



## **KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCE**

**COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND  
TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS**  
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### **PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO 245/2023 MR L M MEYER [DA] TO ASK THE MEC FOR COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS:**

#### **QUESTION 1**

Is the Valuation Appeal Board currently active and functional;

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE:**

No.

#### **QUESTION 2**

How many people are part of the Valuation Appeals Board in KZN;

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE:**

There are 34 VAB members recommended for appointment to serve on eleven Valuation Appeal Boards in the province of KZN in terms of section 56 of the MPRA.

#### **QUESTION 3**

How many vacancies are there on the Valuation Appeals Board;

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE:**

100% vacancies as the previous term expired in February 2023.

#### **QUESTION 4**

Did the term of office of the Valuation Appeal Board end in February 2023;

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE:**

Yes.



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### **QUESTION 5**

Has the new board been appointed, and inducted after February 2023;

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE:**

The Board has been appointed by the MEC and date of effect of their appointment is subject to publication in the Provincial Gazette. Induction is planned to take place in September 2023.

### **QUESTION 6**

If no, why not;

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE:**

The process to appoint the board is being finalized and awaiting publication in the Provincial Gazette.

### **QUESTION 7**

If no to Question 5, when does the MEC expect to appoint the new Valuation Appeal Board; and

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE:**

The MEC has approved the appointment of members of the Valuation Appeal Boards. The appointment is subject to publication of a notice in the provincial gazette. The VAB members appointment takes effect from the date of publication and the Boards are likely to begin operating immediately thereafter. The Department's processes are complete, and publication is expected in the Gazette within the next two weeks subject to the Government Printer.

### **QUESTION 8**

In the absence of a functional Valuation Appeals Board, what recourse does ratepayers in KZN have when they want to appeal their current property valuation?

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE:**

All cases lodged while the valuation board had not been appointed will be dealt once it is appointed. The outcomes will be applied retrospectively from the date of the valuation roll in terms of section 69 of the MPRA.

Yours faithfully,

  
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DATE: 30/09/23