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## MEDIA RELEASE: SUCCESSFUL OFFICIAL OPENING AND STATE OF THE PROVINCE ADDRESS

The official opening ceremony of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament (WCPP) took place at the Huguenot Community Hall, in Klippiesdal, Paarl, this evening. Premier Alan Winde delivered his 2024 State of the Province Address (SOPA) during the sitting.

In his State of the Province Address, Premier Winde, outlined the government's policy and direction for the year ahead and also identified specific goals and targets.

After the adjournment, Speaker Daylin Mitchell, who presided over the proceedings, said: "It was a privilege to host the final official opening of the Sixth Parliament of the Western Cape in the Drakenstein district today. I am looking forward to tomorrow's sitting during which political parties will have the opportunity to debate the Premier's State of the Province Address, after which the Premier will respond to the debate."

The footage of the event can be viewed at: <a href="https://www.wcpp.gov.za/?q=node/16692">https://www.wcpp.gov.za/?q=node/16692</a>

<u>Click here</u> to download a copy of the Premier's SOPA.

The debate on the Premier's State of the Province Address (SOPA) and the Premier's reply to the debate will take place in the same venue tomorrow, 20 February. The links to the livestreams for these events are:

Link to SOPA debate livestream, 20 February, 09:30: <a href="https://www.wcpp.gov.za/?q=node/16693">https://www.wcpp.gov.za/?q=node/16693</a>

Link to the Premier's reply to the SOPA debate livestream, 20 February, 14:00: https://www.wcpp.gov.za/?q=node/16694

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