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MEDIA ALERT: PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE WESTERN CAPE PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES BILL

The Standing Committee on Police Oversight, Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport will consider the Western Cape Public Library Services Bill [B 1–2025] as part of its constitutional responsibilities. Public hearings will be conducted in Moorreesburg, Caledon, Cape Town, as well as a virtual hearing on MS Teams.

The public hearings will be held as follows:

- Tuesday 29 April at the Moorreesburg Town Hall, 11:00 - 13:00;
- Tuesday, 29 April at the Moorreesburg Town Hall, 17:30 – 19:30;
- Wednesday 30 April at the Western Cape Provincial Parliament Chamber, sixth floor, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town, 11:00 – 13:00; and
- Wednesday 30 April on MS Teams, 14:00 – 16:00.

The purpose of the Western Cape Public Library Services Bill [B 1–2025] is to regulate the provision of public library services in the Western Cape; to provide for the coordination of responsibilities for public library services; to provide for the registration of public libraries; to make provision for the assignment to Municipal Councils of certain functions of the Provincial Minister in respect of public libraries; to determine the functions of public library administrators; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.

Those persons interested in engaging with the standing committee on the bill may submit written submissions To the Procedural Officer, Mr Waseem Matthews, wmatthews@wcpp.gov.za or by text message via Whatsapp to. 084 444 3817. Submissions must reach the standing committee by no later than 14:00 on Wednesday 30 April 2025. The virtual public hearing can be accessed at your local library and/or Cape Access centres.

For more information on how to contact the committee, to download a copy of the bill, to request the link to or to view the Cape Town public hearing via livestream, [click here](#).

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