



August 14, 2020

H.E Prof. John Krop Lonyagapuo,
 West Pokot County Government
 P.O Box 222- 30600,
 Kapenguria

Dear Sir,

RE: COUNTY BUDGET TRANSPARENCY SURVEY 2020

Greetings from the International Budget Partnership (IBP) Kenya. The IBP Kenya is a non-governmental organization working to advance transparency, accountability, participation, and equity in national and county budgeting processes.

Over the past five years, IBP Kenya has been carrying out an independent [survey](#) on the availability of county budget documents online. The survey will undergo some changes this year. Among the changes, we will introduce an additional component that will evaluate the level of information provided in publicly available budget documents. In addition, the focus of the survey will now be annual compared to the bi-annual surveys in the past.

This August, we assessed the availability of key budget documents that, by law, should have been published by July 31, 2020. We focused on documents that are relevant to the financial year 2019/20. The CIDP 2018-2022 will only be evaluated once in five years, however it was included in this survey so that it could be part of the new comprehensiveness study. In addition, the CBROP included in this round is the version published in 2019.

Below is a table showing the 11 key documents surveyed and what West Pokot has published in its' websites as of 11th August 2020. According to this survey, **West Pokot county has published 2 out of the 11 documents:**

List of 11 documents under review	Documents available
1. County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP 2018-2022) 2. Annual Development Plan (ADP 2019/20), 3. Approved Programme-Based Budget (PBB 2019/20), 4. County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP 2019), 5. County Quarterly Budget Implementation Review Reports 2019/20 (CQIRR) (Quarter 1, 2, 3 & 4), 6. County Budget Review and Outlook Paper (CBROP 2019), 7. Citizens Budget (2019/20), and 8. Finance Act (2019).	1. County Budget Review and Outlook Paper 2019, and 2. The County Budget Implementation Report (1st Quarter 2019/20).

We intend to finalize the survey across the 47 counties on **August 31, 2020**. We will review the

county websites again and use the results to conduct the next phase of the survey that checks on the comprehensiveness of information provided in publicly available documents. The results of that second part of the survey will also be shared with counties again before the final findings are published. We invite you to comment on the accuracy of these findings for your county. Further, we hope you take this opportunity not just to improve your county's score but also to take the initiative to share budget information more widely with your constituents.

Please share your feedback by return mail to John Kinuthia on jkinuthia@internationalbudget.org or call us on 0721 809391.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Abraham Rugo', written in a cursive style.

Abraham Rugo, Ph.D.
Country Manager, IBP Kenya