

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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COMMITTEE REPORT

The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport, conducts oversight over multiple portfolios. The Committee's membership is different for each of the two main portfolios, that is, matters related to Community Safety and matters related to Cultural Affairs and Sport.

Permanent Members

The Committee overseeing the Cultural Affairs and Sport portfolio comprised of the following members.

Allen RI (Chairperson) (DA)
Bans AP (ANC)
Bosman G (DA)
Botha LJ (DA)
Marais PJ (FFP)

Alternate Members

Brinkhuis G (Al-Jama-Ah)
Kama M (ANC)
Mackenzie RD (DA)
Kaizer-Philander WF (DA)
Van Der Westhuizen AP (DA)
Windvogel R (ANC)
Xego M (EFF)

The Committee overseeing the Community Safety portfolio comprised of the following members.

Permanent Members

Allen RI (Chairperson) (DA)
Bosman G (DA)
Botha LJ (DA)
Christians FC (ACDP)
Kama M (ANC)

Alternate Members

Brinkhuis G (Al Jama-ah)
Lekker PZ (ANC)
Lili A (ANC)
Mackenzie RD (DA)
Kaizer-Philander WF (DA)
Van Der Westhuizen AP (DA)
Windvogel R (ANC)
Xego M (EFF)

Additional Members

Bans AP (ANC)
Marais PJ (FFP)
Windvogel R (ANC)

*Additional Members in this report refers to Members who have not been ATCd as being permanent or alternate members of the Community Safety portfolio but have been active across committee activities.

***Membership changes to the Cultural Affairs and Sport effected during the fourth term of 2021/22.**

Permanent Members

DA	ANC	ACDP	FF PLUS	AL JAMA-AH	EFF
Permanent Members Allen, RI (C) Baartman, DM* Mackenzie, RD*	Permanent Members Community Safety Kama, M Cultural Affairs and Sport Bans, AP	Permanent Member Community Safety Christians, FC	Permanent Member Cultural Affairs and Sport Marais, PJ	Alternate Member Brinkhuis, G	Alternate Member Xego, M
Alternate Members Kaizer-Philander WF Plato D* America, D* Wenger, MM* Maseko, LM*	Alternate Members (Community Safety) Lekker, PZ Lili, A Alternate Members (Cultural Affairs and Sport) Kama, M Windvogel, R				

The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport, reports on its 2021/22 annual activities, as follows:

1. Introduction

The mandate of the Committee, is to:

- Maintain oversight over the Executive and other stakeholders responsible for community safety, cultural affairs and sport, in the province.
- To hold the Department of Community Safety, the Western Cape Police Ombudsman, the Western Cape Liquor Authority and the South African Police Service accountable. To also hold accountable the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport, and its Entities (Western Cape Language Committee, Western Cape Cultural Commission and Heritage Western Cape).
- To consider and report on legislation and other matters referred to it by the Speaker.
- To monitor the implementation of legislation.

In the fulfilment of its mandate, the Committee:

- Facilitated public participation in the legislative and other processes of the Committee.
- Conducted its business in a fair, open and transparent manner.
- Promoted cooperative governance.
- Reported regularly to the House.

The Committee deals with two distinct portfolios, the report will detail the activities per portfolio.

2. Reporting Departments

- 2.1. The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport, and its Entities (Western Cape Language Committee, Western Cape Cultural Commission and Heritage Western Cape).
- 2.2. The Department of Community Safety.

3. Cultural Affairs and Sport portfolio

During the year, the Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport (Cultural Affairs and Sport Portfolio) held seven briefings, including three public hearings.

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport briefed the Committee on the Western Cape Language Committee and the Western Cape Cultural Commission. The purpose of the briefing was to better inform the Committee of the key requirement that the Committee need to consider when shortlisting candidates for board membership to those two entities. Following a call for nominations, via printed advertising and other channels, the Committee extended the deadline to allow for a more comprehensive collection of nominations from members of the public. The Committee thereafter finalised its shortlist for each entity and sent it to the Provincial Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport for consideration.

The Committee, as part of the social cluster visit week, spearheaded the meeting and tour at the West Coast District Sports Academy based at the Saldanha Bay Municipality Stadium. The visit week formed part of a pre-cursor to the State of the Province Address also held in the West Coast District Municipality.

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport, presented its adjustments to its 2021/22 Appropriation. Other cyclical reporting events, such as the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2-2022] and the Annual Report discussion, was also held. Whilst most of the Committee's engagements was held virtually, the Appropriation discussion in March 2022 was held in-person.

4. Overview of activities for the Cultural Affairs and Sport portfolio

Number of Committee Meetings:	7
Number of Public Hearings:	3
Number of Oversight Visits:	0
Number of Cluster Visit Weeks:	1
Number of International Visits:	0

5. Community Safety portfolio

During the year, the Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport (Community Safety Portfolio) held 10 briefings, including two interview sessions, and three public hearings, as well as an oversight visit.

The Committee conducted a visit to the South African Police Service's Forensic Science Laboratory in Platteklouf, to engage on matters related to especially DNA case-loads, backlogs and overall resource challenges. The Committee also met with the SAPS and the Department of Community Safety on the Court Watching Brief programme.

During the reporting year, the Committee was also briefed on the Department of Community Safety's provincial safety recovery plan. The Department also briefed the Committee on the role of the Western Cape Police Ombudsman. This briefing formed part of the process for the Committee to approve the appointment of Mr OD Reddy, as the new Ombudsman.

The Cape Town Metropolitan Police Department (CTMPD) briefed the Committee on its Annual Police Plan. As part of the Committee's role in the Policing Needs and Priorities (PNP) reporting process, there was an engagement with the CTMPD, the SAPS and the Department of Community on the findings of the PNP Report for 2020/21.

The Committee led the visits to the Paarl East SAPS and the Elands Bay SAPS during the cluster visit week. The visit to the Elands Bay SAPS focused on all police stations in the West Coast District Municipality.

The Committee conducted two sets of interviews for vacancies to the Governing Board of the Liquor Authority. The interviews and shortlisting took place in November 2021 and March 2022. All the interviews were conducted via Microsoft Teams.

The Committee also held a briefing on the independent investigative report into allegations of sexual misconduct levelled against Mr A Fritz, the former Minister of Community Safety in the Western Cape.

The Committee ensured that it deliberated on the cyclical matters, namely the adjustment appropriation, annual reports and appropriation, for both the Department of Community Safety and the Western Cape Liquor Authority.

6. Overview of activities for the Community Safety portfolio

Number of Committee Meetings: 10

Number of Public Hearings: 3

Number of Oversight Visits: 1

Number of Cluster Visit Weeks: 1

Number of International Visits: 0

7. NCOP Legislation

During the 2020/21 financial year, the Committee dealt with the following items of legislation:

8. Provincial bills

- 8.1. Vote 4: Community Safety in the schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2021/22 Financial Year) [B 6-2021].
- 8.2. Vote 13: Cultural Affairs and Sport in the schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2021/22 Financial Year) [B 6-2021].
- 8.3. Vote 4: Community Safety in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill (2022/23 financial year) [B 2-2022].
- 8.4. Vote 13: Cultural Affairs and Sport in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill (2022/23 financial year) [B 2-2022].

9. Facilitation of public Involvement and participation

In line with the Committee's mandate to facilitate public participation as part of the legislative process, members of the public were invited to participate in the consideration of and deliberations on:

- 9.1 The Annual Reports of the Department of Community Safety and the Western Cape Liquor Authority, and, the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport, and its Entities (Western Cape Language Committee, Western Cape Cultural Commission and Heritage Western Cape).
- 9.2 The deliberations on Vote 4: Community Safety in the schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2021/22 Financial Year) [B 6-2021].
- 8.5. The deliberations on Vote 13: Cultural Affairs and Sport in the schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2021/22 Financial Year) [B6 -2021].
- 8.6. The deliberations on Vote 4: Community Safety in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill (2022/23 financial year) [B2-2022].
- 8.7. The deliberations on Vote 13: Cultural Affairs and Sport in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill (2022/23 financial year) [B 2-2022].

10. Financial particulars

The Standing Committee was allocated an amount of R 68 531, 00 and following all expenditure, spent R50 470, 26. The budget was spent on the advertisements for the, calls for nominations to entities, annual report meetings, the various Appropriation and Adjustments Appropriation Bills, and the other legislation that was addressed during the year. The funds were also spent on catering as well as towards transport and accommodation costs for the February 2022 visit week. The Committee invited the public and notified them of their democratic responsibility to participate in the committee activities.