

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

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THURSDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2016

1. The House met at 14:15.
2. The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.
3. [14:16] The Speaker made a general announcement regarding the logistical arrangements for all the sittings taking place in the Chambers of the Cape Metropolitan Subcouncil 16 at 44 Wale Street.
4. [14:19] Questions.
5. [15:06] Questions to the Premier without notice.
6. [15:30] Statements by Members.
7. [15:46] Notice of Motions.
8. [15:51] Ms B A Schäfer moved without notice: That the House congratulates Grace and Archie Pick, respectively 81 and 89 years of age, for their dedication and active service towards causes that really matter, as well as for serving on the Ratepayers' Association and for being active citizens of Sea Point.

Agreed to.
9. Ms M N Gillion moved without notice: That the House wishes Archbishop Desmond Tutu a speedy and full recovery after undergoing minor surgery to contain an infection.

Agreed to.
10. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House congratulates the South African Paralympic Team for its successes in the Rio Games and for winning, so far a total of nine medals which includes three gold, three silver and three bronze medals.

Agreed to.
11. Ms L M Maseko moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Department of Social Development and Minister Albert Fritz for opening the substance-abuse wing and orientation – an amazing one-stop service centre for abused women – at the Saartjie Baartman Centre in Manenberg.

Agreed to.

12. Mr K E Magaxa moved without notice: That the House commends the Bromwell Street families in Woodstock for standing up to the cruel DA-led Council of the City of Cape Town and its business partners who want to evict them from their homes and send them to Blikkiesdorp; and condemns the City for prioritising profit over people's needs and dignity.
Agreed to.
13. Mr R B Lentit moved without notice: That the House sends its condolences to the Wakefield family on the passing of their beloved wife, mother and aunty, Gertrude Wakefield; and wishes strength to her husband Bernard and the rest of the family.
Agreed to.
14. Mr D Joseph moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Prince Albert Hospital, the Laingsburg Hospital and the Beaufort West Hospital for receiving international accreditation in terms of the baby-friendly hospital initiative, which includes the promotion of breastfeeding for the reduction in infant mortality and the promotion of best practices on how mothers could feed and care for their babies.
Agreed to.
15. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House notes with sadness that a 14-year-old boy from Plumstead Primary School committed suicide at his home last week, allegedly because of constant bullying and ridiculing by certain teachers at the school; notes further that the WCED's intervention has only been to assist teachers with counselling to deal with trauma experienced by the children; and calls for an investigation into the matter and possible action against the teachers involved.
Agreed to.
16. Mr Q R Dyantyi moved without notice: That the House institutes an investigation into the DA-run City of Cape Town's R7 million golden handshakes for two of its senior executives, one – Gerhard Ras – being a professional collector of parting cheques.
Agreed to.
17. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House notes that the Western Cape's provincial Department of Transport and Public Works's regulatory entity has suspended the operating licences of 29 taxi operators of the Uncedo George Taxi Association and has cancelled the licence of a taxi operator following protest last year in this town; and calls on the Department to deal with the issues which have contributed to tensions in the Go George Project.
Agreed to.
18. Mr D Joseph moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Albertina Museum where the world's largest hand-knitted jersey is being exhibited; and also the women who knitted the jersey with their achievement of being included in the *Guinness World Records*. This jersey, which depicts the South African flag, will be recorded in the 2017 edition of the *Guinness World Records*.
Agreed to.
19. The House adjourned at 16:00.