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VACANT POSITION FOR MEMBER OF THE PARLIAMENTARY SERVICE
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- (a) the person is not a Member of Parliament;
- (b) the person is a citizen of Kenya;
- (c) holds a degree from a university recognized in Kenya;
- (d) has at least ten years' experience in public affairs; and
- (e) meets the requirements of leadership and integrity set out in chapter 6 of the Constitution.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- (a) All applicants are required to fill the **Job Application Form for female Parliamentary Service Commission (Form PSC/F/2026)** which may be downloaded from the internet at www.parliament.go.ke.
- (b) Applicants should attach to their applications, copies of their academic and professional certificates and testimonials.
- (c) The applications should also be accompanied by a copy of a Self-Declaration Form to the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission as set out at section 12A of the Leadership and Integrity Act.
- (d) All applications should be addressed to the Clerk of the Senate/Secretary, Parliamentary Service Commission and should be submitted **ONLINE** as a **PDF format attachment** by emailing to psccommissioner2026@parliament.go.ke.
- (e) All applications should be received within **fourteen (14) days** from the publication of this Advertisement and not later than **Friday, 28th August, 2026, 5:00 p.m., Kenyan time**. Any application received after this date shall not be considered.

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CLERK OF THE SENATE/SECRETARY
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MPs pass public participation Bill, years later

- ▶ The Bill proposes principles and general guidelines for conducting public participation.
- ▶ It covers all aspects of governance, including budget making and implementation of projects.

IRENE GITHINJI, NAIROBI

The National Assembly has passed the Public Participation Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 44 of 2025), which seeks to put in place a framework for the conduct of public participation.

If assented to, it will set out how the public participation process will be conducted going forward, with the mandate going to various public entities to avoid over-legislation.

The Bill, which was considered by National Assembly's Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs (JLAC) also proposes principles

and general guidelines for conducting public participation and identifies the authorities responsible for organising the same.

The Bill seeks to define the term "public participation" using the scope of application of the national values and principles of governance because the Constitution does not, despite its usage in various Articles.

The provisions of the Bill will apply to the responsible authorities and the public with respect to public participation but will not apply to private individuals or entities that do not make or implement public policy decisions since it would interfere with their privacy and autonomy.

The Bill covers all aspects of governance, including budget making and the formulation and implementation of government projects and programmes.

"Similar to participation in elections, public participation is a civic responsibility which helps sustain and expand our democracy. There-

fore, any form of financial facilitation for attendance of members of the public is discouraged because it may undermine genuine participation, result in skewed outcomes and create inequality," the JLAC report states.

In planning for public participation exercises, responsible authorities are expected to adhere to the principles of public finance, including prudent use of resources.

This has paved the way for its enactment, which is considered critical in terms of better citizen engagement in public governance.

"A responsible authority undertaking a public participation exercise under this Act shall be guided by the principles that The Public Participation Bill, 2025 espouses. Public participation may be conducted through written submissions, oral hearings, online forums or any other method deemed appropriate to the context," the Bill states.

It also provides that the public shall be accorded a reasonable chance to express their views; the scope, depth and duration of a public participation exercise shall be commensurate with the complexity, significance and potential impact of the matter under consideration and public resources shall be used in a prudent and responsible manner.

The Bill has also provided for who the responsible authorities entail.

In the case of Parliament, the Clerk of the relevant House, for Judiciary it will be the Chief Registrar of the Ju-



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diciary, Attorney-General, in the case of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) it will be DPP and for State Department it will be the relevant Principal Secretary.

For a Constitutional Commission or an Independent Office, the Secretary or the Chief Executive Officer

will represent, Executive Officer for a State corporation, Clerk in case of county assembly and governor for a county executive.

It has been passed at a time of growing debates over the manner in which government institutions like Parliament, county assemblies, constitutional commissions and other public entities can engage Kenyans better.

The Bill was co-sponsored by Rarieda MP Otiende Amollo and his Ainabkoi counterpart Samuel Chepkong'a, who sought to provide a clear legal framework to guide public participation in governance and decision making across government entities.

Deputy Leader of Majority Owen Baya said the country has, for many years, yearned for a public participation Bill, with issues on public participation left to be deliberated and adjudicated by courts most times.

According to Baya, many good projects and initiatives have gone under because of lack of public participation.

"We have lost quite a lot as a country from 2010. Parliament never gave a law since the Constitution was enacted. Therefore, there was arbitrary abuse of the issues of public participation. Any small thing, if you disagree with anything, people will just rush to court to get orders to stop anything on the basis of public participation," Baya said.

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COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NYERI THE COUNTY TREASURY



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NYERI COUNTY ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (CADD), 2027/2028

Pursuant to section 126 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, the County Government of Nyeri is in the process of preparing the Annual Development Plan for Financial Year 2027/2028. Further, this is in line with Article 10(2) and 220(2) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 and sections 6(6), 87, 106 (4) and 115(1) of the County Government Act, 2012, that calls for openness, accountability and public participation in planning and development matters. The Annual Development Plan will inform the projects and programmes to be implemented in FY 2027/2028 which must be aligned with the Nyeri County Integrated Development Plan-CIDP (2023-2027).

In view of this, the County Treasury, through this notice, invites members of the public, interested parties and all other stakeholders for public hearings and consultations to inform formulation of the Annual Development Plan for the FY 2027/2028. The Public engagement forum shall take place at the **Nyeri Cultural Centre, Nyeri Central** on **Tuesday, 25th August 2026** from **9.00am to 1.00pm**.

You may also submit your written memoranda on the same through the email economicplanningnyeri@gmail.com to reach the Office of the County Executive Member for Finance, Economic Planning and ICT by close of business on **Monday, 24th August 2026**. Further there will be a **virtual forum** on **Thursday, 27th August 2026** from **2.00pm** on an online platform to be communicated prior via the County website and other social platforms to ensure inclusivity and enhance participation.

The Nyeri County Integrated Development Plan-CIDP (2023-2027) which is the reference document is available on the county website: <https://www.nyeri.go.ke/nyeri-county-cidp-iii-2023-2027-2/>.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert Thuo Mwangi
County Executive Committee Member/Head of County Treasury
FINANCE, ECONOMIC PLANNING AND ICT