

**Buffalo City Metropolitan
Municipality**

Annual Report 2010/2011

Foreword by Executive Mayor

I hereby present, to the Council and people of Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality, and to our stakeholders in general, this Annual Report for the Financial Year 2010/2011.

Significantly, this report mirrors the activities and achievements of a previous administration, under the erstwhile Buffalo City Local Municipality. It portrays the final chapter of the five-year term of the previous term of Council, and the extent to which resource and infrastructure capacity have been able to influence development and service delivery during the period under review.

The Annual Report contains the demographic and other profiles of the Buffalo City region and its people, and it highlights the factors that influenced development and growth in the municipality.

In essence, the report captures the extent to which the City has responded to the will and expectations of the communities based on the Council approved Integrated Development Plan of the period under review. The report presents how the City's resources were utilized and as such contains the audited consolidated Annual Financial Statements of the municipality. The report also contains the performance information, a narrative and graphical view of how the City implemented its Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP).

In presenting this Annual Report, I want to acknowledge the role played by the administration in providing information for both public reporting and auditing purposes. However, it is important to note that while greater effort has been put in addressing the financial management and governance of the municipality, the internal control environment still require significant improvements in order for the municipality to achieve a clean audit environment. It is therefore our collective endeavor to work tirelessly to ensure effective oversight over the administration and entrenchment of good governance ethos in order to achieve public accountability and confidence.



**Councillor Zukiswa Ncitha
Executive Mayor
Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality**