

POLICY HIGHLIGHT **PARISH COUNCILS**

The Democratic National Alliance (DNA) is committed to decentralizing government operations by introducing Parish Councils - a system of local government - where direct participation by the People in community development affairs will be seen and felt. Parish Councils WILL demonstrate our commitment to advancing a bottom-up approach to

leadership and governance.

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The DNA WILL:-

- **establish** legislation within the first year of governance to establish a new system of Parish Councils and repeal the Local Government Act and Regulations;
- devolve authority from the central government to the Parish Councils in areas addressing inter alia, community parks, sporting facilities, environmental health, aspects of social services, street naming and house numbering, safety and security/neighbourhood watch groups, public markets, community libraries, maintenance of schools and clinics, community centers and staging of festivals;
- establish Council Administrative Headquarters in all parishes across the country complete with conference and meeting facilities which will be staffed by suitable persons who will be full time public officers;
- **ensure** that in their operations the Parish Councils operate with the strictest adherence to good governance principles integrity, accountability, transparency in the discharge of their duties and responsibilities.

