

**MOSENEKE REPORT ON ENSURING FREE AND FAIR LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
ELECTIONS DURING COVID**

**PROPOSED TIMETABLE**

	<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT / PROCESS</b>
1.	Monday, 24 May 2021	Commencement of the review (kick-off meetings and setting up office)
2.	Tuesday, 25 May 2021	Preparation of draft agenda and draft timetable
3.	Wednesday, 26 May 2021	Meeting with Commissioners to finalise office set up, logistics and proposed timetable  IT and communication set up
4.	Thursday, 27 May 2021	Meeting with National Political Party Liaison Committee; and  Distribution of official statement and contact details
5.	Friday, 28 May 2021	Dispatching invitations for submissions to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The Electoral Commission;</li> <li>ii. Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs ("COGTA"), including the disaster management unit; and</li> <li>iii. Department of Health.</li> </ul>
6.	Tuesday, 1 June 2021	Dispatching invitations for submissions to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Independent medical experts;</li> <li>ii. Election monitoring organisations; and</li> <li>iii. Civil society.</li> </ul>
7.	Wednesday, 2 June 2021	Dispatching invitations for submissions to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. All registered political parties.</li> </ul>
8.	Friday, 4 June 2021	Written submissions due from the Electoral Commission. Written submissions to include key background information including technical readiness, the statistics on local government elections in South Africa since 1994, the

		Commission's standard / criteria for freeness and fairness and COVID-19 precautionary measures.  Media release inviting any member of the public to submit written or voice notes on the Inquiry's website.
9.	Tuesday, 15 June 2021	Written submissions due from independent health experts and election monitoring bodies.
10.	Friday, 18 June 2021	i. Written submissions due from COGTA and the Department of Health, political parties and civil society; and  ii. Written submissions and voice notes due from the general public.
11.	Monday, 21 June 2021 to Friday, 25 June 2021	Consideration of written submissions and voice notes.
12.	Friday, 25 June 2021	Publication of a schedule for oral submissions.
13.	Monday, 28 June 2021, to Friday, 2 July 2021	Hearing oral submissions from invited parties.
14.	Monday, 5 July 2021 to Tuesday, 20 July 2021	Drafting of the report.
15.	Saturday, 17 July 2021, to Sunday 18 July 2021	Proposed voter registration weekend.
16.	Wednesday, 21 July 2021	Submission of the report.
17.	End of July and no later than 2 August 2021	<i>Potential</i> declaration by the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs of the local government elections.
18.	27 October 2021	Date proclaimed by the President of the Republic of South Africa for the local government elections.

**1 JUNE 2021**