabling, it was committed to the

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sectoral committees for scrutiny and compilation of the report by the Finance and County Planning Committee.

I wish to thank the members of this Honourable House and members of the executive for the commitment shown in ensuring this document is thoroughly scrutinized and various insights and contributions received. In addition, the Committee is grateful to the Office of the Speaker and Office of the Clerk for the support received in facilitation as the Committees discharged their mandates in scrutiny of the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP).

I am also thankful and greatly indebted to members of the Finance and County Planning Committee and the secretariat for the commitment and dedication shown in compilation of this report. On behalf of the members of the Finance and County Planning, it is my pleasure and duty to present a comprehensive Committee's report on the Laikipia County Integrated Development Plan 2023-2027 to the House for its consideration and adoption.

Legal Framework

The Public Finance Management Act, 2012 Section 126 provides guidelines to the planning and Budgeting process provides that;

1) Every county government shall prepare a development plan in accordance with Article 220(2) of the Constitution, that includes;

(a) Strategic priorities for the medium term that reflect the county government's priorities and plans;

Mr. Speaker, I know Hon. Members have gone through that page and they understand the legal framework of this document.

Linkage of CIDP 3, (2023-2027) with Annual Budget estimates.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, the County Integrated Development plan 2023-2027 is anchored on the provisions outlined in the Constitution of Kenya, (2010), County Governments Act, (2012).

The ADP'S for the next five years will be extracted from this County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP 3) and will form the initial stages of the budget-making process thus serving as a basis for the development of the County Fiscal Strategy Papers that consequently lead to preparation of County Annual Budget Estimates.

Background

Laikipia County is one of the 47 counties in the Republic of Kenya and one of the 17 counties in the Central Rift Valley region. It is listed in the first schedule of the Kenya Constitution 2010 as County number 031. The Gazetted County headquarter is Rumuruti Town but it is currently hosted in Nanyuki Town since inception of devolution in 2013. Laikipia is cosmopolitan with about 32 communities comprising of Maasai, Samburu, Rendille, Somali, Pokot, Kalenjin, Meru, Kikuyu, and Turkana among others.

The County is largely rural in settlement with the main economic activities being crop farming, livestock rearing, tourism, retail, and wholesale trade. The main crops grown include wheat, maize, beans, Irish potatoes, sorghum, and vegetables, while the main livestock types are cattle, goats, sheep, and poultry. Major tourist attractions in Laikipia include wildlife, the unique Maa speaking cultural practices and the Thompsons Falls. Proximity to Mt. Kenya, Meru, Aberdares and Samburu game parks have equally boosted tourism within the County through provision of hospitality services to the tourists.

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Most trading activities in the County are concentrated in urban centers of Nanyuki, Kalalu, Matanya, Nyahururu, Rumuruti, Kinamba, Wiyumiririe, Lamuria, Doldol, Ol Jabet, Mouwarak, Sipili, Pesi, Ilpolei, Karuga, Karandi, Lonyiek, Gatundia, and Naibor. The County is a member of the Central Region Economic Bloc (CEREB) and Frontier Counties Development Council.

Laikipia County covers an area of 9,532.2 km^2 and ranks as the 15th largest County in the country by land size. It borders Samburu County to the North, Isiolo County to the Northeast, Meru County to the East, Nyeri County to the Southeast, Laikipia County to the South, Nakuru County to the South West and Baringo County to the West.

On that page, there is the climatic Conditions and members have gone through that. Allow me also not to go through the ecological conditions because the members have been with this document since 1st March. On page 16, there is table 2 on National Government Administrative Units, which has Sub-counties, Divisions, Locations and Sub-locations. Members have gone through the same and they can see how the National Government administration units look like.

Mr. Speaker, on page 17, there is the County Government Administrative Wards by Constituency. Laikipia County has three constituencies namely, Laikipia East, Laikipia West and Laikipia North. There are 15 electoral wards; five in Laikipia East, 6 in Laikipia West and 4 in Laikipia North constituencies as captured in Table 3. Table 4 has Constituencies and Wards

Analysis of the County Revenue Sources

Mr. Speaker, the County has four sources of revenue namely, equitable share, conditional grants, Own Source Revenue (OSR) and Hospitals Revenues (F.I.F). In the previous Planning period (2018-2022), equitable share grew by Kshs 636 million over the five years with 100% realization notwithstanding delayed releases that affected cash flow management. National treasury should put mechanisms to ensure realization of all budgeted funds as approved in the County allocation of revenue acts (CARA). On the other hand, Conditional grants receipts were inconsistent with pending grant releases throughout the period.

Mr. Speaker, revenue from own source recorded improvements from Kshs 350 million to 509 million nonetheless the set targets were not realized throughout the planning period. There is need for better forecasting of own source revenue to mitigate against financing gaps contributed by the non-realized cash flows. Additionally, Hospital revenue (FIF) recorded a 54% growth form the base year with annual mixed performances.

Mr. Speaker, it is anticipated that further revenue growth from this stream will be achieved with improved health services and improvements in infrastructure. Finally, infrastructure bond did not realize the projected 1.25 billion, hence creating a financing gap.

The total revenue received increased in FY2 followed by a decrease in FY3 and an increase in FY4&FYR5. During the period, the County achieved 82% (27,515Million) against the projected 100% (33,439Million). The information is presented in the table 5. Members can go through that table and understand how the revenue source were according to those years.

Overview of CIDP FY2022/2023

Mr. Speaker, the submitted County Integrated Development Plan FY 2023/2027 will guide developments for the next five financial years starting with the current year FY 2023/2024. It has a total projected expenditure of Kshs 121,436.04 Million and gives priority

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to Water, Environment and natural resources with a huge allocation of Kshs. 30,840.05 Million; Health with an estimated allocation of Kshs. 25,894.15 Million. The least is Finance, Economic Planning and County Development with Kshs. 1,206.5 Million

In addition, the CIDP FY 2023/27 identifies a funding gap of Kshs. 75,429.08 million that it intends to raise through the national government projects alongside grants raised from the non-governmental organizations. The county estimates to realize Kshs. 46,009.96 Million over the period of the five years. The resource mobilization and management strategies are as follows:

Internal Revenue Raising Strategies

1. Strengthening and facilitating the county Revenue Board to deliver its mandate.
2. Widening the revenue base through bringing into the county levies net all uncovered businesses.
3. Use of information technology revenue systems to enhance efficiency in collection.
4. Providing sufficient financial, infrastructural, and human resources.
5. Sealing revenue collection loopholes and revenue leakages in revenue administration.
6. Enacting and enforcing appropriate sector-based laws to facilitate an effective and efficient revenue collection.
7. Implementation of annual Finance Acts.
8. Enhanced supervision and monitoring of the revenue collection process.
9. Improve staff capacity and staff motivation to enhance customer relations.

External Revenue Raising Strategies

1. Establish or initiate joint funding mechanisms with national government ministries, departments and agencies for capital projects and sector-based programmes
2. Streamline financial management systems to enhance grants from national government ministries departments and agencies as well as development partners
3. Mobilise funds through alternative financing methods e.g. loans or other financing instruments.
4. Strengthen relationships and partnerships with development partners and other non-state actors to support core programmes.
5. Develop public private partnership models for providing core public services
6. Strengthening the Laikipia County Development Authority to deliver on its revenue mobilization objective.

Departmental Tasks and Priorities

Mr. Speaker, the County Treasury forwarded the following departmental priorities which I will not read because I know our Members are equipped and they know how to read and speak. Mr. Speaker, I know they understand page 20. The projects are listed

Finance, Economic Planning and County Development Priorities

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1. Enhance prudent financial management
2. Integrated planning and participatory budgeting
3. Enhance Resource Mobilization

In Trade, Tourism and Co-operatives Development Priorities are; increase tourist arrivals etc. In Education Sports Youth and Social Development Sector Priorities, the document is with members and they can go and read. In Infrastructure, Lands, Public Works and Urban Development Priorities are many and the Members have this document so there is no need of reading every word.

The Department of Water has the following priorities an example being;

1. Increase piped water access from the current 33% to 37% by 2027. We are planning to pipe water from Nanyuki to Doldol. The people living in Doldol and other areas like Matanya, Umande, Ol Moran and Sosian will benefit from increased pipped water. I am convinced that the citizens living in those areas will get pipped water.
2. Increase piped water access from the current 33% to 37% by 2027
3. Reduce average distances to water points from 4 Km to 3 Km by 2027
4. Improve water supply by water companies from 60% to 70% by 2027
5. To improve sewerage systems from 16% to 20% by 2027
6. developing water infrastructure to provide water for production (Mega Dams and water pans) Strengthening Water Governance
7. Protect and conserve catchment areas to enhance water and environmental resources
8. Reduce/minimize human wildlife conflicts
9. Improved solid waste management
10. Design and implement programs on climate change
11. Provide legal and policy framework on use of natural resources

On that page, there is the Water, Environment and Natural Resources flagship projects.

County Assembly Priorities

1. Support the enactment of county laws. This will include the mandatory laws that includes appropriation act, finance act among others.
2. Continuously support training of Members of the county assembly and staff on parliamentary procedures.
3. Remunerate Members of the County Assembly and staff, acquire a medical cover and other non-discretionary personnel costs
4. Equip the newly constructed Nominated MCA offices with furniture and other equipment
5. Start preparation for relocating the Assembly offices and chamber to Rumuruti.
6. Production of annual Assembly report and Hansard report.

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7. Support the Assembly oversight and representation activities
8. Enhance security for the Assembly property through construction of perimeter wall and CCTV services.

Observations and Findings

From the analysis, the committee observes as follows;

General Observations

Inadequate technical Human Resource-The County Treasury reported that there is a limited number of technical staff and capacity-building opportunities across the sectors has stretched the current staff capacity. This has contributed to low retention rates that impede efficient operations of the county and implementation of initiatives at the ward level. This is despite the fact that the county has employed more staff over the last three years leading to high wage bills.

Inadequate funding-Insufficient budget allocation and/or reallocation of funds limited the effectiveness of several sectors. This contributed to inconsistency in project funding leading to incomplete projects across the sectors and low productivity in agriculture, livestock, and fisheries sector. In total disregard of this observation, the county treasury has prepared an over-ambitious CIDP. The funding stands at 82% of the target, which represents Kshs. 27,515 million against a target of Kshs. 33,439 million.

Health Department

1. The health facilities have unreliable sources of water despite the ability to install water reservoir;
2. The CHW's stipends are low and the committee observed inconsistency in disbursement
3. The committee noted that there was no allocation for equipping the mother and child hospitals constructed in Nanyuki and Nyahururu level 5 hospitals
4. The department omitted the efforts to upgrade the countywide referral system.

County Coordination and Administration

1. The committee observed that the document captured the title Amaya Triangle Initiative. This has since been amended to Peace for cooperation and development
2. Proposed planned allocation of Kshs. 1.2 billion towards the county headquarters 12-storey building in Rumuruti is huge. The committee is concerned that the progress of the existing County Headquarters is not clear on the completion levels.
3. The committee observed that there is a huge allocation towards fleet management, executive support service. The totals are to the tune of Kshs. 1 billion for the period of the 5 years.
4. The plan has good intentions on improving staff welfare. The county plans to utilize an amount to the tune of Kshs. 107.16 million on staff car and mortgage arrangements. There are no regulations meant to benefit the staff.

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5. The allocations on Disaster Risk Management are high. The county is ought to invest in other departments on mitigating disasters in place of spending on aftermath of disasters.
6. The committee observed that there are plans to spend towards collaborations with civil societies allocation of Kshs. 60 million for the five years.
7. The proposed allocation done towards ICT Infrastructure and connectivity is too low yet the directorate is expected to offer support to all the county departments and constant upgrading to keep up with evolving dynamics.

Finance, Economic Planning and County Development

1. The committee observed that the strategies to enhance resource mobilization through operationalization of CSO and PBO are not clear. The two non-profit making organizations cannot support the government to realize revenue from own sources.
2. The committee observed that internal audit plans to receive allocations towards preparation of quarterly risk management reports of Kshs. 10.5 million for the five years. The allocations planned high yet the department has never reported to the County Assembly the steps undertaken to reduce risk despite the huge allocations.

Trade, Tourism, Cooperatives, and Industrial Development

1. The committee observed that the recurrent allocation made towards this department is not sufficient to run the departmental needs noting that there is a notable increase in the cooperatives and enterprises in the county
2. The committee observed that a good proportion of the county revenue is realized from this department yet there are no trade acts to facilitate its collection

Committee of Finance and County Planning Report on Public Participation on Laikipia County Integrated Plan 2023-2027.

Pursuant to Article 196(1) b of the Kenya Constitution 2010 and the Laikipia County public participation Act 2014 the Assembly invited interested members of the public, civil society organizations, community based organizations, faith based organizations and special interests to give their inputs on CIDP 2023-2027 and Annual development plan 2023/2024 with the theme being Economic development, Wealth and Job creation for Laikipia people.

On that page there is what the members of the public in Laikipia West said. It is a big achievement and on page 35 as you can see there was public participation that was held in Laikipia North and the following were the proposals;

1. Proposed installation of floodlights at Kimanju centre.
2. The NPRs be issued with medical insurance.
3. Kimanju Sub County is equipped with solar system for lighting especially at the maternity ward.
4. That the TVET proposed for construction in the CIDP be put up at Kimanju.
5. That a leather processing plant be constructed in Laikipia North.
6. That the County seriously invests on eradicating invasive plants in the Sub County and beyond.

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7. That the counties in collaboration with the National government facilitate the demarcation of the Isiolo-Laikipia border.

8. They also complained that the markets are never cleaned and therefore garbage is all over the town. They proposed that casuals be employed to clean up the town and dumpsite be identified.

In Laikipia East, we went to Kona mbaya in Ngobit and the members of the public said the following;

The area is too small to have over 10 licensed bars. Mr. Speaker, this is dangerous and when you hear over ten bars, I know what comes into your mind. We have seen several counties where women are crying because men are drunkards and they cannot perform their duties. They cannot even produce. I am worried if that happens to Laikipia and this is the county that I am intending to be a leader.

Mr. Speaker, I am shocked because I do not know where I will find votes and I am urging Members of this Assembly to help the people in Ngobit so that we can minimize the licensed bars. I know Hon. Gatati is here and he will take care of that to make sure the concern of these people are taken care of.

In page 37 there is a combined Memorandum to the County Assembly of Laikipia which we looked at and captured their views in this document.

Committee Recommendations

Policy recommendations

Having considered the above matters, the committee made the following policy recommendations-

1. That the County Executive to review the current acts to align themselves with the current trends (e.g. Enterprise Fund Act, The Bursary Act 2014, Youth Service Act 2021), an example is the Alcoholic Control Act 2014 to limit the number of pubs and bars in a centre.

2. That the County Government invests in a youth friendly facility in all the County and sub-county hospitals.

3. That a legislation be considered to give effect to the formation of ward development committees

4. That, the County Health Services Unit be vigilant to ensure that the hospitals do not suffer from pharmaceuticals stock out as well clear the expired stocks from their store

5. That**,** the construction of fire station to serve Ngobit and Lamuria centres

6. That, the County Department of Infrastructure considers surveying the roads in Ngobit ward to avoid opening of roads on private lands.

7. That Propose the enactment of a bill to protect the CHW's (Community Health Workers)

8. That the County invests on renewable energy and alternative sources of lighting like Solar Panels or generator especially in Health Facility.

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9. That Amaya Triangle Initiative be amended to read; *Cooperation for Peace and development*
10. That The County Government as a way of improving the welfare of the staff amends Car and Mortgage Loans for the executive regulations to include the county executive staff.
11. That the County Executive to formulate a well stipulated working formulae with the non-governmental organizations to achieve citizen participation.
12. That the County Executive considers preparation of a trade bill, which will include in its schedules all the fees and levies charged to facilitate collection of revenue for the county.
13. That, the NPR's be included in the county NHIF scheme and monthly stipends
14. That, Kimanju sub-county to receive a funding enough to equip the hospital with solar energy especially the maternity wing
15. That the plan to Include Ngobit ward on pig production
16. That, the county includes in the CIDP 2023-2027 the construction and equipping of a psychiatric unit at the County Referral Hospitals. The County Health Services to include in its plan to waive the treatments on mental health cases
17. That, the County to consider the sign interpreter's initiative; Mr. Speaker, I want to challenge this House because this House does not have a sign interpreter. This is a right for the people who do not hear to know what we are reading here. We need to have an interpreter in this House. Those people might be in the gallery and they want to understand what we are doing and what we are saying. We are not giving them justice and I know you will take up that step to make sure that we have a sign interpreter in this Assembly. We can even employ one because it is good to give everybody light. It is in the Constitution that all citizen are equal.
18. That, the County Government includes among its policy framework the climate justice policy
19. That the county to enhance the allocation towards the Bursary Fund with the growing county populations.
20. That the youth centre nearby NTRH Mortuary be relocated to a friendlier environment.
21. That, the following centres be considered for planning, survey and allotment letters through National Land Commission; Gatundia, Thingiu, Mutanga and Karaba

Financial Recommendation

Mr. Speaker, the committee has recommended the following, which will have financial implications on the plan;

1. That an allocation of Kshs.500 million towards the Car and mortgage for the executive staff. The committee recommends that the county executive can enter into a financial arrangement with financial institutions to help issue affordable car and mortgage loans to the members of staff
2. That the Laikipia health services to create an allocation towards the completion of the mother-child hospitals in Nanyuki and Nyahururu hospitals

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3. That the CIDP 2023-2017 increases the Trade departments' recurrent allocation
4. That the allocations made towards the bursary fund be amended and allow an annual growth of 5% to take care of the growing county population.

Conclusion

Mr. Speaker, rising from the above, the Committee therefore, implores the House to consider the issues highlighted herein and does adopt the recommendations therein as the resolution of this House. Thank You, Mr. Speaker, Sir.

Mr. Speaker, this is a report of the CIDP and I know the Members have been with this document. Whatever I have read in this document is the five years' plan of this county. I know all members are aware of what is going on, what we want and what the people expect from us. I am begging the Members of this House to agree with this report and the recommendations of the committee and vote in favour of this report so that the county can move in the right direction and ensure that our citizen or the people who elected us get their rights of development. We are here to represent them and we are here because we were sent here by the people.

Therefore Mr. Speaker, because I am a man I would like to call a woman so that we can have a gender balance. I will also call her because she comes from the other party of opposition. We can join hands and build Laikipia County. I call upon Hon. Umija to second this motion.

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the Chair who is Hon. Stephen Ndiritu. Thank you for reading out the report. It was larger than I thought and I thought we would stay three hours in the chambers if he would go item by item. I second the Chair and being a member of the Committee on Finance, it has been a tedious process going document by document, letter by letter and number by number to ensure that all the needs of Laikipians are kept in that document.

There is a famous person who once said that if it is not documented, it couldn't be done. We are ensuring that the CIDP being a master plan within the county, it will ensure that all the ideas, all the development and everything that we want within our county is going to be captured in the next five years.

I thank the Executive for taking their time of going round the sub locations to get the ideas from the people and trying to collapse it. They have documented it well and they have ensured that the needs of the people have been kept in the document. We had an opportunity to go to do public participation in various areas last week but one which was an eye opening moment especially for me. This has been my first time to go for public participation in another capacity.

The other time, I was part of the public and I was seated on the other side. I tell you it was hot and most people were saying we are not capturing things. The public want word by word but the technicians have to put it in a way that it will capture the whole idea within the county. Number two, in the CIDP we have captured a lot of bloated budgets and it is upon the County Government to ensure that our revenue streams are expanded.

That means there is a lot of work for the Revenue Board. They will not be sitting around and it is time to look for revenue. It is time to expand the revenue net and try to ensure that our revenue net does not have very many loopholes for everybody to go through. To ensure that the revenue is captured so as to develop Laikipia. The County Executive will also have a harder gap to ensure that the CIDP is going to be narrow. The gap is wide and that means that we will

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have to get the development partners to ensure that some of these visions are funded in a better way.

Lastly, the County Assembly being an oversight arm, we need to ensure that once all these plans are budgeted for and money allocated, money is going to be used efficiently and effectively. I hope that we will first of all fear God while we are doing these things and the people of Laikipia County are going to see that we are using the taxpayer's money to pay our salaries and helping the County government is done prudently. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. George Karuiru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would first of all want to support he report on CIDP…

Speaker: Hon. Kanyutu, what is it? The debate is just beginning.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: The debate is beginning but I wanted a clarification because previously during the elections, we had the Leader of Minority and the seat is already occupied. When we were doing the elections, I think we had a Deputy Minority and I don't know how the seat has now been captured by another person.

Speaker: The Hon. Lempaira, I think the reference is made towards the seat of Minority.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Yes, we had the seat of Deputy Minority and when the Minority is not around, the Deputy Minority would occupy the seat. Now the seat is occupied by a Member.

Speaker: The Hon. Lempaira.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Mr. Speaker, I did not even realize that I was seated here. When I came in, I just sat down but I normally seat behind.

Speaker: Thank you. I hope that you take your seat. Standing Order No. 230 compels you to seat at your rightful place and vacate the seat of Majority.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Mr. Speaker, I want to assure the ruling Party that we have no issue in our party. So the seating arrangement should not bother them at any point.

Hon. George Karuiru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Sometimes the Hon. Simon Kanyutu would like to divert my thinking and input over the great document, CIDP but I always forgive him. I would like to congratulate the committee which I am a Member for they have burnt their midnight oil going through the document. I think that when it arrives it comes to laying out such documents, the various Chairpersons in this case the Hon. Stephen Ndiritu Kamau. He should have someone to check on him. I could see that his lips went dry for going through the big document that actually holds the matters of this county for five years.

The CIDP is actually a great document that involves all matters. When we went to the wanjiku, to be where we are today, it is the incorporation of what they will expect of us in the next five years. Despite of the lateness of the document, I think most of what has been captured is very important. The next thing that this Honourable House will receive is the ADP that will be extracted from the CIDP. As the committee has gone through various sub counties, they have now captured everything.

I would like to make the Hon. Members aware that the CIDP is what we expect this Honourable House to take lead and actually deliver to the people of Laikipia. In various places

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where we went, we went and most of the members of the public had almost the same ideas of what was not incorporated and what they needed incooperated. I would like to congratulate the Executive because when we went to integrate the views of the citizens, we captured the whole data. I should congratulate the new constitution that found it key to incorporate public participation as one of the main things whenever we want to have these documents.

Mr. Speaker, the next document that the Chair will present here will be the ADP. If the document comes forth from the extraction, we are going to go far. One of the key things we touched with the members of public is that there should be a module that is not actually registered as a regulation of incorporating the inputs of people on the ground like the *wazee wa nyumba kumi*. When we agreed, we found that it should be suspended because it must be put as an Act that there are people who are going to oversight in the communities. I embrace this because out of what we had of the little budget, we might not be able to do and at the same time we need to have a law that regulates the same.

Mr. Speaker, in this case, for a second I would want to condole with members from Laikipia North where in two weeks they have lost two lives. I also embrace the National Government for the initiative of adding the NPRs. I think that the 2nd recruitment is ongoing and might be terminated tomorrow or the day after. In this view, the CIDP captures the NPRs to be given the NHIF cover. In the big document ,there is that caption that despite of the County Government increasing its enforcement team, they can do something extra other than what the National Government will be doing to our NPRs.

The Chair has well touched on matters of liquor. I embrace that because every day when going home to my Olmoran Ward, I always get people coming to enquire about their young brothers and sisters who are undergoing depression issues. I think it is captured in the CIDP. The last time I was talking to the Chair and this one should be kept on record, we have disagreements at home and I know that when we were agreeing about depression, in regards to alcohol and drug abuse, we need to have our people settled because the few facilities which we have are private. If we would have our referral hospitals with enough staff, it would be better for rehabilitation.

When I was going through the newspapers, I found that if you go to Murang'a and I am sorry for the members who hail from Muranga, you would not get a woman carrying a child and you will get schools getting closed. I embrace this place because if you allow a member to go outside this town, you will not get five ladies without one being either pregnant or carrying a child. So I embrace Laikipia. What is captured in the CIDP about rehabilitation and drug abuse, I think that if we embrace it as Laikipians, we are going to get more because we have got issues of bandits who are taking our lives and bad diseases. Of late, there has been super gonorrhoea but if we go page by page and actualize what is constituted in this CIDP, we are going to help our community and our people.

What is in the CIDP is the document which will be incorporated. If the National Government through our MPs wants to do a project in our Laikipia County, they will always go for this document because it is the thought of the people. Lastly, through the same incorporation, if we would think like what I always think and I know that the Education Committee would join hands with me, if the bursaries would have a set committee in every ward that will incorporate the County Bursary Committee, the NGCDF and the NGAF from the Women Rep, we cannot have duplications because we have got so many people who are undergoing the same problems.

If we would agree on those modalities, we can help so many kids other than giving one person the three helps and it is through the CIDP where we can capture this. So I congratulate

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the Chair. He has been very eloquent and has been following up this document. I know that this document is 99.9% covering what the Laikipians would expect of us in the next five years. Thank you.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of the document that has been presented to us today. It is indeed a reflection on some of the issues raised by our people at the ward level and the village level. I would request some guidance because I happened to be in Kimanju when the public participation was being done and I can see a few items that were left behind especially when we go to the issue of physical planning and survey, I can only see Kimanju and Ewaso but I was pressing the people to propose Ilpolei, Kurum, Ilmotiok and Musion. We really want clarification on how we incorporate these things which were mentioned by the people and are missing.

On the issue of water, I can see we have mentioned the issue of Crocodile Jaw Dam that has been in the records for some time and has never been implemented. During the public participation members of Mukogodo West proposed Makurian water project be extended to Soitoudo that is through Lerok-Kurum to Soitoudo. Then be extended from Makurian to Kiwanja Ndege to Ilpolei where people will also benefit.

I can also see we left the issue of Kimanju borehole. *Mheshimiwa* was there when we were told about this. Some of these things I cannot see them in this document. Naipelele, salaba and toll water projects. Some of these things I cannot see them in the document. We need to see how we can incorporate them in the document for future reference during the budgeting.

Mr. Speaker, we have been talking on issue of NPR. It is the high time that the County Government makes the county policy work so that these people can get the insurance scheme we are talking about and at least something at the end of the month. A salary or allowance so that they can discharge their duties at the ground level.

The issue of insecurity, for the last one month we have been going to burials for people who have been killed by bandits. Yesterday, we had people going to the former Speaker's home and killed the herder there and took all the camels. Ten have been recovered and the rest are in the hands of bandits. When we talk about NPR, we are talking about an issue that is needed urgently. We have seen time after the other police failing to protect the property of the civilians. I support this motion.

We just need guidance on what to do on some of the projects we feel that have been left out. The ECDE classes, hospital and dispensaries which we have been proposed to be done here and there. If there is a document that we need to include them before this one becomes the final one that the county uses to formulate the budget. Thank you.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Mr. Speaker, before I contribute I think this is a House of order. In the afternoon you might find me seated in the midst of the two clerks. We had talked of the majority leader. Now the whip is seated on the majority leader's seat. Before I proceed, I think he needs to relocate to his seat.

Speaker: The Majority Leader is away on official leave and the seat therefore is expected not to be occupied at the moment because the Deputy Majority Leader is also not in. I will therefore ask the majority whip to adhere to Standing Orders No. 230 and occupy his official seat.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I was given a call by the Hon. Majority and said I am here because of him. Even yesterday, I tabled the report from the Executive because I was acting as the Majority from his request. That is why I am sited here. When you

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are out the Deputy occupies the seat. I have not done an offence. I am only here because he requested me to represent him. If you want me to relocate I will do so because I respect the rule of this House.

Speaker: The Hon. Kanyutu was still on the floor unless the Deputy Speaker would like to interject on something.

Hon. Anthony Theuri: Mr. Speaker, I want to add on that. Most of the time I am a victim of sitting where I am not supposed to be sited. As long as this House is a House of rules, we are first for human beings. Most of the time I find myself sitting here alone. In this House as a first timer, most of the time will find myself seeking advice. I will kindly seek your advice. We have some temporary stickers whenever I need some advice. I cannot be held here simply because of this sticker. Most of the time want to sit next to him so that I can get some advice. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Hon. Karuiru also wanted to interject.

Hon. George Karuiru: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would first want to congratulate Hon. Simon; I know his home out there is also organized. I wanted to deny what Hon. Whip has just said. These stickers are done using money. Where I am sited is because I don't have any seat in the leadership in this House. They should respect what you have just said.

I wonder if the Deputy Speaker wants to consult, you have not closed the borders of this House. He can come to and agree. The movement here is allowed. If they don't want to seat on the various seats allocated to them, right now we are expecting a team from the Senate. It will be not in order when they check who is siting where. If I am sitting at the Deputy Speaker's seat they will call me 'Deputy Speaker'. These seats are not just set and we should respect that. If these leaders sit in different seats, it will be prudent for this House to change that person from his position to another. Thank you.

Hon. Salim Edung: Nashukuru Bwana Spika. Pongezi kwa lile jambo Waheshimiwa wamezingatia. Hii ni nyumba ya sheria na lazima tufuate hio sheria. Katika kipengele ambacho Bwana Spika alisoma haikumaliza hata sekunde kumi. Ni vizuri tufuate sheria na mahali tumeambiwa tukae ni vizuri tufuate hio sheria.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you for giving the right advice. If we don't follow the rules of the House, you might find us pulling other seats which won't be in order. I thank Members for tabling the report. I have got a few concerns. I represent the people of Marmanet. As per the CIDP report page 14, I see they have shared the report as per the sub-counties. In sub-county level like Nyahururu, we have Marmanet on the same as a division capturing four locations. Two are the only ones in Marmanet as a ward. We have Gituamba capturing some other three locations, two still in Marmanet.

In Laikipia West Sub-county we have Muhotetu division having three sub-locations all in my area. My prayer is as we share the county resources, we should share as per the sub-locations or locations. Sometimes my people do not benefit because they are not captured within the area that maybe even when we are holding public participation it is held as sub-county. By then some areas are completely neglected.

Mr. Speaker, I am concerned because in the CIDP there are issues that I had raised, infrastructure and planning. I have seen they have captured Karandi and Marmanet; just the two areas. The planning was done per every ward. I have got other towns that require planning. If they are not captured in the CIDP, even if we get funds from other sources they might not be captured because they are not in the CIDP.

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I would wish we include Maili Saba in Marmanet. I have my own town, Gatundia where I come from, Mutanga, Karaba and all these needs to be captured in the CIDP. Mr. Speaker, the Chair requires me to give me the page that I am referring to and I can do it as quickly as possible. I have to peruse and give. It is in page 22, infrastructure, public works and urban development flagship projects that will be earmarked.

The only towns that have been captured for my area are Karandi and Ol-jabet. That is why since I am the one who represents the people of Marmanet. I have Karaba, Mutanga, Gatundia and Maili-Saba; they should be included in the CIDP for the purpose of budgeting so that by the time we are budgeting they are all included. On water, my area is an agricultural area and we only rely on small dams. We have been proposing for the desilting of the small dams within my locality. That issue has not been touched. On my part, I support the CIDP, but I would wish all those projects to be included in the CIDP.

I am sure the CIDP will guide us for the five years that we will be in this Assembly. If those small projects are not captured there, I would not have any power even pushing for their financing. Even if maybe I try to push from the National Government, under the County, even if we get a donor, if they are not in the CIDP they will not be captured anywhere when we are making the budget. I support the CIDP, but I also seek for the inclusivity of all the projects that have been proposed. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I support this proposal from the Finance Committee.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Kanyutu. I believe that the Chair, and the Mover of the motion is taking cognizance of the proposed amendments. I want to give the floor to the Hon. Gatati.

Hon. Samuel Mugambi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I rise in support of the approval of the CIDP 2023/2027 having full knowledge that, this is a process that started in a sub-location level. Where the Executive went for the public participation in all sub-locations in Laikipia County. In all 115 sub-locations, within the County.

I think this will be the first CIDP that will be highly inclusive of all the ideas that all the communities we represent here will be featured. As a Member of Finance Committee, and having listened to some Members raising questions on some projects that are not included in the CIDP, it gives me worries. We issued all Sectorial Committees with the CIDP in the last one month.

It means if you are complaining, you never read the CIDP. We gave the Sectorial Committees the CIDP and the ADP on 2nd March, 2023. Up-to date, it is a whole month. I think here, this is not a public participation; this is a motion to approve the *CIDP* 2023/2027. It is very worrying, for a Member to bring some other things to be included in the *CIDP* which is not possible.

We are here for approval not for a public participation and the record has it, that all Sectorial Clerk Assistants were issued with the CIDP on the 2nd March, 2023. Something else to note, the CIDP was done under two levels, the executive did their public participation to develop the CIDP. The Assembly we did the public participation for us to confirm whether we have the right CIDP.

I think all Members, should take seriously because if you do not follow closely what is written in the CIDP, it means you are failing on your role of representation. This is an important document that will help us, all of us who were elected including the Governor to serve the people of Laikipia, from the year 2023 to 2027. Also this is a support document, for any cost

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or any payments to be done because anything that should be carried out, should be featured in the CIDP. I rise to support and I wish you goodtime. Thankyou.

Speaker: The floor is still open and I will still allow more time for the debate on this motion. I would also just like to respond to two points raised a bit earlier. For the purpose of record, in regards to the sitting arrangement, Standing Order No. (230) (1) *There shall be reserved seats in the Chamber of the Assembly for the exclusive use of each of the following-*

a) The Deputy Speaker

b) The Leader of the Majority Party

c) Leader of the Minority Party

d) Members with Disabilities

e) Members of the Speakers Panel

f) Majority Whip

g) *Minority Whip*

This is to make it known, that it is our Standing Orders, that issues an exclusive use of these marked seats. Therefore, may not be sat on or used by any other Member, apart of the offices above. Also says in (*Part two*) *All other seats in the Chamber shall be available for the use of any Member.* (3) *Subject to this Standing Order and any other order of the Assembly, any question relating to the occupation of the seats in the Chamber shall be determined by the Speaker.*

I will therefore say, Members are free to consult each other. For consultation take back seats where they are allocated or are supposed to seat. I think I settled that matter for the time being, Therefore, I referred you to Standing Order, (230). In matters relating to the amendment to a motion, I just wanted to let you know, that we are in Order No. (8) which is a motion "report *on the Laikipia County integrated development plan for the financial year 2023-2027"*

Standing Order No (54) allows a motion to be amended. "*unless otherwise provided in these Standing Orders, any amendment to a motion which a Member wishes to propose in accordance with these Standing Orders may be moved and, if necessary seconded at any time after the question upon the Motion has been proposed and before it has been put"*

The motion as they are ongoing amendments or a few inclusions, as long as the proposed amendments are not detriment of the motion, thank you. I would still allow the floor if there are members wishing to continue, the floor is still open. Seeing the mood of the House, I will therefore allow the mover of the motion to reply to the motion.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Bwana Spika. Nataka kuchukua nafasi hii kuwapongeza wale wote ambao wamechangia huu mswada kwa njia ya kipekee wakaweka maoni yao na kuunga mkono huu mswada. Nimeona wote wanaunga mkono na pia napongeza wale Wajumbe wa Kamati ya Fedha. Wamekuwa watu watiifu na pia kufanya kazi kwa ukakamavu na kujitolea mhanga kuhakikisha hii ripoti iko kwenye Bunge. Mheshimiwa Lempaira, akitaja mambo kutoka upande wa Laikipia kaskazini, nikiangalia katika hii ripoti mambo ambayo anasema ambayo hayakuwa hapa, ningetaka kumwambia yale tulikuwa tuna nakili ni yale ambayo hayako.

Wale wananchi walikuwa wanasema kiła kitu, zile vitu ambazo haziko tayari pale hatukuwa tunaweka mara mbili. Kwa hivyo, Ile kitu yoyote ambayo ameona hatujanakili pale,

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tuko na ile hati ambayo ni kiambatisho na anaweza pata ile miradi kwenye imenakiliwa. Hakuna kitu tuliwacha kulingana na vile mwananchi alisema. Tulinakili kila kitu kulingana na vile mwananchi alivyosema. Nikirejelea Wadi ya Marmanet, ambapo Mheshimiwa Kanyutu ameweza kuongea na mambo kadhaa kuhusu Ol-jabet na Marmanet. Nitasema kama vile Mheshimiwa Mwenza Mjumbe Gatati, amesema na mwanzo nimuunge mkono mia kwa mia, kwa sababu mimi nimeshangaa kusikia Mheshimiwa Kanyutu akisema kuna mambo alikuwa anataka yawe hapa ila hayako.

Nimeshangaa kwa sababu nilipatia Mjumbe Kanyutu, ile hati kutoka tarehe moja mwezi wa tatu. Alikuwa na siku zaidi ya thelathini, kuweza kunakili ile kitu ambayo alikuwa anafaa kuweka hapa. Mimi nitajibu kama Mjumbe Mwenza, ya kwamba leo tumekuja kupitisha mswada lakini si ushirika wa umma. Ushirika wa umma tulienda na tukamwalika Rumuruti, lakini hakupatikana kwa sababu labda alikuwa na kazi nyingine. Kama vile umesema, tuko na njia ya kuweza kurekebisha mswada, na mimi nafikiria katika amri za kusimama ni hivyo hivyo vile umesoma inafaa. Kama yuko na marekebisho yuko na nafasi ya kufanya marekebisho saa hii, alete mwenye ataunga mkono ndiyo tuweze kuweka huu mswada saa hii, na hiyo ndiyo inakubaliwa na sheria.

Kwa hivyo, hajafungwa. Kama leo yuko na tayari anaweza leta. Hakuna kitu tunataka kuwacha na inaweza saidia mjumbe. Asipoweza, sisi na yeye tutaweza kufuatilia kutoka hapa na tuhakikishe mambo sote anasema tunayaweka hapa kwa sababu pia yeye anawakilisha watu wa *Marmane*t na pia yeye ndiye Mjumbe wa pale. Jambo lolote ambalo anataka, tutafanya kulingana na sheria inavyofaa. Kwa hayo machache ningependa kuwapongeza wote mpaka Mheshimiwa Kanyutu, kwa kuunga mkono hii ripoti pamoja na Mheshimiwa Kuria, vile amenyamaza pale yuko na sisi wakiwa na Mjumbe Kihika, ambaye yuko makini na hii hati. Kwa hayo machache naunga mkono na kumpongeza jirani yangu hapa ambaye alikuwa ananinong'onezea kila wakati kurekebisha hii hati, leo na siku za awali.

Naomba hawa Wajumbe wote waweze kuniunga mkono tupitishe hii hati na tuweze kuunga mkono serikali ili iweze kufanyia wananchi kazi ambayo iliyoko mbele yetu. Asante Sana, mungu awabariki. Naomba kwa huu mswada tuweze kushikana na kushirikiana pamoja tuhakikishe ya kwamba huu mswada umepita.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Stephen Ndiritu. I will still refer the Members to Standing Order No. (54) (6) "*When two or more amendments are proposed to be moved to the same Motion, the Speaker shall call upon the Movers in the order in which their amendments relate to the text of the Motion, or in cases of doubt, in such order as the Speaker shall decide".* The Hon. Kanyutu, I would like you to respond to the final part of reply, Standing Order (54) (6).

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I beg to move that, we make an amendment on the *CIDP* and include the surveying of the following towns. In the infrastructure department, we have Maili-Saba, Gatundia, Mutanga, Karaba and Rigiu. I wish we also make an amendment that we include desilting of small dams within Marmanet. They are many. We have Nyanjiku, Longomot, mubea, kanyuka, Korobas, kingoka, Siron, and Ol-jabet. I call upon Salim Edung, representing people of Segera to second.

(Salim Edung seconded the amendments)

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Kanyutu. I want to propose the question that the amendments be concluded, and I want to open it up before we conclude on this. I am following *Standing Order number 54.*

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Hon. Samuel Mugambi: Thank you, Mr. Speaker for giving me this chance. I am standing here for clarification. What we are discussing here it is a report of public participation from the public not from a County Assembly Member. We are doing an illegal thing as per law and House Orders. Whatever we are presenting here, it is not an MCA's views. These are views from the public. This is illegal, it is an error. If you did this, you will set a very bad record. Next time somebody else will come and introduce something that when it goes to the records, no one will defend this one.

Let me remind you something, for you to put something in the CIDP, you need to go for a public participation. The word public means going to the community and picking their views. Not coming and bringing an amendment here and put some projects. I think we are doing an illegal thing. That is why the law provides people to go to public participation collect views.

The public participation started with the executive side and they went to all the sub locations. Then, as an oversight House, we went to the public to ask whether these were the projects they proposed. If the project was not written in the CIDP, that is the time we added those projects. We cannot do an amendment here, so these are very illegal. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I concur with the Hon. Member, because he can say it is illegal, because they only held their participation in town. I speak on behalf of my people who presented the same in the CIDP; that they are not including because they are not in the major towns. That is why I started by stating my Ward is so diverse. It captures fourteen sub locations. I am sure there is nowhere even that this Assembly held participation within those areas. They just held it in major towns.

I have heard the Chair stating very clearly that they held the participation in Rumuruti. They held the other one in Nyahururu. Does it mean that those people who reside in Serian or Thigiu are not members of this County? That is why I proposed for these amendments, to be included for those people not to feel neglected. If they do not reside in town, they should also be given a priority.

Those are the factors that I can consider. If the same Assembly held within the areas that were held by the executive, I would not be raising any concern. Now, I am aware because I am representing the people. These are the people who represented the same issue in the CIDP and it is included in the larger documents that was represented by the Executive. On my part, I am representing my people and that is why am saying it should be included in that report.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Bwana Spika. Unajua mimi nimeshikwa na mshangao, wakati Bwana Spika umefungua mswada kama huu ambapo anampatia mwanachama nafasi ya kuongea na mdomo. Mimi nafikiria sheria inasema ni lazima uje na hilo pendekezo likiwa katika maandishi. Lazima ipitishwe na Karani. Lazima ipitishwe na wewe Bwana Spika ili ikuje tufanyie marekebisho. Sio matumizi ya mdomo lazima iwe katika maandishi. Naona ni kama tunaenda na njia ambayo haifai.

Mheshimiwa Kanyutu, tulimpatia hati hii yeye mwenyewe, na karani wake tarehe moja mwezi wa tatu. Mwezi mmoja, siku thelathini, alikuwa na hati ile tukamwalika na kamati yake walete kuwasilisha. Na tuko na nafasi hapa ambayo nimesoma kwenye ripoti Bwana Spika. Tulimpea nafasi na hakuweza kuleta wasilisho. Bwana Spika, wakati hii hati ilikuwa ikitengenezwa, ushirika wa umma ulifanyika mpaka Jeffi, ilifanyika mpaka mahali ambapo sijui. Hiyo ripoti ililetwa hapa Bungeni.

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Bwana Kanyutu, akapewa. Alikuwa nayo na anajua vile watu wa Muhotetu waliweza kusema. Wakati huo wote hajasema kitu. Itakuwaje leo tuje kufanya kinyume cha sheria? Asimame afanye marekebisho awe na msaidizi wake amuunge mkono halafu tutoke hapa hadi Muhotetu tukaulize kama ndivyo mambo yalifanyika. Kama angekuja na huo mjadala ukiwa umeandikwa, huo hauna shida maana umeandikwa. Ni kuuchukua tu na kuweka hati nyingine. Lakini kuutumia mdomo wake, kisheria ni kama tunapotea. Ni kama hatukubaliwi. Naona ni kama kwa sasa tunapotea njia.

Mheshimiwa Gatati ameeleza vizuri sana kuna njia ambayo mswada unapaswa kufuata. Wewe kama Spika, ni lazima uwe makini sana kwa hili jambo. Maana hapa tutakuja kuleta hata mambo zingine, mwanachama yeyote aseme nataka kuingiza hii kwa mdomo. Hii ni Nyumba ya Sheria, inasema ambavyo unafaa kufanya ni uje na mswada tutaelewa. Mheshimiwa Kanyutu hajaleta. Kwa hivyo, Bwana Spika naona kama tunapotea njia. Ningeomba utupatie mwelekeo ambao utafanya tusonge mbele na tuweze kuhakikisha Bunge letu linafuata Sheria. Mimi sipingi lakini yeye tumempatia muda wote na mimi nimeshangaa kwani nilikuja kuupitisha. Asante, Bwana Spika.

Speaker: I can see the Members, want to speak. The Members who spoke before too. I should be able to give the Hon. Anthony Theuri, he has not spoken. I will get back to you.

Hon. Anthony Theuri: Thank you Mr. Speaker. First, I want to apologize because in my earlier sentiments, I had tried we bend the law a little bit because of the sittings. That is now water under the bridge. On this matter, we are the representatives of the people. Most of the times there are things I personally do not agree with my community and the public who want me to represent them here.

In this case, as Hon. Stephen has said, we had the document for thirty days or over. We had the time to go through it and maybe try to do amendments. That is the case, if today we allow Hon. Kanyutu, my senior here to do that then tomorrow I will come here and do the same for the people of Nanyuki ward. We cannot allow that Mr. Speaker, let the public views be respected. If they want the bridge, let it be done. Do not let Hon. Antony Theuri say that the money can be diverted to bursaries.

Let not Hon. Gatati, say that the money of the bridge should be diverted to the market because he has interest because of 2027. Let us stick to the law on this matter. We are not going to work on that and we are going to derail the developments of Laikipia because of a mere selfish interest. I call them selfish interests because we are politicians. These seats are very comfortable. You are paying us well, we are eating well, we are living well. We would like to sit here forever.

We cannot do that at the expense of our people. Let the will of the people be respected. If I have my views, let me use the right channel. We are not going to bend the law in the name of trying maybe to please a certain quarter of the people. Thank you Mr. Speaker. It is my wish that you use your wisdom as King Solomon. Let us finish this approval, so that we can go on the next agenda to make sure that our County progresses well. We have so much to do and the time is not our side. Thank you.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am very grateful because, the chance I have moved, I have just come to learn a lot. The report they have just captured on the few but the other details are on the bigger report. I appreciate, I thought that they are sharing per ward and I could see that my ward had really been pressed. That is why I was very much concerned because my Ward is so big. I find that you have just captured two towns and it has over eighteen towns. I have been convinced and I am very happy. I was just proposing the amendments but I

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had stated that we are supporting this document but with a few amendments and because they are included, I have no issue. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Samuel Mugambi: I am standing on a point of clarification. It is good that the Member of Marmanet has admitted but it is also good to set the records straight. Next time, I want to educate you. We have so many other forums. I am standing on a point of clarification, so I need protection. Mr. Speaker, Sir. I want to educate you that next time you have misled the House …

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: There is no way you can stand up on a point of clarification then you seek clarification Mr Speaker. You have to be very genuine; if it is clarification, you ask.

Speaker: We have not finished with Hon. Mugambi

Hon. Samuel Mugambi: Yes, am talking. Let the Member respect when I am talking. It is very bad when I want to clarify. This is a House of law and we need to set the records straight. You misled the House by saying that the only way the community can be bring their views here; it is through a public participation. They are other so many ways that the constitution has provided even sending a memorandum directly from the community to the County Assembly of Laikipia. That is a clarification and it should go to the records that we were misled. When he was talking and saying we never did a public participation in his ward. It is not a must public participation be done in your ward. In fact, we can request for a memorandum. Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: Thank you, very much. I want to just make a ruling and refer you to Standing Order number 54 and Standing Order number 55. Standing Order number 54 states that, "*unless otherwise provided in these Standing Orders, any amendment to a motion which a Member wishes to propose in accordance with these Standing Orders may be moved and, if necessary seconded at any time after the question upon the Motion has been proposed and before it has been put."*

When every amendment under paragraph (1) has been disposed of, the Speaker shall either again propose the question upon the motion or propose the question upon the motion or propose the question upon the motion as amended as the case may require, and after any further debate which may raise thereon, shall put the question.

After any further debate, which will arise there off shall put the question. That is why there were such actions. I also want to say in part (6) of Standing Order number 54, it states *"When two or more amendments are proposed to be moved to the same Motion, the Speaker shall call upon the Movers in the order in which their amendments relate to the text of the Motion, or in cases of doubt, in such order as the Speaker shall decide".*

I also want to take you to Standing Order number 55 *(1) "The proposer of an amendment to a motion shall, before moving it, hand the proposed amendments in writing, signed by the proposer, to the Clerk at least two hours before the order is read (2). Despite paragraph one; the Speaker may in exceptional circumstances, allow a Member to move an amendment to a motion before the Assembly at any time during the consideration of that motion"*. That is my ruling. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

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Speaker: The sittings of this House now stands adjourned until later today, 5th March 2023 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 11:06 a.m.

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