# PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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## WEDNESDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2023

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### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

### SMME ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION

The five key recommendations that arose during the above-mentioned session are:

- 1. There is a need to focus on the following three areas in the tourism sector in the Western Cape:
  - (a) Building resilience in the sector.
  - (b) Fostering and growing partnerships in the sector as well as public-private partnerships.
  - (c) The sharing of information between role players throughout the sector and throughout the province.
- 2. Micro businesses do not benefit from government and municipal initiatives due to their size. Alternatively, the micro businesses are not aware of such initiatives, linking back to 1(c) above.
- 3. There should be focused development of tourism and SMMEs outside Cape Town and George.
- 4. There should be a drive to establish and grow centres for assistance and skills development by combining academic and on-the-job training for SMMEs in small centres.
- 5. Services to SMMEs and tourism operations should be decentralised.