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Western Cape Provincial Parliament  
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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (Social Development)**

Tuesday, 13 October 2015, (at 08:00) Chamber

**PRESENT**

**Members**

**Democratic Alliance**

Botha, LJ (Chairperson)  
Mitchell, DG  
Wenger, MM

**African National Congress**

Gopie, D  
Gillion, MN

**Additional Members**

Lekker, PZ (ANC)  
MacKenzie, RD (DA)  
Makeleni, P (ANC)

**Persons in attendance**

**Department officials**

See the attached attendance register

**1. Consideration of the Annual Report of the Department of Social Development for the 2014/2015 financial year**

Before proceeding to the consideration of the report, Minister Fritz and the Head of Department, Dr Macdonald were given an opportunity to make opening remarks.

Members of the Committee deliberated on Part A: General Information, Part B: Departmental Programme Performance and Part D: Human Resource Management of the Department's Annual Report.

No members of the public present to give either oral or written input on the Annual Report of the Department of Social Development.

The Committee could not finish the discussion of the Annual Report of the Department of Social Development at 13h00 as planned. The Committee agreed to reconvene after SCOPA meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 13:00.

The meeting reconvened at 18:15.

The Committee deliberated on the discussion of the Annual Report of Department of Social Development.

**2. The Committee RECOMMENDED that the Department should consider:**

- 2.1. conducting a research on how the government funding for substance abuse programmes can be utilised wisely and have a significant impact on the lives of people of the Province; and
- 2.2. placing emphasis on Early Childhood Development Programmes in the next financial year.
- 2.3. liaise with the Department of the Premier regarding the appointment of the commissioner for children.

**3. Papers, reports and information requested by the Committee**

The Committee REQUESTED that the Department, by 30 November 2015, provides the Committee with the following:

- 3.1. The number of staff that are commissioned on insurance and garnishee order deductions as pointed out on page 11 of the Annual Report.
- 3.2. A report on the process and progress of the modernisation of District Offices that are replaced by Regional Offices.
- 3.3. A breakdown of the number of children re-united with their families or with alternative caregivers with reference to page 56 of the Annual Report.
- 3.4. A breakdown according to regions of foster care backlog in the Province.

The meeting adjourned at 19:00.



MS M BOTHA, MPP

**CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**DATE**