

Municipal Governance

Council Overview

The Council consists of 15 councillors, of whom 8 are Ward Councillors and 7 Proportional Representative Councillors. The members of the Mayoral Committee also form part of the council.

The Hessequa Municipal Council makes decisions in terms of legislation, such as bylaws and policies, as well as in terms of executive functions such as operations, projects and issues of finance. The executive function within this municipality has been delegated to the Executive Mayor and the

Mayoral Committee

• Executive Mayor

[Councillor Emor Nel](#) is the Executive Mayor and political leader of Hessequa Municipality.

• Office of the Speaker

The Speaker, Councillor [Dr. Joan Prins](#), is the convenor of Council meetings. This office also oversees the workings of Ward Committees.

Mayoral Committee

The [Mayoral Committee](#) is an extension of the office of the Executive Mayor and assist her in the execution of her powers.

Councillors

The Hessequa Municipal Council is the political sphere of service delivery and final decision-making entity.

Mayoral Committee

Emor Nel – Executive Mayor
Julian Merkeur – Executive Deputy Mayor
Charles Prins
Leon Fourie
Fred Carelse

Speaker

Dr. Joan Prins

Ward Councillors

Phillip Claassens Ward 1 (DA)
Charles Prins Ward 2 (DA)
Dr. Joan Prins Ward 3 (DA)
Lillian February Ward 4 (ANC)
Annelene Hartnick Ward 5 (ANC)
Freddie Hartnick Ward 6 (ANC)
Annemarie Joubert Ward 7 (DA)
Chris Taute Ward 8 (ANC)

Proportional Representative Councillors

Elias Dayimani (ANC)
Fred Carelse (Civil Independent)
Dawid Abrahams (ANC) (Eden District Representative)
Richard Johannes (DA) (Eden District Representative)

Emor Nel (DA)
Julian Merkeur (COPE)

Executive Mayor

Emor Nel
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Mayoral Committee

Photos and descriptions

Emor Nel – Executive Mayor

Julian Merkeur – Executive Deputy Mayor

Charles Prins

Leon Fourie

Fred Carelse