

# Wes-Kaapse Provinsiale Parlement Western Cape Provincial Parliament IPalamente yePhondo leNtshona Koloni

#### **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

#### **AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19**

## Thursday, 30 April 2020 (14h00), Virtual: Microsoft Teams

## **ATTENDANCE**

#### **Members:**

#### **Democratic Alliance**

Allen, R
America, D
Baartman, D
Botha, L (Alternate)
Mitchell, D
Philander, W
Van der Westhuizen, A
Wenger, M (Chairperson)

# **African National Congress**

Lekker, P Windvogel, R

# **African Christian Democratic Party**

Christians, F

#### **Freedom Front Plus**

Marais, P

#### **GOOD**

Herron, B

#### **Alternate Members**

MacKenzie, R (DA) Nkondlo, N (ANC) Sayed, K (ANC) Smith, D (ANC)

#### **Apology**

Bosman, G (DA)

#### **Absent**

Xego, M (EFF)

#### **Additional Member**

Kama, M (ANC)

#### The following persons were in attendance:

Ms S Fernandez, Provincial Minister: Social Development

#### **Western Cape Department of Social Development**

Dr R Macdonald, Head of Department

Ms M Johnson, Chief Director: Business Planning and Strategy

Mr M Hewu, Chief Director: Community and Partnership Development Mr C Jordan, Chief Director, Social Welfare and Restorative Services

Mr L Arnolds, Director: Community Development

#### South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) Western Cape

Mr H De Grass, Acting Regional Executive Manager: Western Cape

Mr C Jansen, Director: Office of the Executive

#### **South African Police Service**

Lt Gen Y Matakata, Provincial Commissioner

Brig P Voskuil, Provincial Head: Organisational Strategic Services

# **Unemployment Insurance Fund**

Mr T Maruping, UIF Commissioner

Adv M Yawa, Chief Director: Corporate Services

#### **Western Cape Provincial Parliament**

Ms Z Adams, Procedural Officer

Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer

Mr W Matthews, Procedural Officer

#### 1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed the Members, the Provincial Minister, the Head of the Department of Social Development, the South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) Western Cape, the Commissioner of the Unemployment Insurance Fund and the Western Cape Police Commissioner. The Chairperson noted apologies from Member G Bosman (DA) and Member C Dugmore (ANC). The Chairperson explained the rules of engagement to Members and officials in respect of virtual meetings and then proceeded to the presentations.

2. Briefing by the Western Cape Provincial Police Commissioner on matters of domestic violence during lockdown

The Provincial Commissioner briefed the Committee on the subject at hand.

The Committee moved on to the next presentation.

 Briefing by the Provincial Minister and Head of the Western Cape Department of Social Development on matters relating to domestic violence, the elderly, the homeless, children and child-headed households, and drug addiction assistance during lockdown

The Provincial Minister and Dr Macdonald briefed the Committee on the subject at hand.

The Committee deliberated on presentation from SAPS and the Department of Social development.

4. Briefing by the Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF) on UIF assistance and the COVID-19 Temporary Employer/Employee Relief Scheme benefit

The Commissioner briefed the Committee on the subject at hand.

The Committee moved on to the next presentation.

 Briefing by the South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) Western Cape on processing of grants for older persons, children, people with disabilities and the newly announced COVID-19 related grant

Mr De Grass briefed the Committee on the subject at hand.

The Committee deliberated on both the UIF and SASSA presentations.

# 6. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED the following:

- 6.1 All additional questions and resolutions stemming from the meeting should be submitted to the Procedural Officer, which will be communicated to the respective officials for response; and
- 6.2 The meeting on 6 May 2020 will be on the theme, "Policing, Security and Police Brutality, and the meeting on 8 May 2020 will be on the theme, "Learning and Education".

The meeting adjourned at 17:12.

MS M WENGER, MPP

**CHAIRPERSON: AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19** 

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