

**PRESS STATEMENT**  
**19/05/2026**

**SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR THE LORD MAYOR AND  
LORD COUNCILLORS**

Good afternoon members of the media.

On behalf of Kampala Capital City Authority (KCCA), I wish to inform the people of Kampala, the Greater Kampala Metropolitan Area, and the general public that the swearing-in ceremony for the newly elected Lord Mayor of Kampala Capital City Authority and the Lord Councilors will take place tomorrow, Wednesday 20th May 2026, at City Hall Headquarters starting at 9:00 a.m.

This ceremony marks an important milestone in the democratic governance and leadership transition of our city. KCCA remains committed to ensuring a peaceful, dignified, and well-organized event.

However, as you are aware, H.E. the President of the Republic of Uganda recently communicated to the country regarding the Ebola Virus Disease outbreak and guided all institutions to prioritize the protection of lives in all operations and public engagements.

The Ministry of Health declared an outbreak of Ebola Virus Disease, Bundibugyo strain, on 15th May 2026 following confirmation of cases in Kampala. In line with the guidance issued by the Ministry of Health and the National Scientific Committee, KCCA has undertaken a careful assessment of tomorrow's event and resolved that the ceremony shall proceed under strict observance of all Ebola Virus Disease Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).

Accordingly, attendance at the ceremony will be strictly limited to invited guests only. We strongly encourage all invited guests to fully cooperate with the health and safety guidelines that will be in place throughout the event.

The following measures will be strictly enforced:

- Crowd control and restricted access to the venue;
- Mandatory hand washing and sanitization at all entry points;
- Temperature screening for all attendees;
- Registration of attendee contact details for health monitoring purposes;
- Observance of social distancing guidelines;
- Avoidance of physical contact including handshakes and unnecessary gatherings.

KCCA is working closely with the Kampala City Ebola Response Team and the Ministry of Health to ensure full compliance with all public health directives and to safeguard the health and wellbeing of all participants.

We therefore appeal to the public to avoid coming physically to City Hall if they are not invited.

To ensure that all Ugandans are able to follow this important occasion safely, the entire ceremony will be broadcast live through KCCA's official digital platforms, including the KCCA X handle and other official social media channels.

We encourage the public to follow the proceedings online through our official live-streaming platforms.

KCCA remains committed to protecting public health while ensuring continuity of institutional and democratic processes.

I thank you.

Benon Kigenyi  
**Deputy Executive Director**

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