

WHY LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEBATES ARE IMPORTANT TO YOU!



LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

- Making by-laws, regulations and rules for the good governance of the parishes over which they have jurisdiction.
- Developing, managing and maintaining infrastructure and public facilities such as parochial roads, minor water supplies, social water/standpipes, drains and gullies, municipal parks and beautification, public open spaces, recreational centres, markets, arcades, abattoirs, animal pounds, cemeteries, transportation centres, bus terminals, public sanitary conveniences, parking facilities and public beaches.
- Provision of local services such as poor relief, public cleansing, public health, street lighting, street names and numbers.
- Infirmaries and other welfare services.
- Regulation powers in respect to building and planning approvals and development control, building inspection and enforcement; sub-division inspection, approval and enforcement; control of public vending.
- Regulation of advertisement signs.
- Licensing of trades and businesses, barbers, hairdressers, butchers, street parking, places of amusement, hotels, motels and lodging houses.
- Co-ordination of disaster preparedness activities and the management of emergencies.
- Coordinating inter-agency collaboration among non-governmental organizations (NGOs), community-based organizations (COBs) and government agencies which operate in the parish and are engaged in the delivery of local services or in local development.
- Support of national policies/development programmes at the local level.
- Spearhead plans and initiatives for the orderly, balanced and sustainable development of the parish as a whole, and major towns in particular, and for the boosting of economic activity and local wealth creation within the parish.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AFFECTS
YOUR DAY TO DAY LIFE.

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