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### **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

#### STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

Thursday, 1 November 2018 (at 08:00), Chamber, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town

### **PRESENT**

#### **Members**

#### **Democratic Alliance**

Hinana, NE Philander, WF Simmers, TA (Chairperson)

# **African National Congress**

Beerwinkel, CF Dijana, TM

# The following persons were in attendance:

(See attached list of Departmental officials and members of the public who were in attendance.)

# 1. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the members of the Committee, the Minister, Head of Department, the Departmental officials and members of the public.

# 2. Discussion of the Annual Reports of the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning and CapeNature (2017/2018)

The Minister and Head of Department provided a brief overview of the Annual Report of the Department, focussing on the highlights and challenges in the 2017/2018 financial year.

The Chief Executive Officer and the Chairperson of the Board provided the same for CapeNature.

The Committee proceeded to a discussion on Part A: General Information, Part B: Performance Information and Part D: Human Resource Management of the Annual Reports of the Department and its Entity, CapeNature.

The Committee deliberated.

# 3. Resolutions/Actions

- 3.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department provides it with the following by 30 November 2018:
- 3.1.1 The blitz reports on the illegal offences in terms of water abstraction clearly outlining the municipal area where the transgression took place;
- 3.1.2 A list of the municipalities that are still supported by the discontinued Built Environment Support Programme and how they are funded;
- 3.1.3 The recent State of Air Quality Management Report; and
- 3.1.4 The names of the schools that form part of the Western Cape Educator's Forum, the criteria used to identify the schools, the number of learners who participated in the educational programmes and the number of Educators per school serving on this Forum.
- 3.2 The Committee RESOLVED to invite the Department in 2019 to brief it on the Strategic Environmental Assessment and Draft Readiness Action Plan undertaken on shale gas development in the Karoo clearly outlining its relation to water security and the advantages and disadvantages thereof.
- 3.3 The Committee REQUESTED that CapeNature provides it by 30 November 2018 with the names of the municipalities that are not spending their EPWP budgets.
- 3.4 The Committee RECOMMENDED that the Department and CapeNature investigates the prospect of gender based budgeting within a specific programme, focusing on ways of empowering women in a sustainable manner in order to achieve growth in specific communities.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00.

MS WF PHILANDER, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT

**PLANNING** 

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