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KSAC repairs sections of aged Municipal Building

KINGSTON, July 16, 2014--The Kingston and St Andrew Corporation (KSAC) has noted with deep concern the insinuation of misplaced priorities by the management of the Council.

Though these allegations are spurious and misleading; in keeping with our commitment to ensuring inclusivity and participation, we believe that we have a duty to guarantee that our citizens are properly apprised of the facts.

The suggestion that the repairs effected to sections of the aged building which houses the KSAC; was somehow at the expense of cleaning Drains and Gullies, is not only erroneous but at its core smacks of mischief.

THE FACTS

Over the last two (2) months the usual mitigation programme (which obtains across administrations) was rolled out for 2014/2015 by the KSAC to the tune of approximately \$40M. Our resources, however limited were budgeted and allocated from the Parochial Revenue Fund and drains were placed in two categories; (1) Critical Cleaning Programme and (2) General Cleaning Programme. All Divisions within these categories were funded based on the assessment and recommendations of the technical team and not driven by political bias.

The KSAC has a duty to its citizens and primacy of place is given to their comfort and satisfaction through efficient service delivery. Our priorities are nestled in our core values and in keeping with my own principles as espoused by me at the start of my tenure; I have a duty to apprise myself of the facts before making public pronouncements. The funds used to carry out repairs to sections of the Municipal building, was a budgeted allocation from the KSAC's 'own source' revenue.

Having apprised myself of the facts I now share this information with the public in the interest of clarity and to avoid any further distortion.

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