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AWENDO MUNICIPALITY

Report of the Awendo Municipality Citizen Forum event held in Awendo Municipality Grounds on 10/10/2024.

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Overview

The Citizen Forum held on July 15, 2024, gathered approximately 150 residents to discuss key community issues, including development proposals for the financial year 2024/2025, traffic management, urban agriculture, and urban beautification.

Key Discussion Points

1. Development Proposals (2024/2025)

Community members presented various proposals focusing on infrastructure improvements, such as road and markets rehabilitation. There was an emphasis on prioritizing urgent needs like access to clean water.

Recommendation: Conduct a needs assessment and allocate funds for emergency repairs.

2. Traffic Management

Residents expressed concerns regarding traffic congestion, particularly near schools and marketplaces. Suggestions included implementing traffic calming measures and enhancing public transport options.

Recommendation: Develop a comprehensive traffic management plan that incorporates community feedback.

3. Urban Agriculture

Discussions highlighted the importance of urban agriculture for food security and income generation. Participants raised concerns about livestock roaming freely, advocating for the confinement of pigs, cows, sheep, and goats within owners' compounds to prevent them from roaming in the municipality.

Recommendation: Enforce regulations to confine livestock and provide training on sustainable urban farming practices.

4. Urban Beautification

The need for beautification projects to enhance the municipality's aesthetic appeal was emphasized. Ideas included planting trees, creating green spaces, and maintaining public parks.



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Recommendation: Form a task force to oversee beautification initiatives and organize community volunteer events.

Conclusion

The forum provided valuable insights for shaping the municipal development agenda. The municipal government will consider the feedback and recommendations received as it plans for the upcoming year.

Next Steps

A follow-up meeting will be scheduled to update the community on progress and gather further input.

Acknowledgments: The municipal government extends its gratitude to all participants and staff for their contributions and efforts in organizing the forum.

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