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PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

The House met at 14:15.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

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BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20(1), precedence be given to the Subject for Discussion.

Agreed to.

The SPEAKER: I would like to request the members and the guests, as I welcome you, hon members, and obviously our important guests in the gallery, that we are all welcome in this Parliament and please enjoy the sitting. Listen to the speeches as we debate, but hon members, when they debate, it does not mean as a guest you must begin to clap hands when there is something that is nice being said.

So your excitement must be confined to you folding your arms and using your heart to jubilate. So which is, you can only be excited, but not clap your hands. How nice! So those are the Rules of Parliament. Please enjoy the sitting.

I also want to acknowledge in the gallery Fit for Life, which is an organisation based at Vrygrond in Muizenberg that trains, hon Premier and hon members, unskilled and semi-skilled matriculants and non-matriculants who are unemployed and have no criminal record. They are between the ages of 18 and 30 and receive extensive training in hard and soft skills to better equip themselves for the workplace and to help to better understand themselves, so welcome. May we please give them a round of applause? [Applause.]

I recognise the Chief Whip.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you hon Speaker, I would like to notify the House that Minister Fritz and Minister Mbombo will not be present in the sitting today and the oral questions will stand over.

The SPEAKER: Thank you Chief Whip, noted. Are we all in favour, hon members? Thank you.

I think it is important for the hon members, I think for the guests in the gallery, to take stock of today's debate, that the House will debate the annual national crime statistics released by the National Minister of Police and the impact that it has on the citizens of the Western Cape and the motion was moved by hon member Allen. I now recognise hon member Allen.

HON MEMBERS: Hear-hear!

**THE ANNUAL NATIONAL CRIME STATISTICS RELEASED BY
THE NATIONAL MINISTER OF POLICE AND THE IMPACT
THAT IT HAS ON THE CITIZENS OF THE WESTERN CAPE**

(Subject for Discussion)

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Speaker, I welcome the topic of discussion regarding the annual crime stats as released by the National Minister of Police and its impact on the Western Cape and its citizens. We understand that the crime stats is a tool to guide the operational plans for SAPS. It is also a tool in helping all safety stakeholders anticipate increased risk of crime in order to improve our safety responses.

I hold the view that the stats serve not only to quantify crime or to create a debate in our society, I believe that this is a call to action, a call to action across all government spheres, business, NGOs and communities. Hon Speaker, the Premier recently pledged an amount of R1 billion towards creating a safer province with the aim to halve the murder rate in the next ten years. This is a bold undertaking but a very necessary one as we know that SAPS are struggling to keep our community safe.

The crime stats released shows that there were less crimes reported by the community to the police and less crimes detected by the police during the 2018/2019 reporting period, but this is in stark contrast of the community's sense of safety and reality. The community reported crime down 1,7% and crime detected as a result of police action down a staggering 27,2%. It is clear that SAPS appears to be unable to stem the tide on crime due to under-resourcing pressures in the Western Cape, and hon Speaker, I fear that communities are increasingly not reporting crime due to a growing unhappiness with the police or distrust in the police's abilities to assist. More worrying is that this is not a new occurrence, as the community reported crimes have been increasing over the last five years.

With this I want to urge communities to continue sending their tip-offs on domestic violence, robberies, burglaries and especially drug- and gangster-related crimes and those activities taking place in and around public facilities. By working together we can rid our schools, our homes and streets of this evil, which often ruins the lives of promising young people. The Police Ombudsman provides an independent impartial system for the handling of complaints about the conduct of police officers. Complaints are then handled in a manner which is free of any police, governmental or sectional community interest and I want to encourage the community and all members here even, to continue to use this avenue to voice their grievances.

Fellow hon members, for us it is crystal clear that things are not the way it is supposed to be and through this debate and the preparation thereof I really trust that we have been forced to re-apply our minds to the reality behind the stats and how we can come together with ideas and recommendations via a vigorous engagement in order to find solutions.

Hon Speaker, I did a quick Hansard count, and since the beginning of this term up until before you spoke, an amount of 256 014 words have been echoed in this Chamber but I firmly believe that today, as we come together, we will raise our voice and find solutions to know that it is no more time to merely talk but for our plans to come together and for action to take place, so I look forward to this debate and I thank you.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

Mr D SMITH: Hon Speaker, this thing of treating such important debates as a circus or talk-shops has to come to an end. When we talk crime we are talking about people's lives and therefore we must not play games with people's lives. That is my appeal - stop playing games with people's lives. This platform should be used to engage on best possible strategies we can implement as a province to avert the situation. As a province, with increasing contact crimes as well as the murder rate, we unfortunately do not have the luxury of time, of playing games and playing the blame game for that matter. According to stats, contact crimes have increased in this province, as well as the murder rate which increased by 6,6% in the province. The casual factor for murder includes arguments, misunderstanding, armed robbery, domestic violence, taxi violence and gang-related incidents, which accounted for 938 cases.

The Western Cape had the highest percentage of people aged 16 and above who were victims of street robbery, compared to other provinces. Furthermore, the most likely victims of this crime were males, young adults and people living in the Western Cape. Of interest to me is that of the top 30 murder stations in the country, the province has 11, with 10 of those coming in the top 15 stations. The most used murder weapons were guns and knives as well as sharp objects.

With a closer look at these stations you will see that it is areas like Nyanga, Delft, Khayelitsha, Bishop Lavis, Mitchells Plain, Kraaifontein, to mention but a few. Just by looking at the list you can clearly see that one of the primary drivers of these violent crimes is socio-economic factors.

The research by urban safety reference groups shows that poor planning and exclusionary spatial form of socio-economic factors contribute to low levels of safety. It is therefore not surprising that all Western Cape stations in the top 30 murder stations are low income areas in the townships and the Cape Flats characterised by drug and substance abuse, high unemployment, especially for youth and surrounded by many informal settlements.

Hon Speaker, from the above we can clearly see that in order for the province to win the mounting battle against crime and murder in the province we need the Provincial Government to come to the party and stop being just distant spectators, spewing vile and hailing insults from the pavilion. The Government must lead and accelerate the process of informal settlement upgrading. The poor lighting and accessibility issues create a conducive environment for crime. The communal toilets in dark spots, which are usually 500 metres away from people's homes, are turned into crime scenes, where women and children are raped and murdered.

Hon Speaker, the biggest problem in the Western Cape is that the Provincial Government does not put resources towards the prevention of crime. To the Provincial Government crime is a national competency. They can only take part if police functions and powers are evolved to province. This is why the Premier has decided to create his own police force. [Interjections.]

While we cautiously welcome additional resources into the fight against crime, the attitude of the Provincial Government needs to change. Instead of causing divisions and tensions among crime-fighting structures, it needs to support calls for a unified approach towards fighting crime. The starting place should be the support to the integration of Metro Policing to SAPS. [Interjections.]

Secondly, the role of communities should be at the centre of fighting crime. Other provinces have gone to establish ward safety forums and ensuring that they receive necessary support to function. In other provinces there are even school safety forums and committees ensuring school safety... [Interjection.]

Mr D AMERICA: Ja, we have that in the Western Cape.

Mr D SMITH: ...while in the Western Cape resources are spent on taking children on beach trips during holidays.

Hon Speaker, without falling into the trap of politicising the matter, but really to stand up here, grandstanding and putting all the blame on SAPS while ignoring the factors, is dangerous, to say the least. [Interjections.] Secondly, when you have 3,3 million people... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members. Order! Please proceed, hon member Smith.

Mr D SMITH: Their two seconds! Secondly, when you have 3,3 million people that are not working in the province you must accept that it is a recipe for disaster. We have to fight for those young men standing on street corners who have little hope for the future besides ending up in jail. [Interjection.]

The PREMIER: Have you decided [Inaudible.]

Mr D SMITH: We have to break the cycle of poverty and violence that is gripping too many neighbourhoods. [Interjections.] We need more young men in colleges, than in prison. [Interjections.]

Mr P MARRAN: You can sign on, fortunately... [Inaudible.]

Mr D SMITH: Until such time that we address these root causes, I do not think we will ever win the battle against crime. [Interjections.] Yes, we need more cops but we also need more families. How many times in the last year, hon Speaker, has the province lost a child at the hands of another child? How many times have our hearts stopped in the middle of the night with the sound of a gunshot or a siren? How many teenagers have we seen hanging around on the street corners when they should be sitting in a classroom? How many are sitting in the prison when they should be working or at least looking for a job? How many in the generation are we willing to lose to poverty or violence or addiction? How many more?

Thank you, hon Speaker. [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon member Smith, thank you. [Interjections.]

HON MEMBERS: How many more?

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon members. Hon member Smith, thank you. I now recognise the EFF, hon member Xego. [Interjections.]

†Die ADJUNKHOOFSWEEP (DA): Jy kan baie bly wees dit is jou *maiden speech* gewees. Jy kan baie bly wees.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): You should be grateful that it was your maiden speech. You should be very grateful.]

Mr M XEGO: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. On 12 September 2019 the National Minister of Police released the national crime statistics report. The main concern for this House should be that the Western Cape province recorded the highest number of townships which experienced crimes when compared to other provinces.

This could be due to the fact that the Provincial Government pays less attention to the safety of the poor in the townships... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Service delivery.

Mr M XEGO: ...as most of the resources of the provincial law enforcement budget is utilised to the benefit of those who are privileged and reside in rich suburbs. [Interjections.] The murder rate in the province increased by 6,6% compared to the 3,4% nationally. Attempted murder increased by 4,4% compared to the 4,1% nationally, whilst car hijacking increased to 5,1%, compared to the 1,8% nationally. More, following the release of these shocking crime statistics, the Western Cape Premier responded by announcing what he terms “the most comprehensive expansive safety plan.”

An HON MEMBER: Yes, where is it?

Mr M XEGO: The plan is mainly based on increasing the law enforcement personnel in the province and this will be achieved by cutting budgets from other portfolios. The problem with this strategy is that mainly it focuses on one area as crime fighting measure, which is policing. By aiming to take resources from other departments and focusing them only in this one area is a serious challenge. This happens at the backdrop of the crime statistics report making it clear that some of these crimes, for example such as increasing murder, take place as a result of people who are usually closely related to each other in close proximity and who are usually under the influence of alcohol, others being what is termed the crime of passion where people are usually married or dating and then they murder each other. The report makes it clear that most of these murders are caused by misunderstandings and arguments and in almost all these cases it is very difficult to police these crimes, more especially when the victims usually do not come forward to report perpetual abuse which eventually lead to murder. Moreover efforts should be made to empower members of the public to come forward, to report crimes and create an environment where the police take these crimes seriously and effectively act upon them, for example, the national crime statistics report covers 21 crime categories of which 17 were reported by the public and only four were as a result of police activity, mainly taking place in the roadblocks or raids and covering confiscation of illegal firearms, drinking under the influence of alcohol and drugs; possession of trade and illegal drugs... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: You need to wrap up, hon member. †Gqibezela Ngconde. [Finish up Ngconde.]

Mr M XEGO: Okay, in conclusion. We as the EFF, we see this as a collective responsibility and the civil society and Government institutions must join forces in making sure that we win this war against crime. So we are appealing to Government to include all departments in terms of budget to ensure that we combat crime and everything. [Time expired.] [Interjections.]

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you hon Speaker. Hon Speaker, I must say I am disappointed that the DA did not put the Premier's Safety Plan on the Order Paper for debate today.

For some reason they seem to avoid allowing this House to debate this Government's term of office priorities. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: It is part of the debate.

Mr B N HERRON: Hon Speaker, we welcome the Premier's decision to introduce a safety plan, but I must say I cannot actually find the plan. [Interjections.] All I find is a video and a media statement and today I got an email from the DA, I am still obviously on their mailing list, asking me to comment on a plan that I cannot find. [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Please opt out!

Mr B N HERRON: It takes me to a video. [Interjections.] Nevertheless, hon Speaker, we do not need debate to confirm that the crime in our province and in our country is out of control. Theft, sex for jobs, denigration of women, assault, murder, hate have become engrained in our society and GOOD has consistently stated that policing alone will never solve our society's problems.

During the elections the DA promised a provincial police force. Their previous Head of Policy said the DA does not take policy very seriously and I am inclined to agree with her, because they have avoided or ignored all of the evidence around the world that shows that policing that is done at a provincial or state level fails to work. In fact, from the USA hundreds of thousands of people have escaped justice simply by crossing provincial or state borders.

When we developed our policies GOOD looked at other countries to see how they have already solved the problems that we are trying to solve. In Columbia for example serious crime has been reduced by more than 80% in some cities and this was achieved by ensuring that policing worked hand in hand with social services. They focused on fixing the root causes of crime rather than just the symptoms of complex social and economic issues. This is GOOD's proven solution to reducing crime. [Interjections.]

I do appreciate Premier Winde's recent about turn in adopting this plan because he is right, we cannot solve the crime problem without dealing with social services. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Herron.

An HON MEMBER: Disappointed, disappointed, sit down.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you. [Time expired.] [Applause.]

An HON MEMBER: Where is the plan? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon member Herron, I now recognise the DA, Minister Meyer.

†n AGBARE LID: Ja, gooi kole.

[An HON MEMBER: Yes, throw coals!]

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Hon Speaker, thank you for this opportunity to take part in this debate. I would like to talk about the impact of crime in rural areas on the economy of the Western Cape and particularly its impact on agriculture. [Interjections.]

Hon Speaker, you will know that the agricultural value production in 2018, which was last year, was R43 billion. [Interjection.] We also know that commercial agriculture in the Western Cape stands at 20,9%. Now all of us in this House knows that the Western Cape is approximately 10% of the geographical landscape, 10% of the population, and yet 20,9% of the commercial agriculture is here in the Western Cape. Despite the worst drought in 2017, hon members of this House will know, many of you in your constituencies had been affected as a result of this drought. Despite the worst drought in a 100 years, the direct investment into agriculture in 2017 was R4 billion.

Hon members of this House will also know that in terms of the GDP contribution, this sector, the agricultural sector, the sector of myself and hon member Pat Marran, is significant... [Interjection.] It made a contribution of 10,3% of the provincial GDP. We also know, hon Speaker, that 45% of all the agricultural exports in South Africa, hon member Marran, comes from the Western Cape. It is in your interest and it is in my interest and it is in the collective interest that we protect the economy... [Interjection.]

Mr P MARRAN: Even farmworkers?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: ... precisely about the farmworkers. Farmworkers constitute 16%. [Interjections.] It is very... [Interjections.]
The SPEAKER: Order hon members! [Interjections.]

Mr P MARRAN: [Inaudible.] the minimum wage.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Hon member Pat Marran. [Interjection.]

Mr P MARRAN: A wage of R1 800. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, will you please take your seat. [Interjections.]

Mr P MARRAN: That is the issue. It is a policy issue. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members! [Interjections.]

Mr P MARRAN: It says R1 800. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members!

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Thank you hon member Marran for acknowledging the important role of farmworkers in the landscape of the economy of the Western Cape, because it is 16,7% of the labour force in the Western Cape.

An HON MEMBER: Yes, protect them.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: It is also 26% of the total agricultural labour force in South Africa, so yes, it plays a significant role. It is about 226 000 agricultural workers. [Interjections.] It is about 231 000, so I think hon member Pat Marran and I, we are in agreement that agricultural production needs to be protected. [Interjections.] But more important, hon Speaker, *landbou is die ruggraat van die ekonomie van die Wes-Kaap*. [Tussenwerpsels.] [agriculture is the backbone of the economy of the Western Cape.]

An HON MEMBER: We know.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: We agree in this House also, even the Freedom Front, the GOOD party, the EFF, the African National Congress... [Interjections.]

Mr M XEGO: No!

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: ...as well as my party.

Mr D AMERICA: Yes!

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: We agree on one thing. [Interjections.] We need to grow the economy and we believe collectively we will - you are part of this Legislature. You must rise to the occasion. You took an oath of office... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order, hon Minister.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: That oath must now come into reality. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon Minister. [Interjections.] [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Hon Speaker... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members! Hon members, I recognise the point of order by the Deputy Chief Whip of the ANC.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Speaker, is it correct for the hon MEC, to address the member hon member Pat Marran directly, he should be addressing you, hon Speaker. [Interjection.] Can you please correct him in that regard? Thank you. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Deputy Chief Whip of the ANC.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Hon Speaker, I will address you.

An HON MEMBER: You are not recognised, sit down!

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, will you please take your seat.

Mr M XEGO: Please behave and sit down! Behave! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, the Speaker is speaking. You know, the Speaker is not part of the debate.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The SPEAKER: So will you please respect the authority of the Presiding Officer. Mine is to be a fair referee, but do not try to include me in the debate by not listening to me. We want to make sure the spirit and decorum of the House prevails in pursuit of the agenda before us. So I am simply appealing to each and every one of the hon members that let us please allow the debate to continue as intended and observe Rule 40, not to run running commentary, because what happens is that it disrupts the House. I recognise the hon Minister.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Hon Speaker, thank you for this opportunity. †Ons weet dat Landbou is die ruggraat van die Wes-Kaapse ekonomie. Daarom moet ons landbou koester. Ons moet dit beskerm en ons moet dit ondersteun. Ons intensie in die Wes-Kaap is ook om by te dra tot ekonomiese groei in die landbousektor. Ons projeksies, agbare Speaker, dui daarop dat indien ons 5% ekonomiese groei kry in die landbousektor kan ons 23 000 nuwe werksgeleenthede hier in die Wes-Kaap skep.

Agb Speaker, 50% van alle Suid-Afrikaanse wynbouproduksie word uit die Wes-Kaap uitgevoer. U is ook bewus dat die Wes-Kaap beskik oor 98% van alle wynkelders in Suid-Afrika. Landbou is die ruggraat van die Wes-Kaapse ekonomie.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[We know that agriculture is the backbone of the Western Cape economy. Therefore we must nurture it. We must protect it and support it. Our intention in the Western Cape is to also contribute to the economic growth in the agricultural sector. Our projections, hon Speaker, indicate that if we can achieve 5% economic growth in the agricultural sector we can create 23 000 new job opportunities here in the Western Cape.]

Hon Speaker, 50% of all South African wine production is exported from the Western Cape. You are also aware that the Western Cape has 98% of all wine cellars in South Africa. Agriculture is the backbone of the Western Cape economy.]

Hon Speaker, an attack on a farm or an attack on a farmer or an attack on a farmworker is an attack on the rural agricultural economy of the Western Cape. Farmers and agri-workers are living in fear in South Africa. Farmers and agri-workers are under attack. Several murders on producers and workers have taken place in recent months in South Africa. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: By who? [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: The current lack of safety not only affects the people, hon Speaker, but it also affects the economy, all of whom compromises the ability of the sector to create jobs, enable food security and to grow our economy. Agri-processing remains a critical Provincial Government priority as the driver to create jobs and stimulate economic growth with many of these jobs within the rural landscape. The safety of all stakeholders within the agricultural value chain is therefore key in addressing poverty.

To address this problem, hon Speaker, the Western Cape Government has developed a response strategy, which is located with the Western Cape Safety Plan recently announced by the Premier of the Western Cape, Alan Winde. [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Where is the plan?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: The aims of the rural strategy is to align the available law enforcement resources to respond to the safety needs of rural communities. It is also strengthening relationships between rural communities and law enforcement agencies. It also encourages all stakeholders in the rural safety to work together in a coordinated and integrated manner and engage in joint planning, implementation, monitoring, development and evaluation of combating crime in rural areas.

The Western Cape has also started the process of drafting a response to the national rural safety strategy to ensure that the often unique safety challenges of the very rural communities are considered as the Section 206 of the Constitution. Hon Speaker, the Cabinet has also agreed with the various role players to establish an inter-ministerial committee under my leadership together with the Minister of Community Safety, Minister Albert Fritz.

We have also established a technical committee to make sure that we equip our rural farm watching units, the rural municipalities, the district municipalities with resources and capabilities to use technology to assist us with crime prevention. I have also recently visited some of these farm watches. They are doing outstanding work.

The National Development Plan is clear, we want to succeed in South Africa. We must have active citizenship and I am pleased that many farmers and farm workers have established forums to promote rural safety at their own cost and at their own time and I really, on behalf of this Government, want to thank them for their big contribution in assisting us to promote rural safety. [Interjections.] Hon Speaker, I have also decided that those people who are now committing a crime... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Minister, you need to wrap up.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Okay, I conclude. Those people in the Western Cape who are harming a farmworker or a farmer, I will be in court to oppose bail as I have done last Monday in the court in Franschhoek.

The PREMIER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: I will be back in court on 16 October.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Thank you, hon Minister.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Thank you. [Time expired.] [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. I now recognise hon Marais, FF Plus.

Mr P J MARAIS: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. †Dankie agbare. [Thank you, honourable.]

†n AGBARE LID: Agbare.

[An HON MEMBER: Honourable.]

Mr P J MARAIS: The question before this House, I want to approach from a different angle - is it endemic in our justice system? [Interjections.] Shut up! The question before... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: No! Hon member Marais, will you please take your seat. [Interjections.]

Mr P J MARAIS: Hon Speaker, they are wasting my time with unwanted interjections... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Will you please take your seat, hon member.

Mr P J MARAIS: Okay, they will jump up like Jack in the boxes now. [Laughter.]

The SPEAKER: Will you please take your seat, hon member Marais. Please. Please do that. I recognise the Chief Whip.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker. Not so long ago there was a ruling, if I recall, on the use of the word "shut up" as being unparliamentary, so if you could perhaps guide the hon member on parliamentary procedure and what is parliamentary and not. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Chief Whip. Hon members...

Mr P J MARAIS: I did not refer to any hon member.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, I think in the spirit, again I would like to request that we conduct ourselves in the manner that respects and promotes the decorum of this House. We have agreed in the previous sittings, hon member Marais, I am responding to your statement. Yes, you may not have done so, but we have requested members to withdraw and I would like you to withdraw that.

Mr P J MARAIS: Who should I withdraw, sir?

The SPEAKER: No, just to withdraw the statement, “shut up”. †Ngoba kuhleli abantu apha amalungu alendlu. [They are members of this House, so please.] Please do so, sir.

Mr P J MARAIS: I withdraw the statement, the word “shut up.”

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you very much. Will you please proceed, Sir.

Mr P J MARAIS: The question before this House, sir, is does our justice system tip heavier in favour of criminals than what it tipped in favour of victims? Has justice itself denied law-abiding citizens sufficient redress for their grievances and inflicted suffering? Are constitutional restraints and uncertainty with regard to the rights of criminals and victims out of balance? In law, the words “will do” or “shall do” or “may” have totally different meanings and if we look at our Constitution in the case of the accused the word “must” is used. In other words the courts must set an affordable sum of money that he can afford. Even if it is R20,00 then he is out on bail. This denies courts any discretion under any circumstances. On the other hand the State is required in Section 64A, B and C to prove that should bail be granted the accused will attempt to evade trial. He will attempt to influence or intimidate witnesses; that he will destroy evidence. The onus is on the State to prove he will do it; not he might do it, but he will. This is our own remnant from the Roman Dutch law, innocent before proven guilty, whereas in Clause 65 it says “the Court may, where applicable, take into account his degree of violence towards others, he may take into account any threats of violence against people or repeating the same crime.” So in other words, the Court may do it, the Court has discretion. It does not have to take into account the past of this criminal or whether he will intimidate people.

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon member Marais. Your time is up.

Mr P J MARAIS: Can you see why I was annoyed when they wasted my time? [Time expired.] [Laughter.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Thank you, hon member Marais. I hope they do not do that the next time.

Ms L M MASEKO: Go home!

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you, hon Speaker. As previously mentioned in this House the crimes against women and children are not Women’s Month or 16 Days of Activism shout-out messages. The numbers are horrendous and must be amplified on every possible platform.

Hon Speaker, since 2018 rape cases only decreased by 0,2%. Sexual assault cases increased by 2,7%.

Contact sexual offences increased by 18,9%. Altogether five of the top ten stations where contact sexual offences were recorded are located in the Western Cape. This is unacceptable and the community impact are indeed horrendous. From the above it must be stated that even though sexual offences do not only include women and children, women and children are in the majority. For example, just over a quarter of men reported rape where their female counterparts report nearly half of all the cases. The annual national crime statistics concerning women and children shows a slight increase in sexual offences where detected as a result of police action, at 1,8%. However, the actual counts are far too low, 169, compared to the offences reported 7 043.

Hon Speaker, somewhere, somehow, something needs to be done, yet the hope that criminals will be prosecuted is a pipedream for many cases. For the period April 2018 to March 2019 only 21% of the arrests made by SAPS ended in convictions. For the same period 18 cases of rape by police officers was referred to IPID. This, together with Uyinene's case, where a Government employee was found to be a criminal, is evidence of how the system is failing our women and children.

Thankfully the Courts Watching Brief Programme by DoCS revealed to us some failures of the system in order for us to become solution-driven. Yesterday they showed that SAPS only responded to 114 out of 1498 cases, of which systemic failures where documents were simply not present or investigations were incomplete. Minister Mbombo revealed a plan to remedy the poor performance of EMS services in crime-ridden areas. These are problems that can be addressed by supplementing SAPS resources in our province.

Hon Speaker, this is why I welcome the Premier's R1 billion plan, especially where it aims to supplement SAPS... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Give us opportunity...

Ms W F PHILANDER: ... with 115 investigators as well as the initiative by DoCS to ensure all stations in the Western Cape have rape kits to supplement the evidence process for prosecution, by the end of this month. For these statistics to be reduced it will require small steps like these and for us to continue interrogating failures in order for us to render our communities a little safer every day. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] Checking with Marius.

Ms W F PHILANDER: We can no longer make excuses or shift the blame. We need to react to the cries of our communities in every possible way. [Interjections.]

†Agb Speaker, die ANC is regtigwaar verward. Eers wil hulle nie hê ons moet die blaam skuif nie en as die Premier en hierdie DA-regering 'n plan maak om wel veiligheidsplanne in te bring, is hulle daarmee ook ontevrede. [Tussenwerpsels.] Agbare Speaker, ons verwelkom die ekstra geld vir hierdie provinsie om te verseker dat ons gemeenskappe veilig en in vrede kan lewe. Ek dank u. [Tussenwerpsels.] [Applous.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[Hon Speaker, the ANC is really confused. At first they don't want us to shift the blame and when the Premier and this DA Government make a plan to indeed introduce safety plans, they are also unhappy with that. [Interjections.] Hon Speaker, we welcome the extra money for this province to ensure that our communities can live safely and in peace. I thank you. [Interjections.] [Applause.]]

†n AGBARE LID: Mooi!
[An HON MEMBER: Good!]

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Thank you, hon member Philander. Hon members, I now recognise Al Jama-ah, hon member De Jager.

Mr I DE JAGER: Good day, hon Speaker, Premier and distinguished guests. Crime in the Western Cape has escalated drastically. The reason for that is high unemployment. In impoverished areas and rural areas there is no community police... [Interjection.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Listen to what he is saying.

Mr I DE JAGER: ...policing visibility and no rural safety plans. Attacks on farmers have increased according to the stats 2018 to 2019. On farms alone, 47 murders, 41 incidents of theft of livestock; seven attempted murders reported on the farms alone. Crime has an impact on our farming communities; on our rural communities as a whole. Some police stations are very far apart in assisting the rural areas and not enough police members or vehicles are made available to assist these people in these rural areas, especially in the rural areas. Hon Speaker, I think it is about time that this House and members, that we all get together and start working together to fight these things as members of the Provincial Legislature and stop fighting one another and get together and fight crime, that everybody and not only us but all the people out there that are moaning and groaning about, so let us get together and let us fight the crime from here and not fight the crime from the outside. I thank you, hon Speaker.

Mr P J MARAIS: Fight back. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member De Jager. Did I hear you correctly, hon member Marais, that you want to fight? [Laughter.] May I now... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Workshop, a 15-minute workshop.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon members, I recognise the hon Premier.

The PREMIER: Thank you very much, hon Speaker, and thank you very much to the hon member Allen for sponsoring this debate. It is really a very important debate for us in this province as well as in our country.

Why do we have crime statistics? Why do we make these statistics available? What do we actually do with these statistics, and you know, I ask myself this question fairly often because generally the statistics that we get are not used for management. Now normally you have statistics so that you can measure and when you measure you manage. In our country we put out crime statistics the next year, way beyond, and it is a history lesson. It is not a mechanism of how we deal with what is happening on the ground every single day in all of our communities, as being mentioned in this House today.

It really amazes me in the evening when I am finished with my last meeting and I get in my car and I pick up my phone to catch up the messages and the first thing I get is Google telling me how long it is going to take me to get home and which road to take to avoid any disruption or whatever the problem is on the way home, it is pre-empting any problem for me getting from A to B. I do not even ask it for that. It just gives it to me.

We do not have any clue in this country of how to use crime statistics in management and I said this to the President the other day: every single time our National Minister releases the crime statistics he apologises because it gets worse. The people in our country feel it. We felt the women of this province and of this country standing up because of the unbelievably high levels of gender-based violence in our system. We know in this province what it is like to be the murder capital of our country. These are all statistics but what are we doing about these statistics?

It is all very well giving the country a history lesson but what happens, where is the management once you got the data and the detail and that is non-existent; and guess what is even more important in that management process, whose head is on the block because it does not seem as if our National Minister's head is on the block. There is no consequence at the moment in our system for the criminal. There is no consequence for the criminal. If we have a 3% conviction rate in our country it is much easier to commit crime than go to the casino because 3% conviction rate is nothing. The risk is just about not there, and quite frankly there is no consequence on the other side of the criminal, the politician who leads, what is the consequence for the Minister of Police, the Minister of our criminal justice system, the Ministers of the judiciary, the Ministers of Correctional Services, there is zero, zero consequence. No heads roll, no one is on the red carpet.

So quite frankly it is really distressing when we have the release of these crime statistics, which is a history lesson, and quite frankly all it does is just get brushed under the carpet and we move on. But that is why this Province is taking a different stance with regard to crime, but let us also just have a look at some of the issues around the crime statistics at the moment and what is happening.

If we have a look at the murder numbers and I have said in this House a number of times around the murder numbers, I have spoken about our murder numbers in this province, which is actually the most credible statistic that we have, because we can correlate the statistics that the Minister gives us months and months later, we can take those statistics and align them with all of our autopsies in our hospitals and those two statistics line up.

The other statistics there is no alignment whatsoever.

Rape, go to the seven Thuthuzela Centres that we have in this province. Have a look at how many women present at those Thuthuzela Centres and then how many are prepared to even lay a charge, less than 50%, and we only have seven of these centres, and quite frankly the numbers of 29 rapes per day in this province are nowhere near the real statistics that should be counted, and the consequence and the management that comes on the back of those statistics.

If you have a look at - now let us just sort of blur some of those statistics with regard to murders that we know of, even beyond what the Minister has put out, and linking it to the deployment of the military, and we know the first weekend that the military were brought in we saw a substantial drop in our murder rate in specifically the Metro but also across the province and coming from a weekly between 50 and 70 murders, 70 generally on a payday-weekend, and 50 on average of a normal weekend or an abnormal weekend, should I say, in our Metro areas, and slowly but surely we have been seeing these numbers come down. I used to release these numbers every Monday morning but they had a massive negative impact on our economy but we still use them to manage, and we still use them to hold the police system to account and I am pleased to announce in this House that in the last two weekends it has been 30 and this last weekend which was a payday-weekend, which is substantial lower than we have seen before and the weekend before was 31, and I really want to commend those dedicated police officers, Metro police officers, law enforcement officers, Neighbourhood Watches, members of the public and the military of being involved in these last operations, we actually started to see some of these numbers coming down and that is really good news and I congratulate them on that.

Statistics and the Safety Plan, but let us just have a look at the recorded number and this is one of the statistics that really is quite scary. 736 of the murders reported nationally and 4 196 common assaults in the stats were committed by children. This is a very, very scary number. I will talk about this graph just now and how many no-parent households we have, how many single-parent households we have, some of the worst statistics in the world, but children becoming more violent and in our plan we have seen, that is why we need to have - and hon member Xego, it is not about the boots on the ground - it is actually about the other integrated plan on every single department and you are right, it is about those long-term plans that will bring change in our province.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Ten years later.

The PREMIER: Those are the ones that are going to bring change in our province and it is interesting because or perhaps let me... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: The DA did nothing about that for about ten years.

The PREMIER: I will get to the ten years in a minute. [Interjections.] But let us also talk about the crime stats and you know there is one thing that these crime stats do not show us, police response times.

We do not measure police response times and that is shocking because ask the people up in this gallery how often they call and they wait and they wait and they wait and no-one comes to help. No-one comes to help.

An HON MEMBER: Shocking!

The PREMIER: That is shocking. The number of cases that get struck off the roll, the Court Watching Brief, the system that we are talking about... [Interjection.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Oh, they take how long it takes them. That is also the problem. [Inaudible.]

The PREMIER: ...that is also absolutely shocking. When we have in the last report 312 cases struck off the roll, 129 because the dockets were not in court - a failure of the system.

What did we do in the last ten years? We now produce these numbers - not the stats that the Police Minister releases. [Interjections.] 126 of these investigations were incomplete. Who produces those? This Province! That was in the last ten years that we started putting these mechanisms in place. The only province with legislation, the only province in South Africa... [Interjections.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: It got worst in the last 10 years.

An HON MEMBER: Ten years.

The PREMIER: And I have just heard - that in the last ten years, and the crime has got worse. The State - after ten years and the shortage of 548 detectives... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members! [Interjections.] Hon Premier, please with your indulgence, I just want to address the hon members here. I am simply asking for cooperation. I know that it may provoke certain reactions but we still have a number of speakers, in fact, two left. May I then request that hon members exercise caution in the amount of noise in terms of Rule 40. I recognise the Premier. [Interjections.] Hon member Lili.

Mr A LILI: Thank you, hon Speaker. Really, this is a serious matter that needs to be addressed, the issue of the Safety Plan around the Western Cape. Is the Premier of the Western Cape... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: What is your point of order?

The SPEAKER: What is your point of order?

Mr A LILI: Is the Premier of the Western Cape ready to take questions around the Safety Plan? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Okay, alright. Please take your seat, hon member Lili. [Interjections.] Hon members! [Interjections.] Hon members, the hon member is asking whether the Premier is ready to take a question. Hon Premier?

The PREMIER: Will it count in my time?

The SPEAKER: Your time is on hold.

The PREMIER: Is it on hold?

The SPEAKER: Yes.

The PREMIER: If my time is on hold I will take a question.

Mr A LILI: But you are our Premier, you have to answer our questions.

The PREMIER: So ask the question.

The SPEAKER: Hon member Lili, you may ask your question.

Mr A LILI: Okay, thank you, hon Premier, my question is very simple - do you think that the issue around crime is solely around the issue of the law enforcement and excluding the living conditions and the poverty that our communities are forced to live in?

An HON MEMBER: What have you really done on poverty?

The SPEAKER: Alright, thank you, hon member Lili. The Premier.

The PREMIER: Thank you very much. Absolutely, and that is why the plan is there, the whole comprehensive plan. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Where? Where is the plan?

The PREMIER: We have seen in the investigations and the shortfall, so let us look at the criminal justice system. In the last while 2 129 001 crimes were reported; 1 000 626 arrests - that is 76%; 276 887 convictions - that is 13% and 152 553 imprisonments - that is 7%. Now what manages this system and this plan is a R1 billion plan and if I have enough time I will talk to that plan. [Interjections.] But listen to this, the criminal justice system as run by ANC management at ANC level, Government National and policy is R204 000 billion ...[Interjections.] and we are putting a R1 billion place in place.

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: We want the plan.

The PREMIER: You asked for [Interjections.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: We do not want the figures of the money... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members! Hon members, the Premier is unable to convey the message within the environment that is conducive to do so. I am asking the Chief Whips here, the Chief Whip and the Chief Whip of the Official Opposition to help me. We need a functional Parliament in order for this debate to take place. Please assist, hon members. I recognise the Premier.

The PREMIER: R204 000 million is the budget of the criminal justice system. The police on which this hon member says, we need to take control of Metro police and law enforcement and SAPS under one body. We have got 19,500 police officers in this province run by the ANC, run by National Government. [Interjections.] We have got 1,500 officers in the Municipality of Cape Town. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members! Is that a point of order, hon member?

An HON MEMBER: No. Create jobs.

An HON MEMBER: I am raising if the Premier is willing to take a question.

The SPEAKER: Hon Premier, are you ready to take a question?

The PREMIER: If you stop, I will take a question.

The SPEAKER: No, the time is not stopped.

The PREMIER: Then I will not take a question.

The SPEAKER: Alright, I recognise the Premier.

The PREMIER: Thank you. This obviously seems to hurt with the noise that is coming out. [Interjections.] There are 19,500 police officers in this province and only 1,500... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members! Hon Premier, will you please take your seat. I seriously - Chief Whip, will you please take your seat. Hon members, it is up to us to make sure that the House is what we want. This is our House, so you cannot really rely on the Speaker to keep saying "order, order". We need to conduct ourselves in such a way that the House is not compromised. So I am really calling on all of us to please respect the decorum of the House and allow the Premier to deliver his speech in an environment that is conducive to do so. I recognise the Premier. Chief Whip.

The PREMIER: Thank you very much. So we have 19,500 police officers in this province.

This hon member says that the 1,500 Metro police officers and law enforcement officers should fall under the police. The police is a total failure. The management does not exist. The crime statistics are not used.

An HON MEMBER: Exactly!

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): So is the blame [Inaudible.]

The PREMIER: We are not bringing down crime, we are not bringing down crime in South Africa at all. [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): And the school resource officers. [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: We are on the worst statistics in most of these indicated in the world. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: The Premier is complaining.

The PREMIER: The ANC's model is when something fails; ask another failed organisation to take it over. I mean it is unbelievable how they cannot fix the system in our country and we are now stepping into a space that is not our mandate because we have to make it safer... [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Metro Police is not even deployed in Philippi [Inaudible.]

The PREMIER: And I agree that it is the whole-of-society approach and that is why our plan is not only 3 000 extra boots on the ground... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order hon members. Premier.

The PREMIER: It is not only putting extra investigators in the system so we do not have the total failure of the existing system. It is making sure that we improve the system so we bring down crime but it is also about every single one of these Ministers and the role that they play across society, whether it be lighting in communities, whether it be poverty reduction, whatever they are, and you have already seen Minister Madikizela has already launched his plan on how in his Department the role that he will be playing around the changing of our traffic police to highway patrol and the different roles that they are going to play. [Interjections.] You have already seen the Minister of Agriculture in the Rural Safety Plan, where that mechanism has already been put in place and you will see each of these Ministers putting their plans in place, and they will be coming back to our Safety Cabinet which will be open for measurement and to the public as we move towards these indicators, whether they are green or red, and how we manage it and what the consequences are. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Premier.

The PREMIER: We are having to take over the job in this province, because that ANC, their policies and their National Government are a total failure! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Premier.

The PREMIER: And with that, Mr Speaker, I would like to say thank you very much, but lastly, just to acknowledge the role that our Neighbourhood Watches play.

These men and women walk late at night to make sure our communities remain safe and I really want to ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Premier, your time is up.

The PREMIER: ... thank them. They are the real stars in this fight. Thank you. [Applause.]

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. You know, we need to take note of what is happening in the House today.

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

Mr M KAMA: That the Premier continues to talk about “a plan”, and members of this House are struggling with one thing and they are asking where the plan is so that we can study it, understand it and support Government.

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

Mr M KAMA: But we cannot find the plan. [Interjections.] But, Mr Speaker, the statistics, whether viewed on the basis of a national or a provincial overview, gives credence to the fears and concerns of South Africans as it relates to their safety.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr M KAMA: Nationally the statistics on the period under review, record the highest murder rate in the past 10 years, at an average of 58 people murdered a day. They record an increase in sexual offences ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Good job!

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Under your watch.

Mr M KAMA: ... of 4.6%. and substantial increases in all other contact crimes which create fear in our citizens. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Good job.

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

Mr M KAMA: Mr Speaker, as the statistical overview in the Western Cape relates, increases of 6.6% in murder; 4.4% in attempted murder and 3.8% in assault with the intent to inflict grievous bodily harm, are recorded.

But, Mr Speaker, unlike the DA Government, which has long decided to politicise the issue of crime, as evident in their manifesto calling for a provincial police force, some of the utterances that we hear today ... [Interjections.] the ANC approach is to look at what the statistics present.

An HON MEMBER: Ja!

Mr M KAMA: We should assist this House in responding to the challenges of crime. [Interjections.] Mr Speaker, on page 25 of the statistics report we see a registered decrease ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M KAMA: ... in the number of ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members. Hon member Kama, will you please take your seat. I have made the same call repeatedly, hon members. I seriously depend on the hon members behaving in a manner that is consistent with the decorum of this House.

So you must help me, both the Chief Whip of the majority party and the Chief Whip of the ANC. I cannot be the Chief Whip from this Chair, but I also request that we just allow the debate and the spirit of the debate to prevail. Hon member Kama?

Mr M KAMA: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. The ANC's approach is to look at what the statistics present which would assist this House in responding to the challenges of crime.

On page 25 of the statistics report, we see a registered decrease in the murder rate in Nyanga, in Philippi, in Gugulethu, Mfuleni and substantially in Kraaifontein.

We also on page 106 see a registered decrease in sexual offences in the province; in Nyanga, in Gugulethu, Harare and substantially in Mitchells Plain.

We also see decreases in burglary, whether at residential or non-residential premises.

These have been achieved through the stabilisation interventions by the South African Police because the current period, Mr Speaker, under review, does not record the stabilisation interventions that are in place as we speak. We can confirm in this House that further successes will be recorded.

In that, Mr Speaker, we must commend the work of SAPS and other community crime-fighting structures, as mentioned earlier. Allow me to focus a bit on the SAPS approach.

One is stabilisation intervention at a first stage. Then followed by normalisation interventions which focus on the root cause analysis and bringing together different departments to tackle crime. Social behaviour, as influenced by unemployment, poverty, inequality, dysfunctional families ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Kama, will you please take your seat. I recognise the Chief Whip.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would like to know if the hon member will take a question?

An HON MEMBER: It is time-wasting.

Mr M KAMA: Out of an understanding, Mr Speaker, as displayed today, that the DA does not understand the challenge of crime ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Answer a question.

Mr M KAMA: ... I would rather use this time to lecture them and educate them on the subject. [Applause.]

Social behaviour is influenced by unemployment, poverty, inequality, dysfunctional families and relationships and all other social ills remain some of the contributing factors of not only murder, but crime in general, hence the importance of the normalisation intervention.

Mr Speaker, instead of the Premier choosing to issue a political statement which he termed as “the best safety plan” we have ever seen, a plan that introduced an additional appointment of 3,000 municipal police service personnel and 150 investigators with no legislative mandate, we want to call on the Premier to give a detailed socio-economic plan with timeframes and budgets, which will focus on changing the lives of the poor in the Western Cape. [Interjections.]

The DA Government and its benches have been making false claims that the Western Cape is unfairly treated as it relates to police personnel. A lie which has continuously been refuted. [Interjections.]

What we agree with, as confirmed by police leadership is that the police establishment is not responding to the population growth, because when we had a population of 47 million, the police personnel were about plus-minus 190,000. Even today at 56 million, we still have about plus-minus 190,000 in the country, and this does not only affect the Western Cape; it is a problem in the country. [Interjections.] Now here we are. [Interjections.] Here we are, Mr Speaker, in responding to this. We welcome the current work in the police service to reveal the establishment and the allocation of enlisting police resources. [Interjections.] We also welcome the announced interventions by the President ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon members!

Mr M KAMA: Mr Speaker ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order! Please, proceed, hon member Kama.

Mr M KAMA: Mr Speaker, we welcome the interventions that are made by the police. Today we are made to believe that the introduction of 1,500 personnel is the best thing we have ever seen but we have seen the [Inaudible] announced that continuing in the next financial years there is going to be recruitment of 7,000 police personnel that are going to be recruited. [Interjections.]

While sexual offences have decreased in the province and a decrease in rape, being a contributor according to the stats, we have seen an increase in other sexual offences, like sexual assaults and other gender-based violence cases. We call on the police leadership to put in place strict consequence management mechanisms as we can no longer tolerate the dismissive behaviour of police and ill-treatment of victims at other stations.

Police officers must understand that they owe their allegiance to the Constitution of the Republic and citizens of this country, and not criminals.

We also want to welcome the upgrading and revamp of the Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offences Unit, which will also have a cold case capacity ... [Interjections.] to respond to the cries of women and on the cases which were not given the necessary attention. [Interjections.]

Mr Speaker, here is a lecture once again. [Interjections.] In the fight against femicide and gender-based violence, this Government must first understand one thing, which is the historical context of what we are talking about.

This historical context includes the development and evolution of societies under different systems of protection and distribution of resources.

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

Mr M KAMA: Those historical relationships of men and means production have always been an influence of how they socially relate to women hence the development of patriarchal relations. [Interjections.]

It is our understanding, Mr Speaker, that the roles of Government therefore should be to ensure that it privatises the economic development of women in the Western Cape. [Interjections.] That in Government departments it must be a thing of the past that only men occupy senior positions against women. In appointments of board entities, executive councils in Parliaments, in businesses, we should all commit ourselves in fighting for gender parity. This will help on how women and our grandsons grow to view women in society. [Applause.]

Allow me, Mr Speaker, to focus on community involvement. Statistics in this regard, as confirmed by the Chair, reveal that there is a decrease in crimes that are reported by the community.

An HON MEMBER: What?

Mr M KAMA: Yes, the first argument which is easy, is that ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! [Interjections.] Order, hon members! Please proceed, hon member Kama.

Mr M KAMA: The first argument, Mr Speaker, is that communities have lost confidence in the police which we accept because while we have good police, we also have bad police who have compromised the trust between police and communities.

The PREMIER: What are you doing about it?

Mr M KAMA: And this we must deal with.

The PREMIER: What are you doing about that?

Mr M KAMA: Mr Speaker, we also want to put it on record that this is also because of the political meddling of the Provincial Government.

HON MEMBERS: Yes!

Mr M KAMA: The MEC recently issued directives of AGM's which are not in line with the CPF Constitution. Not only that they are not in line, but these directives were also developed in isolation with no community involvement.

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

Mr M KAMA: This creates internal factions, fights and defocuses the CPF's from their mandate, and energy and time are focused on AGM's instead of fighting the actual crime. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

Mr M KAMA: We welcome the resolution, Mr Speaker, of the last CPF Board meeting, which called on CPF's to continue and use the CPF Constitution to conduct these AGM's. [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Were you there?

Mr M KAMA: Mr Speaker, as I conclude, Mr Speaker ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon members! Please conclude, hon member Kama.

Mr M KAMA: Yes. As I conclude, Mr Speaker, the Western Cape Provincial Government must stop behaving like a net which finds itself in a Wimbledon final of the great Novak and Roger Federer, whose responsibility is only to divide the two halves of the tennis court.

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

Mr M KAMA: The Provincial Government is not dividing the National Government ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member.

Mr M KAMA: ... and the Local Government.

The SPEAKER: Your time is up.

Mr M KAMA: It has a role to play in changing the lives ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

Mr M KAMA: ... of our people. Where is the plan? Thank you very much. [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Kama. [Interjections.] Hon members, order! [Interjections.] Order, hon members! [Interjections.] I now recognise the DA, hon member Allen.

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Speaker ... [Interjections.] Just because we are shouting ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

Mr R I ALLEN: ... that does not make the argument and the merits of the argument any stronger. [Interjections.] [Applause.]

Let me begin ... [Interjections.] with the opening sentiments as relayed by the hon member Smith and he mentioned playing ... [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): It looks like you do not have a speech.

Mr R I ALLEN: ... the blame-game. I fail to understand, because ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: It is your game, the blame game.

Mr R I ALLEN: ... whenever I think about the crime stats I am automatically reminded of two family members that were a stat, but to me they are family members.

An HON MEMBER: Mmm.

Mr R I ALLEN: Family members that lost their lives due to crime. So nowhere, anywhere are we to say that we are playing the blame game in understanding that we know that SAPS are under-staffed, they are understaffed by 4,500 people in this province; they are under-equipped; they are under-resourced; and they are under-trained; and we know that is unacceptable. We know that is unacceptable. [Interjections.]

What we are doing is that specifically, as hon member Smith was mentioning, the socio-economic conditions relating to high crime levels and specifically the boy child. The Premier's plan is ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: What plan?

Mr R I ALLEN: ... clear in that it will specifically target gang-ridden communities and ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Share that plan.

Mr R I ALLEN: ... as I said it will ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Listen!

Mr R I ALLEN: Listen; it will target specific gang-ridden communities and the successful Chrysalis programme, which aims to address the concerns ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Chrysalis?

Mr R I ALLEN: ... raised by the hon member Smith. [Interjections.]

Also, this plan will be made available after the appropriate process, but that does not mean that the work is already starting. The entire Executive has been mandated and we are already looking to see how it can be implemented so that that change can be in effect. [Interjections.] As the DA and in the Western Cape we remain committed ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: To what?

Mr R I ALLEN: ... because crime and safety is a top priority for this Government.

An HON MEMBER: Where is the MEC now?

Mr R I ALLEN: As I was listening to each and every one, I am reminded of a story, Premier ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Do not tell us Zimbabwe.

Mr R I ALLEN: ... in which ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon members! Please proceed, hon member.

Mr R I ALLEN: I am reminded of a story in which a young boy goes with his dad to the beach, and as they come home his shoe is full of sand and he messes the sand in the ... [Interjections.]

Ms P Z LEKKER: Story teller.

Mr R I ALLEN: As the sand is messed in the house, his sister complains that he is making a mess, but his dad is not upset. His dad goes on to say that due to the ocean's moving you basically change the world, and it will take a whole lot of trips to the beach in order to change the world where it makes a difference; and change is difficult ... [Interjections.]

Listen, change ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

Mr R I ALLEN: ... change is difficult.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Allen. Your time is up.

†'n AGBARE LID: Daar's hy!
[An HON MEMBER: There you go!]

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

Mr R I ALLEN: Change is difficult but change is definitely needed ...
[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Allen. [Interjections.]

Mr R I ALLEN: But let me conclude. [Interjections.] Let me conclude.

The SPEAKER: No, hon member Allen, please take your seat.

Mr R I ALLEN: I was asked to conclude.

An HON MEMBER: No!

Mr P MARRAN: No, no, Chief Whip, you said his time is up. Can the story teller please sit? [Laughter.]

Mr R I ALLEN: Okay.

The SPEAKER: Hon members ... [Interjections.]

†Mnr R I ALLEN: Julle moet eerste wen voordat jy die Speaker kan raak.
[Mr R I ALLEN: You have to win first before you can become the Speaker.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Allen ... [Interjections.] Hon members, order! Alright, thank you. Hon members, there is only one Speaker, hon member Marran. [Interjections.] Hon member Marran, please do not do that next time. There is only one Speaker, and the Speaker is in full control of the speaking time. [Interjections.]

So please let us not do that next time, but I just want to say to hon members ... [Interjections.] Order, hon members! Thank you very much for your contribution in the debate. It has been a pleasant experience to hear all the contradictions and arguments and inputs.

[Debate concluded.]

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Mr G BOSMAN (DA): Good afternoon, hon Deputy Speaker. Resilience is about being able to overcome difficulties and sustainability is about survival and the goal of resilience is to thrive.

Communities across our province, Madam Deputy Speaker, continue to face challenges related to both social and economic issues and whilst the duty of Government is to provide services that will ensure a conducive environment for success, it is simply not enough.

It is important that our communities develop a sense of personal responsibility if we are serious about growth and building resilience.

While the Western Cape is a sterling example of how government can provide a role in providing opportunities for individuals to reach their potential, communities are still being held hostage by acts of criminality, failures in service delivery and limited access to services that this Government can provide. Madam Deputy Speaker, we need to go back to basics where communities and individuals take personal responsibility for their children and their neighbourhoods because they have a duty of care.

Despite the many challenges the people of the Western Cape face, many individuals have taken the initiative to care for their communities with projects that speak directly to these challenges.

In Lavender Hill, Ralph Bouwers made headlines after he founded a project that seeks to provide children with a safe space, through sport, on a field that is used as a battle ground for gangsters. This is an act of reclamation.

We need locally based community driven solutions. Solutions like the Hope for Food Project that feeds subsistence farmers affected by the drought in Zoar in the Kannaland Municipality.

We have a duty to support such individuals, Madam Deputy Speaker, in their efforts to grow the voices of our next generation. As we are in the process of appointing a Children's Commissioner, we must remember that everyone has a fundamental responsibility to protect the next generation. Everyone has a duty of care to protect our children and everyone has a responsibility to care for our communities. I thank you. [Applause.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. As members of this House it is important that we recognise the role played by the ANC in this Legislature in ensuring that this House is in fact moving closer to the day when a Children's Commissioner for the Western Cape will finally be appointed.

Sections 78(1) of the Provincial Constitution states that "There is a provincial Commissioner for Children" and 79(2)(a) obliges such Commissioner to report annually to the Western Cape Provincial Parliament. It is an institution which, like the National Chapter 9 institution such as the Public Protector and the Human Rights Commission, has to be appointed.

In her State of Province Address on being elected as Premier in 2009 Helen Zille and the DA promised the people of the Western Cape that the Commissioner for Children would be established. Ten years ago. History will show that this was not only an empty promise but will also record the active steps taken by the DA to block the appointment of the Commissioner for Children. It became very clear that after making such a public commitment the DA was then advised that this Commissioner may become an embarrassment to the DA given that the plight of children in our province would no doubt be highlighted.

Then there was a sudden about turn and the DA, through the Premier, introduced a Bill into this House to make the appointment of both the Children's and Environmental Commissioners discretionary. This would have been the death knell of the Children's Commissioner.

It was the ANC in this Legislature that mobilised communities across the province to reject the proposed amendment in public hearings. It was clear that the people of the province supported the provision in the Western Cape Constitution to establish a Commissioner for Children.

It is in terms of this law, which is now being adopted, the Western Cape Commissioner for Children Act, that nominations have now been called for and such nominations close at the end of September.

In terms of the law, the names of all the nominations received will now have to be published in the media calling for objections to any of the names appearing on the list of nominations.

As the ANC in the Legislature, we call on the public to take a keen interest in this process. We need to ensure that the best possible candidate who will champion the interests of children will eventually be appointed by the Premier. We would also like to give notice ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Your time is up.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): ... that we will intensify our campaign for the appointment of a Commissioner for the Environment. This also has no discretion and needs to be appointed.

Mr M XEGO (EFF): Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. The EFF notes with concern the recent report from the Public Service Commission regarding incidents of theft and gross negligence and financial mismanagement of the public officials in the Government departments in the Western Cape Province. It is important to note at the outset that the Public Service Commission is a Chapter 10 institution, empowered by the Constitution of South Africa, to assist Government departments in promoting and keeping a high standard of professional ethics; making sure that there is efficient, economic and effective use of Government resources by Government institutions; to hold Government accountable in making sure that the public administration is development orientated and the public administrators must be accountable for their actions, just to name a few.

With this in mind, the Public Service Commission in its recently released report found high proportions of gross negligence in the manner in which public funds were handled by the provincial public officials in Government departments. Gross negligence and misconduct cases stood high at 27%. This was followed by theft at 23,5%, whilst misappropriation and abuse of Government resources at 21.6% related to wrongful use of Government Garage vehicles. The EFF ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr M XEGO: ... finds it shocking that so few employees were dismissed following such misconduct. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr M XEGO: The Economic Freedom Fighters condemns these incidences and calls on the Western Cape Government to take appropriate measure to recover the loss of these funds. This is so because such conduct comes at the cost of the taxpayers' money and robs the people of the Western Cape of proper service delivery.

Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN (DA): Agb Adjunkspeaker, terwyl inwoners van Kaapstad die komende somer met groter gerustheid rondom watervoorsiening kan ingaan, is daar streke van die Wes-Kaap wat steeds swaar ly onder die langdurige droogte.

Ek verwys u in hierdie verband na 'n antwoord van dr. Ivan Meyer, Minister van Landbou, op 'n parlementere vraag oor die toestande in die Hoeko-vallei by Ladismith. Die rivier waaruit geslagte se boere hulle bome besproei het, het vier jaar gelede opgedroog. Kan u u 'n vrugteplaas voorstel waar tot 80% van die bome gevrek het? Een van die groter plaasgroepe in die vallei moes 182 permanente werkers, waarvan talle geen ander werk as plaaswerk ken nie, afdank. 2000 seisoenwerkers se inkomste is as gevolg van die droogte daarmee heen. Boere in die Hoeko-vallei is tans besig om die jong, klein vruggies op die grond te gooi – in die hoop dat die bome sonder vrugte 'n beter kans het om nog 'n droeë somer te oorleef.

Natuurlik kan die reën more kom –oorvloedige reën selfs soos met die Laingsburg-vloed van Januarie 1981. Maar selfs as die damme môre sou oorloop, sal dit nog baie jare duur voordat die verlore werksgeleenthede herwin sal word. Baie van die boorde sal teen 'n koste van R2,5 miljoen tot R2,8 miljoen per hektaar hervestig moet word en eers na drie jaar 'n oes begin lewer. En wie gaan nou soveel geld vir 'n bankrot boer leen? Geen een van die bestaande droogtehulpskemas maak hiervoor voorsiening nie.

Ek glo daar is groot potensiaal vir 'n skema waar boere deur belastingsverligting aangemoedig word om in die vet jare meer geld opsy te sit vir die maer jare wat kom. Totdat dit gebeur vra ek u om met deernis aan talle families te dink wat weens die droogte reeds hul inkomste verloor het. Baie dankie.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[Hon Deputy Speaker, while citizens of Cape Town can face the coming summer with greater peace of mind around water supply, there are still regions of the Western Cape suffering badly under the long drought.

In this regard I refer to a reply from Dr. Ivan Meyer, of Agriculture, to a parliamentary question about the conditions in the Hoeko Valley at Ladismith. The river from which generations of farmers had irrigated their trees, dried up four years ago. Can you imagine a fruit farm where up to 80% of the trees have died?

One of the larger farming groups in the valley had to lay off 182 permanent workers, of whom many know no other work than farm work. 2000 seasonal workers' income has gone as a result of the drought. Farmers in the Hoeko Valley are currently dumping the young, small fruit on the ground – in the hope that the trees without fruit will have a better chance to survive another dry summer.

Of course the rains can come tomorrow – abundant rain as with the Laingsburg flood of January 1981. But even if the dams should be overflowing tomorrow, it will take many years before the lost job opportunities will be recovered. Many of the orchards will have to be re-established at a cost of R2,5 million to R2,8 million per hectare and only start to produce a harvest after three years. And who is now going to lend so much money to a bankrupt farmer? None of the existing drought aid makes provision for this.

I believe there is big potential for a scheme where farmers are encouraged through tax relief to set aside more money during the prosperous years for the lean years that are coming. Until that happens, I ask you to think with compassion about the many families who had already lost their incomes because of the drought. Thank you.]

Mr M K SAYED (ANC): Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Concerned parents and community leaders from Mfuleni plead to us for assistance to learners who receive education under very abnormal circumstances. Too many learners, for the past few years have not been placed in schools in Mfuleni.

An agreement was reached to proceed with platooning at two different schools while the Western Cape Education Department would start erecting prefab classes on its land. The WCED said that a primary school would be ready for occupation in the second quarter and a high school in October this year. But the primary school is still without water and electricity.

We find that ANC councillors, amongst them being Charlotte Heyns who is present in the gallery, found out from the City of Cape Town that the building plans were not approved. Emails show that no plan was submitted and the officials from WCED and Public Works explained that the plans were firstly incorrectly compiled. Fairdale Primary school with more than 400 learners is still without a sewer connection and forced to use mobile toilets. This school does not even have rubbish bins, hon Deputy Speaker. A hole is dug to burn the rubbish. Work at the high school has not even started. Over 600 learners platoon with only four hours of tuition a day which means that they are far behind.

This shows gross negligence and incompetency on the part of the Provincial Government. Premier Winde must hold accountable those MECs involved in this mess as learners are forced to learn under inhumane conditions using bucket toilets, for example. I thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Yesterday, the Minister of Transport, Minister Mbalula, released a report in which he admitted that the National Rail Disaster Management Centre, dubbed the 'war room' was not meeting its objectives to address railway challenges in the country, including the issue of rail safety.

Furthermore, the United National Transport Union said last month that the war room is, and I quote: “ineffective and has had no impact on the train services.” The question must be asked hon Deputy Speaker, what is the point of this war room or if it is just another summit where problems are discussed but not addressed?

Rail safety is at the forefront of the Western Cape Government’s concern when it comes to reforming ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): ... and revitalising our provincial passenger rail service, especially in the City of Cape Town. We cannot have the National Minister dithering in war rooms which present no tangible solutions to the problems facing our province’s residents every single day. This further proves why the DA in the Western Cape continues to call for the mandate of rail transportation to be devolved to sub-national level.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order member.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Under a litany of ANC Transport Ministers, the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Please stop my time.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please talk to me, I am listening.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, under a litany of ANC transport Ministers, the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa has only succumbed to theft and severe corruption leading to a collapse in rail transportation services. [Interjections.]. No amount, hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. Order, hon Marran. Hon Marran, please. [Interjections.]. Hon members can we have some order please. Hon Lili, hon Marran. Hon Lili and hon Marran can I have your attention please? There is a running commentary going on from both your tables or let us just say it is one table. Can we have a little bit of order and I do know that the three of you keep knocking the football across so this is why these things happen, but can I ask for some order while hon Mitchell finishes off his statement. Hon Mitchell, carry on.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. No amount of summits or war rooms will fix this until the mandate for rail is given to governments that are willing and capable to provide the necessary services, such as the DA-led Western Cape Government. [Interjections.].

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): This, hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, the status quo will only lead us to further neglect. We cannot allow passengers and commuters to be stranded while National Ministers sit in meaningless summits. I thank you.

Ms W F PHILANDER (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. In the ANC's haste to pass the NHI Bill, they do not care about the direct influence it has on every citizen in this country. As we enter Breast Cancer Awareness Month, citizens are once again encouraged and made aware of self-examinations, regular mammograms for early detection as 90% of patients survive for many years after detection at an early stage.

Hon Deputy Speaker, public and private healthcare structures are critical in the screening and patient care concerning this dreadful disease. It is very important that we realise how the intended NHI will affect future care, especially in specialised procedures.

Hon Deputy Speaker, the ANC Government cannot be trusted with public funds. On Tuesday in Tshwane, President Ramaphosa admitted to the fact that corruption in health services ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Ms W F PHILANDER: ... costs lives.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, order! [Interjections.] Order members! Hon Lili, hon Marran, can you just sit down please. Hon members, the ANC, can I please ask for your attention, in the front row. All three of you are ignoring me when I speak. Now let me not have to rise and get taller so can I just ask that member Philander can continue her statement and complete it. Thank you very much.

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. On Tuesday in Tshwane, President Ramaphosa admitted to the fact that corruption in health services costs lives and affects the poorest of the poor. The President announced a loss of R22 billion in the health sector due to corruption.

Hon Deputy Speaker, during this month of breast cancer awareness, it is with great concern that as much as we create awareness and take extra care, next year this time, how many patients will actually have access to the care they deserve? [Interjections.] †Wat die nasionale regering ... [Tussenwerpsel.] [What the National Government is ...[Interjection.]]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! [Interjections.] Order members!

†Me W F PHILANDER: Wat die Nasionale Regering eintlik vir ons sê met hierdie wetgewing, is dat hulle sal besluit wanneer ons mediese sorg nodig het, by wie ons dit kan kry, wat dit ons gaan kos en of dit enigsins nodig is om verwys te word of spesialisbehandeling te ontvang. [Tussenwerpsels.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[Ms W F PHILANDER: What the National Government is actually saying to us with this legislation is that they will decide when we require medical treatment, where we should get it, what it is going to cost us and whether it is at all necessary to be referred or receive specialist treatment. [Interjections.]]

How can we entrust billions of Rands ...

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

Ms W F PHILANDER: ... which we do not have, to an ANC Government that would incentivise further corruption through their disastrous Bill.

As the Democratic Alliance, we welcome the extension period for comments which is now due on 29 November 2019. The public and all stakeholders should ensure they vigorously interrogate this Bill, the funding model and how exactly healthcare will be improved for all South Africans.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Finish off member.

Ms W F PHILANDER: The President does not know, how should we know? I thank you, Deputy Speaker. [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. Hon members that is the end – hon members can I have your attention please. That is the end of Statements. Are there any Ministers who wish to rise and respond? Thank you hon Premier.

The PREMIER: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. I want to rise first of all on the statement by the hon Sayed and say thank you very much. In echoing his words to me earlier, saying something about a good man in the whole or perhaps part, I say exactly the same thing to him, as a good man in part but can he please when he makes statements around schools in Mfuleni get to understand the full picture, because does he know that there is an existing school right nearby that is standing absolutely empty, number one. Number two he speaks about getting connection at the City water etc., the ANC councillor in that ward, is he doing anything to help with this situation? And so I ask the hon member ...

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. Order members!

The PREMIER: ... I ask the hon member to rather be proactive in this process and try to help with finding a solution instead of just coming to this House and complaining. I would also like to address ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members! [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: I would also – I am not blaming the Council, the Council should do their work. ANC councillors are missing. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members! Can you just take your seat, hon Premier. Yes, on a point of order?

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): On a point of order, Madam Deputy Speaker. The Rules say that other members may not interrupt another member and this has happened repeatedly and I ask that those two offenders actually be named now.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I think I am going to definitely take the next step. Can I just ask hon member Sayed, I think the question is addressed to you, so if you could just go back to your seat while the Premier is speaking to you so that you cannot speak to him from a different seat. And then can I please ask the front row, can you please contain yourself. Maybe the Leader of the Opposition will have relook at seating because those two are on a roll today, the two hon members, with no due disrespect but please I do not want to have to name you in this sitting. So can I allow the Premier to finish? If you can rise please Premier.

The PREMIER: Can I also say to the hon Xego of the EFF when he wants to make a statement in the House, I presume he made his statement from the front page of a newspaper today, but please would he rather go and get the actual report from the Public Service Commission, because if you read the actual report, what we are talking here about is not gross maladministration and we need to see much harder rulings against these officials.

First of all I would like to point out to him that this is a government with a R67 billion budget and the total financial misconduct of this whole Government is R983 000 of which R183 000 is not a loss to the State.

R157 000 has already been recovered. There is R642 000 in question that is being investigated and this is 51 cases out of 86 000 civil servants, so please will he go and read the report so that he actually gets it into context before he starts using words like gross etc. [Interjections.] And then perhaps a last point ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. [Interjections.] Order.

The PREMIER: Perhaps a last point ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. Order.

The PREMIER: I am now going to make it a second last point. The second last point on this issue is, obviously we need to deal with any misconduct in a government and if you think about those number of cases I can assure you that we will deal with every single one. We will give the report on every single one, they will be dealt with because there are consequences if you are part of this Government.

And then the last point I want to raise is also to the hon member of the EFF because I do know that the next thing he is going to raise out of the newspapers is probably something to do with performance on payment of invoices within 30 days. First of all, please again, when he looks at that, will he put it into context. The payment of invoices to small business is very, very important. Hon member Nkondlo will know exactly what that means for SMMEs and small businesses.

You must put it into context. Governments must pay within 30 days, we have got that agreement. In Gauteng, the number of people who have not been paid, the number of small businesses who have not received their payment, at the moment stands at 30 713 ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, order! Order. Premier if you can just talk to me.

The PREMIER: This is Provincial Government, so let me say again, in Gauteng the outstanding not paid small businesses ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, members. You cannot drown out the Speaker and definitely not the Premier. Let him just finish.

The PREMIER: ... are 30 713. †Skande! [Disgrace!] In the Western Cape also we have got far too many that have not been paid. We have a total number of six. [Applause.] [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Alright members, that concludes the Member's Statements.

GRADE 9: EXIT POINT - SCHOOLING

(Notice of Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the impact of the Department of Basic Education's plans to finalise Grade 9 as an exit point of schooling on the quality of education in the Western Cape with reference to the high levels of unemployment. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the impact of the Department of Basic Education's plans to finalise Grade 9 as exit point of schooling on the quality of education in the Western Cape, especially considering the high levels of unemployment.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

SCHOOLS: RACIAL AND CLASS EXCLUSION

(Notice of Motion)

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the continued use of schools as spaces for racial and class exclusion in the Western Cape, and this includes the exorbitant rates charged by schools to community based NGO's for hiring of their halls such as Luckoff High, St Idas Primary and Brackner de Villiers in Stellenbosch. I thank you.

[Notice of Motion as moved by Member.]

Notice taken.

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the continued use of schools as spaces for racial and class exclusion in the Western Cape, including the exorbitant rates charged by schools to community-based NGO's for hiring halls, such as the Lückhoff High School, the St Ida's Primary School and the Bruckner de Villiers Primary School at Stellenbosch.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

BARGAINING COUNCIL AGREEMENTS

(Notice of Motion)

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the impact Bargaining Council agreements have on the development and growth of Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises. I so move.

[Notice of Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D AMERICA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the impact that Bargaining-Council agreements have on the development and growth of small, medium and micro enterprises.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

HOSPITALS: PLANS TO CHANGE TO DAY CLINICS

(Notice of Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Thank you, Hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the plans to change the Murraysburg Hospital and other critical facilities into a mere clinic or Day Hospital in the Western Cape. I thank you.

[Notice of Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): That is not true! It is not going to happen.

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the plans to change the Murraysburg Hospital and other critical facilities into clinics or day hospitals in the Western Cape.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

TRAINS: VIOLENCE AND CRIME

(Notice of Motion)

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the scourge of crime and violence taking place in Western Cape trains, where the majority of commuters using this transport service are poor people. Thank you very much.

[Notice of Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M XEGO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the scourge of crime and violence taking place on Western Cape trains where the majority of commuters who use this transport service is the people of colour.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

CEDERBERG MUNICIPALITY: CLEAN AUDIT

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates the Cederberg Municipality for receiving its third unqualified or clean audit under a DA council. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates the Cederberg Municipality on receiving its third unqualified or clean audit under a DA-led council.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

POOR SERVICE DELIVERY: REGULAR PROTESTS

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the large number of regular protests against poor service delivery in this province is growing with Paarl residents, the latest group unhappy with the high tariff hikes in Drakenstein Municipality.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the large number of regular protests against poor service delivery in this province is growing with Paarl residents being the latest group to be unhappy with the high tariff hikes in the Drakenstein municipality.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

RLABS HOLIDAY BOOTCAMP

(Motion)

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Rlabs, an award winning non-profit organisation based in Athlone, Cape Town, for successfully hosting 350 young people between the ages of 10 and 17 at a bootcamp over the school holidays. The NXTGEN Bootcamp is a holiday program where young people are introduced to artificial intelligence, animation, robotics and coding. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Rlabs, a non-profit organisation based in Athlone, Cape Town, on successfully hosting 350 young people between the ages of 10 and 17 at a boot camp over the school holidays; and notes that NXTGEN boot camp is a holiday programme where young people are introduced to artificial intelligence, animation, robotics and coding.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

DA NATIONAL LEADER: LIFESTYLE

(Motion)

Ms A BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the DA national leader is sinking deeper into a swamp of controversy as he could not properly explain his private Cape Town residence or the Markus Jooste or the Steinhoff sponsored luxury sport utility vehicle he used in this province and also notes experts saying that the DA is again seriously denting its assumed image as a squeaky clean party.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: *Nogals* a white Fortuner!

Ms A BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the DA's national leader is sinking deeper into a swamp of controversy as he could not properly explain his private Cape Town residence or the Markus Jooste- or Steinhoff-sponsored luxury sport utility vehicle that he used in this province; and also notes experts saying the DA is again seriously denting its assumed image as squeaky clean party.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

ROMEO ADAMS

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Western Cape Provincial Parliament Secretary, Mr Romeo Adams on his birthday today. [Applause.] On behalf of the Democratic Alliance and I am sure indeed the House, we wish him a very happy birthday today and to trust that he has a lovely day further and many more to come. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: Happy Birthday!

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates the Secretary, Romeo Adams, on his birthday today; and wishes him a very happy birthday and trusts that he will have a lovely day and many more to come.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

FAMILICIDE SHOOTING

(Motion)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that the umpteenth familicide that took place in this province with a Kuils River man killing his two children and wife before shooting himself and calls on the hon MEC Albert Fritz, in his absence, and hon MEC Sharna Fernandez to up their game in this field. I thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the umpteenth familicide that took place in this province with a Kuils River man killing his wife and two children before shooting himself; and calls on Minister Fritz and Minister Fernandez to up their game in this field.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

MARGARET MARITZ “AUNTY GRIET” – 113TH BIRTHDAY

(Motion)

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the oldest resident of Touws River turned 113 years old and Margaret Maritz known as Aunty Griet was given celebrity treatment and that the Legislature sends its congratulations to her and her family.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the oldest resident of Touws River, Margaret Maritz (known as Aunty Griet), was given celebrity treatment on her birthday; and sends its congratulations to her and her family.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

**LUCAS NONYANA AND CECELIA NEL
WINNERS: LAINGSBURG-KAROO MARATHON**

(Motion)

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the Laingsburg-Karoo Marathon took place in Laingsburg on Saturday, 28 September 2019; congratulates Mr Lucas Nonyana and Ms Cecelia Nel for winning the male and female categories of the full marathon; further congratulates councillor Bertie van As, the Arlington Athletics Club, Laingsburg Municipality and the Western Cape Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport for organising this fun-filled family event; notes that it is a sign of strength, perseverance and discipline to be able to complete a marathon; and conveys thanks to the participants of the various categories for displaying such leadership. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Laingsburg Karoo Marathon took place in Laingsburg on Saturday 28 September 2019; congratulates Mr Lucas Nonyana and Ms Cecilia Nel after respectively winning the male and female categories of the full marathon; further congratulates Councillor Bertie van As, the Arlington Athletics Club, the Laingsburg Municipality and the Western Cape Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport for organising this fun-filled family event; further notes that it is a sign of strength, perseverance and discipline to be able to complete a marathon; and conveys its thanks to the participants of the various categories for displaying such leadership.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

REDELINGHUYS COMMUNITY: AMALGAMATION OF SCHOOLS

(Motion)

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the Provincial Government is at long last engaging the community of Redelinghuys near Piketberg to amalgamate the two primary schools that are within walking distance of one another, the one mostly coloured and the other the old white school; that the WCED should speed up the process to also amalgamate other duplicate schools in the province that are within walking distance; use the same language of instruction, curriculum and exams and denounces the continuation of apartheid style school divisions along old race lines, like those perpetuating segregation in Villiersdorp.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the provincial government is at long last engaging the community of Redelinghuys near Piketberg about the amalgamation of the two primary schools that are within walking distance of one another – the one for mostly coloured learners and the other the old white school; requests that the WCED speed up the process of amalgamation of other duplicate schools in the province that are within walking distance of each other and that use the same language of instruction, curriculum and examinations; and denounces the continuation of apartheid-style school divisions along old race lines, such as those perpetuating segregation at Villiersdorp.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

BOTHA'S HALTE PRIMARY SCHOOL: OPENING

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the opening of the revamped, tech-savvy Botha's Halte Primary School on Friday 28 September 2019 by Western Cape Minister of Education, Debbie Schäfer. It is a great example of the Western Cape Education Department's collaboration schools initiative. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the opening of the revamped "tech-savvy" Botha's Halte Primary School on Friday 20 September 2019 by the Western Cape Minister of Education, Debbie Schafer; and further notes that this is a great example of the Western Cape Education Department's Collaboration Schools Initiative.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

RAIL TRANSPORT COMMUTER SAFETY

(Motion)

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes commuter safety on rail transport declined even more since the City of Cape sent in its storm troops to pretend to assist in bringing an end to all kinds of crime, including knife robberies and murder.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that commuter safety on rail transport declined even more since the City of Cape Town sent in its storm troops who pretend to assist in bringing an end to all kinds of crime, including knife robberies and murder.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

GRASSY PARK COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE FACILITY

(Motion)

Ms W PHILANDER: Thank you. Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes upon the visit of the Standing Committee on Health to the Grassy Park Community Health Care facility yesterday, we wish to congratulate Dr Grammaer, Sister Meyer and the staff for a sterling facility and for an exemplary passionate service rendered to the community of Grassy Park and neighbouring communities; further notes that with a population growth of 44 000 over the past five years and with the Pelican Park Health Facility opening that will provide relief, the staff and surrounding communities are partners in ensuring their facility renders the best of services; also notes that this facility speaks of what can be achieved in the health sector and is indeed one of the great examples how functional our healthcare system operates in the Western Cape. I thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms W PHILANDER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House, following the visit by the Standing Committee on Health to the Grassy Park Community Health Care Facility yesterday, the House congratulates Dr Grammaer, Sister Meyer and their staff for running an excellent facility and for exemplary and passionate service rendered to the community of Grassy Park and the neighbouring communities; notes that, with a population growth of 44 000 over the past five years and with the Pelican Park health facility's opening that will provide relief, the staff and surrounding communities are partners in ensuring that their facility renders the best services; and further notes that this facility shows what can be achieved in the health sector and serves as one of the great examples of how well our healthcare system operates in the Western Cape.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

KNYSNA MAYOR: MARK WILLEMSE

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the DA kicked out and stripped the membership of its Knysna Mayor Mark Willemse in a bitter dispute for not following its directive to resign and also notes its Metro chairman ... *[Interjections.]*

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members!

Mr D SMITH:

... Grant Twigg could be the next scapegoat in a party riddled with divisions. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the DA kicked out Mark Willemse, the party's Knysna mayor, and stripped him of his membership in a bitter dispute for not following its directives to resign; and also notes that Grant Twigg, the party's metropolitan chairman, could be the next scapegoat in this party riddled with divisions.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members. One minute, can I just, hon Allen if you can just take your seat. I see the ... *[Interjection.]*

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Just a point of order. Hon Deputy Speaker, you referred to two of our members recently, but the three of those members in the front are talking so loudly ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Ja.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: ... that our members cannot even ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No, you are absolutely ... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: ... be heard above the noise.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: You are right there. They are extremely loud.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: So, if you could please attend to that.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I will ask that all members of this House ... [Interjections.] No-no, no-no, only – I have listened to the Leader of the Opposition and I would ask for some control amongst all of you, please and in particular when our members are right at the back. It is very difficult for me to hear. Hon Allen – no-no, Hon Smith, is it a point of order? A real one?

An HON MEMBER: Under which Rule?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Under ... [Interjections.] Yes? Wait members, wait members, do not assume. Yes?

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, may I reread this statement please? [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No. [Interjections.] No, they objected. It is a motion.

Mr D SMITH: They did not hear. Why are they objecting?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: But I cannot stop whether they object or not hon Smith. It is their choice.

Mr D SMITH: But you can make a ruling on my request.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am not allowed to make a ruling whether ... [Interjections.] hon members! Please! Can you please just trust that I am actually giving the member a ruling. I do not have the right to question whether they object, or they do not object. So whether you read it or not. They have objected, hon Smith. They are going to object to it again, but it has been read as a record into the Hansard. As long as you have got your microphone on, I promise you the Hansard will record it.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes?

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Can I rise again on a point of order? I, unfortunately as a member of this House was trying to listen to the motion and I could not hear ... [Interjections.] So can I request that, because hon Deputy Speaker, I would like to hear the motion.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members ... [Interjections.] One minute.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: I would like to hear the motion and I request that my right as a member of this House to hear the motion of another member is acknowledged and I appeal to you to allow the member to read the motion. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Point of order? [Interjections.] Hon members, we have the Chief Whip rising, please can I have order so I can actually listen to a point of order? [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: It is not going to help with everybody shouting. [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): It is completely unacceptable for that request post facto. [Interjections.] The member could have requested that ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members!

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): ... before the decision was put to the House. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Can I have some order please! I have got somebody who is standing. Can you please give her the opportunity to rise on a point of order? That is her job. [Interjections.] I cannot tolerate or have anybody else stand or shout at me. Hon members! This is the last time I am speaking and then I am going to name you to leave. If you can just allow the Chief Whip to stand and – no! It is her job to stand on a point of order as I have allowed the member.

An HON MEMBER: What about the Leader of the Opposition?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I have heard the Leader of the Opposition – member. [Interjections.] Hon member please, it is not for you to be able to judge anything that I do. Thank you.

An HON MEMBER: Bring a substantive motion.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Minister is rising. Give me a second. [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Madam Deputy Speaker, on a point of order. It is not acceptable for us to rewind the clock post facto, just in order to score political points.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Ja.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): You put the question to the House and the House made a decision. We cannot then go back.

An HON MEMBER: Which Rule?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Alright, members. [Interjections.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Can I respond ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I will not, I am not going to take any more points of orders on this matter. We are moving over to hon Allen. This is recorded absolutely fine on the Hansard. Hon member Allen. Let us go on. [Interjections.] Enough! Enough hon Lili.

MOD PROGRAM: CULTURAL PRODUCTION

(Motion)

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that on 20 and 21 September 2019, 47 learners from the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sports' MOD program dazzled audiences at the Joseph Stone Auditorium in Athlone; the production called "Sky Walker" spoke about issues such as gender based violence and growing up without a parent as well as the lack of role models while showcasing the learners' talent in acting, dance, juggling and other skills; that this House congratulates the Minister, the Department and especially the learners involved.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that on 20 and 21 September 2019 a total of 47 learners from the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport's MOD programme dazzled audiences at the Joseph Stone Auditorium in Athlone; further notes that the production covered issues such as gender-based violence and children growing up without their parents as role models, while also showcasing the learners' talents in acting, dance, juggling and other skills; and congratulates the Minister, the Department and especially the learners involved.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

Mr D SMITH: Order Speaker. Order. Can I rise? Order, Speaker, I would like to rise on a previous ruling in this House by the hon Speaker, not the Deputy Speaker. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: What is your point of order, hon Smith?

Mr D SMITH: The point of order is, I remember in a previous round member Baartman was speaking very softly over the microphone and then the Speaker ruled that the member can re-read the speech. Now ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Ja, but I heard your motion.

Mr D SMITH: No-no-no. I, no-no.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am listening.

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, can I finish?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes. [Interjections.] Wait, hon members ... [Interjections.]

Mr D SMITH: Why is everyone not treated consequent in this House ... [Interjections.] by the Deputy Speaker?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay. I think that is an interpretation. You have to allow me to make the ruling and not yourselves to make the ruling on my behalf. I would like to hear hon Bakubaku-Vos. Please carry on. [Interjections.]

PRINCE HARRY AND DUCHESS MEGHAN MARKLE

(Motion)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the recent British Royal visit to Cape Town by the Duke of Sussex, Prince Harry and his family and thanks Duchess Meghan Markle for casting the world spotlight on gender based violence with her visit to the post office where Uyinene Mrwetyana was recently bashed to death; and tying a yellow ribbon at the entrance to the memory of the victim as well as discussions with the victim's mother.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the recent British royal visit to Cape Town by the Duke of Sussex, Prince Harry, and his family; and thanks Duchess Meghan Markle for casting the world's spotlight on gender-based violence with her visit to the post office where Uyinene Mrwetyana was recently bashed to death, for tying a yellow ribbon at the entrance to the memory of the victim and for having a discussion with the victim's mother.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

**GERRY AND PAT KUHN
51ST WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Gerry and Pat Kuhn of Piketberg, who recently celebrated their 51st Wedding Anniversary, I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Mr Gerry Kuhn and Mrs Pat Kuhn of Piketberg on their 51st wedding anniversary.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

PROTESTS: DUNOON AND DARLING

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the lame duck governance by the DA structures that leads to more problems like the past weekend's protests and violent demonstrations at Dunoon and Darling and urges the DA municipalities to engage with communities and deal with their grievances, not to ignore them and that this could curb the situation of protests getting out of hand later.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the lame-duck governance by certain DA structures that leads to more problems, such as the past weekend's violent demonstrations at Dunoon and Darling; and urges the DA municipalities to engage with communities, deal with their grievances, and not to ignore them as this could prevent protests getting out of hand later.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

ARCADIA PLACE EVICTIONS

(Motion)

Mr M XEGO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House condemns the brutal evictions of residents who were occupying Arcadia Place in Observatory which took place on 2 October 2019; many of these residents who occupied the three-storey Arcadia building were previously homeless whilst others were backyard dwellers who could not afford monthly rent anymore; further notes that the manner in which these residents were evicted does not align with the values and principles of Ubuntu and human dignity enshrined in the South African Constitution as they were evicted at night by unidentified security personnel carrying what looked like AK47's; we therefore call on the Western Cape Government to assist these residents to realise their constitutional right on adequate housing. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M XEGO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and condemns the brutal evictions of residents who occupied Arcadia Place in Observatory, which took place on 2 October 2019; notes that many of the residents who occupied the three-storey Arcadia building were previously homeless, while others were backyard dwellers who could not afford the monthly rent anymore where they used to reside; notes that the manner in which these residents were evicted does not align with the values and principles of ubuntu and human dignity enshrined in South Africa's Constitution, as they were evicted at night by unidentified security personnel who were carrying what looked like AK47 guns; notes that this action resulted in these poor resident and their young children being left in shock and destitute with nowhere else to go; notes that these evictions followed the granting of an eviction order judgment by the Cape Town High Court, which was later (on the same day) interdicted by the very same court following the successful urgent interdict application filed and argued by the lawyer acting on behalf of the residents; and further calls on the Western Cape Government to assist these residents to realise their constitutional rights to adequate housing through taking appropriate measures and steps as mandated by section 26 of the Constitution to make sure that these residents receive affordable, permanent accommodation.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

BIG BANKS PLANNED SHUT DOWN

(Motion)

Ms N D NKONDLO: Happy Zalwa Day, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that Cosatu and the South African Society of Bank Officials threatened to shut down all banks last week ... [Interjections.]

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Deputy Speaker, point of order ... [Interjection.]

Ms N D NKONDLO:

...in protest action against plans for retrenchments in the banking sector; condemns corporate greed ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Just, hon member, just take your seat. You will be able to read it again. I have got a point of order up here. Just give me a second.

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Deputy Speaker, on a point of order. Is it parliamentary for member Lili to say Minister Simmers sent people with guns to go and evict people?

An HON MEMBER: No, he never said that.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Just give me a second. Hon Lili, did you say that?

Mr A LILI: No-no-no, I never said that. I said, is he objecting as if he is the one that sent those thugs to actually – what do you call it – remove people with – from those flats as the member from the EFF was saying. I said, is he the one responsible for that thuggery ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. [Interjections.] Hon members!

Mr A LILI: He understood me.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Fair enough.

Mr A LILI: Hence he did not speak.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I accept what the hon Lili has explained. Can we please move on to hon Nkondlo to finish her motion without notice?

Ms N D NKONDLO: †Khaniyeke ukuhleba, [Stop gossiping,]†hon members, please man. I move without notice:

That the House notes that Cosatu and the South African Society of Bank Officials threatened to shut down all banks last week in protest action against plans for retrenchments in the banking sector; condemn corporate greed by the big banks, who in the interest of profits and earning big bonuses will sacrifice employees and calls on the banking industry to halt the planned retrenchments, especially given the high unemployment rate in the country and province, I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Cosatu and the South African Society of Bank Officials (Sasbo) threatened to shut down all banks last week in protest action against plans for retrenchments in the banking sector; condemn corporate greed by the big banks who, in the interest of profits and earning big bonuses, will sacrifice employees; and calls on the banking industry to halt the planned retrenchments, especially given the high unemployment rate in the country and province.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

TRAFFIC OFFICERS: ATTACKS ON

(Motion)

Mr L L MVIMBI: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the unacceptable attacks on traffic officers by especially taxi operators like recently experienced at Milnerton; and urge the Provincial Government to do more to improve the status and image of these law enforcers.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the unacceptable attacks on traffic officers by especially taxi operators as recently happened at Milnerton; and urges the provincial government to do more to improve the status and image of these law enforcers.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

SRC CAMPUS ELECTIONS

(Motion)

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Democratic Alliance is also rejected at the University of Cape Town campus like in by-elections in the community, their student wing, DASO, not only lost its majority of seats in the SRC, which it had at some point, but was reduced even further by not even getting a single seat at the University of Cape Town in the recent SRC campus elections; furthermore ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M K SAYED:

... the South African Student Congress is congratulated with its increase in support on that particular campus and a number of other campuses; further notes that the DA could not even win a single seat at the Nelson Mandela University's George campus, which was won entirely by SASCO. I thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the DA is also rejected on the UCT campus (as in recent by-elections) where the DA not only lost its majority of seats in the SRC, but could not even win a single seat in the recent SRC campus elections; furthermore congratulates Sasco with its increase in support on that and a number of other campuses; and, further to UCT, it is also noted the DA could also not win a seat at the Nelson Mandela University's George campus, which was won by Sasco.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

An HON MEMBER: Now you are objecting to the truth!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members, the longer you – ja [Interjection.]

Ms L J BOTHA: The results are saying the by-elections are fraudulent ... [Interjections.] by the ANC.

An HON MEMBER: No way! [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members, we are going to be here all night. [Interjections.] Can we have order please? [Interjections.] I must just note though that some of your own members drown out your own members. So can we just have some order. Thank you very much.

TANIA STEYN-DOWIE

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its wishes for a speedy recovery to Ms Tania Steyn-Dowie, our secretary who was involved in a car accident on Wednesday 2 October 2019. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House wishes Ms Tania Steyn-Dowie, our secretary, who was involved in a car crash on Wednesday 2 October 2019, a speedy recovery.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

APARTHEID PLACE AND STREET NAMES: RENAMING

(Motion)

Ms A BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and welcomes the renaming of Darling Street, as the colonial Keizersgracht name is dropped and that the name of District Six is restored, with the apartheid name Zonnebloem dropped, as part of restoring the dignity of this area which was stripped by bulldozers in the erstwhile apartheid regime. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms A BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and welcomes the renaming of Hanover Street (with the removal of the colonial name Keizersgracht) and the restoration of the name of District Six (with the removal of the apartheid name Zonnebloem) as part of restoring the dignity of this area which was stripped by bulldozers of the erstwhile apartheid regime.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

**UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE AWARD
PRESIDENT CYRIL RAMAPHOSA**

(Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes and congratulates South Africa and President Cyril Ramaphosa on recently receiving a Universal Health Care Award in New York for the National Health Care Plan of our country. Amandla!
[Interjections.]

[Motion as moved by Member.]

HON MEMBERS: Awethu!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Any objections to the motion being moved without notice? Any objections to the motion itself?

An HON MEMBER: No, no objections.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There is an objection. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper. Yes, hon Minister? [Interjections.] Members. Members!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I think the hon member will now be going to Baragwanath after this.

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and congratulates South Africa and President Cyril Ramaphosa on receiving a Universal Health Care Award for the National Health Care Plan of our country in New York recently.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

**INFORMAL SETTLEMENT UPGRADES
ROLL-OVER OF UNSPENT FUNDS**

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Yes. Fellow colleagues, hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes Cape Town again seeks a roll-over of unspent informal settlement upgrade funds, during the past financial year and that this time R178 million was not used to improve the lives of the poorest. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Cape Town again seeks a rollover of unspent funds for informal settlement upgrade from the past financial year, and that this time R178 million was not used to improve the lives of the poorest.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

LATE CLARISSA LINDOOR

(Motion of condolence)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern the murder of 27-year Clarissa Lindoor on Nietvoorbij farm at Stellenbosch; notes further it is alleged that Clarissa died at the hands of an abusive boyfriend who has since handed himself over to the police; calls on this Provincial Government to invest more resources in fighting this culture of gender-based violence and femicide in the province and conveys its condolences to the family and friends of Clarissa. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern the murder of 27-year-old Clarissa Lindoor on the Nietvoorbij Farm; further notes that it is alleged that Clarissa died at the hands of an abusive boyfriend who has since handed himself over to the police; calls on the provincial government to invest more resources into fighting the scourge of gender-based violence and femicide in the province; and conveys its condolences to the family and friends of Clarissa.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

**EDWARD CAMERON: APPOINTMENT
CHANCELLOR - UNIVERSITY OF STELLENBOSCH**

(Motion)

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the appointment of retired constitutional Judge Edward Cameron as the new Stellenbosch University Chancellor and we wish him all of the best. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the appointment of retired Constitutional Court Judge Edwin Cameron as new Chancellor of the University of Stellenbosch to succeed Johann Rupert who served two terms; and wishes Judge Cameron all of the best.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

ROAD FATALITIES AND ACCIDENTS

(Motion)

Mr L L MVIMBI: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that road deaths in the province are too high and that in one recent accident 10 people died and 23 were injured on Ou Kaapse Weg and that especially pedestrians are a vulnerable group; further calls on the Provincial Government to up the message against road fatalities and accidents. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that road killings in the province are too high and that in one recent crash on Ou Kaapse Weg 10 people died and 13 were injured, and that especially pedestrians are a vulnerable group; and calls on the provincial government to emphasise its position against road fatalities and crashes.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

CITY OF CAPE TOWN WATER AND SANITATION BUDGET

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes Cape Town has thus far overspent R42 million on the water and sanitation budget for the period April to August and that this is part of the DA-led Metro Council's ploy to milk the taxpayer.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the City of Cape Town has thus far overspent R42 million on the water and sanitation budget for the period April to August and that this is part of the DA-led metropolitan council's ploy to milk taxpayers dry.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

KROTOA: COMMEMORATION

(Motion)

Ms N NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that 30 September, 342 years ago, one of the founding indigenous mothers of our nation, Krotoa, a niece to Khoi leader Autshumao, called Eva by the Van Riebeeck administration, returned from Robben Island where she, as multi-linguistic and activist, together with her Danish surgeon husband, Pieter van Meerhoff stayed; that she was later imprisoned at the Castle and that she was buried on this day 345 years ago in the fort. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N NKONDLO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that, on 30 September 342 years ago, one of the founding indigenous mothers of our nation, Krotoa, or Eva as called by the Van Riebeeck administration, and niece to the Khoi leader Autshumao, returned from Robben Island where she as multi-linguist and activist, together with her Danish surgeon husband Pieter van Meerhoff, stayed; and further notes that she was later imprisoned at the Castle and was buried in the fort on this day 345 years ago.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

YOUTH HUB KWAMANDLENKOSI PROJECT

(Motion)

Ms A BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates the Beaufort-West Municipality on the launch of its digital doorway to connect youth to the world and notes this one of a kind outlet is placed in the state of the art Youth Hub KwaMandlenkosi Project. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms A BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates the Beaufort West Municipality on the launch of its digital doorway to connect young people with the world; and notes this one-of-a-kind outfit is placed in the state-of-the-art KwaMandlenkosi Youth Stadium Project.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

DA NATIONAL LEADER MMUSI MAIMANE

(Motion)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes recent newspaper reports stating that only a miracle can save the DA National Leader, Mmusi Maimane to survive the damning leaks of him being captured and further notes with disappointment that the hon Western Cape Premier Winde has publicly said that he is not interested in the position.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes newspaper reports stating that only a miracle could save the DA's national leader, Mmusi Maimane, from the damning leaks of him being captured; and notes that Mr Winde, Western Cape Premier, publicly said he was not interested in this lucrative position.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

LATE GALIEMA HARON

(Motion of condolence)

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you. Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the passing away of Galiema Haron, the wife of struggle hero and religious leader Imam Abdullah Haron who was brutally murdered by the apartheid regime 50 years ago; notes further that even in her death Galiema did not know the truth as to what exactly happened to her husband and who murdered him, who is one of 117 freedom fighters that perished in the detention centres of apartheid, without trial; that we convey sincere condolences to the family and that the House calls on the National Prosecution Authority to re-open an inquest into the death of Imam Haron. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the passing away of Galiema Haron, the wife of struggle hero and religious leader Imam Haron, who was brutally murdered by the apartheid regime 50 years ago; further notes that even at the time of her death Galiema did not know the truth about what exactly had happened to her husband and who had murdered him- one of 117 freedom fighters who perished in apartheid's detention without trial; conveys its sincere condolences to the family; and calls on the National Prosecuting Authority to reopen an inquest into the death of Imam Haron.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

CRIME IN THE PROVINCE

(Motion)

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the province is fast becoming the violent theft capital of South Africa with statistics showing 14% of the country's hijacking taking place in the Western Cape; and urges the Provincial Government to step up traffic policing of the provincial roads in order to decrease and contain this scourge.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the province is fast becoming the violent theft capital of South Africa with statistics showing 14% of the country's hijackings taking place in the Western Cape; and urges the provincial government to step up traffic policing of provincial roads in order to decrease and contain this scourge.

Agreed to.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

FIREFIGHTERS: EXPLOITATION OF

(Motion)

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern the exploitation of dedicated and hardworking firefighters in the City of Cape Town who work overtime and are not paid for it; notes further that they recently took to the streets to demand being paid for overtime work; supports these calls by firefighters who are faced with death every day in the line of duty, fighting wild range fires across the province; calls on the City to heed to their demands and end the exploitation of the firefighters. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern the exploitation of dedicated and hardworking firefighters in the City of Cape Town who work overtime and are not paid for it; notes further that they recently took to the streets to demand being paid for overtime work; supports these calls by firefighters who are faced with death every day in the line of their duty fighting raging fires across the province; and calls on the City to heed their demands and end the exploitation of firefighters.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

“WOMEN’S” DESK

(Motion)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you. Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that women in our province often harvest the fruits of wrath, abuse and ill treatment in the rural areas of the Western Cape and calls on the hon Premier Winde to activate a “women’s desk” in his office to focus on the plight of women and take the lead in advocating women’s rights across the province.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that women often harvest the fruits of wrath, abuse and bad treatment in the rural areas of the Western Cape; and calls on Premier Winde to activate the women’s desk in his office to focus on the plight of women and to take the lead in advocating women’s plight in this province.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

DA: STEINHOFF DONATIONS

(Motion)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Yes, thank you. Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the DA has received support from the fired Steinhoff boss Markus Jooste and even used a luxury vehicle donated by Jooste during its campaign in the Western Cape province; and expresses its concern in this regard. [Interjections.]

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the DA has received support from the fired Steinhoff boss, Markus Jooste, and even used a luxury vehicle donated by Jooste, which was driven by national DA leader, Mmusi Maimane, to campaign in the Western Cape.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

METRO CHAIRPERSON GRANT TWIGG

(Motion)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes further DA internal squabbles have again leaked into the public domain; this time in regard to the intended motion of no-confidence against the Metro Chairperson Grant Twigg, that it has led to a further barrage of mudslinging and infighting and raises its concern in this regard.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the DA internal squabbles have again leaked into the public domain, this time it is the intended motion of no confidence against the metropolitan chairperson, Grant Twigg, that has led a barrage of mudslinging and infighting.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

SAPS AND HAWKS ARREST OF FRAUD SUSPECT

(Motion)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes and congratulates SAPS and its Hawks for arresting a suspect of 65 years in East London for fraud of R4,7 million, meant for Gugulethu upgrades; and that the man will appear in court soon. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes and congratulates the SAPS and the Hawks on arresting a 65-year-old suspect in East London for fraud of R4,7 million meant for Gugulethu upgrades; and further notes that the man will appear in court soon.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Members, are there any more motions without notice? Then I conclude motions without notice and I conclude the business of the day. Let me just rise and then, the House is adjourned.

An HON MEMBER: Thank you, bye-bye.

An HON MEMBER: Happy Birthday, Deputy Speaker [Singing.]

The House adjourned at 17:49.

ANNOUNCEMENTS TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

FRIDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker:

Referral of documents to committee in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

Parliamentary Oversight Committee

Western Cape Provincial Parliament:

1. Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 31 July 2019.
2. Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 31 August 2019.

TABLINGS

The Speaker:

Tabling of documents in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

1. Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 31 July 2019.
2. Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 31 August 2019.

TUESDAY, 8 OCTOBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker:

1. **Referral of document to committee in terms of section 17(2)(c) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:**

Parliamentary Oversight Committee

Western Cape Provincial Parliament: Draft adjustments budget, at least one month before the adjustments budget must be submitted to the National Treasury.

2. **Referral of bill to committees in accordance with Standing Rule 217:**

Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters

Draft Recognition of Customary Marriages Amendment Bill, 2019, (NCOP) (proposed section 76(1) Bill).

TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. **Tabling of document in terms of section 17(2)(b) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:**

Western Cape Provincial Parliament: Draft adjustments budget, at least one month before the adjustments budget must be submitted to the National Treasury.

2. **Errata:**

- (a) Part E: Correction on page 148 in the Annual Report for 2018/19 of the Department of Community Safety.
- (b) Part B: Correction on pages 83, 89, 90, 140, 141, 142, 148 and 230 in the Annual Report for 2018/19 of the Department of Transport and Public Works.

THURSDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2019

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport's report on the oversight visit to the Chrysalis Academy, conducted on 11 September 2019.

The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport, having conducted an oversight visit to the Chrysalis Academy, on 11 September 2019, reports as follows:

The Delegation

The delegation of the Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport included the following Members:

Mr RI Allen (DA) (Chairperson and leader of the delegation) Ms AP Bans (ANC)
Mr G Bosman (DA)
Mr FC Christians (ACDP) Mr M Kama (ANC)
Ms R Windvogel (ANC)

The following parliamentary official accompanied the delegation:

Mr W Matthews

Apologies

Apologies were rendered on behalf of Members L Botha (DA) and P Marais (FF Plus).

Attendance

Please see Annexure A for the attendance list.

Background

The Standing Committee on Community Safety conducted an oversight visit

1. Introduction

The Chairperson opened proceedings by welcoming all present and allowed for brief introductions. The Department of Community Safety's Adv Y Pillay, Chief Director of Secretariat for Safety and Security, and Dr L Meyer, Chief Executive of the Chrysalis Academy, led their respective delegations.

2. Tour of the facilities

The Committee toured some of the Academy's facilities. These areas included one of the hostel blocks, the resource centre and the technical training workshop area, specifically the electrical and welding sections. The Committee was informed that there is an increase in electrical and welding training for female residential students. Due to a lack of sufficient extractor fans in the workshop areas, the Academy is not fully compliant with Occupational Health and Safety measures. To circumvent the high cost of procuring and installing extractor fans, the Academy agreed to consider pursuing alternative routes such as procuring specialised instructors to train Academy personnel and students to produce extractor fans in-house. The Committee also engaged with non-residential dance students who are part of a collaboration with the Jazzart Dance Theatre.

3. Salient points emanating from the presentation and discussion

The presentation addressed the Academy's mission, vision and operational objectives, the student intake, the entry requirements and selection process for placement at the Academy. The presentation also addressed the types and outcomes, especially skills and behaviour modification, of the current programmes offered, the tracking mechanisms, and job placement of students following student exits from the programme, budgetary matters and, the major successes and challenges.

The Academy targets mainly 18 to 25 year olds within the Western Cape for each of its three courses per year. There are two courses catering for males and one for females each year. There is on average a 45% to 50% intake of students from rural areas. Following graduation from the course, students are aided in a one year work placement. There are also tracking mechanisms and a five year support system for graduates. The Academy is accredited to offer the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) level 5 National Certificate in Youth Development. 95% of youth remain in their internship. However, upon completing their internship, about 5 – 7% obtain employment.

The Academy uses a holistic approach to attain physical, spiritual, emotional and psychological enhancement. The daily schedules are regimental in nature with set times clearly allocated for different tasks, classes and activities geared towards this holistic development.

Dr Meyer reported that at least 53% of the students are in need of direct and immediate counselling. Female students are commonly from backgrounds where there is a prevalence of exposure to sexual violence and abuse towards women, unwanted pregnancies, rejection from family and others, depression and the inability to express feelings. Male students, from similar backgrounds, also experience exposure to gang violence, domestic violence, feel the impact of absent fathers, and the outwardly express anger. Through targeting the reparation of these many types of trauma, the Academy looks to increase students' emotional intelligence, equip them with life skills and ultimately unleash the potential that has been suppressed and denied for most of their young lives. There is an overall concern about students' literacy levels. Many students are not at their expected literacy levels given their age.

Although there are a few cases of students with criminal records being accommodated at the Academy, there is generally a practice to not accept those with criminal records. The Academy would welcome affording all applicants the opportunity to reform, however, concerns by the parents of those youth without criminal records, have strongly opposed mixing with applicants who have criminal records. The Academy therefore implements vetting processes that includes interviews with prospective students.

The Academy reported a marked increase in the number of exits and student drop outs. There were 42 exits in the 2018/19 financial year. The breakdown includes 14 exits due to medical reasons, one due to the non-disclosure by a student that s/he had a scheduled court appearance, and 16 requests to exit the programme. There were several dismissals due to violent conduct in the 2018/19 financial year.

Despite these exit cases, the Academy is inundated with applications, ranging from 600 to 1400, for each block of the modular programme. There is a waiting list for those not accepted during an intake. Those persons on the waiting list are re-assessed for the new intake. The Academy can only accommodate 600 to 620 students into its three courses per year. In order to increase the student intake, the Academy would need considerable infrastructural development, especially since the current infrastructure is outdated and requires regular maintenance.

The Academy's main source of funding is the Department of Community Safety. There are partnerships with various stakeholders including the False Bay College. The College offers the Academy students an introductory course to entrepreneurship. Cost of Employment accounts for approximately 38% of the Academy's budget. Catering is also costly with a reported average of R6, 5 million per annum. The Academy does however hire out its facilities. The Academy is also involved with training Peace Officers, a programme sponsored by the City of Cape Town.

4. Request for information

The Committee requested the Department of the Premier to provide copies of the international North/South TVET Edtech 2019 Conference presentations.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 The Committee recommended that the Department of Community Safety consider formulating a Memorandum of Understanding with the Cape Town Metropolitan Police Department to assist with employment placements for trained Peace Officers. The Department is requested to provide feedback to the Committee on whether or not this recommendation will be implemented.
- 5.2 The Committee recommended that the Minister of Community Safety promotes the marketisation of the Chrysalis Academy to enhance public private partnership to increasing the funding avenues for the Academy.

6. Resolution

The Committee resolved to send a letter of appreciation to Dr L Meyer commending the work done by the Chrysalis Academy.

7. Vote of thanks

Member M Kama gave the vote of thanks on behalf of the Committee.

2. The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport having considered a shortlist of nominees for appointment to the Council of Heritage Western Cape on 1 October 2019, reports as follows:

1. The current term of the Council of Heritage Western Cape expires on 31 October 2019.
2. As per Regulation 2(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999), the Provincial Minister referred the nominations to the Standing Committee (on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport). The Committee, as per Regulation 2(4) compiled a shortlist and submitted it to the Provincial Minister.
3. The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport briefed the Committee on the Heritage Western Cape, its role, legal framework, its membership requirements, any prohibitions of appointment, as well as several matters pertaining to the effective functioning of the Public Entity, and its subcommittees. The briefings were held on 20 August 2019 and 10 September 2019.
4. The Committee put in extensive work in deciding on the shortlist taking into account the knowledge and qualifications of the nominees. The Committee also considered the demographics, cultural representivity and their suitability to heritage resource management.

The Committee further considered the requirements contained in subregulations (6) and (7) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999). The Committee recommends the following 21 nominees.

- i. Belinda Jane Mutti
- ii. Corlia Meyer
- iii. Teunis Baartman
- iv. Jenna Lavin
- v. Graham Charles Jacobs
- vi. Belinda Jane Mutti
- vii. Corlia Meyer

- viii. Teunis Baartman
- ix. Jenna Lavin
- x. Graham Charles Jacobs
- xi. Wynand Beukes
- xii. Ron Anthony Martin
- xiii. Stuart Edward Hermansen
- xiv. Katherine Elizabeth Dumbrell
- xv. Christopher Snelling
- xvi. Jason Michael Knight
- xvii. Patrick Esnouf
- xviii. Mandla Mdludlu
- xix. Marius Peter Bailey

WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2019

TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. **2019 LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT OF THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, USA 5 TO 8 AUGUST 2019.**

DELEGATION:

Speaker: Masizole Mngasela
Deputy Speaker: Beverley Schäfer
Deputy Chief Whip: Daylin Mitchell
Secretary to Parliament: Romeo Adams
Stakeholder Management Officer: Achmat Patience

1. Introduction

The Western Cape Provincial Parliament has been a regular participant in the annual legislative summits of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL). These summits are focused on developments within the mandates of United States legislatures and, in addition, consider how legislatures are dealing with various matters affecting the sector in a new and ever-changing world.

The sessions at the summit are presented with the intention of sharing best practices among the attendees. The summit is attended by legislators and legislative staff from the US state legislatures. As a result of the growing popularity of the summit in the international legislative sector, the summit offers a separate programme for international attendees. The summit also provides specifically for legislative staff with a number of sessions aimed at the professional of officials. This report provides a summarised record of the WCPP delegation's participation in the summit.

2. Day One, Sunday 4 August - Registration and International Delegation Reception

Approximately 280 international delegates attended the 2019 Legislative Summit, representing 18 countries, including but not limited to: Australia, Kenya, Nigeria, Namibia, Uganda, Australia, Germany, Brazil, New Zealand, Japan, China, Canada, Austria and the United Kingdom. South Africa was represented by the provincial legislatures of the Western Cape, Gauteng, Kwazulu-Natal, Eastern Cape and Mpumalanga.

Following the registration process the international delegates attended a reception hosted by the Government of Canada, where, after the President-elect of the NCSL, Speaker Robin Vos from Wisconsin, hosted a cocktail function for the international delegates in order to introduce them to the next executive of the NCSL and to briefly share their plans for the next term.

3. Day Two: Monday, 5 August

3.1 Misinformation in The 21st Century

The first session of the international delegates' programme started with introductions by all the international representatives, followed by a panel discussion on the topic of misinformation in the 21st century.

The first presenter was Representative Kevin Stratton from Utah who raised the following issues during his session:

- Filtering mechanisms to separate fake news from reality;
- Safe technology for young users;
- Utah's legislation providing for the creation of forums in districts to discuss how access to media is kept in check; and
- The resources provided to communities by the state government to assist these forums.

The second presenter was Associate Professor Noam Lupu from Vanderbilt University. He conducted a survey among the Latin American population in the US on access to information. The following issues were highlighted:

- Wealthier communities are more active on social media than poorer communities;
- Political polarisation and distrust are ingredients for misinformation;
- Spreading of technology and digital literacy is on the increase, even without training being provided;
- WhatsApp is fast becoming a dominant form of communication in the US;
- The credibility of the media is being questioned on a daily basis due to the speed of information flowing through social media; and
- Fact checking is becoming less important.

Following the presentations, delegates were requested to join various round table discussions to share best practices, policies, legislation and opinions in addressing media literacy. The state of Utah has been very active in this field and has passed legislation to include media literacy as part of the school curriculum, from kindergarten all the way through to the final year of high school. The intention of this curriculum is to provide children with the skills to manage their social media presences, activities, security, etc.

3.2 Imagination Library by Dolly Parton

American singer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, record producer, actress, author, businesswoman, and humanitarian, Ms Dolly Parton, presented a session on her initiative, the Imagination Library. She shared her life story and her motivation to establish the Imagination Library through her NGO Dollywood. Through the Imagination Library, the Dollywood NGO has provided books to more than 120 million children in the US.

3.3 Evolving Workplace Harassment Policy

This session considered how courts in the US have created specific requirements that must be met before victims can lay charges of harassment. Furthermore, the presentation considered research conducted by the NCSL regarding sexual harassment policies in legislatures in the US. In addition to the policies, the type and efficacy of training provided by legislatures to the Members and staff was also investigated, as well as the frequency of the training.

3.4 The Changing Cybersecurity Landscape

Both the frequency and sophistication of cybercrimes are increasing on a daily basis. Phishing, spoofing, identity theft, hacking, ransomware and DOS attacks are just some of the methods used by cybercriminals against state systems and the general public.

The presentations focussed on the importance of making use of complex passwords in order to protect information on personal electronics such as smartphones, tablets, laptop computers, etc. The importance of continuous training and awareness was also discussed as a means of establishing corporate cultures that are informed and mindful of cybercrime.

4. Day Three: Tuesday, 6 August

4.1 Food and Farm

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4.2 Food and Farm

The hemp farming industry in the US, as well as in many other countries in the world has, and continues to develop apace. Many states in the US have been fast-tracking legislation in order to address the issue of licensing and controlling the market for hemp products.

However, there are challenges in respect of product development and testing. The 2018 Farm Bill allows for local authorities and Native American communities to submit plans to apply for primary regulatory authority over the production of hemp and hemp products by their state or tribal authorities.

4.3 Tools to Train and Hire Ex-offenders

This presentation was conducted by Henry Sanders, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, State of Louisiana, who has observed that the vocational education of inmates has made a significant difference in the lives of both inmates and former inmates. Currently 33 states provide justice reinvestment projects, including donations for tools, equipment, maintenance, renovations, etc. The money being saved through these projects is being reprioritised for capacitating offenders through this programme. One of the projects that has performed very well has been employing trained former inmates to train current inmates. Research has shown that offenders respond better to the programme when being trained by other inmates or former inmates.

Through this programme, 700 000 inmates released from prison annually have been assisted with a getting back to work toolkit, which includes compliance guidelines, legislative and regulatory interviews and other assessments, as well as risk analysis tools.

Many employees are willing to employ persons with criminal records, and their contributions to these businesses are often rated higher than those of their employees without criminal records.

4.4 How to be a Transformational Leader

Army veteran Wes Moore presented a session on how to become a transformational leader. He started his presentation by stating how fortunate public servants and public representatives are being in position of service to their communities. Mr Moore shared his life story and the important decisions that played a major role in how his life turned out.

He is the founder and CEO of BridgEdU, an innovative tech platform that addresses the college completion and job placement crisis being experienced in many parts of the US.

Current statistics indicate that only 20% of students successfully complete degree courses within three years.

The average age of freshmen is 24 years due to the fact that they only register for college a couple of years after completing high school, or they drop out of the courses. The two main issues affecting students wishing to further their education are transportation and child care. The state of New York has developed a model to assist students in this regard and has shown an increase in the rate of students successfully completing degree courses of 50%.

4.5 Oversight Done Right.

This presentation was delivered by Samantha Kerkman, Co-Chairperson of the Wisconsin Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The Wisconsin Legislature consists of 132 Members, 99 of whom serve in the State Assembly and 33 serving in the State Senate.

The joint Legislative Audit Committee consists of 10 Members and it is made up of three majority-party Members from each house, and two minority-party Members from each house.

The Audit Bureau is headed by professional staff under the direction of the State Auditor. The main areas of work of the committee are to conduct financial audits, performance evaluations and fraud investigations. For this bureau to conduct itself professionally it requires three main ingredients:

- Access to information - even confidential information;
- Independence of the State Auditor; and
- Transparency of decisions and actions by the State Auditor.

5. Day Four: Wednesday, 7 August

5.1 Constituent Communications

This session involved the sharing of experiences and expertise on how to use technology in the work of the legislature and its Members. For years Members have been dependent on mainstream media to provide news articles on the activities of a legislature. In the today's world, where social media is regarded as a business tool, some legislatures are using electronic newsletters and incorporating social media platforms to profile the legislature and its Members, eg Facebook Live and YouTube streaming.

Delegates were also introduced to the kinds of equipment that can be used to create content for electronic newsletters and other social media activities.

5.2 Tour of Tennessee State House

The international delegates were invited to tour the Tennessee State House. The delegates were received by officials of the legislature and taken to one of the committee rooms. Due to space limitations, the Tennessee State Legislatures employs a novel approach to holding public hearings:

Two groups are admitted to attend public hearings in the committee rooms - one group in support of proposed legislation and another group opposed to the legislation.

The State House also has its own media centre which Members of the Senate and Assembly can access to provide them with virtually instant material for sharing on their social media platforms. This enables Members to leave the Chamber immediately after a question that may have been posed has been answered, and provide immediate feedback, in the form of video clips, to their constituents.

Members of both Houses serve part time and work in the legislature from January to May and thereafter return to their day jobs. Interestingly, Tennessee is one of only nine states in the US that does not impose income tax. However, numerous other taxes are imposed at point of sale for goods and services.

5.3 Technology Tools: Making Legislative Life Easier

Chamber dashboards, paperless processes and mobile solutions are making life easier for legislators and staff. Demonstrations and information technology initiatives were presented to illustrate how these technologies can help streamline and improve daily processes inside and outside the Chamber. The Legislature of North Dakota presented a live demonstration of that the application that was developed for their legislature. To date the application has been downloaded on approximately 4 900 devices. The application has several unique features such as maps of where the various venues are located in the state capitol building, a calendar of public hearings, bill tracking, as well as the ability to download calendar events and notifications from the app to the device. The application features functionality aimed specifically at Members, staff and at the public.

5.4 Competing for International and Economic Development

Select USA was an initiative created at a federal level to assist with Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the US. To date, Select USA has brought in an estimated US\$52 billion in FDI to the country. Select USA does most of this by pursuing greenfield investments, where they focus their efforts on establishing operations in other counties or expanding existing businesses, as opposed to investing in local real estate or mergers and acquisitions. Select USA has also won the award for ease of doing business within the USA for two years in succession.

5.5 What Blockchain means to the Digital World

Blockchain is a distributed ledger technology that records and shares every transaction that occurs in a network of users, eg digital currency transactions/exchange. However, the technology in this application could evolve and be used for voting, medical and property records and supply chain tracking.

To date, 28 states in the US have introduced legislation relating to Blockchain and 27 bills and resolutions are pending enactment or adoption. In addition, there has been an explosion in introducing legislation related to Blockchain, from 64 in 2018, to 237 in 2019. Due to this upward trend the Chamber of Digital Commerce has created a toolkit that consists of recommendations on how to take this forward. One areas of Blockchain's technology that is currently enjoying attention is that of electronic signatures and their future application.

5.6 Youth in the Legislature

Youth programmes serve as both a form of civic education as well as an effective recruitment tool for future legislators and legislative staff. Many of the youths who progress through these programmes end up working as pages or interns on attachment to state legislatures.

The Washington State Legislature has several youth programmes, such as:

- Full time and paid internships that are open to all juniors and seniors at colleges. These interns are exposed to all the workings of the legislature;
- The interns participate in Chamber duties and also support Members with their work;
- Professional development workshops are presented for teachers;
- Learners actively participate in inviting Legislators to their respective schools; and
- Legislative Youth Advisory Councils also exist in various states.

6. Day Five: Thursday, 8 August

6.1 Deliberate Creativity: Three Elements of Innovation

This presentation was aimed at legislative staff and considered the issue of how legislative staff grade themselves in respect of creativity. The presenter provided the delegates with a testing formula for creativity.

It further sought to explain how individuals can improve themselves in terms of being creative by starting with the "yes, and..." approach. The presenter further explained the difference between convergent thinkers and divergent thinkers and what these categories of thinkers can contribute in terms of creativity.

6.2 Strategies for Managing Conflict

The presentation focussed on the various consequences of conflict. The presenter examined the five categories of conflict which are: competing, collaborating, compromising, accommodating and avoiding. The presenter went further to explain what each category provides in terms of outcomes. The discussion then progressed to considering the most efficient and conducive time and place to use each of the categories.

6.3 Presentation Perfect

This session focussed on the three ingredients needed for producing perfect presentations. The three elements: gaining and holding the attention of the audience; increasing the comprehension of the message; and educating and persuading, were discussed in detail and broken down to single elements which would allow legislators and legislative staff to upskill themselves and produce effective presentations.

6.4 Adjusting your Game Plan

This session was presented by the research section of the NCSL and was directed towards legislative researchers and procedural staff. The presentation outlined five case studies where officials received research requests from Legislators. Legislative staff from a number of states shared their experiences and their respective approaches to dealing with requests and sharing the results of the research.

The most commonly shared approach to legislative research was to display the necessary sensitivity towards the content of the research and to refrain from offering personal opinions and remaining neutral at all times.

6.5 Emerging Ethics Reform

The session was presented by Nicholas Birdsong, Policy Associate at the NCSL, and considered the ethical reforms which provide penalties for Legislators displaying self-serving behaviour. While there are several layers of ethics for legislative staff, some states do not permit commissions of ethics outside of the legislative branch, while others are created by statute. Some Legislators are prohibited from serving as lobbyist after serving terms of office, including for work done during their terms.

The second presentation was delivered by Raul Burciaga, Director of Legislative Council Services, New Mexico Legislature. He focussed on the following areas:

- Differentiation between legal and ethical behaviour;
- Legislatures' abilities to investigate and discipline their own Members;
- Confidentiality; and
- Using outside counsel to conduct investigations.

The Federal Constitution permits legislatures to discipline their own Members and allows the scope and jurisdiction of ethics commissions to be determined by each legislature. The jurisdiction of ethics commissions is limited to the ethical conduct of Legislators as referred to in legislation. Political parties make one nomination to be appointed to the commission and chairpersons are appointed by the relevant Governors. No confirmation or approval is required, but specific qualification criteria is mandatory.

The third presentation was delivered by Claire Ness, Legal Counsel, North Dakota Legislative Council. Her presentation outlined the following:

- Constitutional amendment-triggered ethical reforms, aligned to national discourse, eg updating of disclosure requirements;
- Agreement required on the appointment of commissioners of ethics commissions (who may not be a public official);
- Disclosure of funds for specific matters;
- The broad authority of commissions to investigate ethical conduct;
- Legislation allowing for rule of operation of commissions; and
- Disclosure of campaign finance.

6.6 US History with Jon Meacham

Jon Meacham, a presidential biographer, Pulitzer Prize winner and one of America's most prominent historians, is also a prolific author of numerous bestsellers including, *The Soul of America: The Battle for Our Better Angels*, and his recent book with country singer Tim McGraw, titled, *Songs of America: Patriotism, Protest, and the Music That Made a Nation*.

Mr Meacham examined the present moment in American politics and life by looking back at critical times in US history when hope prevailed over fear and when indicative and decisive decisions were made by former presidents which changed the path of politics in the US.

He discussed his interaction with former President Bush when compiling his biography and how the former President spoke about his presidency and his interaction with the opposition benches in the US Congress.

7. Opportunities to consider for the WCPP

- The NCSL has access to a wide range of resources that could be of great benefit to the Members and administration of the WCPP, particularly in terms of policy development, use of technology, etc.
- The conference provided a good opportunity for participants to gain exposure to a wide variety of aspects of the legislative environment and to interact with other Legislators and staff, not only from the US but from across the world.
- Many legislatures in the US are very active in drafting legislation relating to matters that affect the daily lives of citizens in the modern world and could serve as a source of inspiration and information for similar developments in our province and country.
- The use of technology in the operations of many state legislatures is impressive and the WCPP could learn a lot from these institutions, through the NCSL.

2. STUDY VISIT AND BENCHMARKING EXERCISE TO THE STATES GENERAL OF THE NETHERLANDS AND THE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE OF SOUTH HOLLAND 12 TO 13 AUGUST 2019.

8. Introduction

As part of an ongoing process of international benchmarking and investigation of best practise, the delegation undertook a two-day visit to The Hague, seat of the State's General of the Netherlands (national parliament) as well as the Provincial Legislature of the Province of South Holland.

Both the national and provincial legislatures in the Netherlands are making great efforts to maximise the use of technology in the legislative environment, which fact served as the main motivation to undertake this study visit.

9. Day One: Monday, 12 August

9.1 The King's Cabinet

The delegation was received by Mr Frans Prencen, Acting Director of the King's Office. A presentation was prepared regarding the constitutional status of the monarch and how the position plays its role within the government of the Netherlands.

The following observations were shared with the group:

- The declaration of independence of 1581 created the position of the monarch and the dissolution of the Netherlands from Spanish rule. A further declaration saw the monarch serve the people of the country and not the other way around. 1848 was known as the Year of Revolutions.
- The monarchy is created under the constitution and is responsible for the fulfilment the role of monarch. The monarchy has no political responsibility and acts on the advice of the King's Officer. The monarch is supported by three offices: The Royal Household, whose duty is to look after the palace and surrounding areas; the Government Communication Services; and the King's Office.
- The King's Office assists the monarch in acting as an intermediary between the various government ministries in order to focus on correspondence. Letters from citizens are received by the office and distributed to the relevant ministries. The office also monitors the feedback from the ministries.
- Questions around the King's budget, which is in the region of €900 000 per annum, are raised during the budget process at the national parliament.
- The King undertakes to convene visits every two years to stay in touch with the citizens of the Netherlands.

Staff who are interested in working in the office go through a rigorous interview process and detailed background checks are conducted to ensure the most appropriate persons are appointed.

9.2 Meeting with the South African Ambassador to the Netherlands, HE Mr VB Koloane

The delegation was received by the Ambassador and embassy staff who welcomed their visit and their interaction with the national parliament and South Holland legislature.

The Ambassador shared the various investments the Netherlands has directed into South Africa and, more specifically, into the various provinces.

The Ambassador encouraged the delegation to interact with the Consul General of the Netherlands in Cape Town around their projects in the country and the Western Cape in particular. In addition, the embassy requested that the WCPP share the information with WESGRO as the agency responsible for bringing investment to the province.

9.3 Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD)

The meeting was chaired by the Executive Director of the NIMD who informed the delegation that former President Nelson Mandela was part of the vision behind the establishment of the institution. Currently NIMD has 70 offices around the globe. African states that subscribe to NIMD include Mali and Zimbabwe, however, the South African political structure is considered sound and stable and therefore there has been no interaction between NIMD and political parties in South Africa.

The Executive Director shared some experiences of their work in newly found democratic societies and explained that in multiparty democracies, populist parties often emerge due to established parties becoming weak or refusing to introspect and rather choosing to ostracise. Observations from working in certain countries show that parties that are open about their challenges, objectives and limitations, are clear about their boundaries and are able to survive the emergence of new populist parties.

It has been found that great difficulty is experienced when delegating powers to politicians, particularly when these powers are not used with proper guidelines and result in tensions. Autonomous voters easily abandon their support when tensions between political parties arise.

Greater involvement in communities creates greater attachment of the voter to the party. Poorly educated voters do not keep abreast of current affairs and tend to be generally uninformed. Rural constituents are more appreciative of personal visits from political party representatives than urban constituents.

The Executive Director proposed that South Africa act as trainers to other emerging African democracies who are seeking examples for best practice. The Executive Director believes that South Africa has a lot to share due to its political diversity and the clear ambitions of each party.

10. Day Two : Tuesday, 13 August

10.1 Visit to the South Holland Provincial Legislature

Elections took place in March 2019, however, no one party received an outright majority. The coalition government grouping holds 28 seats in the House with the largest single party holding 11 (20%) seats. Members of the Provincial Legislature are all part-time politicians and are employed for three days of the week. Parliamentary structures (standing committees, etc) will only be established in September 2019 due to recess and incomplete coalition negotiations.

The Netherlands framework operates on a decentralised democracy basis where there are three spheres namely, municipal, provincial, national. However, there is no hierarchical relationship and each sphere can regulate its internal affairs, yet all are bound by a national framework.

Low voter turnout has been an issue in many European national and provincial elections. At local and provincial level, dates of elections are defined, however, at national level, election dates are more unpredictable due to the dissolution of national parliaments that can happen very quickly.

There are 12 provinces of various sizes in the Netherlands, yet all share the same constitutional framework with directly elected councils. Although South Holland has a strong constitutional position, it only receives a small portion (3%) of the national budget.

South Holland receives the majority of its budget from the municipalities in the province. Due to the province containing several major cities, it has the largest budget of the 12 provinces. In addition, substantial funding is received from the European Commission for specific projects such as agriculture. A further 48% of revenue is received from motor vehicle licenses. Budgets are presented by the Executive to the legislature and the legislature reserves the right to accept or reject it.

The South Holland Provincial Legislature has 55 Members, representing 12 parties. Seats 1-11 are taken up by the King's Commissioner Chairs (executive). The King appoints (King's) Commissioners, via recommendation from the provincial legislature. The provincial legislature elects their representatives to the National Senate in The Hague. The Provincial Legislature sits about 10 times a year, however, its committees are far more active.

The use of social media in the South Holland Provincial Legislature forms a significant part of its business.

Content related to the business of the legislature is created for the various platforms, each of which is employed for a different purposes, viz to source input for policy formulation, to build its public profile, to engage with its communities and identify needs, to generate news, to formulate position and to express leadership and expertise.

Social media monitoring allows the provincial government to understand where the target audiences are located. However, the need for using traditional means of communicating/engaging with the citizenry is not neglected. The challenge remains in reaching those who are not active on social media.

10.2 Visit to the States General of the Netherlands (National Parliament)

The delegation was received by officials from the Dutch Parliament who conducted a guided tour of some of the facilities. Notable in the House of Representatives' Chamber was the fact that Members' seats/benches are not equipped with microphones. Member who wish to speak or raise points of order must make their way to the front of the Chamber in order to speak into a central microphone. The Chairperson (Speaker) is seated on the right hand side of the Chamber and the Ministers are seated to the left of the Speaker and do not sit with the other Members.

The delegation then attended a presentation on the media environment within the Dutch Parliament. According to their website they have an estimated audience of 4 000 000 visitors annually. The alternative website (English) has far less visitors. Due to the high demand for live footage of parliamentary proceedings, the parliament has its own internal television service which records all material and distributes it to all national and local television stations.

The Dutch Parliament has a youth parliament for youngsters in the age range of 16 -21 years old and this body meets once a year. In addition to this, primary school children are given the opportunity, through a lottery-type system, to pose questions to Ministers for response in the House. This takes place on a monthly basis, except during recess.

The delegation visited the first library of the Parliament which was designed by the Chinese in the shape of a dragon where after they were met by Members of the Provincial House who also serve on the Senate, for a short tour of the Senate.

11. Opportunities for consideration

- The use of social media platforms to maximise audience reach.
- Playing a more proactive oversight role over the budget when it is being processed via Treasury channels and before being presented by the Minister.
- Increasing the use of technology such as paperless solutions and developing interactive websites.

- While developments in the Fourth Industrial Revolution have much to offer to the legislative sector, urgent discussions will need to be held in order to determine an approach.

THURSDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of document to committee in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

Parliamentary Oversight Committee

Western Cape Provincial Parliament: Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 30 September 2019.

TABLING

The Speaker:

Tabling of document in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 30 September 2019.

WEDNESDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Filling of vacancy and swearing in of new Member

The vacancy which occurred in the Western Cape Provincial Parliament in the AL JAMA-AH political party has been filled by the nomination of Mr G Brinkhuis. The Member took the solemn affirmation in the Speaker's office on 23 October 2019.

TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. **Tabling of document in terms of section 196(4)(b) and (c) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996:**

Public Service Commission (PSC)

Annual Report 2018/19.

2. Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning**Errata:**

- (a) Correction on page 208 in the Annual Report for 2018/19 of the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (Vote 9: Environmental Affairs and Development Planning).
- (b) Corrections on pages 36, 52 and 59 in the Annual Report for 2018/19 of the entity CapeNature (Vote 9: Environmental Affairs and Development Planning).

MONDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2019

COMMITTEE REPORT

Report of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism (the Committee) on the recommendations for the Special Appropriation Bill [B10–2019](S77):

- 1. On 23 July 2019, the Minister of Finance, Mr T Mboweni, introduced the Special Appropriation Bill [B10–2019] (the Bill) (Annexure A) to the National Assembly. The Bill is a Section 77 bill that will appropriate an additional amount of R59 billion for the requirements of the Department of Public Enterprises to assist Eskom Holdings SOC Limited with its financial obligations and to provide for matters connected therewith.
- 2. The R59 billion will be appropriated out of the National Revenue Fund, of which R26 billion will be for the 2019/20 financial year; and R33 billion will be for the 2020/21 financial year. Furthermore, all provinces received the 2020 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) (Annexure B: Page 6) Technical Guidelines for Provinces that indicated the following:

“A compulsory budget baseline reduction scenario of 5 per cent in 2020/21, 6 per cent in 2021/22 and 7 per cent in 2022/23 must be shown by institutions indicating where baseline reductions could be implemented with the least implications for service delivery. This must include proposals for non-priority programmes and projects to be scaled down or closed, changing service delivery models and using technology more effectively, etc.”
- 3. The Chairperson has submitted three letters to National Parliament addressing the matter of the Bill (Annexure C). In the letter dated 2 September 2019 addressed to the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Appropriations in the National Assembly (NA), the Chairperson noted that the Western Cape is already facing budget cuts, as per National

Treasury's request (point 2), amounting to a possible R13 billion budget cut for the Province, and that bailing out Eskom is unsustainable and will impact negatively on the overall fiscus. Since provinces would be severely impacted by the Bill, the Chairperson requested that all provinces should be able to provide input on the Bill, and that the NA's Standing Committee on Appropriations should embark on a public participation process on the Bill in all provinces.

On 11 October 2019, the Chairperson submitted a second letter to the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Appropriations in the NA requesting additional information in terms of the public participation process undertaken by the NA, the period given for public comments, the submissions that were received and considered, and whether the Bill has been referred to the National Council of Provinces (NCOP).

A third letter was addressed to the Chairperson of the NCOP's Select Committee on Appropriations and the Chairperson of the NCOP on 15 October 2019 requesting clarity on whether the Draft Programme of the Select Committee on Appropriations is the final programme as issued by the Select Committee. The NA's programme indicated that the Bill would be adopted on 22 October 2019 at 14h00, while the NCOP's programme indicated that the Select Committee would consider and adopt the Report on the Bill at 10h00 on 23 October 2019 (Annexure D). This indicated that less than 24 hours would pass between the adoption of the Bill in the NA and the consideration of the Report on the Bill in the NCOP's Select Committee, and it would be unlikely that the NCOP's Select Committee would receive a briefing on the Bill, or that there would be meaningful public participation or input from provinces. The Chairperson requested that the NCOP's Select Committee hold public hearings in the provinces during the week of 22 to 28 October 2019, and that it postpone the meeting scheduled for 23 October 2019.

The letters were not responded to, to date.

4. Given the nature and scope of the Bill, the Committee called for an urgent briefing from the Provincial Treasury on the impact of the Bill on the Western Cape's economy (Annexure E), as the National Assembly will be considering the Bill on 22 October 2019, and the National Council of Province's Draft Programme has indicated that the Select Committee on Appropriations will be adopting the report on the Bill on 23 October 2019. The Draft Programme does not indicate a timeline for public participation.
5. The Provincial Treasury briefed the Committee on 18 October 2019 (Annexure F). The briefing indicated that the implication of the Bill is that the credibility and sustainability of the national framework will be eroded which will adversely impact on national transfers, both provincial equitable share and conditional grants to the provincial government, impacting service delivery implementation in the Province.

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6. The Committee, having deliberated on the Provincial Treasury's presentation, and after verbal input from the Provincial Department of Economic Development and Tourism, RECOMMENDED the following:
- 6.1 That, in terms of Section 104(5) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, the NA should consider the following legislative proposals and impose the following conditions in the Bill:
 - 6.1.1 Impose conditions in the Bill to indicate the exact functions for which Eskom must use the R59 billion;
 - 6.1.2 Impose conditions that the Minister of Finance must report to Parliament within three (3) months of the promulgation of the Act regarding the implementation of the Act;
 - 6.1.3 That on all main divisions, current payments, transfers and subsidies, payment of capital assets, and payments of financial assets that are allocated to Eskom, that all procurement contracts entered in to by Eskom be reviewed and all contracts considered wasteful, irregular, and/or of poor value must be reported to the Minister of Finance;
 - 6.1.4 Impose conditions for Eskom to formulate a plan to separate its distribution and transmission operation, and its generating capacity operation into separate business units within 12 months of promulgation of the Act;
 - 6.1.5 Impose conditions that no bonuses be paid to any Executive at Eskom until Eskom's debt is at a reasonable level, such reasonable level to be determined by the Minister of Finance;
 - 6.1.6 That the NA, NERSA and the Minister of Finance must assess Eskom's assets in order to determine its asset base;
 - 6.1.7 That a white paper be drafted on the future of Eskom and must be produced to the Executive within two (2) months of promulgation of the Act;
 - 6.1.8 Impose conditions that Section 34 determinations, of the Electricity Regulation Act, 2006 (Act 4 of 2006), be considered by the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy for financially sound municipalities; and
 - 6.1.9 Impose conditions for Eskom to support municipalities with generation and distribution, in a financially sustainable manner.
 - 6.2 Further, that should the NA pass the Bill and refer it to the NCOP, that in terms of Section 72(1)(a) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, this Committee recommends to the NCOP the following legislative proposals in terms of the Bill:
 - 6.2.1 Impose conditions in the Bill to indicate the exact functions for which Eskom must use the R59 billion;
 - 6.2.2 Impose conditions that the Minister of Finance must report to National Parliament within three (3) months of the promulgation of Act regarding the implementation of the Act;
 - 6.2.3 That on all main divisions, current payments, transfers and subsidies, payment of capital assets, and payments of financial assets that are allocated to Eskom, that all procurement contracts

- entered to by Eskom be reviewed and all contracts considered wasteful, irregular, and/or of poor value must be reported to the Minister of Finance;
- 6.2.4 Impose conditions for Eskom to formulate a plan to separate its distribution and transmission operation, and its generating capacity operation into separate business units within 12 months of promulgation of the Act;
- 6.2.5 Impose conditions that no bonuses be paid to any Executive at Eskom until Eskom's debt is at a reasonable level, such reasonable level to be determined by the Minister of Finance;
- 6.2.6 That the NA, NERSA and the Minister of Finance must assess Eskom's assets in order to determine its asset base;
- 6.2.7 That a white paper be drafted on the future on Eskom and must be produced to the Executive within two (2) months of promulgation of the Act;
- 6.2.8 Impose conditions that Section 34 determinations, of the Electricity Regulation Act, be considered by the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy for financially sound municipalities; and
- 6.2.9 Impose conditions for Eskom to support municipalities with generation and distribution, in a financially sustainable manner.
7. The Committee RESOLVED to submit the above proposed amendments and conditions to the following persons/Houses/Committees for consideration:
- 7.1 The Speaker of the NA;
- 7.2 The Chairperson of the NCOP;
- 7.3 The Chairperson of the Select Committee on Appropriations in the NCOP at the Select Committee meeting scheduled for 23 October 2019 at 10h00; and
- 7.4 The National Minister of Finance.

8. Minority View

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Standing Rules (as at 1 April 2019), the African National Congress (ANC) expressed its Minority View as follows (Annexure G):

- 8.1 The ANC believes that the process followed by the NA and NCOP is within the confines of the law, and the Rules of Parliament;
- 8.2 On 18 October 2019, the Committee had an hour long discussion on the matter, with a briefing by Provincial Treasury that only spoke to national economy implications, and did not indicate any data collated at the time on the implications to individual budget cuts, which was critical information needed to determine the correlation between possible budget cuts to departmental budgets;
- 8.3 Special Appropriations are a normal instrument and practice in Public Finance to allocate and reallocate funds in government as part of budgetary processes and to respond to any emergencies.

- The Western Cape Provincial Parliament has done this for drought purposes, to move funds from departmental budgets and programmes, which may have implications on those agreed commitments in Annual Strategic Plans of departments;
- 8.4 The ANC supports points 6.1.1 and 6.1.2 of this report; however, the ANC also feels that points 6.1.3 to 6.1.6 are prescriptive to a process that has already been declared by the President in his State of the Nation Address this year, and by the Minister of Finance on page 20, Section 2.1 of his “Electricity: Planning, pricing and Eskom’s viability” paper;
 - 8.5 The ANC does not support points 6.1.8 and 6.1.9;
 - 8.6 The ANC believes it is reckless to make assumptions about where the R59 billion will be taken from, and this information will only be revealed after the tabling of the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement and the Adjustment Budget; and
 - 8.7 The ANC supports placing conditions on funds to be appropriated to Eskom, and that oversight over the use of the appropriated funds should be strengthened.

MONDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Revival of Bills by the National Council of Provinces (NCOP):

Letter to inform the Western Cape Provincial Parliament of the revival of the following Bills that were not finalised by the National Council of Provinces (NCOP) in the Fifth Parliament.

1. Border Management Authority Bill [B 9B–2016] (s75);
2. National Forests Amendment Bill [B 11B–2016] (s76);
3. Traditional Courts Bill [B 1B–2017] (s76);
4. Cybercrimes Bill [B 6B–2017] (s75);
5. National Environmental Management Laws Amendment Bill [B 14D–2017] (s76);
6. Customary Initiation Bill [B 7B–2018] (s76);
7. iKamva Digital Skills Institute Bill [B 10B–2018] (s75);
8. Civil Union Amendment Bill [B 11B–2018] (s75);
9. Hydrographic Bill [B 17B–2018] (s75);
10. Local Government: Municipal Structures Amendment Bill [B 19B–2018] (s76);
11. Independent Police Investigative Directorate Amendment Bill [B 25–2018] (s75);
12. National Gambling Amendment Bill [B 27B–2018] (s76);
13. Child Justice Amendment Bill [B 32B–2018] (s75); and
14. National Minimum Wage Amendment Bill [B 9–2019] (s75).

TUESDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of National Council of Provinces matter to committee in accordance with Standing Rule 218:

Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

Submission of subordinate legislation relating to domestic trade in rhinoceros horn in terms of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act 10 of 2004), to the National Council of Provinces for approval.

TABLING

The Speaker:

Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport

Errata:

Part E: Correction on pages 218a and 218b in the Annual Report for 2018/19 of the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport.

WEDNESDAY, 30 OCTOBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of bill to committee in accordance with Rule 217:

Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters

Traditional Courts Bill [B 1B–2017] (NCOP) (proposed section 76(1) Bill).

TABLING

The Speaker:

Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities

Letter: Agriculture – Drought: Approval to use funds in emergency situations in terms of section 25 of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999) (PFMA), as amended: R50 million, 2019/20 financial year.

THURSDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2019

TABLING

Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities

Provincial Notice 110/2019

Letter: Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act. Quarterly consolidated statement: Quarter 1 ending 30 September 2019. (Published in the *Provincial Gazette Extraordinary* 8168, dated 30 October 2019.)

FRIDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of document to committee in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, Act 10 of 2009, as amended:

Parliamentary Oversight Committee

Western Cape Provincial Parliament:

1. Second quarterly performance report for the period ended 30 September 2019; and
2. Mid-year budget and performance assessment report as at 30 September 2019.

TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. **Tabling of document in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:**
 - (a) Second quarterly performance report for the period ended 30 September 2019; and
 - (b) Mid-year budget and performance assessment report as at 30 September 2019.
2. **Tabling of document in terms of section 17 of the Interpretation Act, 1957 (Act 33 of 1957):**

Minister of Community Safety

TUESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 2019

The Speaker:

1. Rules Committee

DA (6)	ANC (2)	EFF (1)	GOOD (1)
Mnqasela, M Schäfer, BA Wenger, MM Mitchell, DG Maseko, LM MacKenzie, RD (C)	Lekker, PZ Sayed, MK	Makamba-Botya, N	Herron, BN
Alternate Members America, D Philander, WF Baartman, DM	Alternate Member Dugmore, CM	Alternate Member Xego, M	

2. Programme Authority

Members: 10

DA (6)	ANC (2)	EFF (1)	GOOD (1)
Wenger, MM (C) Mitchell, DG Botha, LJ Bosman, G Van der Westhuizen, AP Philander, WF Alternate Members America, D Allen, RI Baartman, DM Mackenzie, RD Schäfer, BA	Lekker, P Sayed, MK Alternate Member Dugmore, CM	Xego, M Alternate Member Makamba-Botya, N	Herron, BN

3. Budget Committee*

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	AL JAMA-AH (1)
Baartman, DM (C) Mackenzie, RD Philander, WF Alternate Members America, D Allen, RI Bosman, G Botha, LJ Maseko, LM Mitchell, DG Van der Westhuizen, AP Wenger, MM	Mvimbi, LL Alternate Members Nkondlo, ND Smith, D	Brinkhuis, G*

4. Public Accounts Committee**Members: 5**

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF (1)
America, D Baartman, DM Maseko, LM Alternate Members Allen, RI Bosman, G Botha, LJ Mackenzie, RD Mitchell, DG Philander, WF Van der Westhuizen, AP Wenger, MM	Mvimbi, LL (C) Alternate Members Nkondlo, ND Smith, D	Xego, M Alternate Member Makamba-Botya, N

5. Parliamentary Oversight Committee**Members: 5**

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF (1)
Wenger, MM (C) Allen, RI Mackenzie, RD Alternate Members Botha, LJ Maseko, LM Mitchell, DG	Lekker, PZ Alternate Member Dugmore, CM	Xego, M Alternate Member Makamba-Botya, N

6. Standing Committee on Health (Health)**Members: 5**

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF (1)
Philander, WF (C) Allen, RI Botha, LJ	Windvogel, R	Xego, M

Alternate Members Bosman, G Mackenzie, RD Wenger, MM	Alternate Members Lili, A Bakubaku-Vos, NG	Alternate Member Makamba-Botya, N

7. Standing Committee on Education (*Education*)*

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF	ACDP (1)	AL JAMA-AH
Botha, LJ (C) Allen, RI Bosman, G Alternate Members Mackenzie, RD Philander, WF Wenger, MM	Sayed, MK Alternate Member Kama, M	— Alternate Member Makamba-Botya, N	Christians, FC	— Alternate Member Brinkhuis, G*

8. Standing Committee on Social Development (*Social Development*)*

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF	AL JAMA-AH (1)
Bosman, G (C) Mackenzie, RD Philander, WF	Bakubaku-Vos, NG	—	Brinkhuis, G*

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF	FF PLUS (1)	ACDP (1)	AL AH JAMA-
Allen, RI (C) Bosman, G Botha, LJ	<u>Community Safety</u> Kama, M	—	<u>Cultural Affairs and Sport</u> Marais, PJ	<u>Community Safety</u> Christians, FC	—
Alternate Members Mackenzie, RD Philander, WF Van der Westhuizen, AP	<u>Cultural Affairs and Sport</u> Bans, AP				
	Alternate Members <u>Community Safety</u> Lili, A Lekker, PZ		—	—	Alternate Member Brinkhuis, G*
	<u>Cultural Affairs and Sport</u> Kama, M Windvogel, R	Alternate Member Xego, M			

10. Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters (Premier)

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF (1)
Mackenzie, RD (C) Allen, RI Philander, WF Alternate Members Baartman, DM Maseko, LM Mitchell, DG	Dugmore, CM Alternate Member Lekker, PZ	Xego, M Alternate Member Makamba-Botya, N

11. Standing Committee on Human Settlements (Human Settlements)

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	GOOD (1)	EFF
Maseko, LM (C) America, D Van der Westhuizen, AP Alternate Members Baartman, DM Mitchell, DG Schäfer, BA	Lili, A Alternate Members Marran, P Smith, D Bakubaku-Vos, NG	Herron, BN	— Alternate Member Makamba-Botya, N

12. Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism *(Provincial Treasury, Economic Development and Tourism)*

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF (1)
Baartman, DM (C) Mitchell, DG Van der Westhuizen, AP Alternate Members America, A Maseko, LM Schäfer, BA	Nkondlo, ND Alternate Members Mvimbi, LL Bans, AP	Makamba-Botya, N Alternate Member Xego, M

13. Standing Committee on Local Government *(Local Government, Local Government Oversight and National Council of Provinces)*

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF (1)
America, D (C) Maseko, LM Van der Westhuizen, AP Alternate Members Allen, RI Mitchell, DG Schäfer, BA	Smith, D Alternate Members Marran, P Lili, A	Makamba-Botya, N Alternate Member Xego, M

14. Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works (*Transport and Public Works*)

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	GOOD (1)
Mitchell, DG (C) America, D Van der Westhuizen, AP Alternate Members Baartman, DM Maseko, LM Schäfer, BA	Mvimbi, LL Alternate Members Nkondlo, ND Dugmore, CM	Herron, BN

15. Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (*Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning*)

Members: 5

DA (3)	ANC (1)	GOOD (1)	FF PLUS (1)
Van der Westhuizen, AP (C) Baartman, DM Maseko, LM Alternate Members America, D Mitchell, DG Schäfer, BA	Marran, P Alternate Member Smith, D	<u>Environmental</u> <u>Affairs and</u> <u>Development</u> <u>Planning</u> Herron, BN	<u>Agriculture</u> Marais, PJ

16. Conduct Committee***Members: 5**

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF	AL JAMA-AH (1)
Mitchell, DG (C) Baartman, DM Wenger, MM Alternate Members Allen, RI Botha, LJ Maseko, LM	Lekker, PZ Alternate Member Dugmore, CM	— Alternate Member Makamba-Botya, N	Brinkhuis, G*

17. Petitions Committee**Members: 5**

DA (3)	ANC (1)	EFF (1)
Bosman, G Allen, RI Philander, WF Alternate Members America, D Botha, LJ Mackenzie, RD	Sayed, KM Alternate Member Kama, M	Makamba-Botya, N Alternate Member Xego, M

WEDNESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2019

1. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PREMIER AND CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS ON THE 2018/19 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE PREMIER, DATED 30 OCTOBER 2019 REPORTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Introduction

The Annual Report Programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers, inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

Members of the Standing Committee on Premier and Constitutional Matters deliberated on Part A: General Information, Part B: Performance Information and Part D: Human Resource Management of the Annual Reports of the Department of the Premier, on 10 October 2019.

2. Overview

The Department of the Premier (herein after “the Department”) forms part of the Provincial Strategic Goal Five, which relates to good governance and integrated service delivery through partnerships and spatial alignment. The Department coordinated the End-of-Term Review for the 2014-2019 Provincial Strategic Plan, including an Implementation Evaluation of the Provincial Transversal Management System. This assisted the Executive in the development of the next Provincial Strategic Plan informed from an evidence based perspective.

The Department reported that 92% of its targets were achieved against its performance indicators ensuring that the Department maintained an average of 94% achievement of annual targets for the four consecutive years of the five-year electoral cycle. This was mainly due to an increased emphasis on monitoring and reporting on performance across the core management functions of the Department and strengthening of internal controls.

The total expenditure of the Department for the period ending 31 March 2019 was R1, 45 billion from a R1, 496 603 billion budget, resulting in a 96,89% expenditure of the allocated budget. The amount of R46 599 was underspent mainly due to savings on the “Cost of Employees” and “Goods and Services” allocations.

The Department has a transversal role of connecting Broadband for various departments in the Province, having achieved the targets set in phase one, connecting 1875 sites and 684 sites has been upgraded to network speeds of 100 mps, as part of phase two. Western Cape Departments, entities and 18 municipalities have been connected with limited broadband.

The Department provides transversal services to all provincial government departments. The Department of Health and the Western Cape Education Department has its own Human Resource Management Unit function.

3. Key findings

3.1 The Department is running a pilot project, known as the Jobs War Room, where the members of this Committee meet every Monday morning to check the status of the matters discussed in the previous meetings and action on this. The purpose of this project is mainly to unblock or escalate matters that are urgent in the Western Cape Government. The members of this Committee consist of officials of the City of Cape Town and Provincial Government.

- 3.2 The Cabinet meets every six weeks to discuss safety with all provincial ministers to report back and discuss matters of safety. Officials from the criminal justice system are also present during these Cabinet meetings on Safety.
- 3.3 The Delivery Unit is no longer a Unit in the Department of the Premier. The work of this Unit is now the responsibility of the Provincial Top Management and Cabinet.
- 3.4 The Premier filled two of the four Special Advisor posts on a two-year contract. Mr Donald Grant has been appointed to advise on transport matters, i.e. mobility, congestion, access to facilities health care, jobs, education, etc. The other advisor, Mr Nick Clelland, was appointed to assist the Premiers Office in providing strategic direction for the Western Cape.
- 3.5 The Department is discussing innovative ways to audit performance outcomes with the Office of the Auditor-General.
- 3.6 The Constitution to the Western Cape First Amendment Bill [B5 - 2018] will be re-introduced to Cabinet for consideration. The Premier reported that he will meet with the leader of the opposition party to discuss the nature and intention of this Bill.
- 3.7 There are eight cases of fruitless and wasteful expenditure which amounts to R3 398, 70. To date, five of the eight cases were resolved amounting to R2 600. Two cases relates to speeding fines on rental vehicles that were recovered from the officials involved.
- 3.8 The interaction with the Cape Higher Education Consortium (CHEC) is through the CHEC Western Cape Government Joint Task Team, consisting of representatives from CHEC, representatives from all higher education institutions, officials representing Department of the Premier and the key role-players involved in the Provincial Strategic Goals. Meetings take place every six weeks. Eight meetings took place for the year under review. CHEC also meets with the Provincial Top Management in August, annually.
- 3.9 The Chief Directorate: International and Priority Programmes engages bi-monthly with the Hangberg community to monitor and coordinate projects in the Hangberg Peace Accord. The Department also plays a mediating role to address ad-hoc matters, such as evictions in Kraaifontein and xenophobia attacks in Phillipi, Nyanga and De Noon areas. The Legal Services Branch is also working on the Marikana informal settlement matter in Phillipi, where the provisions of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003) (MFMA) prohibits a municipality from spending public money on developing privately-owned property. The matter falls within the ambit of the City of Cape Town but the Department of Human Settlements plays a vital role in the matter as well.
- 3.10 150 officials left the employ of the Department during the year under review. 31 of these officials did not provide a reason for leaving the employ of the Department.
- 3.11 The Barometer Fact File was developed by the Corporate Services Centre who develops the implementation of people management compliance indicators for the 11 of the 14 government departments.

In terms of employment equity, the Committee noted a concern that Departments have remained static while progress on representativity on senior levels within the Western Cape has regressed.

4. Input from the public

Mr Muaath Gabier, the Deputy Secretary of the Progressive Professionals Forum (PPF) posed questions to the Department.

- 4.1 The broadband roll-out is now into the second phase, what is the cost and what alternatives were considered?
- 4.2 What is the number of unique users of the broadband?
- 4.3 What is the average download per month for each user?
- 4.4 What is the download speed and number of sites for phase 2 vs phase 1?
- 4.4 Does the infrastructure being built to support the broadband roll-out belong to the Department or Western Cape Government?
- 4.5 What is the overall cost of both phases of the project?
- 4.6 There are a number of foreign workers holding senior level positions within the Department, what are the racial profile of these workers?
- 4.7 Why are there foreigners employed in these positions, are they unable to fill them with South Africans?
- 4.8 How long have these foreign workers been employed in the Department?
- 4.9 Are these employees full time or under contract?
- 4.10 If they are under contract, why are their contracts being renewed, and what effort is being made to fill these positions with South Africans?

5. Information requested

The Committee REQUESTED that the Department provide the Committee with the following information by 22 November 2019:

- 5.1 The statistics on the "Please Call Me" access points used by the public;
- 5.2 A list of the 88 projects accepted by the Chief Directorate: Organisation Development, as mentioned on page 44 of the Annual Report of the Department.
- 5.3 The number of posts that were concluded from the 1 442 posts that were advertised.
- 5.4 A copy of the exit form that is provided to employees when leaving the employ of the Department.
- 5.5 A status update on the Marikana informal settlement matter, with specific reference to Erf 150.
- 5.6 A report on the outcome of the eight grievances.
- 5.7 A written response to the questions raised by the member of the public listed in point 4 above.
- 5.8 The names of the other two Special Advisors, once the vacancies are filled by the Office of the Premier.

6. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED to, at a future date:

- 6.1 Invite the Department to brief the Committee on the succession plan for current employees.
- 6.2 Invite the Department to brief the Committee on the Departments' Employment Equity Plan.
- 6.3 Inform the Department to consider including information of the Department of Health and the Western Cape Education Department in its monthly Barometer Fact File report.

7. Conclusion

On behalf of the Committee, the Chairperson wishes to express its appreciation to the Premier, the officials of the Department of the Premier and the Members for their participation during the session.

2. Report of the Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport on the 2018/2019 Annual Reports of the Department of Community Safety and the Western Cape Liquor Authority, dated 22 October 2019.

The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport having deliberated on the 2018/19 Annual Reports of the Department of Community Safety and the Western Cape Liquor Authority, for the year ended 31 March 2019, reports as follows:

1. Introduction

The Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Annual Report programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions. The Committee deliberated on the Annual Reports of the Department of Community Safety and the Western Cape Liquor Authority on 11 October 2019 as part of its oversight function. Before proceeding to the deliberation of the report of the Western Cape Liquor Authority (WCLA) and the Department of Community Safety (the Department), WCLA's Governing Board Chairperson and its Chief Executive Officer, the Minister and the Head of Department were given an opportunity to make opening remarks.

The Department and the WCLA were examined on:

Part A: General Information,

Part B: Departmental Performance Information; and

Part D: Human Resources Management of the Department's Annual Report.

Members of the public were also given an opportunity to pose questions and to make input during the discussions.

2. Western Cape Liquor Authority

Overview

The Acting Chief Executive Officer, Mr S George, provided introductory comments. The Chairperson of the WCLA's Governing Board, Adv T Sidaki, provided introductory comments. Both focused on two aspects in their overviews. The first was that of the WCLA aiming to be a self-sustaining entity. Mr George reported that the WCLA is close to achieving its desired level of self-sustainability and that improved regulations within the liquor trade industry will enhance this self-sustaining feature. Adv Sidaki echoed the WCLA's efforts to move beyond licensing fees, penalties and short term applications as the only forms of revenue stream for the entity. He added that the WCLA's expenditure is largely affected by industry related inefficiencies, resources used to address incomplete and late liquor trade applications, as well as high advertising costs.

The second key aspect is the WCLA's alcohol harms reduction approach. There is a need for effective measures to minimise the effects of the liquor industry on domestic and gender based violence, and binge drinking. The WCLA has opened consultation with the Western Cape Education Department to create awareness of alcohol harms to divert youth from liquor consumption.

2.1 Key points from the discussion on the WCLA

- 2.1.1 The WCLA reported that there exists a highly organised system where legal alcohol distributors trade with illegal distributors. There are currently no regulations to control this trade. The White Paper on Alcohol Harms Reduction Policy aims to bring these illegal outlets to trade within regulations.
- 2.1.2 The WCLA reported that despite thorough advertising and recruitment processes, it has not identified a suitable candidate to fill the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer vacancies. The current Acting CEO, Mr S George, has been seconded from the Department to the WCLA. The WCLA is expediting measures for these permanent posts to be filled, fully cognisant of employment equity practices and employing young professionals.
- 2.1.3 Due to its transition to implement updated and revised legislation, the WCLA is more focused on the Alcohol Harms Reduction aspect of its overall mandate. Through establishing partnerships with local organisations, such as Community Police Forums, the WCLA aims to achieve significant success on combatting the ill effects of alcohol in the province.
- 2.1.4 The WCLA aims to achieve self-sustainability by the 2020/21 financial year. This level can be achieved despite large proportions of the budget being spent on processes to impose fines for illegal and negligent liquor trade practices.

- 2.1.5 The WCLA reported that by focusing on upstreaming prosecutions, and imposing significant sanctions, regulating the liquor trade industry will be more manageable.
- 2.1.6 There are monthly meetings conducted with the Provincial South African Police Service management structures. These meetings aim to build and maintain a strong working partnership with key stakeholders.
- 2.1.7 There are also significant engagements with municipalities regarding rezoning processes as these affect the scope for issuing and/or denying liquor trade licences, as well as address the alcohol harms related effects.
- 2.1.8 The WCLA reported that some of the challenges it faces include its limited resources to deal with a large liquor industry, especially having to counter the marketing strength that this industry has, and preventing people of age selling liquor to the youth.
- 2.1.9 The WCLA has embarked on awareness and outreach programmes across the province and has also conducted door-to-door campaigns to engage with parents and youth on the risks associated with alcohol abuse.
- 2.1.10 The Liquor Licensing Tribunal has established a Section 24 Committee, as provided for in Section 24 of the Western Cape Liquor Act, 2008 (Act 4 of 2008).

3. Department of Community Safety

Overview

The Minister, Mr A Fritz, and the Head of Department, Mr G Morris, provided brief comments on the Department's focus. The Department, having spent 98% of its 2018/19 budget allocation, reported that its Court Watching Brief project has received recognition by the national Minister of Police and that there is current consultation with the Eastern Cape, KwaZulu Natal and Gauteng provincial government departments to implement similar programmes in these provinces. The Department has focused extensively on strengthening Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) and Community Police Forum (CPF) structures to be effective partners in the fight against crime. The establishment of a K9 Unit, supporting highway policing, and further enhancing the youth diversion programmes, such as the Chrysalis Academy and the Youth Safety and Religion Partnership, were other salient points listed by the Department.

3.1 Key points from the Department of Community Safety discussion

- 3.1.1 The Department reported that there are 11 556 members across the 142 accredited NHWs. Accreditation is renewed every two years and the duration of the actual accreditation is largely dependent on clearance by the South Africa Police Service (SAPS).
- 3.1.2 The Department reported that its monitoring and evaluation of NHWs were adversely impacted by the lack of staffing capacity to ensure that this programme is effectively facilitated.

- 3.1.3 The Department also stated that the NHWs face challenge that include lengthy accreditation processes, training and resourcing.
- 3.1.4 The monitoring styled Court Watching Brief project led to the Western Cape SAPS instituting disciplinary action against 27 of its officials, during 2018/19.
- 3.1.5 The Department spent roughly R1 million on its two day Safer Western Cape Conference.
- 3.1.6 The 67 interns include graduate interns as well as those from the Premier's Advancement of Youth (PAY) Project.
- 3.1.7 The stipend per child for the Youth Safety Religion Programme, has been in to R60 per child per day.
- 3.1.8 The Western Cape Provincial Safety Advisory Committee, established in the 2018/19 financial year, met on five occasions. The Committee submitted its recommendations to the Provincial Minister of Community Safety to improve the implementation of the Western Cape Community Safety Act of 2013.

4. Requests for information

The Committee REQUESTED that the Western Cape Liquor Authority provide:

- 4.1 A copy of the Western Cape Liquor Authority's Employment Equity Plan.
- 4.2 A list of the names of persons on the Liquor Licensing Tribunal, and those serving on the Section 24 Committee. Include the structure of the Section 24 Committee, the appointment process, and its functions.
- 4.3 A list of the areas, for the year under review, that the Western Cape Liquor Authority visited to engage and share relevant information including the role of communities in the liquor licensing application process, creating awareness on the negative consequences of liquor abuse, and to answer questions for clarity.
- 4.4 A copy of the Western Cape alcohol-related harms reduction policy.

The Committee REQUESTED that the Department of Community Safety provide:

- 4.5 A copy of the findings of the review relating to the Department's report on its partnership with the National Secretariat of Police to compile a review of the 150 police stations in the Western Cape.
- 4.6 A copy of the Safer Western Cape 2018 Conference Report, as well as an update on the implementation of the resolutions listed in the Report.
- 4.7 A breakdown of the unemployment statistics and child headed households of the 10 stations in the top 30 murder stations.
- 4.8 A list of the membership of the Western Cape Provincial Safety Advisory Committee.
- 4.9 The number of graduates and Premier's Advancement of Youth interns who were given full time employment opportunities in the Department, during 2018/19.

- 4.10 A copy of the analysis of sick leave applications for the 2018/19 financial year. The list should not include the names of the applicants.
- 4.11 A list of the Neighbourhood Watches that were not accredited and have not receive funding, and the reasons for the non-funding.

5. Recommendations

The Committee recommended that the Department of Committee Safety avails all reports requested by the Standing Committee, on the Department's website, where access of such reports to the public is not prohibited by legislation.

3. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION ON THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTERN CAPE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE 2018/19 FINANCIAL YEAR.

The Standing Committee on Education, having considered the Annual Report of the Western Cape Education Department for the year ended 31 March 2019, reports as follows:

1. Introduction

Annual reports are key instruments for departments to report on performance measured against performance targets and budgets as outlined in the strategic plans and annual performance plans of departments. The Standing Committee on Education deliberated on the Annual Report of the Western Cape Education Department (hereinafter WCED or Department) on 15 October 2019 as part of its oversight function.

The Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Annual Report Programme for the 2018/19 financial year was publicised in newspapers. Stakeholders and members of the public were invited to attend and participate in the discussions. Before proceeding to the deliberations on the Annual Report, the Minister and the Head of Department were given the opportunity to make opening remarks.

The Department was examined on:

Part A: General Information;
Part B: Performance Information; and
Part D: Human Resources Management.

Members of the public were also allowed to pose questions and to give input during the discussions.

2. Overview

The Minister of Education, Hon D Schäfer, together with the Head of the Department, Mr B Schreuder, provided an overview of the successes and challenges faced by the WCED during the 2018/19 financial year.

The WCED's vision is to ensure that it improves education outcomes and opportunities for youth development. The WCED developed and published its five-year strategic plan for education in the Western Cape during the 2014/15 financial year. This plan has formed the basis for the annual performance plans for the last five years. The strategic objectives developed are reproduced in each of the seven budget programmes reported on in this report.

3. Findings

- 3.1. The Minister informed the Committee that every decision taken concerning education in the Western Cape over the last five years was informed by the need to improve learner outcomes and to provide greater access to quality education for all.
- 3.2. The WCED informed the Committee that it obtained an unqualified audit opinion with findings on predetermined objectives and internal control deficiencies. This audit opinion was a regression from the 2017/18 financial year, during which the Department achieved a clean audit outcome.
- 3.3. The WCED reported on its three important objectives, which are: 1. To improve the level of language and mathematics in all schools; 2. To increase the number and quality of passes in the National Senior Certificate; and 3. To increase the quality of education provision in poorer communities.
- 3.4. An improvement in language and mathematics is a key focus area for the WCED and the Western Cape Government and the 2018 systemic test results in these subjects show a steady improvement since 2011.
- 3.5. The WCED indicated that they were making progress in improving education in schools in the poorest communities. In 2009, the matric pass rate in Quintile 1 schools was 57,5%. In 2018 it was 70,5%. There have also been pass rate increases of 10,6% in Quintile 2 and 15,6% in Quintile 3 schools during the same period.
- 3.6. The WCED reported that the total percentage of candidates who passed matric had increased from 75,7% in 2009 to 81,5% in 2018. This needs to be seen in the light of the increasing learner numbers in the system as a whole – 130 000 over the last five years, resulting in increasing class sizes and increasing numbers of matriculants coming to the Western Cape.
- 3.7. The WCED is proud that the Western Cape achieved an increase in the percentage of bachelor's passes, with 42,3% of learners achieving this quality pass. Since 2009, the bachelor pass rate has increased from 31,9% to 42,3% – a remarkable increase of 10,4%.
- 3.8. The Western Cape continued to experience a disproportionately high in-migration in comparison with other provinces. The increased number of learners in the province will continue to place pressure on school accommodation and the available budget. Pressure points in grades 1, 5, 9, 10 and 11 will be experienced as a result of both the movement of learners through the system and the in-migration points of entry into the system.

3.9. The WCED reported that, in November 2018, the Western Cape Provincial School Education Amendment Act, 2018 (Act 2 of 2018), was passed by the Western Cape Provincial Parliament. The main focus areas of the Act are:

- The establishment of an evaluation authority to be known as the Western Cape School Evaluation Authority (or “SEA”), which is intended to improve the school quality assessment framework and to conduct independent evaluations of school quality that are credible, transparent and effective in enabling school improvement in the province. The outcomes of these assessments will be published.
- The specific provision for Collaboration Schools and Donor-funded Schools. The WCED’s Collaboration Schools: The project is one of a range of pro-poor initiatives by the WCED designed to improve the quality of education in the poorest schools and is already having a real impact by addressing the ongoing inequalities in education between wealthier and poorer communities.
- The establishment of short-term intervention facilities for learners who have been found guilty of serious misconduct, as an alternative to expulsion.
- The enabling of classroom observation.
- The provision for an exception to the prohibition of alcohol on school premises, on application to the Head of Department, for adult events after hours.

3.10. The WCED reported that e-learning was a key benefit for the Department. The programme would reduce the gap between poor and well-resourced schools by improving access to the best educational resources and support and by ensuring that learners were equipped for the 21st century.

3.11. The National Treasury has informed the WCED that the budget allocated to the Department will be cut by 5%. According to the WCED, this will have an impact on education in the province.

3.13. The WCED reported that, during the 2018/19 financial year, its teachers participated in the Cape Teaching and Leadership Institute (CTLI). The programme provided 27 training courses in Languages, Mathematics, Creative Arts, Natural Sciences and Technology, Life Skills and Physical Education to 2 053 teachers of Grade R, Foundation Phase, Intermediate Phase, and Senior Phase. Inclusive education and e-learning activities are integral parts of these interventions. The CTLI supported the Grade R-3 intervention project.

3.14. The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport (DCAS), in collaboration with the WCED, introduced the MOD programme (Mass participation, Opportunity and access, and Development) in 181 schools across the eight education districts. A total of 97 of these centres operate at primary schools and 84 at high schools. The programme provides learners with opportunities to practice sport and to participate in enrichment activities.

Additionally, the Safe Schools Programme and School Enrichment Programme of the WCED have linked up with the MOD centres to offer a variety of activities.

- 3.15. The Policy on Screening, Identification, Assessment and Support (SIAS) was gazetted in December 2014. The SIAS tool is intended to identify learners who need support, what support is required and how it should be delivered. SIAS facilitates early detection of learning difficulties and learners who have been identified as needing support are given appropriate attention as early as possible. Training in SIAS and in curriculum differentiation strategies is equipping teachers to respond to the diverse teaching and assessment needs of learners without necessarily referring them to another institution out of the school.
- 3.16. The WCED reported that consultations between the Minister of Education, the Head of Department and trade unions on the affordable basket of educator positions for 2019 and the distribution of the affordable basket of positions were concluded on 8 August 2018. Given the fiscal challenges related to the compensation of employees budget for the 2018/19 MTEF and 2019/20 MTEF, the WCED's main objective was not to reduce the number of educator positions at education institutions. The above-mentioned objective was achieved by introducing cost-containment measures.

4. Concerns raised

The Committee raised the concern pertaining to the following factors that cannot be underestimated: The continued extremely high learner in-migration into the province; severe fiscal constraints, which do not keep pace with learner growth and inflow into the province; severe drought conditions that threaten the water security of the province and job security in those industries most affected; socio-economic conditions that adversely affect teaching and learning in the classroom; and the scourge of gangsterism in communities with the resultant psycho-socio impact on learners' performance.

5. Public comments

Mr M Mbiko of the Nyanga Tourism Platform, Mr M Mkhize, Chairperson of the School Governing Body of the Linge Primary School, Ms A Barnard, School Governing Body of the Windsor High School, Mr M Gabier, Member of the Progressive Professionals Forum, Mr A Khan, Vice-chairperson of the School Governing Body of the Windsor High School and Ms N Daniels, an educator, were afforded the opportunity to make oral submissions on the Annual Report of the WCED. The Minister of Education and the Head of Department duly responded to the questions posed and submissions made by the members of the public.

6. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED to, at a future date:

6.1. Invite the WCED to brief it on:

- 6.1.1. The School Evaluation Authority: Roll-out and powers of that authority;
 - 6.1.2. The Maths and Language Strategy;
 - 6.1.3. The quintile system and how budgets are allocated to those schools that are Quintile 5 schools, which are situated in poorer areas; and
 - 6.1.4. How the WCED utilises data, what type of data and what are the contributions that the WCED are making through the National Data-driven District Project as part of the South African School Administration and Management System (SA-SAMS).
- 6.2. Undertake an inter-provincial study tour to another provincial legislature. The visit should discuss education and the status of schools in that specific province. The Committee is to decide on which province to visit at a later stage.
- 6.3. Invite the National Treasury to brief the Committee on the proposed 5% budget cuts for the WCED. The Committee should seek clarity on what the impact of this decrease in the budget would be on education in the province and what the reasons behind the budget cuts are.
- 6.4. Schedule a joint briefing between the Standing Committee on Education and the Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works. During this meeting the WCED and the Department of Transport and Public Works should brief the standing committees on the infrastructure of schools in the province.
- 6.5. Invite the City of Cape Town and local municipalities to brief the Committee on schools that have high municipal accounts, such as water and rates, and to formulate a plan to assist those schools.
- 6.6. The members of the public who gave input during the meeting must provide the Committee with documentation pertaining to their input. The Committee will deliberate on and consider the information once received.

7. Information requested

The Committee REQUESTED that the WCED, by 30 January 2020 submits:

- 7.1. A list of schools, as per Programme 6 (PPM610), scheduled for maintenance projects that have been completed.
- 7.2. A detailed report on the special schools test results for 2018.
- 7.3. A breakdown of the teachers at the 22 Schools of Skills and 24 Schools for Severe Intellectual Disability who are being trained in the new curricula. This breakdown should include the names and areas in which there is equipment to assist these teachers.
- 7.4. A breakdown of the qualifications of senior managers at district offices.
- 7.5. A report on the components that make up the review process as referred to on page 77 of the Annual Report.

- 7.6. A summary of Programme 2 (PPM221) on the number and percentages of school governing bodies in sampled schools that meet the minimum criteria in terms of effectiveness every year. The WCED is to provide a sample school and the minimum criteria requirements.
- 7.7. A copy of the Development and Implementation of the Teacher's Professional Plan as outlined on pages 35 to 45 of the Annual Report of 2018/19.
- 7.8. The leave forms of those teachers who attended the Standing Committee's discussion on the Annual Report of WCED on 15 October 2019, given that these teachers attended that meeting during school hours.
- 7.9. The report on the sick-leave patterns, considering those taking sick leave on Mondays and Fridays, as well as on paydays or the day after paydays.
- 7.10. A copy of the succession plan for WCED officials and the list of personnel affected, especially senior management.
- 7.11. A copy of the improvements or strategy or plan to improve incapacity leave at the WCED.

8. Conclusion

The Committee expressed its appreciation for the information provided by the Minister, the Head of Department, and the officials of the Western Cape Education Department and the members of the public. The manner in which the meeting was conducted was of a high standard and the Committee thanked everyone who participated.

4. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH ON THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE 2018/19 FINANCIAL YEAR.

The Standing Committee on Health, having deliberations on the Annual Report of the Department of Health (hereafter the Department) for the year ended 31 March 2019 referred to it, reports as follows:

1. Introduction

The Western Cape Provincial Parliament's annual report programme for the 2018/19 financial year was publicised in newspapers. Stakeholders and members of the public were invited to attend and participate in the discussions. As part of its oversight function, the Committee deliberated on the Annual Report of the Department of Health on 16 October 2019.

The Department was examined on:

Part A: General Information;

Part B: Departmental Performance Information; and

Part D: Human Resources Management of the Department's Annual Report.

2. Overview

Before proceeding to the consideration of the Annual Report of the Department, the Minister and the Head of Department were given the opportunity to make opening remarks.

The Minister of Health, Prof. N Mbombo, provided an overview on the successes and challenges faced by the Department during the 2018/19 financial year.

The Minister reported that the period under review has been challenging for the Department of Health. The Department had to contend with significant service pressures, such as the budget cut, urbanisation, and immigration, a series of disasters that included the drought and devastating fires, disease outbreaks and an escalating burden of disease and staff safety remained a challenge. Despite these challenges and significant financial constraints, the Western Cape has the best health outcomes of all nine provinces and its citizens have the longest life expectancy in the country.

During the 2018/19 financial year, the Department focused on service transformation strategies that increase the effectiveness and efficiency of healthcare provision in the province. The Department has intensified its programme of providing person-centred care, mitigating service pressures and strengthening the primary healthcare platform. The Minister informed the Committee that the Department has focused on key health-system capabilities, namely leadership and governance, service-delivery models and infrastructure and information systems. The key focus areas that have been central to the success of the Department include unqualified audits for the last 15 years and a clean financial audit for the past four years.

According to the Minister, the Department has undertaken several key initiatives during the financial year under review. This includes leadership development and a cultural change journey, improving systems and efficiencies, a Management Efficiency and Alignment Project (MEAP), community-orientated primary care (COPC) and the implementation of e-vision in various health facilities across the province.

The e-vision system, as part of the Department's ICT strategy, is a huge investment and holds immense leverage potential for efficiencies and improvements in service delivery and patient care. The e-vision system provides a unique patient identifier that contributes significantly to health-system improvements. Patients' details are now available across the service platform at any of the provincial hospitals or primary healthcare facilities. This reduces waiting times for patients and consequently improves their patient experience.

3. Findings

- 3.1 The demand for healthcare services continued to grow and this is unlikely to change in the short to medium term, given the trends in the social determinants of health and wellbeing.

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- 3.2 The quadruple burden of disease, compounded by the increased population growth, placed an enormous strain on the health system.
 - 3.3 The emergency centres at acute hospitals remained key pressure points and the burden of acutely decompensated psychiatric patients in general hospitals was a significant ongoing challenge.
 - 3.4 The Department spent R23,044 billion, which is 99, 8 per cent of its total budget.
 - 3.5 The Department maintained a clean financial audit outcome and improved on the performance information audit outcome to achieve an overall clean audit outcome for 2018/19.
 - 3.6 During the 2018/19 financial year, a total of 7 591 cataract operations were performed.
 - 3.7 The Department reported that the process of establishing clinic committees in accordance with the Western Cape Health Facility Boards and Committees Act, 2016 (Act 4 of 2016), was work in progress.
 - 3.8 The Department was proceeding with its water-security projects to ensure that health facilities will have adequate water to remain functional and to ensure its resilience in the future.
 - 3.9 The Department ended the financial year under review with a revenue surplus of R114,323 million. The revenue was recovered from the sales of goods and services due to claims paid by the Road Accident Fund in respect of patient fees, transfers received from universities and the levying of interest in respect of patient fee accounts.
 - 3.10 The Department reported an under-expenditure of R56,386 million during the 2018/19 financial year. The underspending is attributed to the delay in the filling of positions in anticipation of the outcome of the MEAP, underspending on the e-vision project and the low number of injury-on-duty cases.
 - 3.11 The public-private partnership (PPP) contract signed in 2006 between the Department and the Mpilisweni Consortium, came to an end during the financial year under review; however, the contract has been extended until the end of March 2020.
 - 3.12 The Department further reported that the Tygerberg Hospital Redevelopment Project is an envisioned PPP. The scope of the project is to relocate the Tygerberg Central Hospital from the current estate to provide Level 2, 3 and 4 services. The new Tygerberg Regional Hospital will be built in Belhar.
 - 3.13 The Department reported that, for Rural Health Services, wellness professional nurses were appointed at 15 sites with the view of testing and developing different strategies and models which will culminate in a community-oriented primary package of care.
 - 3.14 The Transnet Phelophepha healthcare train visited the Western Cape for six weeks during the financial year under review. The train offers general health, dental and eye checks in rural communities and dispenses treatment for diagnosed conditions.
 - 3.15 During the 2018/19 financial year, the Department initiated a pilot project with the aim of establishing a breast clinic at the Khayelitsha District Hospital.

- 3.16 The Forensic Pathology Services continued to experience an increased caseload, with a total admission of 11 816 cases for the medico-legal examination of which 71,23 per cent of the admissions being in the City of Cape Town.
- 3.17 The Department reported that an increase in protest action and civil unrest in various communities had an impact on people's access to healthcare services and resulted in a number of facilities being temporarily closed.
- 3.18 The bed pressure at hospitals remained a challenge due to the increase in the burden of disease, the inability to discharge or refer patients with complex social and health needs, and problems with inter-facility transport and transport on discharge for patients with complex health needs. The pressure results in congestion and long waiting periods in health facilities.
- 3.19 The Department reported that acute psychiatric service continued to remain under pressure, particularly as a result of the high rate of substance abuse, the acuity of patients and other social factors.
- 3.20 The patient-load increase was outstripping the availability of beds and, where new buildings were being erected, it would take time to make services available.
- 3.21 The Department reported that the delivery approach of home-based care through well-governed NGOs worked well with funding being expanded to cover R3 500 per month for 8 hours of work per day.
- 3.22 Due to the budget constraints, positions that became vacant during the year under review could not be filled. This had a significant impact on service delivery across the Department.
- 3.23 To expand on the reporting of school-health full screenings, the Department had made provision to capture partial screenings in the 2019/20 financial year. This would allow for an expanded review of the school health service.
- 3.24 The Department undertook to investigate the reasons for the increased maternal mortality rate and neonatal mortality rate in order to institute an appropriate response.
- 3.25 The impact of safety protocols on EMS performance continued to be felt during the reporting period.

4. Public input

The Committee proceeded to the public hearing on the Annual Report of the Department of Health. Ms D Kiewiets, Ms C Davids, Mr I Tshbile, Ms M Lewis, Mr R Jacobs and Ms N Thoto gave oral submissions. The Minister and the Head of Department duly responded to the input made by the members of the public.

5. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED to:

- 5.1. Request a report from the Health Department on the comprehensive services rendered at Hout Bay. The committee will consider a visit to the mentioned facility after the committee considers the report.

- 5.2 Conduct an oversight visit to the EMS call centre.
- 5.3 Conduct an oversight visit to the Transnet Phelophepha Train, during its next visit to the Western Cape.
- 5.4 Conduct a joint oversight visit with the Standing Committee on Education to the Red Cross Children's Hospital.
- 5.5 Forward the presentation on the Drakenstein Pilot Project to Ms Kiewiets from the Cape Metro Health Forum.
- 5.6 Invite and engage with various health stakeholders in the province in order to strengthen relations and public engagement between the Committee and community health forums.

6. Information requested

The Committee REQUESTED that the Department, by Friday 15 November 2019, submit:

- 6.1 A list of clinic committees that have been appointed and a list of those that still need to be appointed in accordance with the Western Cape Health Facility Boards and Committees Act, 2016 (Act 4 of 2016).
- 6.2 A detailed breakdown of all the dismissal cases during the financial year under review.
- 6.3 A list of all the infrastructure projects in the province.
- 6.4 A report on the implications the anticipated budget cuts will have for the Department of Health.
- 6.5 A copy of the feasibility study for the redevelopment project of the Tygerberg Hospital.
- 6.6 The Western Cape Department of Health provide a comprehensive report on the health services delivered in Hout Bay.

7. Conclusion

The Committee expressed its appreciation for the information provided by the Minister, the Head of Department and the officials of the Department. Furthermore, the Committee thanked the members of the public who were in attendance and encouraged them to make written submissions on the Annual Report of the Department of Health.

5. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS ON THE 2018/19 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS AND GOVERNMENT MOTOR TRANSPORT.

The Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works, having considered the annual reports of the Department of Transport and Public Works and Government Motor Transport for the 2018/19 financial year, dated 31 October 2019, reports as follows:

1. Introduction

The Annual Reports of Government Motor Transport and the Department of Transport and Public Works (the Department) for the financial year ended 31 March 2019 were tabled on 19 September 2019 and 26 September 2019 respectively in accordance with section 65(1)(a) of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999), as amended.

As part of its oversight function, the Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works (the Committee) considered the annual reports of the Department and its trading entity, Government Motor Transport (GMT), on 8 October 2019. Annual reports are the key instruments for departments to report on performance measured against their performance targets and budgets as outlined in their strategic plans and annual performance plans. In addition hereto, it accounts for the success of each programme that was implemented.

Standing Rule 111(1)(a) of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament provides standing committees with the mandate to consider departmental annual reports submitted in accordance with the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999).

The Annual Report Programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers to invite stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

The Committee deliberated on Part A: General Information, Part B: Performance Information and Part D: Human Resource Management, after which the public present was afforded an opportunity to ask questions to the department.

2. Department of Transport and Public Works

2.1 Overview

The Chairperson welcomed the members of the Committee, the Minister of Transport and Public Works, the Head of Department, departmental officials and all present.

The Minister highlighted that this Annual Report was completed under the previous Minister. This Department plays a critical role in stimulating the economy in the province and provides the infrastructure to ensure that there is adequate service delivery during the sixth Parliament.

Since the start of term of the Minister, he had various engagements with the officials, as well as with stakeholders and the National Ministers, Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure, Minister De Lille and Minister of Transport, Minister Mbalula. The Minister reiterated that it is important to ensure that there is a close alignment between the provincial and national spheres of government in order to address the challenges facing the Department, specifically with challenges relating to rail transport and that the success of the Department will be determined by good inter-governmental relations.

The Minister further noted that the Premier launched a safety plan for the province and the Department of Transport and Public Works has a critical role to play in road safety. The Department will develop a plan with clear strategic deliverables on how to address his critical role in respect to Road Safety.

The Department is also in consultation with various departments and stakeholders to support the building and construction industry in order to create an environment for job creation.

The Department will continue to engage the national Department of Transport, the City of Cape Town and the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa to find a sustainable solution to the crisis.

Minister Madikizela highlighted that he will be focusing on four key strategic areas during his term in office, namely road safety, the improvement of public transport (in particular rail transport), empowerment and skills development and spatial integration.

3. Government Motor Transport

3.1 Overview

Government Motor Transport (GMT) is a crucial component of the service delivery component of the various arms of government. It encompasses a wide range of functions and is the only trading entity of the Department of Transport and Public Works. It operates as an independent business unit responsible for the delivery of vehicle-fleet management services to the provincial and national government, as well as to other entities. GMT operates differently from the Department as it uses accrual accounting as opposed to the modified cash accounting system used by the Department. GMT maintained its clean audit status.

As fleet management agency, GMT is vulnerable to the impact of changing economic conditions, high fuel costs and local and international events. Fuel is one of GMT's main cost drivers and expenditure on fuel, which totalled R165 million during the 2018/19 financial year, representing an increase of 14,3% on the previous year. The expenditure on fuel represents 27,8% of GMT's operating expenditure and is likely to increase as adverse economic conditions affect fuel prices.

GMT continually provides client institutions with innovative solutions and was fundamental in the introduction of in-vehicle technology for the Department's traffic management fleet. During the installation of the in-vehicle technology, problems with the battery system were experienced in one of the vehicles and the matter was referred to the service provider, who carried out the repairs at no cost to GMT. Lessons were learnt and the necessary corrective measures were put in place.

During the year under review, the running cost increased by 11,9%, which consist of the fuelling component and general repairs and maintenance, while fuel increased by 14,1%.

The unit cost per running kilometre is R2,29, which consist of the R1,51 fuelling cost and R0,71 is for general repairs and maintenance, and that represents an increase from R2,03. The cost for accident repairs is R10, 279 million, which is 5% of the total repairs and maintenance, and that represents a decrease from R12,988 million, which was 6% of the total repairs and maintenance.

Client-satisfaction consultations are conducted bi-monthly during transport client forum meetings to resolve GMT-related issues. GMT is also evaluated annually to identify and resolve shortcomings. The feedback is used to improve service delivery where necessary but the feedback in general is positive. Regular interaction and training sessions took place between the GMT liaison officers and the transport officers in client departments to address any problem areas.

GMT self-ensures that vehicles are not misused as it is in GMT's interest. GMT is in the process of implementing a driver tag system whereby a driver is issued with a tag and with the help of technology and a tracking system, a driver can be monitored and a driver profile can be compiled. Where it is found that a driver transgresses, a report will be sent to the client department for further action.

The Committee noted the low number of employees with disabilities who are employed but also noted the Department's and GMT's attempts to address this matter.

GMT continues to strive to deliver effective fleet management services and has taken a number of innovative steps to ensure that it effectively supports the core values of the Western Cape Government.

4. Information requested

The Committee REQUESTED that the Department, by 31 January 2020, submits:

- 4.1 A complete list of the private cleaning companies utilised by GMT for on-site vehicle cleaning at GMT, and the cost of the project;
- 4.2 The statistics with regard to road fatalities per district municipality; and
- 4.3 A list of the framework agreements in place for the maintenance programme at the Department and an indication of the grade of each contract, as well as the cost per contract.

5. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED to invite the Department, at a future date, to brief it on:

- 5.1 The utilisation of provincial sites and/or land to address the imbalances of the past in the province;
- 5.2 The refinement of Phases 1, 2 and 3 of the “Go George” bus service and a status report on the implementation of Phase 4; and
- 5.3 The Conradie Better Living Model Exemplar Project.

6. Conclusion

The Chairperson thanked the Members of the Committee, the Minister, the Head of Department and all the officials of the Department and GMT for their preparation and responses to the questions raised by the Committee.

6. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT ON THE 2018/19 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The Standing Committee on Local Government, having considered the Annual Report of the Department of Local Government for the 2018/19 financial year, dated 31 October 2019, reports as follows:

1. Introduction

The Annual Report of the Department of Local Government for the financial year ended 31 March 2019 was tabled on 27 September 2019 in accordance with section 65(1)(a) of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999), as amended.

As part of its oversight function, the Standing Committee on Local Government (the Committee) considered the Annual Report of the Department of Local Government (the Department) on 17 October 2019. Annual reports are the key instruments for departments to report on performance measured against their performance targets and budgets as outlined in their strategic plans and annual performance plans. In addition hereto, annual reports account for the success of each programme that was implemented.

Standing Rule 111(1)(a) of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament provides standing committees with the mandate to consider departmental annual reports submitted in accordance with the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999).

The Annual Report Programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers to invite stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

The Committee deliberated on Part A: General Information, Part B: Performance Information and Part D: Human Resource Management after which the public present was afforded an opportunity to ask questions to the department.

2. Overview

- 2.1 The Chairperson welcomed the members of the Committee, the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, the Head of Department, departmental officials and all present. The Chairperson congratulated the Department on its performance in achieving a clean audit outcome. He specifically thanked the Department for its hard work to achieve the sterling results presented to the Committee. He further noted that a transparent professional relationship exists between the Department and the Committee and urged this spirit to prevail. The Chairperson offered Minister Bredell as well as the Head of Department, Mr Pause, the opportunity to make introductory remarks.
- 2.2 In his remarks the Minister highlighted that this Annual Report is a reflection of the Department's achievements against the targets set for the 2018/19 financial year. The period under review was extremely difficult due to the prolonged drought but valuable lessons were learnt.
- 2.3 The Minister expressed his concern about the drought situation in the Greater Karoo, Laingsburg and Kannaland areas, where the total collapse in water supply was prevented with the adoption of the Greater Karoo Drought Response Action Plan through a joint regional approach.
- 2.4 The Department provided continuous support to municipalities in order to improve service delivery and, in terms of the Government Performance Index Research Report, 12 of the top 20 performing municipalities in the country were located in the Western Cape.
- 2.5 The Department is under severe budgetary pressure and there is an indication of a 5% to 7% budget cut which could equate to approximately R13 billion over the next three years making service delivery extremely difficult and the Department will do everything possible to provide the necessary support.
- 2.6 A Local Government Forum was established at national level where all the heads of departments of Local Government sit and it is currently chaired by the Western Cape. The Forum is used to discuss the challenges faced by Local Government, to explore best practices and to encourage a collaborative effort to assist one another through the exchange of good-practice models that will improve support to municipalities.
- 2.7 The Department embarked on a joint district approach. It was found that the challenges at local government were the same year on year and the Department could ensure that co-planning and co-budgeting lead to better service delivery in communities by aligning the planning priorities of the province with those of municipalities.

- 2.8 The Constitutional Court declared the Local Government: Municipal Systems Amendment Act, 2011 (Act 7 of 2011), invalid. This judgment has far-reaching effects on the administration of municipalities in general. The Department, together with other provinces, is assisting the national Department to develop a circular to guide municipalities on the implications and applicability of the provisions despite the declaration of invalidity.
- 2.9 The Department supported municipalities with an accredited training programme on Integrated Community Development as part of strengthening the citizen interface. The purpose of the Programme is to build capacity within the municipal public participation units.

3. Information requested

The Committee REQUESTED that the Department, by 31 January 2020, submits

- 3.1 A list of municipalities and councillors who attended the Hans Seidell Foundation training programme on ethical and responsible leadership;
- 3.2 A quarterly report on the extent of public participation at municipalities;
- 3.3 An updated list of transfer payments to municipalities, as well as the municipal expenditure to date of these transfer payments;
- 3.4 A list of all the fully fledged Thusong centres and satellite centres, as well as a report on the funding awarded to six municipalities for small-scale job creation and income-generating economic development projects in rural areas;
- 3.5 A copy of the Government Performance Index Research Report conducted by Good Governance Africa that was released in April 2019;
- 3.6 A list of the training courses the departmental officials attended during the period under review as well as the designation of the officials and service providers of these training courses; and
- 3.7 A copy of the Department's Workforce Plan 2016–2021.

4. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED to invite the Department, at a future date, to brief it on:

- 4.1 The Joint District Approach as developed by the Department and endorsed by the national government;

- 4.2 The partnership with the Hans Seidell Foundation and the training provided to councillors with regard to ethical and responsible leadership;
- 4.3 The partnership with the Dullah Omar Institute and the research done with regard to Alternative Executive Governance Models in Local Government; and
- 4.4 The public-participation process followed by the Witzenberg Municipality during their Integrated Development Plan process and whether any interventions were necessary to ensure the process was all-inclusive.

5. Conclusion

The Chairperson thanked the members of the Committee, the Minister, the Head of Department and all the officials of the Department for their preparation and responses to the questions raised by the Committee.

THURSDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

The Minister of Social Development

Introduction of the Western Cape Laws Repeal Bill in accordance with Standing Rule 170(1)(b).

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

The House met at 14:15.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLING AND COMMITTEE REPORTS - see p. 685**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 18, I move that the next sitting of this House scheduled for Tuesday, 26 November 2019, commence at 10:00.

Agreed to.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, guests, let me take the opportunity to recognise and ask the hon members to join me in welcoming the member of the National Assembly of Pakistan, the International Chairperson of the Commonwealth Women Parliamentary Forum. That is the wing of the CPA international branch. She has just been elected now in Kampala in Uganda. She is brand new, fresh from the box. She has been here since Monday and she has had a number of activities with our members and one of them was today where the CWP branch was re-established. Hon members, let us all please welcome hon Shandana Gulzar Khan. [Applause.] Thank you hon Khan. Please give our regards to the Speaker of Pakistan Parliament. You are welcome here.

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Ms D BAARTMAN (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, fellow South Africans. Recently we learned that a major manufacturing plant in Saldanha Bay, ArcelorMittal South Africa, will be winding down its operations, a company that contributes significantly to the local and regional economy. The main reason the company is winding down is because it is no longer economically viable. The company aims to complete this process by the first quarter of 2020.

Steel sales decreased in July as well as September 2019; ArcelorMittal, South Africa, lost approximately 50% in its share price during this year and they are faced with shedding approximately 1000 jobs.

We are currently faced with an extremely challenging period in our economy so the shedding of even one job in Saldanha Bay in the Western Cape in South Africa, is one job too many.

As a province we need to continue cutting unnecessary costs and red tape in order to create an enabling environment for businesses to grow. In particular the Western Cape has already invested R1 billion in Saldanha Bay IDZ and seven new factories will be built in the area with one already having broken ground. Further, the world's longest production manganese train in the world has rolled into Saldanha Bay on the Cape West Coast after travelling more than 800 kilometres from the Northern Cape and we now have a direct flight from Langebaan to Cape Town, which will further contribute to economic growth.

Given the devastating news, we welcome the Western Cape Provincial Government's commitment to assist the company in reducing costs by providing water tariff relief by the Saldanha Bay Municipality, as well as working with the Department of Trade and Industry, nationally, to include the company in the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone to reduce energy and freight costs. We further welcome the Western Cape and national departments' co-operation to assist those employees who may be affected by the closure of the company.

This situation further highlights the need for Independent Power Producers, which will assist in the region and province's energy needs and we thus urge the national Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy to approve Section 34 determinations for municipalities. Thank you.

Mr L L MVIMBI (ANC): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The ANC in the Western Cape Legislature is alarmed by the plans of ArcelorMittal South Africa to close down operations in Saldanha Bay, that may result in almost a thousand job losses. The big question is: where is the DA-run Provincial Government in assisting this business with all the many wonderful things it so often brags about? [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order please.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Where is the assistance to business from red tape reduction to advice, where is all that? [Interjections.] The DA in this Legislature is fast to act when national departments and entities are called to so-called "account" here where this Province has no mandate or jurisdiction, like with Home Affairs up to SAPS. But why is it so inaudible on the biggest disaster that hit that IDZ of Saldanha with massive possible layoffs?

We will write an urgent letter calling on the Legislature's Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism Committee to get into action, engage with the relevant stakeholders to gather more details of the situation, as well as its impact on that area through a committee meeting or an oversight visit to the ArcelorMittal South Africa premises. Our major concern is the future of the workers and the immediate plan for them. We believe that everything possible must be done to save jobs and thus all options must be explored.

An HON MEMBER: But we are already doing that. But we are already doing that!

Mr L L MVIMBI: The DA must now wake up and save this institution. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: You must wake up.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Wake up! [Interjections.]

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA (EFF): Thank you, Deputy Speaker. The Economic Freedom Fighters calls on the Western Cape Provincial Government to liaise with the City of Cape Town on the issue of an inclusionary housing policy with regards to housing developments taking place in the Cape Town CBD. Cape Town remains a racially divided city, which faces a housing affordability crisis. In its centre lies a lack of racial and economic integration, with the best land reserved for the wealthy, predominantly white population, who live close to good hospitals, jobs and schools, to mention a few.

The Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act is a national legislation, which requires different spheres of government, including the City of Cape Town, to provide for the inclusive developmental, equitable and efficient spatial planning. The Western Cape Provincial Government needs to put pressure on the City of Cape Town to conform to this legislation by urgently adopting an inclusionary housing policy that will regulate private developments in the city by securing a portion for affordable housing for those without bigger financial muscle.

The advantages of an inclusionary housing policy are that people without means will save up to 40% of household income, which is currently used on public transport as they will now be closer to their jobs. Their children will have better access to schools and grow up in mixed income communities as opposed to high poverty areas, to mention a few. Thank you.

Ms L M MASEKO (DA): Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. It is crucial that in the Western Cape we deliver services which are targeted squarely at the real needs of our residents today. [Interjection.] This is why policy must continually be revised and updated where necessary, as the needs of residents change and so the strategy to provide services needs to change along with them. Our stakeholders and industry experts play an important role in these processes, and I am glad to see that in DA-led governments, their concerns are being heard and included in our service delivery roll-out.

The reality is that the provision of social housing in post-apartheid South Africa is not only the provision of a basic service, but the active reversal of apartheid spatial planning, which continues to segregate our communities. Therefore, the policy governing this service must include the views and inputs of civic organisations, the private sector and the residents themselves in order to change the face of our cities and begin to reconnect people to opportunities and growth. It is therefore vital that social housing includes industry ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Ms L M MASEKO: ... expertise, and the research compiled by organisations representing the poor and the disadvantaged. [Interjections.] Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am watching. I am watching the front desk.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. [Interjection.] There is only one member Maseko.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, you are quite correct, hon member.

Ms L M MASEKO: It is for this reason that I welcome the City of Cape Town's Housing Policy Feasibility Study, which will commence in January 2020 as it provides the perfect platform for a social housing policy which is inclusive, ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: More delays.

Ms L M MASEKO: ... comprehensive, and which will not only build communities, but break down barriers to social unity. I am very happy to see that where ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

Ms L M MASEKO: ... the DA governs, the dream of a united and equal South Africa is finally coming to light by including people and residents at ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. Order members, please. [Interjections.] I have to stop the clock then, allow member Maseko to finish now because she has been interrupted. Please finish off, member Maseko. [Interjections.] I am listening.

Ms L M MASEKO: Okay. Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. I am very happy to see that where the DA governs, the dream of a united and equal South Africa is finally coming to light ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members! [Interjections.]

Ms L M MASEKO: ... by including people. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members! I am going to allow her to repeat that because she was shut down. [Interjections.] No, it is only fair. It is only fair. I did not even hear what she said, actually. So may I ask that you repeat whatever you said so that I can hear. [Interjections.] It is only fair.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: If they shout you down, I will give you the same opportunity.

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I am very happy to see that where the DA governs, the dream of a united and equal South Africa is finally coming to light by including people ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

An HON MEMBER: I cannot hear Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members, please. [Interjections.] Hon members, I really ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Let her start from the beginning.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Again, she has to finish her sentence. It is out of respect. I will give that respect to anybody that is being shouted down. So please, the longer you do it, we just repeat it and so, can I just ask ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: I object!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: It is a matter of principle. [Interjections.] So the principle on the rule is really that she has to be allowed to finish her speech without being shouted down and I would like to give her that opportunity in the fairness of this House. [Interjections.] Hon members, please.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much. Hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. [Interjections.] Can member Maseko finish?

Ms L M MASEKO: Member Maseko is so happy to see that where the DA governs, the dream of a united and equal South Africa is finally coming to light ... [Interjections.] by including people and residents at all levels in the policy making processes. This is another way that we are not only building houses for our people but creating communities and restoring dignity. I thank you, Deputy Speaker. [Interjections.] [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member.

Mr A LILI: Speaker!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, hon member?

Mr A LILI: Can I ask you a question?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: You may, but as one of the perpetrators of noise in the House ... [Interjection.]

Mr A LILI: Thanks, Speaker. No, my question would be ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: He cannot even let the Speaker finish.

Mr A LILI: Do you concur?

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

Mr A LILI: ...with the hon member?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No!

Mr A LILI: I mean, talking that way with the DA that recently, recently ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: We concur!

Mr A LILI: ...the entire continent witnessed the divisions from within ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: That is not a point of order!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member, yes, it is not a point of order. [Interjections.] Thank you very much. I am moving over to GOOD. I recognised GOOD. Hon Herron?

Mr B N HERRON (GOOD): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. For hon Maseko's information, an inclusionary housing policy was prepared and drafted from late 2017 to mid-2018. So it has been available to the DA in Cape Town since August 2018 ... ([Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr B N HERRON: ... when it was presented to the Mayoral Committee by myself. I am happy that they are reviving it a year later. Hon Deputy Speaker, I want to thank the Premier and MEC, or Minister Fernandez, for recognising good policy when they see it. [Interjections.] The DA's "One South Africa for All 2019" manifesto promised to overhaul SAPS and to provide provincial policing, although many international examples proved, policing alone cannot solve crime. But not once in the many pages that are in that "One South Africa for All 2019" manifesto does the DA even consider improving social services to tackle the underlying causes of crime in our neighbourhoods. On the other hand the GOOD manifesto promises to, and I quote "Address the root causes of crime... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr B N HERRON: ... by ensuring improved professional policing works hand in hand with effective social services and social development." So I am pleased that the Premier and the MEC spoke about adopting good policy in the Provincial Safety Plan. I support their announcements published in the *Cape Argus* yesterday ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order [Interjections.]

Mr B N HERRON: ...of improving policing combined with more effective social services.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, member Marran.

Mr B N HERRON: Hon Deputy Speaker, I hope this House will soon be provided with a copy of this yet to be seen Safety Plan ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

Mr B N HERRON: ... but I will leave a copy of the manifesto here in case you need any other bids. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members! Order members!

Mr B N HERRON: This time, hon Deputy Speaker, I congratulate the DA on abandoning your manifesto and I agree with you that our policies will make this a good and safe place to live. Thank you.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS (ACDP): Yet again, hon Deputy Speaker, I saw on the Western Cape Government website, highlighted about substance abuse. And we know, I have said it earlier that substance abuse amounts to violent crimes within our communities, and it is a main ingredient that destroys our homes. Even more work needs to be done by this Government to have preventative measures in place and also to intervene within our communities and our schools.

The ACDP is referring to the statistics from July to December 2018, that the drugs of choice are cannabis, tik, alcohol and heroin. Hon Deputy Speaker, it is damaging our societies and the ACDP wants to know, what is this Provincial Government doing? Are they doing enough? They are definitely not doing enough to curb this abuse of substances. We realise it is a transversal issue, so there is more than one department, but surely there must be a plan, otherwise in the coming years there will be no stopping it.

Let me just give you an example, hon Deputy Speaker. Cannabis is recorded to cause 30% of crimes that happen in our society. Cannabis plays a big role. Tik plays a big role. Heroin and alcohol play a big role. So I think this Government must do more in order to intervene or to bring this message. I thank you.

Mr M KAMA (ANC): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. In the gallery today, we are joined by the communities of Darling and Leonsdale. They join us while the nation is in a jubilant mood, following the victory of the Springboks in Japan, bringing home the Webb Ellis Trophy for the third time. Making this victory sweeter is the inclusion of players like Makazole Mapimpi who grew up playing rugby in the dusty streets of East London.

The victory of the Springboks, the win by Chad le Clos and the victory of the national SA Netball team has ignited hope in the face of many young people against the realities of an ailing economy and crime which continues to say to a child of Elsies River and Darling "you don't have a future".

On 6 November 2019 I was invited by the community of Leonsdale and Elsies River at large, which has united itself beyond their individual political or religious affiliations, against the City of Cape Town which is planning to rezone the Sleepy Hollow sports ground, the only stadium in the area, for human settlements.

This is against a subcouncil resolution which recommended upgrading of this sports ground in October 2017.

Sleepy Hollow is situated in the same street where gangs fight each other all the time, yet there has never been a single murder reported on the ground. This is because everyone in the community, including alleged gang members knows the value of the stadium to the community. By closing it, the City of Cape Town will be systematically condemning the youth to crime and gangsterism.

It is for this reason that I wish to call on the Premier and MEC Fritz and MEC Marais to accompany me to the area before the end of the year to listen to the grievances of the community around the rezoning of the stadium that has produced stars like Ryan Baartman of Cape Town City, Wayde van Niekerk and other local players who are now in Spain. With me, hon Deputy Speaker, I have a file of memorandums from the community of Elsies River and Darling, which I intend to give to the Premier as we approach the situation of the area. Thank you. [Applause.]

Mr R D MACKENZIE (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I am happy that hon Brett Herron admitted on the record now, he was a failure as a Mayco member. He said he was a housing inclusionary member ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: He said there was a housing inclusionary policy and as the Mayco member for Urban Development his job was to implement it. So, I am happy he put it on the record that ... [Interjection.]

Mr B N HERRON: It was ready in November 2018.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. Order, hon member.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Post-apartheid South Africa has given birth to one of the most liberal constitutions in the world, one that affirms the democratic values of human dignity, equality and freedom. We all have a responsibility to respect these rights, and public representatives in particular have a responsibility to enact accountability and transparency if we are serious about driving good governance.

The fact of the matter is that accountability seems to be a buzzword in main South African politics and is being perpetuated as such by the intelligentsia without any proper interrogation and conviction. Under the ANC, the ever-increasing hostility towards accountability mechanisms and open debate on important matters will only be to the detriment of our democracy. In fact, democracy means nothing in the absence of transparency and accountability.

This has recently been defied by the Democratic Alliance after the May elections this year, when accountability and transparency was put into action. Unlike the ANC, the DA breathes life into these terms, both internality and where we govern. [Interjections.] In fact, Deputy Speaker, in the ANC ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: ...accountability is a swear word. [Interjections.] The supposed New Dawn is an indictment on the Orwellian tendencies that have come to define South Africa under the ANC. A clear example of this is the shuffling of former Premiers to Parliament, such as the former Premier of the North West and the former Premier of Limpopo, who is now dubbed the Deputy Minister of Police, even after bankrupting his own province. Accountability should therefore be declared taboo in the ANC. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members!

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Corrupt Ministers and mayors often get rewarded with ambassador status or other cushy government jobs. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: In fact, hon Deputy Speaker, I cannot recall one instance where the ANC opened a criminal case of corruption against any of its senior leaders. including any of these members, having once opened a criminal case against ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: ... any of the members in the Western Cape, accused of corruption.

An HON MEMBER: For what?

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Instead, they are being protected – listen to that! [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: For what? Corruption, not for what, member. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Finish off, hon member. [Interjections.]

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Instead they are being protected at all costs ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Finish off.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: ...to avoid having more webs – hon Deputy Speaker, I cannot hear myself.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes. I can hear you.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: ... against more webs of patronage systems and ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members!

Mr R D MACKENZIE: ...corrupt deals unmasked. The DA on the other hand, holds its leaders accountable from councillors ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Finish off.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: ... to mayors, to even its national leader. That is the DA difference. We walk the talk on accountability, something that will only ever exist as a phantom phenomenon to the ANC. Thank you. [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member. I see the hon, from Al Jama-ah. Are you doing a statement, sir? No? [Interjections.] Okay. Noted. And then I see the DA as a final statement.

An HON MEMBER: We have evidence.

Ms L J BOTHA (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The allegations against MEC Kwazi Mshengu for Education in KwaZulu Natal are serious. Not only because it is a blatant abuse of taxpayers' money, but because of what it could have bought within the educational sector for our learners instead. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order please.

Ms L J BOTHA: Moreover, over the last two financial years the total losses from SOE amounts to R96,46 billion. This amount is four times the Western Cape Education Department's budget. The WCED who aims to provide quality education to every learner in our province – it could have done so much more, hon Deputy Speaker.

But instead of recognising this incredible injustice, the ANC on 31 October in the *Cape Argus* blames the DA for everything that is wrong, even if it has made significant strides since 2009. The opinion piece missed all the facts. The WCED remains vigilant and continues to place emphasis on fiscal consolidation, cost cutting measures ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

Ms L J BOTHA: ...as well as streamlining and rationalising projects, while remaining committed to its vision of quality education for every learner in every classroom in every school. We are, Deputy Speaker, cognisant of the gaps in achieving this mission.

An HON MEMBER: Where? What gaps?

Ms L J BOTHA: Within budgetary constraints the WCED ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Lily.

†Me L J BOTHA: Miskien moet julle net bietjie luister. Luister.

[Ms L J BOTHA: Perhaps you should just listen a bit. Listen.] †Within budgetary constraints the WCED incorporated ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

Ms L J BOTHA: ...20 000 new learners for the current academic year and will receive outstanding results nonetheless. Amassed, the Department spends the bulk of its budget on poorer schools and its pro-poor policy exceeds every other province. [Interjection.] Luister! Listen!

The facts do not lie, hon Deputy Speaker. We must acknowledge ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members!

Ms L J BOTHA: We must acknowledge the new dawn ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: If you can finish off, hon member. [Interjections.]

Ms L J BOTHA: ... to free corruption in order to expand and improve on our services from the ANC Government, however, we are at the dusk with regards to train delays, impacting on unemployment, power outages and SAA falling out of the air. SABC employment incompetence ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member.

Ms L J BOTHA: ...which cost this country billions and no one is held accountable. I thank you. [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. [Interjections.] Hon members. Is there a Minister who wishes to respond as contemplated in the Standing Rule 145.6? I see the hon Minister Fritz.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. It is such a privilege for me to do this. The Western Cape Government, under the leadership of Premier Alan Winde is leading the way in provincial safety. [Interjections.] On 19 September 2019, Premier Winde launched his Safety Plan, the most comprehensive safety plan ...

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ... in the country, which will see:...

An HON MEMBER: Where?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

- 3 000 new law enforcement officers deployed where and when crime happens;
- Deployment based on data-led technology;

An HON MEMBER: What are you doing?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: The third point is:

- 150 investigators to prepare ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: You are out of order!

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

- ...dockets for prosecutors;
- A world-class, evidence-led and integrated violence prevention programme; and lastly, hon Deputy Speaker,
- A safety priority for every Cabinet Minister with accountable and transparent metrics.

Very, very important. Every single Minister. The intention behind the Safety Plan is to halve the province's murder rate over the next 10 years. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: The Safety Plan calls on each Minister to take a collaborative approach to safety as each of us has our own respective safety obligations. [Interjections.] Premier Winde has assigned safety priorities, and all Ministers have undertaken to personally account for the delivery of each of those outcomes.

I have personally been tasked with the overseeing and training and deployment of additional law enforcement officers ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Where? [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ... as I said over a period of five years ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ...and 150 investigators ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ...to the places and times where and when violent crime happens. I will also be working to expand the highly successful Chrysalis Programme, enhance police oversight and work ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ...to change legislation to ensure that cheap alcohol pricing is altered. [Interjections.] Additionally, Premier Winde will form a Safety Cabinet where the Ministers, the SAPS and other stakeholders in the Criminal Justice System will be held accountable to delivery metrics which will in turn be communicated directly to the public. In this regard, we have already met with the National Minister, Bheki Cele and the Deputy Minister to implement this Safety Plan and I hope these members of the Opposition can go and ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ...ask the Minister for some information. By working Better Together in this way, we will make the Western Cape a safer and ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ... happier place for everyone to live in! I hope they take safety seriously. [Interjections.] Thank you, Madam Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister Fritz.

Mr B N HERRON: Hon Deputy Speaker?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: That concludes the end of Members' Statements.

Mr B N HERRON: Hon Deputy Speaker?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: We now move over to – my apologies. Yes?

Mr B N HERRON: I am wondering if the Minister or the Premier will take a question?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No. No questions on the statement, unfortunately. Now we move over to notices. [Interjections.]

Mr B N HERRON: We never get the truth in this House! It is a waste of time!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Herron, you have to use the tools available to you, a written question perhaps or a question, but I cannot actually comment on that unfortunately. Notices of Motion in terms of Rule ... [Interjections.]

Mr B N HERRON: I asked a question ... [Inaudible.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: ... 151 [Interjection.]

Mr B N HERRON: It takes them three months to give an answer!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any motions where notice is given? Hon Mvimbi, I see you, sir.

ANNUAL REPORT CONTRIBUTIONS

(Motion)

Mr L L MVIMBI: Madam Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House acknowledges and appreciates the efforts and contributions made by members of the Provincial Legislature, during the presentation and consideration of the Annual Reports and Auditor-General Reports; especially the members of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, who had to leave these premises late in the evening due to their commitment to hold the Executive to account. As special word of thanks to hon Baartman, hon Maseko, hon America and hon Xego as well as hon member Nomi Nkondlo who stood in for me in an acting capacity when I was away.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House acknowledges and appreciates the efforts and contributions made by MPPs during the presentation of the annual reports and the reports by the Auditor-General, especially the Members of Scopa who had to leave these premises late in the evenings due to their commitment to hold the executive to account; a special word of thanks to Hon Members Baartman, Maseko, America and Xego, as well as the Hon Member Nkondlo, for standing in for me in an acting capacity.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

WESTERN CAPE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: BUDGET CUT

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you. Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the 5% Budget cut and the impact it will have on services provided by the Western Cape Department of Education. I so move. [Interjections.]

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the 5% budget cut and the impact it will have on services provided by the Western Cape Department of Education.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

An HON MEMBER: I wonder where that money is?!

GENDER BASED VIOLENCE: EMPLOYEE VETTING

(Motion)

Ms A P BANS: Madam Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House notes with concern the recent reports of suspension of a senior employee in the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport; on the grounds of sexual harassment; notes further that this is concerning given the issue of GBV and sexual offences in the province, thus highlighting the importance of a previously mentioned motion presented by the ANC to implement a vetting system for all Government employees in the province; and calls on the MEC to ensure that the official remains suspended until the case is concluded. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms A P BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House notes with concern the recent reports of the suspension of a senior employee in the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport on the grounds of sexual harassment; notes further that this is concerning given the issue of gender-based violence and sexual offences in the province and thus highlighting the importance of a previously mentioned motion presented by the ANC to implement a vetting system for all government employees in the province; and calls on the Minister to ensure that the official remains suspended until the case is concluded.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

FORMER PREMIER: COLONIALISM TWEETS

(Motion)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Madam Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the implications of the recent judgment by Judge Malebo Habedi in Gauteng High Court which dismissed the application by former Premier Helen Zille, who is now Chairperson of the DA Federal Executive Council, to set aside the Public Protector's finding that the former Premier's tweets about colonialism ... [Interjections.] did not comply with the provisions of the Constitution as well as the Executive Ethics contained in the Executive Members Ethics Act 82 of 1998. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the implications of the recent judgment by Judge Melebo Habedi in the Gauteng High Court that dismissed the application by former Premier Zille, who is now Chairperson of the DA's Federal Executive Council, to set aside the Public Protector's finding that the former Premier's tweets about colonialism did not comply with the provisions of Constitution and with the Executive Ethics Code contained in the Executive Members Ethics Act, 1998 (Act 82 of 1998).

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN: 2019

(Motion)

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Madam Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That at its next sitting the House debates the 2019 Integrated Resource Plan. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the Integrated Resource Plan 2019.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

The PREMIER: That is something serious.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The PREMIER: That is like a debate.

COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION CURRICULUM FOR 2020

(Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Madam Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) curriculum for 2020.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) curriculum for 2020.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

RACISM AT DE BRON PRIMARY SCHOOL: STANFORD

(Motion)

Mr M K SAYED: Madam Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House notes with concern reports of ill-treatment of teachers by other teachers at De Bron Primary School in Stanford which has since led to the resignation of one educator; notes further that the alleged ill-treatment has resulted in divisions amongst parents at the school, leading to the formation of groups like the Xhosa Parent group who are feeling very frustrated with the attitude of De Bron Primary School and the School Governing Body and the lack of urgency to address their concerns; notes further that their concerns include racism at the school which includes a teacher at the school who allegedly slammed a child's head on the desk and called him the K-word; that learners endure racist slurs and bullying at school on a daily basis, and we call for an urgent investigation and an intervention into these concerns. Thank you.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House notes with concern reports of ill-treatment of teachers by other teachers at the Die Bron Primary School in Stanford, which has since led to the resignation of one educator; notes further that the alleged ill-treatment has resulted in divisions among parents at the school, leading to the formation of groups, like the IsiXhosa Parents Group, that are feeling very frustrated with the attitude of the Die Bron Primary School SGB and the lack of urgency to address their concerns; notes further that their concerns include racism at the school, including a teacher at the school who allegedly slammed a child's head down on his desk and called him the K word and learners who are enduring racist slurs and bullying at school daily; and calls for an urgent investigation into these concerns and intervention.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

WARD COUNCILLOR WASHIELA HARRIS

(Motion)

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Washiela Harris on her election as the new councillor for Ward 82 in Mitchells Plain; may she continue to serve the people of Mitchells Plain and Tafelsig; residents have once again entrusted us to bring good governance to their communities, and we thank them for putting their faith in the DA. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House:

- (1) congratulates Washiela Harris on her election as the new councillor for ward 82 and wishes her well in serving the people of Mitchells Plain and Tafelsig; and
- (2) recognises that residents have once again entrusted us to bring good governance to communities and thanks them for putting their faith in the DA.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

LATE KING MPENDULO ZWELONKE SIGCAWU

(Motion of condolence)

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the sudden passing of amaXhosa King Mpendulo Zwelonke Sigcawu this morning after he was taken to hospital last night; send our condolences to the amaXhosa nation and the Sigcawu family. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the sudden passing of amaXhosa King Mpendulo Zwelonke Sigcawu (51) this morning after he was hospitalised last night; and conveys condolences to the amaXhosa nation.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

LATE LIEUTENANT-COLONEL ANDRÉ KAY

(Motion of condolence)

Mr R ALLEN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness the murder of Lieutenant-Colonel André Kay, who was shot in front of his house in Bishop Lavis earlier today; we send our heartfelt condolences to his family, friends and the entire safety fraternity; Lieutenant-Colonel Kay was a dedicated police officer and his death is a tragic loss to the entire Western Cape; he will be sorely missed by many and may he rest in peace. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House:

- (1) notes with sadness the murder of Lt Col André Kay, who was shot in front of his Bishop Lavis home on Thursday morning;
- (2) conveys heartfelt condolences to his family, friends and the entire safety and security fraternity; and
- (3) further notes that Lt Col Kay was a dedicated police officer and that his death was a tragic loss for the Western Cape and that he will be sorely missed by many.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

DA: DECLINE IN THE PROVINCE

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the ongoing decline of the DA in the province and that it continues to lose support on a daily basis ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr D SMITH:

... and besides the by-election blow in Matzikama yesterday where the ANC has taken the ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

Mr D SMITH:

... DA ward in Vredendal North, to govern that municipality. The DA also lost their Speaker of Stellenbosch Municipality, Wilhelmina Petersen who resigned unexpectedly and without a reason given. [Interjections.] I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the ongoing decline of the DA in the province and that it continues to lose support daily; notes further that, besides the by-election blow in Matzikama yesterday where the ANC has taken the DA ward in Vredendal to govern that municipality, the DA has also lost the Speaker of the Stellenbosch Municipality, Wilhelmina Petersen, who resigned unexpectedly and without giving a reason.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

LATE ALLISON PLAATJIES

(Motion of condolence)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its sincere condolences to the family and loved ones of Allison Plaatjies, a teacher from Cedar Primary in Clanwilliam, whose life was taken at a tender age; we extend our sympathy, thoughts and prayers to the entire family for their loss during this time of grief and mourning. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its sincere condolences to the family and loved ones of Allison Plaatjies, a teacher from Cedar Primary in Clanwilliam, whose life was taken at a tender age; and also extends its sympathy, thoughts and prayers to the entire family for their loss during this time of grief and mourning.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

SOUTH AFRICAN SPORTS PEOPLE: SUCCESSES

(Motion)

Ms A P BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates all South African sports people on the success they attained in their international competitions, including the national senior rugby players who became the world champion team, the netball team who has taken the African championship, and even our Paralympians who are making us proud with their records and world medals; and noting this, we say “Well done South Africa, you are a winning nation in the world!”

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms A P BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House:

- (1) congratulates all South African sports people on the success that they achieved in international competitions, including the national senior rugby players who became the world champion team, the netball team that has taken the African championship, and also our Paralympians who are making us proud with their records and world medals; and
- (2) noting all these achievements, say “well done, South Africa, you are a winning nation in the world”.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

SPRINGBOK NATIONAL RUGBY TEAM

(Motion)

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates the Springbok national rugby team for winning the 2019 Rugby World Cup; the Rugby World Cup also is a reminder to South Africans that sport-like society is still untransformed; it is also a reminder that 25 years into democracy the country is still divided along racial lines with a huge gap in equality; moreover, following this rugby triumph, there has been a huge excitement about the rugby team representing unity whilst in Japan; however the same cannot be said with regards to the situation here at home; listen – there are two types of unity ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA:

... principled unity and ad hoc unity; principled unity endeavours to unite a society around a common outlook and how that particular society intends achieving their common goals and for that to succeed clarity of ideas and practice is fundamental; ad hoc unity is based on the foundation that one may discard it once short term goals have been achieved. It does not last; true unity must be lived on a daily basis and cannot take place once-off; however, the fact remains that the unity that was achieved by the South African national rugby team is an ad hoc temporary tactical unity. It does not exist. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House:

- (1) congratulates the Springbok national rugby team on winning the 2019 Rugby World Cup, with special gratitude to players such as Siya Kolisi, Sibusiso Nkosi, Makazole Mapimpi, Lukhanyo Am, Tendai Mtawarira, Bongi Mbonambi and other players of colour who played with endurance despite a lack of adequate transformation in the South African national rugby team;
- (2) notes that there were only 11 players of colour in the squad of 31 players;
- (3) also notes that the Rugby World Cup is a reminder to South Africans that sport, like society, is still untransformed, and is also a reminder that, 25 years into democracy, the country is still divided along racial lines with a huge inequality gap, and that, following this rugby

triumph, there has been huge excitement about the rugby team representing unity while in Japan but that the same cannot be said with regard to the situation here at home;

- (4) recognises that there are two types of unity – principled unity and ad-hoc unity – where principled unity endeavours to unite a society around a common outlook and how that particular society intends to achieve its common goals, and clarity of ideas and practice are fundamental to succeed, while ad-hoc unity is based on the foundation that one may discard it once short-term goals have been achieved, and it does not last; and
- (5) further notes that true unity must be lived daily and cannot take place one-off, and that the fact remains that the unity that was achieved by the South African national rugby team is an ad-hoc temporary tactical unity.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL MARTHINUS: PROMOTION

(Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Lieutenant-Colonel Marthinus from Ladismith who in the Kannaland Municipality has just been promoted as Colonel; we thank him for his service and we wish him well in his new position as he works with the Western Cape Government to create a safer Western Cape.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and congratulates Lt Col Marthinus from Ladismith in the Kannaland Municipality on his appointment as Colonel; and thanks him for his service and wishes him well in his new position as he works with the community to create a safer province.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

JAMES DAVID MATTHEWS

(Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House today sings the praises of the 90-year old iconic pioneer, one of Cape Town's most phenomenal poets, writer and publisher – Mr James David Matthews; notes that Mr Matthews was born in District Six on 29 May 1929; he grew up in a household with no books; his father was illiterate and his mother read to him *Oracle* and *Miracle* which were hardly considered as literature; he was recognised at the age of 14 by his English teacher as a writer; notes that his first writings were published in 1946 at the age of 17; he worked as a journalist over the years; he contributed to many national newspapers with short stories he wrote; Mr Matthews explored other issues and his first book, *Cry Rage*, was banned by the apartheid government; in 1976 he was detained at Victor Verster Prison and was repeatedly denied a passport ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: A statement.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS:

A keen sense of purpose led him to establish the first black-owned gallery in Cape Town and to set up his own publishing house, Black Literature, Culture and Society; being a worldwide poet and writer, but he was isolated and deprived from the commercial royalties that were due to him. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House:

- (1) honours and celebrates the 90-year-old iconic pioneer Mr James David Matthews, one of Cape Town's most phenomenal poets, writers and publishers;
- (2) notes that Mr Matthews was born in District Six, Cape Town, on 29 May 1929, that he grew up in a household without books, that his father was illiterate and that his mother read *Oracle* and *Miracle*, which were hardly considered literature, and that he was recognised at the age of 14 as a writer by his English teacher;
- (3) also notes that his first writings were published in 1946 at the age of 17, that he worked as a journalist and contributed to many national newspapers over the years, and that he explored the issues of the working class in Cape Town and the townships through short stories;

- (4) further notes that his first published collection of poetry, *City rage*, was banned, that his subsequent collection of poetry was also banned by the Apartheid regime, that most of his later publications were also banned, that he was detained at the Victor Verster prison in 1976, that he was repeatedly denied a passport, that his keen sense of purpose led him to establish the first black-owned art gallery in Cape Town and the setting up of his own publishing house, Black Literature, Culture & Society (BLAC), and that he was isolated and deprived of the commercial royalties that were due to him as a world-wide poet and writer;
- (5) takes cognisance of the fact that he was recognised at the National Orders Awards in October 2004 for his excellent achievements in literature, his contribution to journalism and his inspirational commitment to the struggle for a non-racial South Africa; and
- (6) recognises him through adopting this motion.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

KHOLO MONTSI

(Motion)

Mr R ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Kholo Montsi, aged 16, from Cape Town, who finished the 2019 tennis season as both South Africa's and Africa's top ranked junior boys player; he also landed himself the rank of number 18 in the world, after winning numerous tournaments for this year. We wish him all of the best. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Kholo Montsi, aged 16, from Cape Town, who finished the 2019 tennis season as both South Africa's and Africa's top-ranked junior boys player and the number 18-ranked player in the world, having won four ITF single titles and two doubles titles in different tournaments.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

LOBSTER CATCHES FOR SMALL SCALE FISHERIES

(Motion)

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the good news announced by the National Government to allow small scale fisheries to catch West Coast lobster during the upcoming season and thanks Minister Barbara Creecy for this consent.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the good-news announcement by the national government to allow small-scale fishers to catch West Coast lobster during the upcoming season; and thanks Minister Barbara Creecy for this consent.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

SCHOOLS: UNPLACED LEARNERS

(Motion)

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you. Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern that again in the next academic year many learners face being unplaced at schools as we have been inundated with many cries for assistance from parents whose children were rejected with reasoning that is not consistent being applied and calls for an investigation into the allegations that 90% of children from poor and working class backgrounds have not been accepted at these schools, when they applied on time and submitted all required documents. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern that many learners again face being unplaced at schools in the next academic year as we have been inundated with many cries for assistance from parents whose children were rejected with inconsistent reasoning being applied; and calls for an investigation into allegations that 90% of children from poor working-class backgrounds have not been accepted at these schools when they applied on time and after having submitted all the required documents.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

BUFFELSJAGS SHOOTING OF BYSTANDER

(Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the sickening account of a Swellendam farmer who shot a bystander at Buffeljags after the farmer shot another's cow; and further notes nobody from this Provincial DA-run Government has even attempted to have this incident investigated despite numerous requests to have such abuse of workers by farmers reported to the DA Government. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House debates the sickening account of a Swellendam farmer who shot a bystander farmworker at Buffelsjag after the farmer shot another's cow; and further notes that nobody from this provincial DA-run government has even attempted to have this incident investigated despite numerous requests to have such abuse of workers by farmers reported to the DA government.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

RAPE IN HANOVER PARK: ARREST OF ALLEGED SUSPECT

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House condemns in the strongest terms the rape of a 16-year old girl in Hanover Park on Monday 11 November 2019; the alleged perpetrator is linked to the gruesome murder and death of Jesse Hess and her grandfather, Chris Lategan; I move that we further welcome the arrest of the alleged suspect. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House condemns in the strongest terms the rape of a 16-year-old girl in Hanover Park on Monday 11 November 2019; and notes that the alleged perpetrator is linked to the gruesome murder of Jesse Hess and her grandfather, Chris Lategan; and welcomes the arrest of the alleged suspect.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

**DA: NATIONAL LEADERSHIP
WITHDRAWAL OF BONGINKOSI MADIKIZELA**

(Motion)

Ms N BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the sudden withdrawal of the Western Cape DA leader Bonginkosi Madikizela ... [Interjections.] and the third contender for the national leadership and notes commentators find it strange that a favourite of the DA's English liberal Helen Zille jumped even before the race started. I move so. [Interjections.]

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the sudden withdrawal of Bonginkosi Madikizela, Western Cape DA leader, as the third contender for the national leadership of the DA; and notes that commentators find it strange that a favourite of the DA's English liberal Helen Zille jumped even before the race had started.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

TOP TEN TEACHERS: AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you. Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates the top ten teachers who received awards for excellence in teaching and education leadership in their respective categories; an incredible 33 000 teachers were eligible for nomination, despite the fact that teachers face several challenges in our public schools such as classroom size, lack of parental involvement and poor student behaviour and attitudes; excellent performance must be awarded to every teacher even if they had not received the top reward; their efforts in learner development do not go unseen. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House:

- (1) congratulates the top ten teachers who received awards for excellence in teaching and education leadership in their respective categories;
- (2) notes that an incredible 33 000 teachers were eligible for nomination, despite the fact that teachers face several challenges at our public schools, such as classroom size, lack of parental involvement, and poor learner behaviour and attitudes; and
- (3) recognises that excellent performance must be awarded to every teacher even if they have not received the top reward, and that their efforts in learner development do not go unseen.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

HOOGLAND FARM: LIQUIDATION

(Motion)

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House calls on the Provincial Department of Agriculture to assist farm workers who are to lose their jobs as the Hoogland Farm in Touws River is liquidated.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House calls on the provincial Department of Agriculture to assist farm workers who are about to lose their jobs as the Hoogland farm in Touws River is being liquidated.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

FESTIVE LIGHTS EVENT: PERFORMING ARTISTS

(Motion)

Ms A P BANS: Thank you. Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with dismay the employment at great expense of outsider artists for the upcoming switching on of festive lights in Cape Town – thereby snubbing the many local artists who could have served their local community better at this level. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The PREMIER: It is the wrong Legislature.

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

Ms A P BANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with dismay the employment at great expense of an outsider artist for the upcoming switching-on of festivity lights in Cape Town – thereby snubbing the many local artists who could have served their local community better at this level.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

ATHLONE FIRES

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that eight people were killed in Athlone fires over two days in that area and calls on Cape Town and the Province to enhance assistance to the people at risk to prevent these devastating reoccurring disasters. Thanks.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that eight people were killed in Athlone fires over two days in that area; and calls on the City of Cape Town and the Province to enhance assistance to people at risk to prevent these devastating disasters from reoccurring.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

DE DOORNS: LOOTING OF FREIGHT TRUCKS

(Motion)

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House denounces the looting of freight trucks in De Doorns where goods were stolen, televisions; and commends SAPS for its work to retrieve and arrest various suspects. So I move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House denounces the looting of freight trucks in De Doorns where goods were stolen; and commends the SAPS for its work to retrieve goods and arrest various suspects.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

PROVINCIAL POLICE COMMISSIONER: APPOINTMENT OF

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the DA stands behind the door in its attempt to blame shift political meddling to the ANC in the matter of the appointment of a Provincial Commissioner ... *[Interjection.]*

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: That is the truth!

An HON MEMBER: No!

Mr M KAMA:

...as the DA has for many years led a campaign against certain senior SAPS officers; and also notes that it is the DA MEC Albert Fritz that serves on a panel that looks at the available candidates. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any objections to the motion *[Interjections.]* There are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper. Hon Sayed?

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the DA stands behind the door in its attempt to shift the blame for political meddling to the ANC in the matter of the appointment of a provincial police commissioner as the DA has for many years led a campaign against certain senior SAPS officers; and notes that its DA Minister, Albert Fritz, serves on a panel that looks at the available candidates.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members! [Interjections.] One minute. [Interjections.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, can you protect me?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, you are protected. And I can ask hon Marran to help not to contribute. [Interjections.] And the hon Minister, not to contribute to the noise. [Interjections.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, are they done?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Think they are done.

Mr M K SAYED: Okay. Thank you. I move ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members! Hon Marran, running commentary? Hon Minister? [Interjections.] Yes because your own member is speaking and he cannot get a word in.

An HON MEMBER: What I do not understand what is she talking about because we are listening now to the honourable Chairperson of the [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Chairperson?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, hon member?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: If I may rise on a point of order. In terms of the Rules you need to be recognised before you raise a point of order. You cannot address the Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Quite correct.

Ms S G FERNANDEZ: ... from your seat [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Sitting down.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: So I think we need to revisit our Rules and the manner in which we conduct ourselves in this House. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: So noted, thank you very much. [Interjections.] Hon members, please. [Interjections.] Can we have some decorum in the House so that I can allow hon Sayed to actually speak? Thank you.

NORTHPINE SCHOOL KARAOKE EVENT

(Motion)

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. Now that the debate about the Rules has been completed, I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern that Northpine School that is next to a church will be hosting a karaoke event on 22 November 2019, in which people are encouraged on the pamphlet to bring their own liquor to the event; notes further that in the circulated leaflet, there is no mention of sale of liquor, but rather people are encouraged to bring their own liquor to the event; accepts that the Western Cape Education Department has now effectively converted our schools to alcohol consuming spaces; and calls for an urgent investigation into this event. Thank you. [Interjections.]

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern that the Northpine School, which is next to a church, will host a karaoke event on 22 November 2019 in which people are encouraged to bring their own liquor; notes further that there is no mention of the sale of liquor in the circulated leaflet, but people are encouraged rather to bring their own liquor to the event; accepts that the WCED has now converted our schools to alcohol-consuming spaces; and calls for an urgent investigation into the event.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

CAPE TOWN PARKING CHARGE SYSTEM

(Motion)

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes Cape Town is in serious trouble with dissatisfied motorists and is about to change its parking and charge system to please the electorate ahead of the coming municipal elections. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Cape Town is in serious trouble with dissatisfied motorists and is about to change its parking and charge system to please the electorate ahead of the upcoming municipal elections.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

COLIN ARENDSE: SLANDER CASE DISMISSED

(Motion)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that the petty slander case by a senior SAPS officer against community activist Colin Arendse was yesterday dismissed in the Mitchells Plain magistrate's court. I so move. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that the petty slander case by a senior SAPS officer against community activist Colin Arendse was dismissed in the Mitchells Plain magistrate court yesterday.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

MUSLIM COMMUNITY: DESECRATION OF GRAVEYARDS

(Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House feels for the Muslim community ... *[Interjections.]*

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Just, hon Windvogel, can you just sit. Are you rising on a point of order?

Ms L M MASEKO: Deputy Speaker, I just wanted to find out if Colin Arendse is a real person? We hear a lot about him. *[Laughter.]*

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: That is not a point of order, member. Hon Windvogel, can you continue? Order members. *[Interjections.]*

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House feels for the Muslim community after two incidents of the desecration of graveyards in Cape Town. I so move. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House expresses sympathy for the Muslim community after two incidents of the desecration of graveyards in Cape Town.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Point of order.

Mr D SMITH: Last motion without notice... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: One minute, hon member. If you can just take your seat. We have a point of order. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, I just want to find out. Is it parliamentary that a cell phone be used to record while the proceedings of the House are in session? [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Is there a recording happening? Okay. [Interjections.] I can only, I can only respond to what the Leader of the Opposition is saying. One minute hon members. [Interjections.] Can I just hear the Acting Chief Whip?

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, are you saying that the hon Leader of the Opposition has admitted that he is not taking a video?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Well he did say “no” to me.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Okay. [Interjections.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Not a video!

An HON MEMBER: Not a video.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay. He did say “no” to me. If we can carry on to the hon Smith. Hon Members!

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, it is part of the successful campaign of the West Coast.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Smith.

HOMELESS PEOPLE: FINES

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the wealthy of the Atlantic Seaboard including Sea Point, now joined Cape Town in seeking an interdict to enforce its bylaws to fine homeless people and to further rob them of their earnings. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the wealthy area of the Atlantic Seaboard – including Sea Point – has now joined Cape Town in requesting an interdict to enforce its by-laws to fine homeless people and to rob them of their meagre earnings.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

HAGUE PRIMARY SCHOOL: RAPE OF LEARNERS

(Motion)

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House condemns the ongoing sexual harassment of learners like the four boys at Delft who were raped at The Hague Primary School and again calls on the Western Cape Education Department to have proper guidelines and assistance for victims. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M K SAYED: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House condemns the ongoing sexual harassment of learners, such as the four boys at Delft who were raped at The Hague Primary School; and again calls on the WCED to have proper guidelines and to provide assistance to these victims.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Has it been reported?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: That concludes the business of the day.

The House adjourned at 17:34.

ANNOUNCEMENTS TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

THURSDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport

Letter: Appointment of members and chairperson of the council of Heritage Western Cape for the period 1 November 2019 to 31 October 2022.

Letter attached.

MONDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2019

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM ON THE ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE PROVINCIAL TREASURY AND THE WESTERN CAPE GAMBLING AND RACING BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019, DATED 12 NOVEMBER 2019.

1. Introduction

The Annual Report programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers, inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

Members of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism (the Committee) deliberated on Part A: General Information, Part B: Performance Information and Part D: Human Resource Management of the Annual Reports of the Provincial Treasury and its Entity, the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board, on 1 November 2019.

Members of the public were also given an opportunity to pose questions and make oral submissions. The Committee did not receive any input from the public.

2. Overview

The Committee considered the Annual Reports of the Provincial Treasury (the Department) and its Entity; Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board (the Board).

Before proceeding to the consideration of the Annual Reports, the Minister, the Acting Head of Department, the respective Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson of the Board were given an opportunity to make opening remarks.

In the year under review, the Provincial Treasury received its sixth consecutive clean audit, spent 98.97 percent of the adjusted appropriation amount and achieved 98.3 percent of their targets. The Board received an unqualified audit with findings for the 2018/19 financial year. For the year under review, the WCGRB fully achieved 15 and partially achieved 17 approved targets.

3. Deliberations on the 2018/19 Annual Reports

3.1 Provincial Treasury: Findings/Concerns

- In the year under review, the Department struggled to keep its vacancies under control. There was an under-expenditure for the filling of posts in terms of the graduate interns. The Department has a bursary programme, which enables bursars to work back their bursary obligations. Some of the bursary holders either did not achieve the marks they needed to fulfil their internship or they decided to study further, resulting in less intern positions being filled at the Department.
- The vacancy rate at senior management level, for the year under review, was concerning. There were also many acting positions at senior management level. Additionally, there was a vacancy rate of 38 percent in the Supply Chain Management (SCM) unit, which is one of the most crucial sections across government. The Department is in the process of filling these vacancies in the SCM unit. The position of Head of Department will also be filled as at 1 December 2019.
- Related to the vacancies, the Department's performance and over-achievement of some of its targets seemed to be happening at a cost to employee wellness. There has been an increase in sick leave taken by employees, which has been reflected in Table 3.10.1, on page 133 of the Annual Report, and will be further reflected in the next Annual Report.
- The most resignations in the Department occurred in the 30 to 39 age group. Many of the resignations were due to "insufficient progression possibilities". Most people within this age group are in the middle of their career, which was concerning. Employees in the age group of 30 to 39 are seen as "upwardly mobile" and would be on the lookout for better remuneration and better opportunities for career progression. Most resignations were within the SCM unit. The Department's biggest competitor for employees are municipalities as they offer better employment/salary packages.
- The Department's level of adherence to its own Employment Equity plan was concerning, especially at top management and senior management levels. There were two positions available at top management level and both were filled by males. This was also linked to the young, black employees in the 30 to 39 year age group that were leaving the Department due to better offers elsewhere.
- Part of the strategy that national government is using to address the country's deficit is to contain the Wage Bill.

This is a challenge for the Western Cape as salaries make up 54 percent of the total expenditure in the Province, which is the lowest of all the provinces in the country. Targeting Cost of Employment (COE) as it relates to reducing expenditure may not be the most effective way of dealing with the Wage Bill.

- In terms of SCM and Corporate Governance practices, more work had to be done with municipalities to enable them to manage and spend their budgets. The Department has a very structured approach to supporting municipalities. There are a few units within the Department that are specifically focused on municipalities. The units assess the municipalities and a forum has been set up to assist municipalities. The Department has introduced a number of projects to municipalities that focus on capacity building and building the skills pipeline within municipalities. SCM has been a key focus area in terms of addressing the internal control deficiencies within municipalities.

3.2 **Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board: Findings/Concerns**

- There are still two vacancies on the Board currently, with another two vacancies that will occur at the end of March 2020, even though the Committee held interviews with candidates at the end of August 2019 and made recommendations to the Minister in early September 2019, after the Department informed the Committee that the vacancies needed to be filled urgently. Currently, if one member cannot attend a Board meeting, the meeting will not be deemed quorate. The Board has reminded the Minister and the Department about the filling of vacancies, however, the concerns have not been responded to.
- The Board implements Corporate Social Investment (CSI) initiatives through license holders, which means that the Board, itself, does not run CSI initiatives. There was a concern about whether the Board monitors these license holders with regards to whether CSI initiatives are implemented. However, there are sectorial sub-committees within the Board, which receive reports from license holders about CSI initiatives, on a quarterly basis. The sub-committees also engage with various beneficiaries of the CSI initiatives, however, this work is not reflected in the Annual Report.
- The Annual Report stated that the Board engaged the industry on Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) achievements and monitored the set targets for the various sectors of the industry. However, the Board also indicated that there was no B-BBEE sector code or sector charter for the gambling industry. Each regulator imposes its own B-BBEE compliance targets. The Board has committees for each of the sectors of the gambling industry, which engages with license holders on the challenges and progress with B-BBEE targets, however, this information is not reflected in the Annual Report.

- The Board's ability to become self-sufficient came into question. There is a gap in legislation in terms of the casino exclusivity fee and the Limited Pay-out Machines (LPM) operator fee, which the Board is associated with. Legislation will have to be amended to reflect those amended fees.
- There was a concern regarding the policy rationale to locate the Board under Provincial Treasury and not under the Department of Economic Development and Tourism. The Western Cape is the only province where a gambling board falls under Provincial Treasury and not economic development committees.
- There was confusion about whether pigeon-racing in the Western Cape was categorised under sporting activities or if it was a form of gambling, which is illegal, as there is no legislation that sanctions animal racing, except horse-racing.
- Online gambling and e-gaming has also been a concern for the gambling industry, as online gambling is illegal. There are illegal, online gambling businesses disguised as internet cafes, however, the Board works closely with the police to curtail these illegal activities. E-gaming has also posed quite a bit of a challenge. The Board has had discussions around how this matter should be legislated.

4. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED to, at a future date:

- 4.1 Invite the Department to brief the Committee on the key developments on data mining and dash boarding into SCM performance information; and
- 4.2 Write a letter to the Department and the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities to enquire about the timeline of events from when the Committee made the recommendations of candidates to fill the vacancies on the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board, to when the Minister's recommendation would be brought before the Executive Council for final approval, and the reasons for the delay so far.

5. Information Requested

- 5.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department, submits, by 15 January 2019:
 - A list of the challenges the Department experiences within the SCM space, as engaged with the National Treasury;
 - A status report on the provincial Public Private Partnerships indicated on page 18 of the Department's Annual Report; and
 - A report on the nature of the grievances lodged as per Table 3.12.4 of the Department's Annual Report.

5.2 The Committee REQUESTED that the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board, submits, by 15 January 2019:

- A report on CSI initiatives that the Board engages licensees on;
- A report on B-BBEE compliance targets, achievements, initiatives and reporting mechanisms;
- A report on online gambling and e-gaming in the Western Cape; and
- A status report on pigeon-racing in the Western Cape.

5.3 The Committee RECOMMENDED that the Budget Committee consider requesting a briefing from Provincial Treasury on gender-based budgeting and how this will be implemented in departments in the future.

6. Conclusion

The Chairperson thanked the Minister, Department and the Board for their preparation and responses to questions raised by the Committee members.

2. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ON THE 2018/19 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.

The Standing Committee on Community Development, having deliberated on the Annual Report of the Department of Social Development for the year ended 31 March 2019 referred to it dated 12 November 2019, reports as follows:

1. Introduction

The Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Annual Report Programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers. Stakeholders and members of the public were invited to attend and participate in the discussions. The Committee deliberated on the Annual Report of the Department of Social Development on 23 October 2019 as part of its oversight function. Before proceeding to the deliberation on the Annual Report of the Department of Social Development, the Minister and the Head of Department were given the opportunity to make opening remarks.

The Department was examined on:

Part A: General Information;

Part B: Departmental Performance Information; and

Part D: Human Resources Management of the Department's Annual Report.

2. Overview

The Minister of Social Development, Hon S Fernandez, provided an overview of the successes and challenges faced by the Department of Social Development (the Department) during the 2018/19 financial year. Minister Fernandez reported that the Department focused on maintaining and strengthening essential services in the context of an austere economic environment during the year under review. She informed the Committee that the Department has made progress in improving service delivery and in addressing emerging service-delivery gaps and risks in the province.

The Minister reported that the Department was guided by the provincial strategic goals (PSGs), specifically PSG 2 and PSG 3. In terms of PSG 2, a focus on safer communities has led to greater coordination between the Department and the criminal-justice sector, including extensive departmental involvement in the Child Justice Forum, provincial joint committees on gangs, murders and other priority crimes, and the hosting of a Child Probation Services Workshop with key criminal-justice stakeholders. In addition, under PSG 2, the Department focused on youth-development programmes, redesigning the provincial strategy and projects aimed at young people through targeted funding of NPOs that are serving young people. Under PSG 3, the Department continued its work on reforming child-protection services, increasing wellness and safety, and tackling social ills. The Department has launched five child-play therapy rooms to address greater societal issues pertaining to child safety in the province.

The Minister stated that the Department had made tremendous strides in improving and expanding services for persons with disabilities and would continue to support organisations that assist persons with disabilities. The Minister reported that, during the financial year under review, more than 88 000 people received specialised services.

Minister Fernandez also reported that care and support for victims of domestic violence were prioritised during the period under review. The Department currently funds and supports 16 shelters that provide safe accommodation, therapeutic services and skill development for up to three months. In addition, four emergency shelters in the province for victims of domestic violence provide safe accommodation for up to seven days.

The Minister also indicated that, during the 2018/19 financial year, the Victim Empowerment Programme (VEP) experienced unprecedented growth due to additional earmarked funding for the prevention of violence against women and children. In addition, the Department launched a new ten-bed shelter in Atlantis and also implemented accredited skills-development courses at the shelters to provide the abused women with skills, training and economic opportunities. The Minister further reported that the Department had prioritised the residential care facilities for frail older persons and had made substantial progress with the mandatory registration of funded and private residential facilities in terms of the Older Persons Act, 2006 (Act 13 of 2006).

3. Findings

- 3.1 The Department reported that child care and protection remain a priority and a significant proportion of the Department's budget had been allocated to fulfilling its statutory mandates and obligations in this regard.
- 3.2 During the financial year under review, tools, standard operating procedures (SOPs) and training programmes were developed to assist social workers with the implementation of their statutory duties.
- 3.3 Accredited safety and risk-assessment training was provided to 112 departmental child-protection social workers in order to standardise the effective assessment of children at risk.
- 3.4 During the 2018/19 financial year, 119 child-protection organisations with corrective action plans reported on them, however, Badisa in Ladismith was the only organisation that did not report on its Corrective Action Plan as the organisation was no longer funded by the Department.
- 3.5 The Department reported that it was engaging with municipalities with regard to fire certificates, zoning and building plans as these remain the primary challenges for the registration and renewal of registration of ECDs in the province.
- 3.6 The Department provided training for probation practitioners and stakeholders on the revised Diversion Accreditation Policy Framework and on the Department's Anti-gang Strategy for Children and Youth at Risk.
- 3.7 The Department reported that the Western Cape Province was leading the country in the registration of child and youth care centres (CYCCs). The province also leads in providing secure care programmes for children and young people in accordance with the Child Justice Act, 2008 (Act 75 of 2008).
- 3.8 The Department is also the first in the country to establish a provincial management board for government-managed CYCCs.
- 3.9 The Department reported that a Disability Mainstreaming Strategy had been approved in the current financial year and that a targeted awareness campaign providing information on the services available to persons with disabilities had been launched in digital, print media and on radio.
- 3.10 Services to older persons, including the registration and monitoring of funded and unfunded residential facilities, as well as the drive to register all service centres, was an ongoing process.
- 3.11 The Department continued to implement the drug-treatment services in all Department of Social Development secure CYCCs in response to the escalating youth substance-abuse challenge.
- 3.12 The drug-treatment services are provided in all the departmental CYCCs and a school-based drug-treatment service is available at 10 high-risk secondary schools in the province.
- 3.13 The Department participated in the after-school care (ASC) game changer, under PSG 2, through the funding of the after-school care facilities and youth cafes that enabled children and young people to participate in activities in a safe and enabling environment.

- 3.14 The Department facilitated the establishment and operationalisation of three new youth cafes during the year under review. This brings the total to 11 youth cafes that are located across the province.
- 3.15 A total of 33 unemployed young people participated in, and completed the Community Development Internship at the Department. The young people were placed at local offices across the province. In addition, 35 Assistant Community Development Practitioners (ACDPs) would be presented with the National Framework Qualification (NQF) on level 5 in Community Development, a first-ever RPL Programme in the Department.
- 3.16 The Department reported that the province had over 2 100 registered non-profit organisations across all sectors with nearly 40% not compliant with the Non-profit Organisations Act, 2000 (Act 71 of 2000). In response to this, the Department has focused on capacity building to enable them to comply with the requirements of the Act.
- 3.17 During the 2018/19 financial year, the Department also established a Departmental Human Trafficking Task Team to assist with the implementation of the Prevention and Combating of Trafficking in Persons Act, 2013 (Act 7 of 2013). Furthermore, three shelters received conditional accreditation to offer services to victims of human trafficking.
- 3.18 The Department reported that it would be assisting with the implementation of the Sanitary Dignity Pilot Project. The project aims to assist young girls and young women from grades 4 to 12, who attend schools in poor communities, where the need for the service is high.
- 3.19 According to the 2011 census data, 13% of young people in the province are Not in Employment, Education and/or Training (NEETS), while more than 60% of the unemployed have less than a matric standard of education.
- 3.20 The Department collaborated with the Department of the Premier to ensure that there was a transversal alignment and implementation of youth-targeted programmes across all provincial departments. In addition, the Ministerial Cape Youth at Work Programme was rolled out across the province.
- 3.21 The extent of substance abuse in the province and its linkages to various social pathologies require urgent intervention as the Western Cape remains the province with the highest rate of drug-related crime.
- 3.22 The Department reported that its community-based Substance Abuse Treatment Programme had grown considerably since its implementation in 2009 and would be assessed during the 2019/20 financial year.
- 3.23 The Department reported that it had appointed people in various positions that were funded through the National Treasury Conditional Grant within the approved departmental organisational structure. It had also appointed 37 social-work graduates on contract. These graduates were holders of the national Department of Social Development's social-work bursaries.

- 3.24 During the 2018/19 financial year, the Department allocated 53 new bursaries to staff members in specialised fields where skills deficit exist, namely probation services, addiction care, child and family studies, forensic and clinical social work.
- 3.25 In Programme 1: Administration, the Department spent 98,93% of its R226,115 million budget for the 2018/19 financial year. The unspent amount of R2,419 million relates to underspending in compensation of employees due to the Department not finding suitable candidates in the recruitment process, internal promotions, staff exits and the underspending on social-work graduate conditional grant.

4. Public input

Ms D Kiewiets from the Cape Metro Community Health Forum and Mr M Mbiko from Nyanga Development gave oral submissions. The Minister and the Head of the Department duly responded to the input made by the members of the public.

5. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED to, at a future date:

- 5.1 Invite the Department of Social Development to brief the Committee on the SOP and compliance interventions provided by the Department to NPOs before NPOs close down.
- 5.2 Invite the Provincial Child Welfare NGO to brief the Committee on its programmes, services and funding.
- 5.3 Invite the Department of Transport and Public Works to brief the Committee on government transport and vehicle allocation.
- 5.4 Invite the national Department of Social Development to brief the Committee on its registration, funding, monitoring and evaluation of NPOs.

6. Recommendations:

The Committee RECOMMENDED that:

- 6.1 Member Bans provide the Department with more information on the closure of the NPO in Moorreesburg.
- 6.2 Mr Mbiko provide the Department with the details of the ECDs that require funding in the Nyanga area.
- 6.3 The Department must consider its Employment Equity Plan when filling vacancies.
- 6.2 The Department should improve accessibility through digitalisation by making sure that its website is easily accessible.
- 6.3 The Department should focus more on providing services and capacity to NPOs operating in rural areas.

7. Information requested by the Committee

The Committee REQUESTED the Department by Friday 29 November 2019, submits:

- 7.1 A copy of the Provincial Youth Development Strategy.
- 7.2 A copy of the Provincial Disability Mainstream Strategy.
- 7.3 A copy of the Uniform Referral Pathways Strategy.
- 7.4 A copy of the Employment Equity Strategy.
- 7.5 A detailed list of all the programmes and geographical areas where the Alcohol Foetal Syndrome Programme is provided.
- 7.6 A list of the priority schools identified for the Sanitary Dignity Project in the province.
- 7.7 A list of the NPOs that are funded in the financial year under review.
- 7.8 A detailed information on substance-abuse programmes that are in place for children who are using drugs in schools, including what the success stories are, the impact that these programmes have in schools and how many children have been assisted during the financial year under review.
- 7.9 Detailed information on the substance-abuse collaborative programmes between the Provincial Department of Social Development, the Department of Health and the Western Cape Education Department.
- 7.10 The number of ECDs funded by the Department during the financial year under review and their geographical areas.
- 7.11 Detailed information and a list of all NPOs that closed down in various communities during the financial year under review, including the reasons for their closure and the intervention provided by the Department to assist these NPOs.
- 7.12 A list of rehabilitation centres in the province and their geographical areas.
- 7.13 A list of NPOs that are aligned with GBVs and their geographical areas.
- 7.14 A list of ECDs under Child Welfare in the province.

8. Conclusion

The Committee expressed its appreciation for the information provided by the Minister, the Head of Department and the officials of the Department. The Committee also thanked the members of the public who were in attendance.

3. Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, dated 12 November 2019, on the 2018/19 Annual Reports of the Department of Agriculture, and its Entity Casidra, for the year ended 31 March 2019.

The Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, having considered the Annual Reports of the Department of Agriculture and its Entity, Casidra, for the year ended 31 March 2019, referred to it, reports as follows:

1. Introduction

As part of its oversight function, the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (the Committee) considered the Annual Reports of the Department of Agriculture (the Department) and its Entity, Casidra, on 22 October 2019. Annual reports are the key instruments for departments to report on performance measured against their performance targets and budgets as outlined in their Strategic Plans and Annual Performance Plans.

The Annual Report Programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in various newspapers, inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

The Committee deliberated 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.

2. Department of Agriculture

2.1 Overview

The Department experienced a difficult year in terms of the drought that caused a delay in a number of the Department's projects. Major problems were experienced in rural areas prompting the Department to request additional funding. The water shortage also resulted in 30 000 job losses. The remnants of the drought in terms of irrigation water was evident in the report. Despite this, there has been growth in the agriculture sector and in investment. Innovation and technologies, a long term effort, has started to yield results.

The Department received a qualified audit opinion. The basis for the qualified audit opinion related to the terms of "transfers" and "subsidies" as well as irregular expenditure. The Auditor-General is of the opinion that the Department did not account for payments made to implementing agents in accordance with the requirements of the Modified Cash Standard prescribed by the National Treasury and the requirements of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999). According to the Auditor-General, the Department entered into contracts with implementing agents without adhering to the Treasury Regulations. There exists a dispute between the Department and the Auditor-General in this regard and the matter is presently before a court of law.

2.2 Key issues discussed

- 2.2.1 Despite the fact that the Province experienced the worst drought in 100 years, the province managed to attract a R4 billion direct investment into agriculture. The gross value add-on into agriculture for the past year was R43 billion. There remains large parts of the Western Cape that was affected by the drought.

These areas are largely in the Matzikama region, the Central Karoo and in the Little Karoo and this had a severe impact on the farmers, farmworkers and the rural economy in these particular areas. This in turn necessitated the Provincial Minister of Agriculture to approach the National Department of Agriculture to request drought relief to the amount of R147 million. Cabinet has, in principle, approved this request. Subsequently, the Provincial Minister of Agriculture approached Cabinet with an urgency that the impact of the drought is so severe that the Province could not wait for the adjustment budget process. The Minister of Finance was requested to evoke section 25 of the Public Finance Management Act, (Act 1 of 1999) which is a provision that allows the Provincial Minister of Finance to immediately make money available. R50 million was requested and was authorised on 21 October 2019 and tabled in the Provincial Parliament on 29 October 2019.

2.2.2 Prevailing economic conditions caused the Department's budget to be increasingly constricted. This was evident in the 5%, 6% and 7% consecutive budget cuts over the next three years as stated in the 2020/2021 Medium Term Expenditure Framework. To mitigate this, the Department has reduced expenditure on certain services and also made use of partnership agreements in order to carry out its mandate. In addition, only critical appointments will be made.

2.2.3 Greater resource efficiency was achieved in terms of energy usage, which reduced by 20% and water usage, which reduced by 50%. These resources have shown a continual high increase in tariffs that had to be funded from the Department's existing budget. The Department's dependency on the municipal supply will be further reduced with the installation of a third borehole at its offices. This borehole is able to supply the entire Elsenburg area. As a result, the Department's water account has reduced from R1.5 million per month to R150 000 per month. In terms of electricity, the Department has reduced its kilowatt usage. With the assistance of the Department of Transport and Public Works, 1200 solar panels were installed.

2.2.4 The Commodity Approach Strategy is proving to be effective in driving mentorship support, market access and the commercialisation of land reform farmers. This strategy does not define a commodity as a project. Instead, it is an agreement involving different projects. The Department has 243 such projects and a sample size was evaluated in order to determine the success rate. In terms of the sample size, 30% of these projects did not meet the criteria that was set by the Department. Three weaknesses were identified, namely, tax, labour laws and environmental issues. The Department responded to the evaluation and undertook another evaluation in order to identify any gaps. The 30% of projects that failed is indicative of the fact that not everybody does well in agriculture but also that people have been given an opportunity.

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- 2.2.5 Equity schemes were set up by the National Department of Rural Development and Land Reform. Problems associated with this include, the large number of beneficiaries that impedes the sustainability of the farm, business plans in relation to resources that were unrealistic and the fact that the agricultural sector is high risk. Land reform is an element that the Department does not control. The Department plays a supporting role in this regard.
- 2.2.6 The Department has commissioned a study on the implications of the Fourth Industrial Revolution for Agriculture. It has conducted a diagnostic and design evaluation that indicated four improvement objectives, namely, to embed the Fourth Industrial Revolution into the activities of the Department, to accelerate responsive technology adoption in the agricultural sector, to develop young people and to reposition perceptions on agriculture. As part of this response, the Department has been working with the University of the Western Cape. The University is the only one in South Africa offering a post graduate course in emerging technologies that include virtual and artificial reality.
- 2.2.7 The Department's technology and research is not patented and is freely available. The Department invests in items such as drones that can be used in its own research. Another area of investment is weather stations where information is converted into online tools for the farmer's use. Some of the technologies developed are co-developed with partners.
- 2.2.8 Project Khulisa was launched in 2014 and is aimed to accelerate growth and jobs in the Province's most competitive sectors, which includes tourism. The Project aims to increase awareness of the Western Cape in key markets and sectors, improve accessibility to Cape Town and the regions, and boost the attractiveness of the region through competitive offerings. In this regard the Department has assisted 10 brands associated to the Project to maintain international market status.
- 2.2.9 The study pertaining to the Philippi Horticulture Area (PHA) was concluded. The findings confirm the need to have it protected for agriculture, given its contribution to job creation and food security. The matter regarding the use of this area for development versus agriculture is before a court of law at present. The Department has opposed every land use application relating to the PHA and is a respondent in the particular court matter.
- 2.2.10 The Sustainable Resource Management Programme facilitated financial support to the Lower Olifants Water User Association (LORWUA) in respect of the construction of preventative maintenance on the old concrete canal lining system. The canal supports about 12 000 hectares that is under irrigation and also provides water to nine towns in the area.
- 2.2.11 The introduction of the National Chemical Residue Plan was delayed. It is a plan to ensure that products that are locally produced adhere to certain minimum standards.

For the past few years there have been challenges with regard to the Department of Environmental Affairs, Forestry and Fisheries in ensuring that samples were collected on time so that testing is timeously completed. The results were not forwarded to the Department's trading departments on time and resulted in the rejection of the Department's products for export. In mitigation, the Department has invested in the construction of a chemical residue facility at the Western Cape Provincial Laboratory.

- 2.2.12 The Disaster Risk Management Unit has limited capacity to cope with the increase in demand for services in the Western Cape. The increased demand is in respect of climate change as well as the fact that the number of disasters over the past five years have increased significantly.
- 2.2.13 The Commodity Approach Programme continued to provide targeted support to 50 black commercial farmers as identified in the National Black Producers Commercialisation Programme. In terms of this, the Department offered support to these farmers by way of accreditation, risk management, institutional arrangements, registration for tax and infrastructure.
- 2.2.14 Farm worker evictions is not the mandate of the Department. If a situation arises, it is referred to the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform and to the Department of Labour.
- 2.2.15 The Department supports bee farming and has developed a strategy to investigate bee harnessing.

3. Information requested

- 3.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department, by 31 January 2020, submit:
 - 3.1.1 In terms of the commodity approach for land equity scheme beneficiaries, a list of the farms that were assisted, the names of those who were not assisted as well as the reasons for the latter;
 - 3.1.2 A copy of the study that was compiled on the implication of the Fourth Industrial Revolution on the agricultural sector;
 - 3.1.3 A detailed report on the 17 cases where irregular expenditure was incurred;
 - 3.1.4 The number of students who relinquished their courses before completion in relation to the specific course and degree programmes offered by the Agricultural Training Institute.
 - 3.1.5 In terms of the 280 young persons who participated in the Department's Development Programme, a list of the areas where the interns were placed;
 - 3.1.6 A report on the 50 black commercial farmers with specific reference to the location of the farms and the selection criteria that was used to identify the farmers; and
 - 3.1.7 The research report that was compiled on the bee strategy to investigate the harnessing of bees.

4. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED to, at a future date, invite the Department to brief it on its plans to manage the fiscal constraints as prescribed by the National Treasury.

5. Casidra

5.1 Overview

Casidra is the implementing agent for the Department and has achieved an unqualified audit for three consecutive years. Casidra is in its 30th year of existence. Casidra's primary focus is being the leading partner and catalyst in the development of rural areas through agriculture and economic development programmes as well as sustainable land reform. Operational funding and compliance was a challenge during the year under review and required much resourcefulness.

5.2 Key issues discussed

- 5.2.1 Amalienstein and Waaikraal are farms that are managed by Casidra on behalf of the Department. Both farms are currently unsustainable due to the availability of limited funding. The drought has also had a significant impact as these farms are situated in the drought stricken areas of the Little Karoo. Waaikraal's farming activities were hampered by the amount of available water for irrigation. Fodder was purchased to see the herd through this period until cultivated pastures could be restored. The lack of cultivated pastures necessitated the reduction of the Nguni cattle herd in 2017 and the entire herd was sold in 2019 with the view to purchase another breed when the drought has ended. The motivation to purchase another breed of cattle is based on the low prices per kilogram obtained for the Nguni cattle.
- 5.2.2 Anhalt Boerdery is a successful land reform project where the immovable property as well as the operating farm has been transferred to a Communal Property Association who owns the farm. Anhalt Boerdery is the operating company that manages the farm. Apples and pears grown here are successfully exported.
- 5.2.3 In order to broaden its revenue base, a strong focus was placed on the marketing of Casidra's project management services to other government departments and institutions.
- 5.2.4 The Landcare Programme within Casidra aims to conserve and rehabilitate natural ecosystems and alleviate the burden on water resources. Many rural communities benefitted from short-term work opportunities in different projects in this regard.

6. Information requested

- 6.1 The Committee REQUESTED that Casidra, by 31 January 2020, submit:

- 6.1.1 A report on the status of the turnaround strategies for farms Anhalt, Waaikraal and Amalienstein; and
- 6.1.2 The process that was followed for the sale of the Nguni cattle, the price that these cattle were sold for and to whom these cattle were sold.

7. Resolutions

7.1 The Committee RESOLVED to, at a future date:

- 7.1.1 Undertake an oversight visit to farms Anhalt, Waaikraal and Amalienstein; and
- 7.1.2 Invite the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning and CapeNature to brief it on the deforestation of the former Milkwood Forest near Hermanus, as this does not fall within the ambit of Casidra's mandate.

8. Conclusion

The Committee notes its appreciation for the responses of the Department of Agriculture and Casidra to the scrutiny of the Annual Reports and wishes to thank the Minister, Head of Department, Chairperson of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Casidra for their contributions and efforts in this regard.

4. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM ON THE ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM AND ITS ENTITIES; WESTERN CAPE TOURISM, TRADE AND INVESTMENT PROMOTION AGENCY (WESGRO) AND SALDANHA BAY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ZONE LICENCING COMPANY (SOC) LTD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019, DATED 12 NOVEMBER 2019.

1. Introduction

The Annual Report programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers, inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

Members of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism deliberated on Part A: General Information, Part B: Performance Information and Part D: Human Resource Management of the Annual Reports of the Department of Economic Development and Tourism and its entities: Western Cape Tourism, Trade and Investment Promotion Agency and Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone Licencing Company (SOC) Ltd, on 18 October 2019.

Members of the public were also given an opportunity to pose questions and make oral submissions.

2. Overview

The Committee considered the Annual Reports of the Department of Economic Development and Tourism (the Department) and its Entities; Western Cape Tourism, Trade and Investment Promotion Agency (Wesgro) and Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone Licencing Company (SOC) Ltd (SBIDZ).

Before proceeding to the consideration of the Annual Reports, the Minister, the Head of Department, the respective Chief Executive Officers and Chairpersons of the Entities were given an opportunity to make opening remarks.

In the year under review, the Department and its Entities received clean audits for the 2018/19 financial year. The Committee made findings and recommendations based on its interaction with the Department and its Entities on the respective Annual Reports.

3. Deliberations on 2018/19 Annual Reports

3.1 Department of Economic Development and Tourism: Findings/Concerns

- There was a concern about halal certification and the tension that has been created with traditionally non-halal catering businesses. The concern was that standardising catering contracts could create prejudice against catering contracts that do not necessarily require halal products. The Department clarified that its focus has largely been to stimulate export growth into foreign countries for halal products from the Western Cape. The matter with the contracts was a supply chain management policy issue that needed to be addressed with Provincial Treasury. The Department is committed to addressing challenges associated with the halal market. The Department encourages black-owned businesses, especially in the Cape Flats area, through assistance with an export development programme that will build small suppliers, who could become export-ready, and prepares them for the next edition of the Africa Halal Week. There is also a halal forum that businesses can approach for additional assistance in terms of new opportunities.
- The Annual Report did not seem to speak to government investment into the Western Cape. For example, Gauteng received government investment for the Gautrain, and water infrastructure in Lesotho. There will also be investment in the port of Durban. Many of these infrastructure projects are necessary as a catalyst for economic growth. It seems that the Western Cape is struggling to attract the same type of investment from national government. More work needed to be done in this area to address infrastructure backlog issues in the Province.
- Many of the Department's vacancies were unfilled because of cost containment measures placed on Cost of Employment (COE). Some of the posts that were vacant were unfunded posts.

- The unfilled vacancies posed a challenge, however, the Department's new Five-Year Strategic Plan will review the nature of the senior management's positions. Additionally, the Annual Report did not distinguish between funded and unfunded vacant posts. This should be clarified in the Annual Report going forward.
- The nature of the spaza shop industry in townships has changed dramatically as at present they are mostly foreign-owned. The Department has developed a model that empowers local people. This model provides proven entrepreneurs with a chain store such as Pick 'n Pay (Pick 'n Pay Spaza Programme). This is not a franchise store; it belongs to the owner but is powered by Pick 'n Pay. The Pick 'n Pay Spaza Programme converts existing spaza shops in townships into independently-owned supermarkets. Four of these chain stores have been rolled out in the Western Cape.
- The customs challenge in the Port of Mossel Bay started one and a half years ago with the implementation of Phase 1 of the Total Project. There is a requirement for customs and immigration services in the Port of Mossel Bay. However, at the moment it means that the National Department of Home Affairs' officials have to travel from Cape Town to Mossel Bay to provide customs services at the port. The Department has engaged with the National Department of Home Affairs to request more regular visits from officials as the efficiency of these services have been negatively affected. This discussion has not been concluded; the Home Affairs service is still being rendered from Cape Town and not from the nearest office in George. In the meantime, the Department has been engaging with the National Department of Home Affairs to possibly establish a permanent customs office in Mossel Bay, or to make staff from the Home Affairs office in George available to the Port of Mossel Bay, and to have Mossel Bay declared a port of entry and exit for crew and tourists.
- In terms of Human Resource matters, the Department's Annual Report indicated that there were no persons with disabilities at the top management and senior management levels. There was a low number of persons with disabilities out of 222 employees in the Department. The difficulty to employ persons with disabilities was due to the limitations of Cost of Employment. There seemed to be a relatively high staff turnover in certain salary bands.
- The organogram did not reflect the demographics of the Western Cape in its top management structure. The Department needed to consider addressing non-compliance with Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment (BBBEE) requirements by implementing skills development programmes for lower level employees so that they are able to progress to top management positions. This concern would be addressed in the Department's Workforce Plan.

3.2 **Western Cape Tourism, Trade and Investment Promotion Agency: Findings/Concerns**

- There were only three women on Wesgro's Board for the 2018/19 financial year, which was not a fair representation of the industry. There should be more women in the space that Wesgro operates in.
- Conferencing/Events tourism seemed to be successful for certain larger venues such as the CTICC, however, there should be more focus on filling venues outside of Cape Town as well. Wesgro is currently looking at second tier cities such as Stellenbosch and other venues in the Western Cape that can accommodate meetings and conventions

3.3 Saldanha Bay IDZ Licencing Company (SOC) Ltd: Findings/Concerns

- There have been delays in the infrastructure projects that the SBIDZ would like to make available to investors and businesses. In terms of revenue collection from tenants, the infrastructure projects are still in progress, therefore no revenue was generated through leasing. The delay was due to longer tenant lease negotiations than was anticipated, as well as community protests. However, the revenue collection amount on page 49 of the Annual Report was set as an estimate and not as a target as the infrastructure projects were still in an establishment phase.
- The Access and Ease of Doing Business Complex has not been finalised. There are new estimates on the completion date and the SBIDZ is working closely with the construction team and the professional team managing these projects. The SBIDZ has implemented a localisation platform to ensure maximum localisation of these projects. The budget for the Complex is R134 million, which was secured from the Department of Trade and Industry's Special Economic Zone (SEZ) Fund.

4. Submission from the Public

4.1 Mr Mlandeli Mbiko from the Nyanga Tourism Platform (NTP) requested clarity from the Department on the following matters:

- The steps taken by the Department to unblock unnecessary red tape that has stifled economic growth, and the steps taken to assist small businesses in Nyanga;
- The manner in which the Department will be engaging with the 280 informal traders in Nyanga who will not be registering their businesses because of the costly process associated with registration fees, employment of an accountant, proper book keeping and transport expenses, etc.;
- The manner in which the Department will address the lack of access to ICT labs in Nyanga. There is only one library in Nyanga with five computers. The Department speaks of digital economy but there are seven schools in Nyanga and no ICT labs;
- The reason tourism has not been prioritised in Nyanga and Langa;

- In terms of the Alcohol Harms Reduction Game Changer, the Taverners Intervention Programme operates at the Safe Taverners Pilot Area, however, clarity is needed on the progress made with this project; and
- The reason open spaces in Nyanga are not being utilised for economic activities, as there are empty, under-utilised areas in Nyanga that are being used for criminal activities.

4.2 The Department's Response:

- Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) have possibly been the biggest beneficiaries of the Red Tape Reduction Unit's activities. The Department has assisted well over 5 500 businesses over the last few years resolving challenges associated with permitting issues and business registration, amongst others. The Department supports small businesses, not only with access to markets, but also with funding mechanisms within the national space.
- In terms of Alcohol Harms Reduction Game Changer, there was the matter of liquor licensing and liquor trade; however this matter was within the mandate of the Department of Community Safety.
- There are two major initiatives that the Department has been driving in terms of Digital Economy. In order to promote the tech industry, it is important that citizens also have access to technology so that they become digitally literate and therefore more employable. The Department has a Jump Platform for informal and SMME businesses to access information such as how to improve a business, assess what the challenges are, and provides advice on how businesses can receive assistance. The Department is in the process of converting this initiative from an online platform to an application. The second initiative involves schools and creating a digital pipeline around skills. The Department has been working with schools and industries on how to roll out after school programmes across the Province. The intention is to implement this programme in many schools with a good geographic reach.
- The Department has been searching for organisations such as the NTP who can guide the Department to understand how they can assist small businesses, particularly in local, light manufacturing. The Department has met with the City of Cape Town and other provincial departments to identify under-utilised plots of land and businesses that can benefit from being in a light industrial area. The Department will engage with the NTP to see how they can be included in this programme.
- In terms of tourism, the Department will link the NTP to Cape Town Tourism and its eKasi programme, which engages with local communities in townships, creating network opportunities with large businesses on the supply side to demonstrate what tourism product the community has to offer. The Department is also in the process of creating a tourism master plan that will relook at the approach to tourism development and promotion in the next twenty years in the

Western Cape. The tourism master plan will assist small businesses to create products that are saleable.

5. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED the following:

- 5.1 To invite the Department to brief the Committee on the results of the preliminary investigations conducted with the City of Cape Town (the City), into possible impacts of regulation of so-called disruptive industries like AirBnB (tourist accommodation) and Uber (taxi services), envisaged by both the national government and the City, at a date to be determined by the Committee;
- 5.2 The Department should respond in writing to the NTP on the matters raised in the meeting that were not addressed, and link the NTP to the relevant programmes mentioned in the Department's response; and
- 5.3 To undertake an oversight visit to the SBIDZ, which should be prioritised for early 2020.

6. Information Requested

- 6.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department submit the following information by 15 January 2019:
 - A breakdown of where the Department has given support to Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) colleges in terms of artisanal trades, and a breakdown of the R60 million allocated to skills development;
 - A report on the funded and unfunded posts that have not been filled; and
 - A report on the credentials (specialised skills) of the two foreign workers, as stated in Table 3.9.1 on page 171 of the Annual Report.
- 6.2 The Committee REQUESTED that the SBIDZ provide the Committee with the Gap Analysis Report on the Saldanha Bay SMMEs' readiness to comply with national standards in the oil and gas, and maritime sectors, once it is completed.

7. Conclusion

The Chairperson thanked the Minister, Department and its Entities for their preparation and responses to questions raised by the Committee members.

TUESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker:

- 1. Referral of document to committee in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:**

Parliamentary Oversight Committee

Western Cape Provincial Parliament – Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 31 October 2019.

- 2. Referral of document as required in terms of section 17(2)(a) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:**

Parliamentary Oversight Committee

Western Cape Provincial Parliament – Draft Strategic Plan (2020/21–2024/25).

- 3. Referral of bills to committee in accordance with Rules 217 and 218:**

(a) Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters

- (i) Border Management Authority Bill [B 9B–2016] (NCOP) (proposed section 75 Bill).
- (ii) Civil Union Amendment Bill [B 11B–2018] (NCOP) (proposed section 75 Bill).
- (iii) National Minimum Wage Amendment Bill [B 9B–2019] (NCOP) (proposed section 75 Bill).

(b) Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

- (i) National Forests Amendment Bill [B 11B–2016] (NCOP) (proposed section 76(1) Bill).
- (ii) National Environmental Management Laws Amendment Bill (NCOP) [B 14D–2017] (proposed section 76(1) Bill).
- (iii) Hydrographic Bill [B 17B–2018] (NCOP) (proposed section 75 Bill).

(c) Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport

- (i) Cybercrimes Bill [B 6B–2017] (NCOP) (proposed section 75 Bill).
- (ii) Customary Initiation Bill [B 7B–2018] (NCOP) (proposed section 76(1) Bill).
- (iii) Independent Police Investigative Directorate Amendment Bill (NCOP) [B 25–2018] (proposed section 75 Bill).

(d) Standing Committee on Education

iKamva Digital Skills Institute Bill [B 10B–2018] (NCOP) (proposed section 75 Bill).

(e) Standing Committee on Local Government

Local Government: Municipal Structures Amendment Bill [B 19B–2018] (NCOP) (proposed section 76(1) Bill).

(f) Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism

National Gambling Amendment Bill [B 27B–2018] (NCOP) (proposed section 76(1) Bill).

(g) Standing Committee on Social Development

Child Justice Amendment Bill [B 32B–2018] (NCOP) (proposed section 75 Bill).

TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. **Tabling of document in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:**

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2. **Tabling of document in terms of section 17(2)(a) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:**

Western Cape Provincial Parliament – Draft Strategic Plan 2020/21–2024/25.

WEDNESDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2019

COMMITTEE REPORTS**1. REPORT OF THE SOCIAL CLUSTER VISIT WEEK, 26 TO 29 AUGUST 2019.****1. Introduction**

The Social Cluster Visit Week is a key mechanism established by the Provincial Parliament to achieve its constitutional oversight mandate in the province. It is intended to ensure that Members of the Provincial Parliament, through its standing committees, continually keep abreast of developments and delivery issues in the province. It also affords Members the opportunity to undertake oversight visits and interact with communities in order to get first-hand information on the needs and challenges that are confronting people. The committees also visit projects that have been implemented by various government departments and South African Police Services (SAPS) in the province. The Social Cluster Visit Week afforded the standing committees the opportunity to visit areas outside of the Cape Town metropolitan area. The following standing committees were part of the Social Cluster Visit Week:

Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport;
Standing Committee on Social Development;
Standing Committee on Health;
Standing Committee on Education; and
Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters.

2. The delegation

The delegation of the Social Cluster Visit Week included the following Members:

Mackenzie, RD (DA) (Leader of the delegation).

Allen, RI (DA)
Baartman, DM (DA)
Bakubaku-Vos, NG (ANC)
Bans, AP (ANC)
Bosman, G (DA)
Botha, LJ (DA)
Christians, FC (ACDP)
De Jager, I (Al Jama-ah)
Dugmore, CM (ANC)
Kama, M (ANC)
Makamba-Botya, N (EFF)
Marais, PJ (VF Plus)
Philander, WF (DA)
Sayed, MK (ANC)
Windvogel, R (ANC)
Xego, M (EFF)

3. Overview

The main objective of the oversight cluster visits was to assess the activities of the facilities and to get an overall impression of the status of these selected social-cluster facilities.

4. Visit to the Laingsburg Public Library on Tuesday 27 August 2019

Ms C Jansen, Laingsburg Library Librarian, welcomed the delegation and proceeded to introduce the following matters: the history of the library, library membership, the library's collection in terms of the three provincial languages, the internet access at the library, the type of assistance given to users of the library's PCs, the library's outreach and holiday programmes, and the library's successes and challenges.

4.1. Key aspects pertaining to the presentation

- 4.1.1. The Laingsburg Library (the Library) has only one librarian, an assistant, and one temporary librarian. The temporary librarian works half-day at the Goldnerville Library and, if needed, also works at the Laingsburg Library during the afternoon session.
- 4.1.2. The Library has 1 466 members.
- 4.1.3. The Library is still capacitated with some of its original furniture, such as the shelving, and despite reasonable upgrades, it still uses dated furniture, which in many ways has nostalgic significance for the Library. These items are a stark reminder of the damaging effects of the Laingsburg flood in 1981.
- 4.1.4. Except for the main Library situated in Laingsburg, the Library also has facilities in Goldnerville, Matjiesfontein and Vleiland.
- 4.1.5. The Library has four PCs allocated to users to use for school projects, job searches, the compilation of CVs and general internet usage. Library staff members willingly assist the 86 registered PC users who require assistance with these tasks.
- 4.1.6. The Library has subscriptions to *Die Burger*, *Rapport* and the local *Courier* newspaper, as well as to 15 magazine publications.
- 4.1.7. The Library also has planned outreach programmes where staff members visit the nearby old-age home, schools in the area, and youth-focused collaborations with the Department of Social Development. There are also arts and crafts classes, and initiatives with the women of Nal'ibali.
- 4.1.8. The Library features a monthly and annual theme to encourage reading on selected topics across all age groups.
- 4.1.9. The most prominent challenge is that of space. There is limited space and no dedicated study room for learners. The Library has submitted its wish list to the Laingsburg District Municipality detailing its infrastructural needs.
- 4.1.10. The Library has made progress with expanding its Xhosa book collection. Most of the collection to date caters for children.

- 4.1.11. The Library is part of an inter-library loan system where members may request materials from neighbouring libraries that are not part of the Laingsburg district's library collection.
- 4.1.12. Although the general period for loaning books is two weeks, members residing in outlying areas are allowed to loan books for up to three months.
- 4.1.13. The Library is not equipped to assist differently abled persons, hearing and visually impaired persons. There is also insufficient space to install specialised equipment for such persons.
- 4.1.14. The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport is responsible for the maintenance of the information technology (IT) infrastructure. However, in cases requiring specialised attention to repair IT-related problems, the turnaround time is often two to three weeks. The reason for this is that the limited IT staff capacity, based in central Cape Town, are allocated to cover large areas across the province. As such, any call-outs to Laingsburg take a long time. This might result in extended periods of two to three weeks with no internet connectivity at the Library and its neighbouring library facilities.

4.2. Recommendations

The delegation RECOMMENDS that:

- 4.2.1. The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport considers alternative mechanisms to address the information technology (IT) maintenance, connectivity and repair problems. The context for this recommendation is based on the slow turnaround time for some IT-related matters at the Laingsburg Library. During these instances, the Library is left without internet connectivity, often for two to three weeks, while waiting for assistance from the Department's Cape Town offices. The delegation therefore encourages the Department to find an alternative mechanism that will allow for faster repair of logged IT-related jobs.
- 4.2.2. The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport and the Laingsburg Municipality explore the possibility of enabling the patrons of the Vleiland Library Centre to use the internet through the Breedernet Tower located in that area.
- 4.2.3. The Western Cape Government Department to brief the respective Standing Committees on the Rural Development Strategy.
- 4.2.4. The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport expands its Xhosa literature collection to accommodate more age categories.
- 4.2.5. The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport formalises its partnership with the women of Nal'ibali.
- 4.2.6. Books relating to the history of indigenous peoples e.g Griqua and Khoi should be available so that children, especially can learn about their own cultures and history.

4.3. Information requested

The delegation REQUESTS the following information:

- 4.3.1. Copies of the Municipality's engagements with the community regarding their concerns about the Laingsburg Library.
- 4.3.2. A copy of the Laingsburg Municipality's Integrated Development Plan (IDP) that indicates the community's requests for the Laingsburg Library.
- 4.3.3. A breakdown of the municipal support services given to the Laingsburg Library.

5. Visit to the ACVV Huis Malan Jacobs Old-Age Home on Tuesday 27 August 2019

The delegation was received by the Manager, Ms M Bourbon-Leftley, and her staff.

5.1 Key aspects pertaining to the presentation

- 5.1.1. The ACVV Huis Malan Jacobs has been in operation since 1985.
- 5.1.2. It was built after the flood in 1981.
- 5.1.3. The home provides a safe haven for sub economic and economic elderly people above 60 years of age.
- 5.1.4. There are rooms, frail-care units and independent flats that can accommodate 41 elderly people.
- 5.1.5. The management consists of 13 members. These members form part of different subcommittees. They have a financial committee, property committee, selection committee, staff committee, day-management and a fundraiser committee to ensure the smooth running of all the areas of the home.
- 5.1.6. The staff structure consists of one manager, one financial or administrative manager, one registered nurse, one senior nurse caregiver, one senior food-service supervisor, 11 housekeeping assistants, 12 nurse caregivers and one handyman.
- 5.1.7. The elderly residents are provided with 24-hour physical and medical care.
- 5.1.8. The home receives a monthly subsidy per resident from the Department of Social Development.
- 5.1.9. The quarterly reports received from the Department of Social Development are progressive.
- 5.1.10. A doctor visits the home every Wednesday.
- 5.1.11. There was one alleged incident of elderly abuse where a resident molested another resident who suffered from dementia. The manager filed a criminal case at the police station. The home gave the accused resident one month's notice to leave.
- 5.1.12. Water tanks were installed by Koup "Jag" and the local "koöperasie" to ensure that there is water when the Municipality cannot provide water.
- 5.1.13. The community faithfully supports the home throughout the drought that the area experiences at the moment.
- 5.1.14. The home's garden offers a distraction to residents. Residents' children and volunteers are involved with the delivery of gravel, soil, plants and fertiliser.

- 5.1.15. On Sundays, the church service is broadcast from the NG Church to the lounge.
- 5.1.16. The facility has a library service, voluntary feet service, women's bible study, prayer meetings, a tuckshop, a social club throughout the week and a hairdressing service once a month.
- 5.1.17. The home has regular fundraising opportunities to generate its own income. They have a Cookies & Rusks Project, which functions throughout the year. Residents assist with mixing, rolling, baking, packaging and sales. They also have bazaars, pancake sales, exhibitions of hobbies and tea functions.
- 5.1.18. Art and piano lessons are offered by one of the house committee members at the home to young people. He presents singing classes at the Buffelsrivier School.
- 5.1.19. A knitting group has been established. It takes place at the home. It involves the residents, members of the community and volunteers.

5.2. Challenges raised by the ACVV Huis Malan Jacobs Old-Age Home

- 5.2.1. There is a water scarcity due to the drought in Laingsburg.
- 5.2.2. There is a lack of trained nursing staff.
- 5.2.3. The home cannot retain nurses due to higher-paying nursing opportunities offered by the Western Cape Government.
- 5.2.4. Medication arrives later in the month or no medication is received due to perceived lack of medicine in the country as informed by Municipality. However no shortages and chronic medication reported subsequently at the local hospital.
- 5.2.5. Residents are dependent on chronic medication, such as Omeprazole (stomach), Panado and Tramadol (pain medicine), Amlolipine (blood pressure), Trepiline and Citalopram (anti-depressant), Isordil 10 mg (heart), Simvastitin (cholesterol), and the shortage of this medication results in a huge health risk to the residents at the facility.
- 5.2.6. The home does not receive any subsidy for staff salaries.
- 5.2.7. It costs R5 280 to sustain each resident per month. The home receives the residents' R1 800 SASSA pension grant but can only use 90% of this grant.
- 5.2.8. The home does not have the specialist care and financial capacity to accommodate younger persons who need frail care.

5.3. Resolutions

The delegation RESOLVED that:

- 5.3.1 The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Social Development write a letter to the Minister of Social Development requesting her to investigate the possibility of moving a patient (details of the patient to be provided in the letter) to the ACVV Huis Malan Jacobs Old-Age Home and providing a grant to assist the patient with the necessary care.

- 5.3.2. The Minister of Health give urgent attention to the delay in the dispensation of acute/chronic medication and the shortage of qualified nurses at the home.
- 5.3.3. The Department of Social Development investigates the possibility of increasing grants to frail-care homes to subsidise qualified nurses' salaries and social workers' salaries in rural areas in order for the homes to retain these specialised services.
- 5.3.4. The Department of Social Development investigates policies, legislation and/or process amendments for frail-care facilities or persons with disabilities in rural areas and the possibility of moving them to frail-care facilities, like old-age homes in the area.

5.4. Information requested

The delegation REQUESTS that the Department of Social Development provides the following information:

- 5.4.1. A report of plans (if any) to develop a centre for persons with disabilities or for frail-care in Laingsburg.
- 5.4.2. A copy of the quarterly reports of the home for the 2018/19 financial year.
- 5.4.3. Copies of all the ACVV policies.
- 5.4.4. A report on the social-work services available in Laingsburg.
- 5.4.5. A copy of the correspondence that the ACVV Huis Malan Jacobs Old-Age Home sent to the Department of Health relating to the shortage and dispensation of chronic medication.

The delegation also REQUESTS that the:

- 5.4.6. Department of the Local Government provides a copy of the municipal indigent grant policy and a brief report stating whether this grant includes residents in funded frail-care facilities.
- 5.4.7. Department of Community Safety opens a Court Watching Brief and provides a status report on case number 14/7/2019.
- 5.4.8. Panic alarm system must be installed

6. Visit to the Hoërskool Laingsburg on Tuesday 27 August 2019

The delegation was received by the school's principal, Mr CR Pedro, and the Education District Director for the Eden and Central Karoo Education District office, Mr Maarman, led the presentation.

6.1. Key aspects pertaining to the presentation

- 6.1.1. The Hoërskool Laingsburg can accommodate 1 200 learners from Grade 8 to Grade 12 but only has 353 learners, of which 195 are female and 156 male. While there are 115 learners in Grade 8, there are only 33 in Grade 12.
- 6.1.2. None of the school's Grade 10 to Grade 12 learners are currently enrolled in Mathematics or Physical Science.

- 6.1.3. The school is a quintile 4 fee-paying school. According to the Education District Director, most learners are from the poor community and application to change the status of the school has been made.
- 6.1.4. The School is an Afrikaans-medium section 21 secondary school. The school has 14 classrooms, which includes two science laboratories, five specialist classrooms, a workshop class, a computer laboratory, an e-centre and a library.
- 6.1.5. The Community Policing Forum reported that the school experiences problems with learners abusing alcohol and drugs on school premises and with learners bringing dangerous weapons to school with which they threaten fellow learners.
- 6.1.6. The school is scheduled for maintenance during the 2024/25 financial year, in accordance with the User Asset Management Plan (UAMP) for 2019/20.
- 6.1.7. The school received new stoves in 2019, which during inspection by the delegation were not set up, and the learners currently still utilise the three stoves in the home-economics classroom.
- 6.1.8. Laingsburg has two mass participation; opportunity and access; development and growth (herein after MOD) centres which are an after-school mass-participation programme that provides school-going young people daily access to various fun-filled, play-based and modified activities in recreation and sport, as well as in arts and culture. One MOD centre is at the Acacia Primary School and one at the Hoërskool Laingsburg – but not at the school, in the town – according to the Education District Director for Laingsburg. The MOD centres provide four sports codes, namely rugby, chess, cricket and volley ball. Each centre has a centre manager and one or more coaches who are responsible for an after-school programme. But there is currently only one coach responsible for the programme.
- 6.1.9. Learners practice and take part in different sporting codes, indigenous games and in arts and culture events.
- 6.1.10. Learners took part in the Youth Festival on 16 June 2019.
- 6.1.11. They participated in six indigenous games, as well as in poetry and drama.
- 6.1.12. In addition, the schools participate in SWD Sports Council leagues.
- 6.1.13. Farm schools participate in an intra-schools league.
- 6.1.14. The Safe Schools Cluster: There are 15 functional clusters in the district and they meet every term. Clusters empower school-safety officers by providing platforms for safety and security engagements.
- 6.1.15. According to the Safe Schools Programme all schools must have safety committees supported with training in terms of the National Schools Safety Framework, which includes the Hoërskool Laingsburg.
- 6.1.16. The whole district is trained and supported in occupational health and safety (currently training on resilient scorecards take place).

- 6.1.17. Safe Schools has requested the Laingsburg SAPS to increase visibility at and near the school to protect against the damage that has been done to the school fence.
- 6.1.18. The alarm-system upgrades will take place before the end of 2019. During the visit it was said that this is in supply-chain process.
- 6.1.19. Access control: Schools are supported with the installation of security mechanisms to improve safety and security, although there were no security cameras outside the school.
- 6.1.20. Safe Schools repairs fences up to 30 m. According to the district officer, there is no installation of perimeter fencing.
- 6.1.21. A school-based Support Team assists with intervention processes supported by Safe Schools.
- 6.1.22. Records of interventions performed by schools, SLES and external service providers are filed.
- 6.1.23. The Eden and Central Karoo Education District (herein after ECKED) will be the lead Department for the Joint Provincial Initiative (JPI) for Learner Retention as from January 2020. The district has a Learner Retention Strategy, which includes the Hoërskool Laingsburg.
- 6.1.24. A group of 15 Grade 10 learners, in collaboration with CPUT, took part in the science week.
- 6.1.25. Seven RCL members will take part in the heritage programme on Robben Island during the September holidays.
- 6.1.26. Grade 12 learners are well prepared for their matric examinations.
- 6.1.27. There is an intensive intervention plan to improve the school's systemic results.

6.2. Challenges raised by the WCED and the school:

6.2.1. Online admissions:

- 6.2.1.1. Learners without birth certificates or passports or any other required documents;
- 6.2.1.2. Poor quality of network connectivity in some rural areas; and
- 6.2.1.3. Lack of technological knowledge of parents to complete online applications.

- 6.2.2. Large geographical area to cover: Increased expenditure for travelling costs and time resources due to travelling time for meetings in Cape Town and to schools far from George.
- 6.2.3. Vandalism over the past two years. Almost 50 m of palisade fencing were stolen. Nearly every fortnight copper water pipes have been stolen.
- 6.2.4. Playing fields for soccer / Rugby is in very poor conditions and not being utilised by scholars.

6.3. Resolutions

The delegation RESOLVED that:

- 6.3.1. The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Education write a letter to the Minister of Education, Ms B Schäfer, to recommend that the quintile status of the school be changed as a matter of urgency.
- 6.3.2. The WCED and the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport brief the Standing Committee on Education and the Standing Committees Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport on the MOD Programme and the roles and responsibilities of the respective departments.

6.4. Information requested

The delegation REQUESTS the Western Cape Education Department to provide the following information:

- 6.4.1. A copy of the retention plan (strategy) for learners of the school in order to keep Grade 8 learners at the Hoërskool Laingsburg until matric.
- 6.4.2. A copy of the schools' budget, including the budget allocation in the Norms and Standards for the 2019/20 and 2020/21 financial year.
- 6.4.3. A report on the matric Mathematics results for March, June and September 2019.
- 6.4.4. A copy of the school maintenance plan, if any.
- 6.4.5. The Safety Plan for the school, whether or not there is a safety officer attached to the plan and the fire plan. Further to that, the delegation requests a report on whether there is a relationship between the neighbourhood watches, community policing forums and the South African Police Service in the area and with the school.
- 6.4.6. All documentation pertaining to the request to have the quintile changed of the school to a no-fee school.
- 6.4.7. A copy of the succession plan for the Hoërskool Laingsburg when the principal retires.
- 6.4.8. A report on fund raising, if any has been done for 2018/2019 financial year.
- 6.4.9. A detail report on the E-Learning Strategy for the next five years for the Eden and Central Karoo District.
- 6.4.10. The number of learners, including names that are on the Representative Council of Learners (RCL) at the school and the District.
- 6.4.11. A report on the funding allocated to the hostels of the Hoërskool Laingsburg for the last two years.
- 6.4.12. A breakdown on the systemic results and the intensive intervention plan to improve it.
- 6.4.13. A breakdown of the matric results for the past three years.
- 6.4.14. A breakdown of the staffing budget for the school for the past three years.
- 6.4.15. A report on whether the maintenance budget of the school could be separated from the entire budget in order to obtain more for maintenance.

- 6.4.16. A report on the MOD centre's budget for Laingsburg, including the activities that are being provided and where and how many coaches are present.
- 6.4.17. The drought plan for schools in the Eden and Central Karoo District.
- 6.4.18. A status report on the alarm system at the school.
- 6.4.19. The budget to replace the windows that are broken at the school. Further to that, the cost implications to replace the windows.

7. Visit to the Cape Access Centre on Wednesday 28 August 2019

The delegation was received by Mr E Galandt, Programme Manager: Cape Access, and Mr K Groeneveldt and Mr H Arendse from the Department of the Premier.

7.1. Key aspects pertaining to the presentation

- 7.1.1. The need for a Cape Access Centre at the Thusong Service Centre was identified by all stakeholders in Laingsburg. Role players included the Laingsburg Municipality, different government departments, community organisations and the community.
- 7.1.2. The Laingsburg Cape Access Centre has been in operation since 2013.
- 7.1.3. Basic ICT skills, accredited International Certification in Digital Literacy (ICDL) courses, internet, email, Word, PowerPoint and Excel training is provided at the Cape Access Centre.
- 7.1.4. The community has free access to email and internet connection.
- 7.1.5. The community can print documents for free, search for online jobs, research information for school, colleges and university projects, access schools' curriculum material, apply to universities and access distance learning institutions and materials.
- 7.1.6. The Cape Access Centre hosts open days with the Thusong Centre and other stakeholders.
- 7.1.7. The Laingsburg Municipality reported that the Cape Access Centre can move to the Environmental Education E-Centre as the site is bigger and would be able to accommodate more persons.
- 7.1.8. The Centre advertises on Facebook, on posters, displays banners outside the office, distributes brochures and advertises in the local Thusong newspaper to inform the community about the free services they offer.

7.2. Challenges raised by Cape Access Centre

- 7.2.1. The Centre can only accommodate 12 persons at a time.
- 7.2.2. The daily operations has to stop when the Cape Access Centre has training sessions.

7.3. Information requested

The delegation REQUESTS the Department of the Premier to provide the following information:

- 7.3.1. A brief explanation of how entrepreneurs can open businesses close to the Cape Access Centre and make use of the free Wi-Fi services.
- 7.3.2. The geographical breakdown of the Wi-Fi hotspots. The list should include the areas that have received installations and that will still get access.
- 7.3.3. A status report relating to the Cape Access Centre moving to the Environmental Education E-Centre, which includes the erf number of the site.
- 7.3.4. A feasibility study on training the staff on coding at the Cape Access Centre.
- 7.3.5. A feedback report on the response and process that is followed when the Laingsburg Library experiences downtime.

7.4. Recommendation

The delegation recommends that the Department of the Premier discuss with Liquid Telecoms the possibility of increasing the amount of bandwidth provided to the Thusong centres.

8. Visit to the office of the Department of Social Development on Wednesday 28 August 2019

The Social Cluster delegation visited the Department of Social Development (herein after DSD) office, which is situated in the Thusong Centre in Laingsburg. Ms Benadie, welcomed the delegation and led the presentation on the basket of services that are offered by the Department of Social Development in Laingsburg and the surrounding areas.

8.1. Key aspects pertaining to the presentation

- 8.1.1. According to the 2016 census by Statistics SA, Laingsburg has a population of approximately 8 430 with a total number of households of 2 862, while the total population of the Central Karoo District was 74 247.
- 8.1.2. The Department of Social Development has a working agreement with Child Welfare South Africa in Laingsburg. The purpose of the agreement is to offer a basket of services, except for the probation services, in Laingsburg, Goldnerville and Bergsig.
- 8.1.3. The Department also has working agreements with Badisa, which assists in areas of service delivery, namely social welfare and community-development programmes.
- 8.1.4. The DSD office in Laingsburg has a total of eight staff members that consists of one Social Worker Manager, one Social Worker Supervisor, one Acting Social Worker Supervisor, one Child Care and Protection & Services to Families Worker, one Customer Care Assistant, one Social Crime Prevention Worker, one Social Worker and one Social Auxiliary Worker these services also include the Victim Empowerment Programme, services to families and special programme. It was also reported that one Social Worker position was vacant.

- 8.1.5. During the visit there were no social workers in the DSD office in Laingsburg. One social worker was on maternity leave, another social worker was transferred to Beaufort West and a further social worker post was vacant.
- 8.1.6. The social worker position has been vacant since May 2019 and the social worker who was on maternity leave would only be back in October 2019.
- 8.1.7. It was reported that, due to the inadequate number of social workers in Laingsburg, services such as child protection and probation services were affected in particular.
- 8.1.8. Ms Benadie reported that they requested a temporary social worker to work on a contract basis, however, they were still waiting and in the meantime there was no social worker in the office.
- 8.1.9. A range of anti-bullying programmes, which focus on preventing bullying and empowering the victims of bullying, were in place in Laingsburg.
- 8.1.10. Ms Benadie reported that a support group for substance abuse was established in September 2018 and nine people were attending the support group.
- 8.1.11. The delegation was informed that a successful integrated crime-prevention boot camp for young people in conflict with the law was held in 2018 with the SAPS. The aim of the camp was to instill the norms, values and discipline in young people and all 15 young people who were in conflict with the law successfully completed the diversion programme.

8.2. Challenges raised by the office of the Department of Social Development

- 8.2.1. The current organogram of DSD officials was identified as a major challenge in the DSD office in Laingsburg.
- 8.2.2. There is a shortage of social workers that hampers service delivery, especially child-protection and probation services.
- 8.2.3. The delegation was also informed that one social worker from Child Welfare SA in Laingsburg resigned.
- 8.2.4. There was only one Social Auxiliary Worker at the DSD office in Laingsburg.
- 8.2.5. The DSD office in Laingsburg has one Assistant Community Development Practitioner who is responsible for community development in the social-work management area.
- 8.2.6. Inadequate office space was also noted. The officials reported that inadequate office space was a major contributing factor to the high staff turnover.
- 8.2.7. The DSD office in Laingsburg has no proper storage space.
- 8.2.8. It was reported that school dropouts were also common in Laingsburg.
- 8.2.9. Socio-economic challenges, namely substance abuse and unemployment, were identified as major challenges in the communities. This results in parents not taking care of their children.

- 8.2.10. There was no internet connection for DSD officials in Laingsburg. They reported that they utilise mobile dongles and these were not working during the visit.
- 8.2.11. Cape Access, which shares the building with DSD officials in Laingsburg, undertook to assist the DSD officials with an internet connection. The Cape Access officials reported that the infrastructure at the DSD offices was already installed and that they were only waiting for the switch.
- 8.2.12. Insufficient IT equipment and not enough space to assist young people with online university applications and job opportunities in the service delivery areas were also noted as a challenge.
- 8.2.13. The DSD office in Laingsburg has two vehicles. The officials reported that the vehicles were not suitable for gravel roads and that there was a need for 4x4 vans.
- 8.2.14. The officials reported that the distances that have to be travelled had an impact on service delivery. They further reported that Laingsburg has a total of 303 farms and some farms are 75 km to 90 km away.
- 8.2.15. There is a need for the establishment of a Child and Youth Care Centre (CYCC) in the Central Karoo. This will ensure that family-preservation and reunification services are properly conducted in terms of the Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005) and that the provision of crime prevention are met in accordance with the Child Justice Act, 2008 (Act 75 of 2008).
- 8.2.16. A long waiting list for admissions at rehabilitation treatment centres was also identified as a major challenge.
- 8.2.17. There is an urgent need to deal with substance abuse and family preservation in Laingsburg due to the increase in substance abuse that contributes to family disintegration.
- 8.2.18. There is a high reporting rate of child neglect and child abuse in Laingsburg that requires urgent intervention.
- 8.2.19. There is no treatment centre in the Central Karoo.
- 8.2.20. Due to the high rate in socio-economic factors – such as substance abuse, crime, poverty and unemployment – family structures are under severe pressure in the Laingsburg communities.

8.3. Resolutions

The delegation RESOLVED that:

- 8.3.1. The Department of Social Development should brief the Standing Committee on Social Development on the allocation of staff members and vehicles for all the DSD regional offices in the province.
- 8.3.2. The Standing Committee on Social Development should write to the Social Worker Manager in Laingsburg, Ms Benadie, to seek clarity on the challenges and shortages of social workers in Laingsburg.

- 8.3.3. The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Social Development should make contact with the provincial Minister of Social Development and request that the challenge of social-worker shortage in Laingsburg be resolved as a matter of urgency.
- 8.3.4. The Standing Committee on Social Development should follow up on the procurement process by Cape Access for the switch to ensure that the DSD offices in Laingsburg are connected to the internet and Wi-Fi.

8.4. Recommendations

The delegation RECOMMENDS that:

- 8.4.1. In future, the presentations must be put together and presented by officials on-site who understand the challenges faced at that particular site.
- 8.4.2. The Mayor of the Laingsburg Municipality should conduct a concerted campaign that will involve parents in their children's lives and in government programmes.
- 8.4.3. The DSD and Cape Access should collaborate and establish a Youth Café at the Thusong Centre since they share the same building.
- 8.4.4. The DSD should work with the Department of Transport and Public Works to find a suitable office space for the officials and clients of the DSD in Laingsburg.

8.5. Information requested

The delegation REQUESTS the Department of Social Development to provide the following information:

- 8.5.1. A detailed report on the number of school dropouts in Laingsburg for the 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19 financial years.
- 8.5.2. A copy of the service level agreement with Child Welfare South Africa in Laingsburg.
- 8.5.3. A copy of the transfer payment agreement between Child Welfare South Africa in Laingsburg and the provincial Department of Social Development.
- 8.5.4. A detailed report on the stakeholder engagement in Laingsburg,
- 8.5.5. A detailed list of registered NPOs and services provided by these NPOs in Laingsburg.
- 8.5.6. A detailed report on the DSD recruitment process to show how long it takes to fill vacancies in the Department of Social Development.
- 8.5.7. A report on the plan to find suitable premises for the DSD in Laingsburg.
- 8.5.8. Detailed information on the DSD's sustainable Abuse Centre in Laingsburg.
- 8.5.9. Information on the number of registered children in Laingsburg and the caseload of reported bullying cases.

- 8.5.10. The total number of registered children and adults living with disabilities in Laingsburg.
- 8.5.11. A detailed breakdown of the number of vehicles allocated to the DSD offices in Laingsburg and the number of vehicles allocated for child-welfare services in Laingsburg.
- 8.5.12. A report on the needs analysis for the registration of Child and Youth Care Centres (CYCC) in Laingsburg.
- 8.5.13. The organogram of the DSD officials in Laingsburg.
- 8.5.14. A status report on progress made with filling the social-worker vacancies in Laingsburg.

9. Visit to the Laingsburg South African Police Services (SAPS) on Wednesday 28 August 2019

The delegation was welcomed by Lt Col JJ Tiemie, Station Commander, at the Laingsburg South African Police Service (SAPS).

9.1. Key aspects pertaining to the presentation

- 9.1.1. The Laingsburg policing area spans 8 787,44km², servicing approximately 8 983 persons.
- 9.1.2. The two policing sectors consist of 300 farm areas, with the furthest farm area located 160 km from the Laingsburg SAPS. The terrain leading to this farm consists of 40 km tarred road and a gravel road of approximately 120 km. Despite the large policing area, there are no satellite stations in the precinct, nor sufficient staff capacity should there be such a facility. Although call-outs to far-reaching areas are not minimal, staff are often asked to travel to those areas on their allocated rest days.
- 9.1.3. The Laingsburg SAPS stated that it does not receive any requests from the Hoërskool Laingsburg unless it is crime-related.
- 9.1.4. There is no established gang structure in Laingsburg.
- 9.1.5. For 2018/19, 91% of drug-related cases involved possession of illegal substances. Possession and/or use of dagga was reported in 40% of cases, of mandrax in 34% of cases, and of tik in 23% of cases.
- 9.1.6. The Laingsburg SAPS does not have a Crime Intelligence Officer but receives this service on police-cluster level.
- 9.1.7. There is only one operational member at the police station who does not have a driver's licence.
- 9.1.8. For the period 1 April 2019 to 20 August 2019, 18 victims were assisted with Victim Support Services. There is only one Victim-Friendly Room housed in a wendy house.
- 9.1.9. For the period 1 April 2019 to 20 August 2019, there were 14 domestic-violence cases reported, 33 applications for protection orders and 37 protection orders were served.
- 9.1.10. Bergsig accounts for 51% of domestic-violence-related crimes, with Goldnerville accounting for 45% of these crimes.
- 9.1.11. At the time of the visit, the Laingsburg SAPS had no volunteers to counsel domestic-violence victims.

- The recruitment drive for volunteers is dependent on the outcomes of the elections for the new term of office of the local Community Policing Forum.
- 9.1.12. The Laingsburg SAPS has 15 vehicles and one roadblock trailer. These include nine vehicles for the Visible Policing (VISPOL) Unit, four for the Detection Unit and two for Support Services.
- 9.1.13. Several vehicles have high mileage-levels registered. One of these vehicles is scheduled to be boarded and three others were in for repair and maintenance services at the time of the oversight visit.
- 9.1.14. The station has seven allocated holding cells of which only two are functional. One holding cell is used for storage space. The condition of the non-functional holding cells is such that the doors are damaged and the metal grid in one of the mini courtyards that separate the holding cells has been cut. The Laingsburg SAPS reported that it has not had any significant repairs or renovations of structural damages completed by the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure since the station was established in 1968.
- 9.1.15. The daily allowance to repair station-level damages does not cover the expected amount needed to repair the doors of the holding cell.
- 9.1.16. The ease of access to the Community Service Centre (CSC) presents security risks as there is no barrier to control entry by members of the public beyond the CSC.
- 9.1.17. There are pending cases against 14 Laingsburg SAPS members for assault with grievous bodily harm, assault common and malicious damage to property. The majority of the cases are from 2017. All of these cases have been reported to the Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID).
- 9.1.18. There are several liquor outlets in the precinct with six outlets registered to trade alcohol and seven registered to accommodate alcohol consumption. These outlets are operational between 09:00 and 18:00 from Monday to Friday.
- 9.1.19. There were no reported cases involving underage alcohol consumption and drug abuse registered at the Laingsburg SAPS.
- 9.1.20. In terms of staffing, the Laingsburg SAPS reported that it has 57 staff members. There is a deficit of 10 members in the VISPOL Unit.
- 9.1.21. There is no structured fitness programme in place for the Laingsburg SAPS, however the Station Commander had previously introduced weekly 'fun walks' to boost fitness levels and staff morale.
- 9.1.22. Complaints received against Laingsburg SAPS members are recorded in the station's Complaints Register at Human Resource Management. The Station Commander then furnishes the complaints to the component heads for investigation.
- 9.1.23. The Department of Community Safety's Werner Bezuidenhout gave a short presentation on the impact of the deficit of the 10 VISPOL vacancies. He highlighted that the shift management is adversely affected.

Due to the requirements of the station as a Lieutenant Colonel-rated station, there are serious concerns that the Station Commander's staffing capacity is at best stretched, thus putting severe strain on the limited personnel for patrol and CSC duties. In effect, especially if members are away on training or various types of leave, there could potentially be only one officer on duty at the CSC. These risks hinder the Laingsburg SAPS' capacity to fulfil its mandate to effectively serve the precinct in accordance with section 205(3) of the Constitution.

- 9.1.24. The members of the public were also afforded the opportunity to provide comment.
- 9.1.25. The delegation notice that there were no integrated safety plan for the area involving SAPS and the Department of Community Safety.

9.2. Information requested

The delegation REQUESTS the Laingsburg SAPS to provide the following information:

- 9.2.1. A list of the number of cases registered at the station of children requiring victim support in the 2018/19 financial year.
- 9.2.2. The number of cases where children were taken into safety, in conjunction with the Laingsburg SAPS, in terms of subsection 3 of section 152 of the Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005) in 2018/19 and 2019/20 to date.
- 9.2.3. The number of pending cases, as well as the nature of these cases, against Laingsburg SAPS members. The information should include the progress updates of the pending cases.
- 9.2.4. An indication of how often the Laingsburg High School has initiated engagement with the Laingsburg SAPS during the current financial year.
- 9.2.5. A list of the type of fitness programmes that the Laingsburg SAPS has for its members.
- 9.2.6. A list of the infrastructural challenges and limitations at the Laingsburg SAPS that need urgent consideration for repair and/or replacement. These infrastructural concerns may include holding cells, the Community Service Centre, access to and safety in the station, the Victim Support Room, personnel office space, the vehicle fleet and storage space.
- 9.2.7. The mechanism in place for community members to process compliments for and/or complaints against Laingsburg SAPS members.
- 9.2.8. A list of cases involving underage alcohol consumption for the 2018/19 financial year, as well as the latest statistics for the 2019/20 financial year, registered at the Laingsburg SAPS.
- 9.2.9. That the Acting Provincial Police Commissioner details the number of cases reported where children were removed from unsafe places and where social workers were not involved.

- 9.2.10. The number of rape kits available at the Laingsburg SAPS, and whether or not that amount of rape kits is sufficient for that police station.
- 9.2.11. The delegation was informed that the Laingsburg Department of Social Development office is not furnished with weekend reports of reported incidents involving children. Provide a response to the concern.
- 9.2.12. A copy of the Laingsburg SAPS' strategy to deal with the sale of liquor to learners that are persons under the age of 18.
- 9.2.13. That the Acting Provincial Police Commissioner provides a status report of the staff establishment for all Western Cape policing precincts, including the Laingsburg precinct. The report should indicate the plan to ensure that vacancies are filled and that all stations are properly staffed.
- 9.2.14. The delegation expresses concern about the management of the Laingsburg SAPS' Victim Support Room register entries. Upon inspection the delegation noted that there were only four entries over a three-year period but it was stated during the presentation that much more victim support to both abused women and children was offered. Provide clarification on the monitoring processes and persons responsible for the management of the register to record victim-support cases.
- 9.2.15. The delegation requested the Department of Community Safety provides the latest copy of Laingsburg Cluster's Safety Plan.

10. Visit to the Laingsburg Clinic and Hospital on Wednesday, 28 August 2019

The delegation visited the Laingsburg Hospital, Dr Muller, Regional Manager, Laingsburg Sub District welcomed the delegation. The following presentations were done during the visit.

10.1 Key aspects pertaining to the presentation on the Forensic Pathology Services (FPS)

- 10.1.1. Dr. Smith, Head of Forensic Pathology Services in Laingsburg briefed the delegation on the services offered by the (FPS) in Laingsburg and the surrounding areas.
- 10.1.2. The FPS in Laingsburg renders level 1 package of service in terms of its legislative mandate, namely, the Inquest Act No 58 of 1959, section 56 of the Health Profession Act, 1974 (Act no 56 of 1974) and the Birth and Deaths Registration Act, 1992 (Act 51 of 1992). There are regulations regarding the rendering of Forensic Pathology Services and the FPS is mandated to render services within these regulations. The regulations are only applicable to deaths that are or appear to be, due to unnatural causes. Dr. Smith also informed the delegation that the Laingsburg FPS also works closely with the traffic officers in terms of road fatalities in Laingsburg and surrounding areas.
- 10.1.3. He reported that the FPS in Laingsburg is working closely with the South African Police Services.

The services provided by the FPS includes, but not limited, commencing with a scene of unnatural death investigation in consultation with the investigating officer, obtaining any information that is relevant to the medico-legal investigation of a death, taking responsibility for the collection of a body and removal from the scene, taking responsibility for the custody of a body from the scene of death until released for burial, taking into custody, thoroughly documenting and maintaining evidence and specimens relating to a body and any associated items, assisting with the process of identification of the deceased, conducting a post mortem investigation, requesting and conducting appropriate special investigations, providing expert testimony and opinion, archiving documents, specimens and related materials, collecting, reviewing and analysing relating data and providing information and advice to health, other government authorities, and departments.

- 10.1.4. Dr. Smith further reported that all the above mentioned services are rendered on site as per the Legislated Mandate except two of their functions such as conducting a post mortem investigation that include an external and internal examination of a body, and retaining material that include tissue or fluids for evidentiary or diagnostic purpose, and requesting and conducting appropriate special investigation. Both of these functions are performed at Oudtshoorn, Forensic Pathology Lab, and a support centre or in George Forensic Pathology Lab, a referral centre by the Laingsburg staff as this is where specialist and clinical support is based.
- 10.1.5. According to the statistics of unnatural deaths presented during the visit, in 2016, the unnatural deaths as a result of road traffic accidents in 2016 was 48%, in 2017 was 51%, in 2018 was 66% and in 2019 to the date of the visit was 85%. The FPS projected that the 2019 statistics will increase since the festive season is still coming.

10.2. Challenges raised by the Forensic Pathology Service in Laingsburg

- 10.2.1. The FPS in Laingsburg was reported to be understaffed, there were two staff members, one manager and one operational, both members were permanently on 24-hour standby performing administrative work and driving to Oudtshoorn or George for post mortems.
- 10.2.2. Due to inadequate staff members, this makes it difficult for the two officials to take leave and attend training.
- 10.2.3. Infrastructure was inadequate for the FPS in Laingsburg, they were situated next to the police holding cells and this holds a risk to staff and their clients.
- 10.2.4. Due to the inadequate office space for the FPS in Laingsburg, there was no waiting room or adequate body viewing facilities and no post mortem dissection facility. These challenges were exacerbated by major road traffic accidents.

- 10.2.5. The FPS in Laingsburg could not fully support the Laingsburg hospital due to an inadequate storage facility for natural Non-FPS cases.

11. Key aspects pertaining to the presentation on the basket of services offered by the Laingsburg Clinic and Laingsburg Hospital

- 11.1.1. Dr. Muller, Regional Manager, Laingsburg Sub District led the presentation and presented on the basket of services offered by these health facilities.
- 11.1.2. The Laingsburg Clinic offers primary health care to the community of Laingsburg and its surrounding areas. The clinic operates on weekdays from 07:00 to 16:00. Laingsburg has one 1 clinic, 1 mobile clinic, 1 satellite clinic in Matjiesfontein and 1 district hospital. The Laingsburg clinic offers full primary health care packages, namely, preventatives, curatives, and rehabilitation services. The Laingsburg District Hospital has a total of 46 staff members that consist of 23 nursing staff and 2 doctors and 21 administrative staff and housekeeping staff.
- 11.1.3. The mobile clinic provides primary health care services to the Swartberg route with 23 farms in 4 different routes on roster basis, whilst the satellite clinic in Matjiesfontein only opens every Wednesdays and second Monday from 09:00 -15:00, both clinics are serviced by clinical staff from Laingsburg. Due to the service pressure at Matjiesfontein satellite clinic, the opening days are going to be increased. A doctor from the Laingsburg Hospital visit the satellite clinic every Wednesdays if two doctors are on duty. The Clinic has an Integrated School Health Programme in place, at which packages of services are provided at schools using the Care and Support for Teaching and Learning framework that includes, learner assessment and screening, management of health alignments and preventative strategies.
- 11.1.4. The delegation was informed that a wellness bus has visited the Acacia Primary School where health services such as screening eye tests for the Grade R students and the Human Papilloma Virus (HVP) campaign for girls at Grade 4 were conducted. This was part of the Integrated School Health Programme. Furthermore, screening was also conducted for Grade 8 learners at Laingsburg High School and there was a positive response from learners on health education in topics such as substance and drug abuse, sexual and reproductive health including teenage pregnancies, HIV & AIDS, suicide and nutrition. The delegation was informed that some of the successes of the Integrated School Health Programme includes high a number of learners that were screened and received glasses, few learners were referred for dental care, an Optometrist and oral hygienist are present on the Wellness bus and the majority of learners consent and parents were informed about the Hepatitis C-Virus (HCV) campaign for girls in Grade 4.

The Triage System was reported to be working and it addresses the waiting period of patients that visit the Laingsburg Clinic. The clinic is currently extended and revamped.

11.2. The challenges raised by the Laingsburg Clinic

- 11.2.1. Shortage of staff were reported as a major challenge.
- 11.2.2. The Clinic Committee Members were still to be appointed, currently, there was no Clinic Committee.
- 11.2.3. The expansion of the clinic was in progress and this affects the patients flow and services at the clinic.
- 11.2.4. Drought was identified as a challenge in Laingsburg.
- 11.2.5. No consent forms from parents, the health practitioners had to call parent's to sign the consent form.
- 11.2.6. Lack of cooperation by the teachers to refer learners who needed services such as eye testing, dental and social support services.
- 11.2.7. High school absenteeism for the girls in Grade 4 during the HPV campaign.
- 11.2.8. Lack of interest from parents on what was happening at school and lack of parent involvement in their children's lives.
- 11.2.9. Lack of interest from students to be referred to the clinic for health services such as contraceptives, pregnancy test, HIV and STI testing. This was due to the inadequate office space at the clinic that resulted to the lack of privacy and confidentiality when the learners visit the clinic.
- 11.12.10. It was reported that there was no office space or clinic at Matjiesfontein, the satellite service offered health services from a community hall.

11.3. Key aspects pertaining to the presentation of Laingsburg Hospital

The Laingsburg District Hospital is a level 1 hospital that renders a full package of level 1 care related services with a total of 20 beds except for theater and OPD services. The hospital target for the bed, utilization was 88.3% in the past three financial years and the target for the average length of stay is 3.3. However, the hospital had clients that were exceeding the bed utilization rate and length of stay due to medical admissions.

11.4. The challenges raised by the Laingsburg Hospital

- 11.4.1. The Laingsburg Hospital did not have a mortuary on hospital grounds.
- 11.4.2. Currently, there was no undertaker available at Laingsburg to collect the deceased of natural deaths from private homes. It was reported that there was an undertaker, however, the undertaker stopped working, and it failed to meet the municipality required standards of transporting bodies.

- 11.4.3. No functioning funeral service at Laingsburg, this also caused a major challenge for patients that were passing away at Laingsburg hospital.
- 11.4.4. The delegation was further informed that the Forensic Pathology Services in Laingsburg were not collecting bodies of natural death persons from private homes, due to the shortage of staff and shortage of skills to perform the task.
- 11.4.5. There was a shortage of staff at Laingsburg hospital. Only two medical doctors that cover services including private users.
- 11.4.6. The security personnel was inadequate at the hospital, only one security guard was on duty per shift and one security guard at Laingsburg Clinic. The hospital officials reported that the security contract was negotiated at a provincial level and the hospital does not have an allocated budget for security.
- 11.4.7. There were no private health practitioners and no private pharmacies in Laingsburg.
- 11.4.8. Seasonal motor vehicle accidents were reported as a major challenge for the Laingsburg and as they put service pressure and demand to the system.
- 11.4.9. The Laingsburg Hospital Board was appointed, however, the Mayor of the Laingsburg District Municipality informed the delegation that the Municipality was not aware that the Laingsburg Hospital Board was appointed.
- 11.4.10. The shortage of dentists was also reported as a challenge at Laingsburg District Hospital.
- 11.4.11. The community members that were present during the visit reported that due to the lack of vehicles, the hospital refers pregnant teenagers to Worcester and the teenagers were expected to take lifts to Worcester hospital.
- 11.4.12. He had to drive his sick wife from Laingsburg to Worcester Hospital without getting any medical help from the Laingsburg Hospital.

11.5. Resolutions

The delegation RESOLVED that the Department of Health brief the Standing Committee on Health on the appointment of the Hospital Boards and the Clinic Committees in the province.

11.6. Information requested

The delegation REQUESTS the following information:

- 11.6.1. The Minister of Health, provides the Standing Committee on Health and the Laingsburg District Municipality with the process followed in the appointment of the Laingsburg Hospital Boards and Clinic Committee.
- 11.6.2. Dr van Heerden provides the Standing Committee on Health with detailed report on the particular patient on whether the nurses in old age homes are capable of taking care of the patient in question.

- 11.6.3. The Department of Health provides detailed information on how the hospital operates, staff compliment, vehicle allocation, and details of the person in charge of the Laingsburg Hospital on a daily basis.
- 11.6.4. The Laingsburg District Municipality provides the Standing Committee on Health with detailed information on the requirements and criteria that undertakers must meet to qualify for removing bodies from the communities of Laingsburg.
- 11.6.5. The Laingsburg District Municipality to provide detailed information on what the Municipality was doing to assist undertakers to meet the criteria.
- 11.6.6. The Department of Health provides the latest organogram for staff and management at Laingsburg Hospital

12. Resolution by delegation

The delegation resolved, as part of a longer-term objective, to dedicate a full day to the strategic planning of effective parliamentary oversight of rural communities and the status of differently abled persons in particular.

13. Conclusion

The Delegation successfully concluded its oversight visit and took cognisance of the urgency of the challenges experienced at the various sites that were visited. The facilities that were visited need support in their endeavours to succeed against the challenges noted in this report.

14. Acknowledgements

The delegations thanks the management of the different facilities that were visited for their willingness to share valuable information with the Social Cluster Visit Week delegation.

Report to be considered.

2. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ON UNANNOUNCED OVERSIGHT VISITS TO THE KAYAMANDI WOMEN AND CHILDREN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN KAYAMANDI AND RUSTHOF OLD AGE HOME IN PAARL-EAST, CONDUCTED ON 17 SEPTEMBER 2019.

The Standing Committee on Social Development, having conducted an unannounced oversight visits to the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project in Kayamandi and the Rusthof Old Age Home in Paarl-East, on 17 September 2019, reports as follows:

The Delegation

The delegation of the Standing Committee on Social Development, included the following Members:

Democratic Alliance

Bosman, G (Chairperson)
Mackenzie, RD
Philander, WF

African National Congress

BakuBaku-Vos, NG

Additional Members

Bans, AP (ANC)
Windvogel, R (ANC)

Apology

Makamba-Botya, N (EFF)

Ms N Jamce, Procedural Officer, accompanied the delegation.

1. Introduction

The Standing Committee on Social Development resolved to embark on unannounced oversight visits to the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project in Kayamandi and Rusthof Old Age Home in Paarl-East on 17 September 2019, as part of its oversight mandate over the Department of Social Development and in compliance with its programme.

2. Visit to the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project in Kayamandi

On arrival at the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project, the Centre Coordinator Ms Nkupane, and the Centre Manager Ms Baku-baku, welcomed the Committee Members and led the delegation to a walkabout of the facility.

3. Findings

- 3.1 The Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project (the project) started as a trauma centre for victims of rape, domestic violence, and abuse in 2007. It was launched in 2009 due to a desperate need for a trauma room where woman and children could receive counselling and a place of safety.
- 3.2 The trauma centre is not subsidised by the government and functions 24-hours on the compassion of its volunteers and the assistance of various stakeholders, namely, the Stellenbosch United Church which occasionally assists with giving clothes and soup to the underprivileged community members. They received funding for the Community Nutrition Development Centre and is received from the National Department of Social Development.
- 3.3 The project operates from the Municipality building next to the Kayamandi Police station.
- 3.4 They offer counselling to victims of domestic violence, rape, and abuse.

- 3.5 It is a place of safety, a crèche and it also provides an after-care programme for children who do not have after school supervision.
- 3.6 The Project provides a feeding scheme for the community members of Kayamandi. The food is funded by the National Department of Social Development through Ilitha Labantu Provincial Food Distribution. It provides lunch meals to approximately 200-250 community members from Monday to Friday and in future they plan to provide meals on weekends.
- 3.7 The Project has a total of seven staff members that are paid a monthly stipend by the National Department of Social Development through Ilitha Labantu. It was reported that the Centre Coordinator is paid R3500, the cook is paid R2500 and the other officials are paid R2000.
- 3.8 The Centre Coordinator reported that there is no lease agreement between the Centre and the Municipality. When the Centre started the building was empty and vandalized. They had to fix it through the assistance of the sponsors, namely, the Rotary Club, which donated fridges for the Centre, Capitec Bank donated office equipment, Medi-Clinic Southern Africa assisted with the renovations of the facility and Ma-Africa Hotel Group donated R1500.00.
- 3.9 The Stellenbosch Municipality only provides free electricity and water to the centre.
- 3.10 Ms. Nkupane reported that the facility is having a challenge of space, currently, the facility accommodates 23 families, who are victims of fire. According to Ms Nkupane, the Stellenbosch Municipality requested the Centre to accommodate the fire victims for two weeks in May 2019, and they are still living in the Centre. There is no plan to move them from the Centre and these families do not have a place to go.
- 3.11 The centre reported that two people died during the fire and the majority of the people living in the Centre do not have Identity Documents, some of the people have criminal cases, some were sentenced and are out on parole.
- 3.12 There is a high demand for the project services in Kayamandi and the surrounding areas. It was reported that there is a high unemployment rate. Some families request assistance from the Centre when they are not able to bury their family members.
- 3.13 The outside structures and the dining area of the facility have been transformed into living and sleeping rooms.
- 3.14 Due to the 23 families that are living in the Centre, the facility could no longer run the Trauma Centre and safe house for women and children. The 23 adults living in the facility also pose a risk to the children that attend the crèche, as some of the people that live in the Centre have criminal records and some are allegedly using prohibited substances.
- 3.15 The Trauma Centre is in need of a financial injection to operate at its maximum capacity in creating a safe haven for women and children.
- 3.16 The Project is not funded by the provincial Department of Social Development.

- 3.17 According to the Centre, the Municipality undertook to arrange temporary shelters for the 23 families to ensure that the families move out of the centre, however, this has not been implemented.

4. Challenges

The following challenges were reported and noted during the visit:

- 4.1 There is inadequate space in the Centre. This has been made worse by the 23 families that are living there.
- 4.2 The kitchen is small and poses danger to the staff and clients of the Centre.
- 4.3 The Centre is struggling to get a Blue Safety Certificate, due to challenges that include the overcrowding and inadequate space.
- 4.4 The storage place is inadequate and this cause danger to the workers.
- 4.5 The services provided by the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project especially the services of the trauma centre are affected due to the 23 families that are living in the facility and do not want to move out as they do not have a place to go.
- 4.6 During school holidays, children from Kayamandi schools and surrounding communities go to the Centre for lunch and this causes a shortage of food for people that rely on the center for their daily meals.

5. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED to:

- 5.1 follow up with the Stellenbosch Municipality to get detailed information on the type of assistance the Municipality is providing to the Centre and to encourage the Municipality to continue providing free electricity and water to the facility.
- 5.2 engage with the Stellenbosch Municipality on the progress and the plans made by the Municipality to move the 23 families out of the Centre.
- 5.3 write to the Minister of Social Development and outline what the Committee has seen and request the Department to get involved and assist the Centre with compliance.
- 5.4 get facts from the Municipality as to how many families were victims of fire, how many are still living in the Centre and the plans made by the Municipality thus far to accommodate the 23 families.
- 5.5 to work closely with the Minister of Community Safety and the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport in ensuring that the criminal elements are removed from the facility.

6. Recommendations

The Committee RECOMMENDED that:

- 6.1 The Department of Education assists the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project to look at the possibility of extending its feeding scheme food programme to the facility to assist the children from Kayamandi and surrounding areas during the school holidays.
- 6.2 The Centre Coordinator follow-up with Captain Mithi from the Kayamandi Police Station on the cases of people living in the Centre with criminal cases and to follow up on the cases of people that were moved out of the Centre. The Centre should provide the Minister of Community Safety with the case numbers to enable the minister to monitor the progress of the case.
- 6.3 The Minister of Social Development engage the Stellenbosch Municipality and the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project to develop and sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the entities.
- 6.4 The Department of Social Development assists the facility in order to be compliant with the Blue Safety Certificate and compliant with the ECD.
- 6.5 The Department of Social Development should come up with ways on how it can support and assist the trauma centre at Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project to apply for funding.
- 6.6 The Stellenbosch Municipality should consider entering into a lease agreement with the facility as part of their memorandum of understanding.
- 6.7 The Stellenbosch Municipality should remove the 23 families from the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project as their stay is affecting the programmes of the centre especially the trauma centre and the ECD services.
- 6.8 The Trauma Center and safe house needs to be operational again as their services are vital and needed by the Kayamandi community and the surrounding areas.
- 6.9 The South African Police Service and Drakenstein Municipality should send officials including law enforcement to the Kayamandi Women and Children Development Project to enforce the by-laws including taking the 23 families to a place of safety.

7. Visit to the Rusthof Old Age Home in Paarl-East

The Committee visited the Rusthof Old Age Home in Paarl-East and was welcomed by Centre Manager, Sister Kleinhans. Sister Kleinhans led the Committee on a walkabout and duly answered all questions posed by the Committee during the visit.

8. Findings

- 8.1 The Rusthof Old Age Home in Paarl-East has a total of 104 residents that are getting a monthly subsidy of R3340 from the Department of Social Development.
- 8.2 It was reported that out of 104 residents of the facility, 10 residents under the age of 60 years are people living with a disabilities.

- 8.3 The residents are SASSA beneficiaries and out of their R1700 monthly government grant they pay R1, 400 to the facility for their living expenses and are left with R300 for personal incidental expenses, funeral policies and other needs.
- 8.4 The Old Age Home has a total of 54 staff members that consist of 43 Home Based Carers, two nurses and general workers. These Home Based Carers service the greater Paarl East community.
- 8.5 The facility does not have a social worker, however, a medical doctor from the provincial Department of Health visits the facility once a week.
- 8.6 The requirement is that the centre should at least have 10 staff members on duty per day, however, due to the high staff shortage, only five staff members are on duty per day.
- 8.7 In 2008, the Department of Health approached the facility and requested the facility to render Community Based Care services focusing on illness prevention and health promotion.
- 8.8 The Rusthof Old Age Home reported that it manages 14 beds for the Department of Health for community members that are in urgent need of the health care services.
- 8.9 There is a recreation centre in the facility that is utilised by the elderly for their recreation activities such as handwork and play games
- 8.10 The facility has a sick bay for frail persons and two emergency beds.
- 8.11 Due to robberies in the area there is a shortage of space for the frail care patients. The facility has approached the Stellenbosch Municipality requesting that it be allocated a facility in town and they are still waiting.
- 8.12 The lack of funding to cover all the expenses of the facility was reported as a challenge. However, the facility reported that Barloworld donated funds towards the refurbishment of the occupational therapy section whilst the Drakenstein Prison donated cardboards.

9. Challenges

The following challenges were reported and noted during the visit

- 9.1 The nursing staff is inadequate.
- 9.2 The low salaries were also mentioned as a challenge and was reported as the reason for the high staff turnover. The unions are demanding decent salaries for their members and the matter was lodged with the CCMA. The outcome was that the facility should approach the relevant Departments for more funding. The facility is not able to pay market related salaries and have been severely affected by the minimum wage legislation.
- 9.3 There are high robberies in the community, of which some are committed in front of the Rusthof Old Age. This puts the elderly persons and officials at risk.
- 9.4 The premises has become a dumping place. It was alleged that the community is dumping dirt in front of the facility.

- 9.5 There is a shortage of space at the Rusthof Old Age Home, resulting in six residents sharing a room.
- 9.5 The sickbay area in the facility is urgently in need of hospital beds for frail elderly persons.
- 9.6 The facility is in need of diapers for the frail residents. It was reported that due to the budget cut, the Department of Health will no longer provide diapers to the facility.
- 9.7 The facility reported that offering competitive salaries to staff remains a challenge. The Department of Health requires them to provide quality service although the Department is not willing to allocate funding for competitive labour market salaries.

10. Resolutions

The Committee endeavor to continue with the conversation to assist the Rusthof Old Age Home to get a suitable building and will engage with the Department of Health, Social Development and Department of Transport and Public Works to find a way of assisting the Old Age Home to get a suitable building.

11. Information requested

The Committee requested the Department of Health and the Department of Social Development to provide copies of their latest reports of visits conducted by the Departments to the Rusthof Old Age Home in Paarl-East.

3. REPORT OF THE PETITION COMMITTEE ON THE PETITION SUBMITTED BY DENNEHOF CENTRE IN VILLIERSDORP.

The Petitions Committee, having considered a petition submitted by the Dennehof Centre in Villiersdorp reports as follows:

1. Introduction

In September 2017, the Committee received a petition from the Dennehof Centre. The petitioners complained about their area which was plagued by a scourge of social issues and the lack of adequate healthcare facilities.

This report discusses the Committee's recommendations taken during engagement sessions with stakeholders.

2. Overview

Salient elements of the petition:

- The Petitioners claim that the Villiersdorp community was plagued by a scourge of social issues such as drug and alcohol abuse, rape and a lack of adequate healthcare facilities.

- The Dennehof facility has been lying unused for several years while the Theewaterskloof Municipality allowed the building to deteriorate into a waste pile. The Municipality was reluctant to hand over the property to the Department of Public Works in order for the property to be developed as a functional asset in the community.
- The Petitioners claim the Dennehof facility could be utilised as a Rehabilitation Centre and potentially create 300 permanent jobs in the local community in Villiersdorp.
- Petitioners wrote to various government departments including the Department of Economic Opportunities, Tourism and Agriculture, Department of Public Works and Transport, and the Office of the Premier with no feedback from the respective departments.

The Committee held its first meeting on the petition on 13 April 2019. During this meeting, the Committee resolved to invite the Department of Public Works and Transport and Theewaterskloof Municipality to provide feedback on the petition received from the Dennehof Centre, including any other documentation pertaining to the Dennehof Centre. The Committee also resolved that the National Department of Public Works and Infrastructure and Theewaterskloof Municipality, where possible, provide feedback on the correspondence sent by the petitioner, Mrs AE Venter, as indicated in the petition.

Theewaterskloof Municipality indicated that the property was managed by the Overberg Municipality. Following intensive investigations, it was discovered that the property was owned by the National Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (herein after the Department). The Committee wrote a letter to the Department and finally on 21 August 2019, the Minister, Ms P De Lille, responded to the Committee.

The Department provided the history and background to the Dennehof Centre. The portion 4 of the Farm Dennehof No, 69, Caledon Road (in extent 109.53.51 hectares), Title Deed Nr. T37195/1983 and is under the custodianship of the National Department of Public Works and Infrastructure.

Nine houses were occupied at the time, with seven being leased out privately by the Overberg Municipality. Mrs Venter occupied two houses. All the vacant buildings and houses, etc. were vandalised and in need of repair at the Dennehof Centre. The houses were built of asbestos products which according to a Health and Safety Report are safe to occupy. The houses do not need to be demolished but can be repaired.

During the vesting process of State-owned property in 2002, it was resolved that the property should be vested with the National Government of the Republic of South Africa.

On 1 July 2015, Mrs Venter submitted an application to the Department to utilise the property as a Rehabilitation Centre for the chemically dependent. The application was responded to by the former Minister of Public Works, Minister S Sigcau, advising her that the property was leased to the Overberg Municipality.

This property was subsequently under the management of the above-mentioned Municipality until 27 February 2019. But in September 1992 the Department received “Notice of Termination” with the intention of handing it back on 28 February 2019. Following this all, occupants residing on the property, on 13 February 2019 including Mrs Venter, were advised of the Department’s intention to enter into a new lease agreement with all existing lessees/occupants on-site.

All lessees, except for Mrs Venter, signed their lease agreement. This resulted in a “Notice to Vacate” due to non-compliance and non-payment of rentals. The notice was handed in on 18 March 2019. To date, Mrs Venter, is illegally occupying two dwellings on the property. She has never vacated the property, and therefore a “Final Notice” would be issued during the week of 21 August 2019. Given the failure to pay her rental since 1 March 2019, Mrs Venter, is viewed as a bad debtor of the Department.

It came to the attention of the Department that Mrs Venter is claiming that she would take over the management of Dennehof as of 01 August 2019 and all lessees must pay their rental to her.

3. RESOLUTIONS

The Committee notes the explanation provided by the Department of Public works and RESOLVED to conclude the petition of Dennehof Centre.

4. REPORT OF THE PETITIONS COMMITTEE ON THE PETITION SUBMITTED BY THE TRAUMA CENTRE FOR SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE AND TORTURE PETITION.

The Petitions Committee, having considered a petition submitted to the fifth parliament by the Trauma Centre for Survivors of Violence and Torture (Herein after the Trauma Centre) reports as follows:

1. Introduction

In September 2017, the Committee received a petition from the Trauma Centre. The purpose of the petition was to raise the issue of child murders in the Province. The Trauma Centre petition also requested that a provincial Commission of Inquiry into the lack of safety for children be held. The enquiry according to them will uncover common threads in various communities which can strengthen civil society and government’s insight into how best to address the scourge. The findings and recommendations of such a commission are vital to revisiting child protection in the Western Cape.

On 13 April 2018, the Committee resolved to engage with the Department of Social Development and the Department of Premier to provide the reasons why neither of these two government departments were not keen to conduct a provincial Commission of Inquiry into child safety in the Western Cape.

This report discusses the Committee's recommendations taken during engagement sessions with stakeholders.

2. Overview

Salient elements of the petition:

- The Trauma Centre and its peers have expressed outrage at the brutal killing of children in the Western Cape. In collaboration with 15 other organisations, a meeting with Premier H Zille was convened at which the call for a Commission was disregarded according to them.
- The Trauma Centre is of the view that a Provincial Commission of Inquiry into the lack of safety for children will uncover the threads in various communities which can strengthen civil society and government's insight into how best to address the scourge. The Trauma Centre also believes that such a Commission is vital to revisiting child protection in the Western Cape.

The Committee held its first meeting on the petition on 13 April 2018. During this meeting, the Committee resolved to invite the Department of the Premier, the Department of Social Development and the Department of Community Safety to provide feedback on the petitioners request to establish a Provincial Commission of Inquiry into the lack of safety for children. Further to that, that the Trauma Centre be informed about the decisions of the Committee including extending an invitation to attend the scheduled meeting of 20 April 2018 to discuss the petition received.

At the above-mentioned meeting of 20 April 2018 all parties were presented, including the petitioner, Ms van Reenen-le Roux, Director of Trauma Centre, who were given an opportunity to address the Committee on their petition. The Head of Department: Department of Social Development, Dr. R MacDonald, and the then Minister for Social Development, Mr. A Fritz, briefed the Committee on child deaths, engagement sessions they have had with the Trauma Centre and other reasons why they did not want to agree to conduct another research on child deaths in the Western Cape. During this meeting, Ms. Van Reenen-Le Roux highlighted the need for new research on child deaths in the province to be conducted, as the current research was outdated and had no new data included. The Committee recommended that:

- The Department of Social Development must provide a copy to the Committee on the research documents that were utilized in the presentation delivered at the meeting of 20 April 2019.
- The petitioner (Trauma Centre) set up a workshop/meeting with the Department of Social Development to unpack and develop an action plan/proposal on the petition submitted, and this action plan/proposal should be presented to the Committee by 25 May 2018.

During the meeting of 25 May 2018, the Department of Social Development provided all research methodology which was utilized in the presentation. The Committee during this meeting resolved:

- That the petitioner of the Trauma Centre, the Department of the Premier and the Department of Social Development reconvene to discuss an action plan/proposal on the petition submitted, as this action plan/proposal should be presented to the Committee. Three months were given, to provide sufficient time for all parties to engage in the petition and to provide feedback to the Committee.
- To engage with the Department of the Premier on the possibility of new research to be conducted. The research should be conducted i.r.o child deaths, murders, violence, and torture, etc.
- That the Department of Social Development provides a breakdown of the cost implications for one victim of violence.

In July 2018, a meeting was held to discuss the petition of the Trauma Centre. The Committee resolved to conduct two public hearings in conjunction with other non-profit organisations (NGOs) and the Trauma Centre for Survivors of Violence and Torture. The Committee also resolved to identify hot-spot areas within the Cape metropolitan area and in the rural areas. The Chairperson of the Petitions Committee was requested to consult with relevant stakeholders to develop the terms of reference for the public hearings on the child murders, deaths, and violence.

Subsequently, after the above recommendations were decided on, the Department of Social Development met with the petitioners on 10 May 2018 and 17 October 2018, following the meeting of the Petitions Committee on 14 August 2018. At the second engagement, a Provincial Plan of Action to Reduce Child Murders was discussed with the petitioners and their inputs obtained to further refine the plan. The petitioners indicated that they would proceed to hold a People's Commission into the question of child murders in the province in the absence of the judicial commission of inquiry they were petitioning for. They subsequently embarked on the said commission and released a report on the commission on 10 August 2019 at the offices of the Trauma Centre. The Department of Social Development was provided with a copy of the said report.

The Department of Social Development moved forward with the finalization of the Provincial Plan of Action, which was adopted in principle by the Western Cape Cabinet on 21 November 2018. Before adoption by the Cabinet, the Plan of Action was drafted and consulted with all provincial departments, and after the Cabinet adopted the plan, it was further consulted with the criminal justice stakeholders, involved in the Provjoints Murders Priority Committee. It has also been consulted with external stakeholders including NGO partners in the provincial Child and Family Forums. The Plan of Action was presented to the Standing Committee on Social Development on 30 July 2019.

Implementation of the Plan of Action had already begun, with, inter alia, the appointment of a project manager, the expansion of the Eye on the Child community based early warning system for children at risk, increases in the number of social workers funded at child protection organisations, additional deployment of Isibindi community based child and youth care services, and the establishment of referral pathways between schools and social work offices. The Plan of Action is a living document and will continue to be consulted on and developed in partnership with key stakeholders.

The Trauma Centre went onto to conduct a People's Commission of Inquiry into Child Safety in the Western Cape, which was finalized in June 2019.

3. RESOLUTIONS

The Committee RESOLVED:

- 3.1. To conclude the petition from the Trauma Centre for Survivors of Violence and Torture.
- 3.2. That the Trauma Centre continues to engage with the Department of Social Development and provide feedback on the next People's Commission of Inquiry into Child Safety in the Western Cape, which is set to take place in the West Coast region.
- 3.3. That a letter be written commending the excellent work done by the Head of the Department: Department of Social Development, Dr. R Macdonald, and his team with regards to this petition. The Committee also encouraged the department to continue working with non-governmental organisations on the issue of child murders in the province.

THURSDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of bill to committee in accordance with Rule 217:

Budget Committee

Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 15–2019], NCOP (section 76(1) bill).

FRIDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 2019

TABLING

The Speaker:

Report on the 50th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA): Africa Region Conference held on Zanzibar, Tanzania, from 1 to 5 September 2019.

Report attached.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Report of the Conduct Committee on the breach of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament, 2014, dated 15 November 2019, as follows:

The following Members were in attendance, namely Members D G Mitchell, D M Baartman, R I Allen, P Z Lekker and G Brinkhuis.

At the meeting of the Committee held on 11 October 2019, the Registrar of Members' Interests, Adv P Burgers, presented a report on Members' submission of Disclosure Forms after the elections. The due date for the submission of Disclosure Forms was 22 July 2019.

On 10 July 2019, the two Members were informed by email that their forms had not been returned to the office of the Registrar, and they were urged to comply with the due date of 22 July 2019. On 18 July 2019 a further reminder was sent to both Members. The Disclosure Forms were hand-delivered to all Members on 21 May 2019. 39 (thirty-nine) out of 42 (forty-two) Members submitted their Disclosure Forms by the due date.

The Committee requested that letters be sent to the two Members, Ms N Makamba-Botya and Mr M Xego, who submitted their Disclosure Forms for the first disclosure of the Sixth Parliament late, to allow them the opportunity to provide reasons for the late submissions and in mitigation of the penalty to be recommended by the Committee.

The Committee met again on 15 November 2019 and the responses received from the two Members were considered.

Member Makamba-Botya explained that she struggled to obtain information on companies registered under her name from the Department of Trade and Industry hence her late submission and she apologised for it.

The Committee noted the apology by Member Makamba-Botya but agreed that the Code of Conduct for Members of the Western Cape Parliament had been breached. In deciding on the penalty to be imposed on the Member, the Committee took into consideration the fact that this is the first time the Member contravened the Code and had shown contrition.

The Committee recommends a reprimand as penalty for Member Makamba-Botya.

The Committee noted the reason provided by Member Xego. In deciding on the penalty to be imposed on Member Xego the Committee noted that he admitted that he has breached the Code and has established an administrative system in his office to avoid any repetition.

The Committee recommends a reprimand as penalty for Member Xego.

Report to be considered by the House.

MONDAY, 25 NOVEMBER 2019**COMMITTEE REPORTS****1. REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019, DATED 20 NOVEMBER 2019.****1. Introduction**

The Annual Report of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament (WCPP) was tabled for the 2018/19 financial year in terms of section 60(1) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act (Act No.10 of 2009) (FMPPLA), and referred to the Parliamentary Oversight Committee (POC/ the Committee) on Tuesday, 1 October 2019 (refer to "ATC 34-2019"). The Annual Report (AR) of WCPP serves to provide a record of the activities and performance of the administration of WCPP and to promote accountability for decisions made during the financial year under review. The performance of WCPP is measured against the performance targets and budget outlined in the WCPP Strategic Plan 2015/16 - 2019/20; including the Annual Performance Plan of WCPP for the 2018/19 financial year.

The purpose of the FMPPLA is to regulate the performance and financial management of the legislatures in South Africa in a manner consistent with its status in terms of the Constitution; to ensure that all revenue, expenditure, assets and liabilities of Parliament and provincial legislatures are managed efficiently, effectively and transparently; to provide for the responsibilities of persons entrusted with financial management; and to provide for matters connected therewith. In compliance with the spirit of Section 4 of the FMPPLA, the Committee considered the AR of the WCPP to maintain oversight of the performance indicators and financial management of the WCPP for the specific financial year under review. In addition to regulating the financial management of the WCPP, the FMPPLA mandates the POC to conduct oversight over the performance information, governance and human resource functions of the Institution through its annual reports. Section 4(1)(b) of the FMPPLA provides the Committee with this mandate.

The members of the POC deliberated on the various sections of the Annual Report of the WCPP for the 2018/19 financial year, as follows:

- 1.1. Part A: General Information,
- 1.2. Part B: Performance Information,
- 1.3. Part C: Governance,
- 1.4. Part D: Human Resource Management, and
- 1.5. Part E: Financial Information.

The AR of the WCPP 2018/19 was tabled on time, and according to Treasury and other prescripts.

The AR programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers, inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

2. Overview

The Committee met on 29 October 2019 at 08:00 where it was briefed by the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) on the audit outcomes of the 2018/19 financial year for WCPP. After the briefing by the AGSA, the Committee was briefed by the Audit Committee (AC) whose role is to ensure that WCPP functions according to good governance principles, complies with accounting and audit standards and monitors that appropriate risk management arrangements are in place. The AC also monitors the adequacy and reliability of the financial information provided by WCPP.

The methodology of the Committee was to meet with these stakeholders to benefit from their findings and possible concerns with the aim of assisting the Committee to have a constructive oversight engagement with WCPP.

The Committee met with WCPP beginning with introductory comments made by the Speaker and the Secretary of the WCPP.

A section by section oversight discussion ensued with the management of WCPP on the aforementioned parts which comprise the AR of the Institution.

3. Audit Opinion

The Committee noted the audit opinion of the AGSA regarding the annual financial statements for the 2018/19 financial year of the Institution, having obtained a clean audit outcome. This audit opinion remains unchanged from the 2017/18 financial year.

The AGSA raised no findings with the Institution on compliance with laws and regulations, predetermined objectives nor internal control deficiencies.

4. Corporate Governance

Corporate Governance regulates the exercise of power within an Institution with the aim to ensure that the Institution's purpose is achieved, which encompasses:

- the creation and ongoing monitoring of an appropriate and dynamic system of checks and balances to ensure the balanced exercise of power within a company;
- the implementation of a system to ensure compliance with legal and regulatory obligations;
- the implementation of a process to identify and manage risks to the sustainability of the company's business; and

- the development of practices which make and keep the company accountable to the company's identified stakeholders and the broader society in which it operates.

To realise and strengthen corporate governance within WCPP, the Accounting Officer adopted the Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Policy. This Policy is in line with the Public Sector Risk Management Framework of National Treasury. The ERM Policy ensured that all risks which were identified by the Institution during the financial year under review were covered, which resulted in adequate degrees of assurances. This resulted in potential deviations being mitigated from the strategic- and annual performance plans outcomes of the WCPP.

During the 2018/19 financial year, the AC completed the following assurance engagements, as follows:

- Procurement Planning (Assurance);
- Language Services - Interpreting (Assurance);
- Transfer Payments (Assurance);
- Asset Management (Assurance); and
- Enabling Allowances (Consulting).

In addition, the AC conducted a consulting engagement over the enabling allowances of the Institution, during the year under review.

The Audit Committee further reported that the Institution paid three invoices beyond the required 30 day payment timeframe of National Treasury. The value of the invoices amounted to R19 302. The delayed payments were due to the fact that there were queries between the Institution and service providers, which needed clarification prior to payments being made. Other than these three instances, all invoices were paid within the financial year under review.

The Institution also adopted and implemented a Corporate Governance Framework during the financial year under review. This Framework provided for the prudent management and oversight of operational functions within the Institution, by protecting the interest of both its internal and external stakeholders.

No fraud and corruption activities were detected or reported during the 2018/19 financial year.

5. Performance Information

Of the 62 targets that were planned for the 2018/19 financial year, 50 were achieved (81%). Of the 9 targets which were not achieved, 7 emanated from Programme 1: Administration; while 2 emanated from Programme 3: Parliamentary Services. The reasons for the non-achievement of the 9 targets were provided, as follows:

Programme 1: Administration	
<u>Targets</u>	<u>Reason for deviation</u>
Modernisation and integration of Human Resources Management	Decrease in time achieved in transactions like payments, but due to technical issues with leave, etc. could not be achieved
Percentage of assets reconciling to the Asset Register	Completed 25 April 2019
Number of positive quality assurance return forms	Lack of submission of completed forms
Number of Human Resources information sessions aimed at adding value to the institution and its employees facilitated	Three (of the planned four) information sessions aimed at adding value to the institution and its employees were facilitated
Number of labour relations training and awareness sessions aimed at adding value to the institution and its employees facilitated	Due to operational requirements the training was postponed
Phased implementation of ERP	The system is stabilized but not optimised
Digitising and modernising Members' Affairs Services	Members were set up as users on the Self Service Portal and training was scheduled for them. More change management is required for full utilisation
Programme 3: Parliamentary Services	
Percentage of requested research services provided in accordance with the SOP to committees, senior management and presiding officers	One requested research report was not submitted to the research requestor by the agreed due dates. This has since been completed
Conduct baseline study for Public participation and related matters	Due to time constraints the baseline study could not be conducted

6. Financial Management

The WCPP spent R138,376 million of an appropriated budget of R143,874 million. This resulted in an under-expenditure of R5,498 million (3,8% underspending). The under-expenditure occurred under the following programmes:

- Programme 1: Administration (R1,907 million);
- Programme 2: Facilities for Members and Political Parties (R3,261 million); and
- Programme 3: Parliamentary Services (R330 000).

In addition, the Institution's total estimated revenue budget of R64 000 was over-collected by R346 000, which resulted in a departmental receipt of R410 000. The over-collection on revenue occurred under the following line items:

- Sale of goods and services other than capital assets (R47 000);
- Interest, dividends and rent on land (R178 000);
- Sale of Capital Assets (R49 000); and
- Financial Transactions in assets and liabilities (R72 000).

R5,498 million, including the over-collected revenue of R346 000, was approved for roll-over to the 2019/20 financial year. There were no virements between programmes for the year under review; and no irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure incidences were reported.

The annual financial statements were prepared in accordance with the standards of the Generally Recognised Accounting Practices (GRAP) Standard, as prescribed in Section 56(1) of the FMPPLA.

7. Matters that were highlighted by the AGSA

Restatement of corresponding figures: As disclosed in Note 38 to the annual financial statements, the corresponding figures for 31 March 2018 has been restated as a result of errors which were discovered during the 2018/19 financial year in the financial statements of WCPP at, and for the year ended, 31 March 2019.

8. Emerging Risks

8.1 New pronouncements

8.1.1 The Committee notes the inputs of the AGSA that new pronouncements were issued by the Accounting Standard Board which might be considered as emerging risks to the standards of GRAP, as follows:

<u>GRAP pronouncements</u>	<u>Effective date</u>
GRAP 18 - <i>Segment reporting</i>	1 April 2019
GRAP 20 - Related-party disclosures	1 April 2019
GRAP 32 - Service concession arrangements: grantor	1 April 2019
GRAP 34 - Separate financial statements	1 April 2019
GRAP 35 - Consolidated financial statements	1 April 2019
GRAP 36 - Investments in associates and joint ventures	1 April 2019
GRAP 37 - Joint arrangements	1 April 2019
GRAP 38 - Disclosure of interests in other entities	1 April 2019

GRAP 105 - Transfer of functions between entities under common control	1 April 2019
GRAP 106 - Transfer of functions between entities not under common control	1 April 2019
GRAP 107 - Mergers	1 April 2019
GRAP 108 - Statutory receivables	1 April 2019
GRAP 109 - Accounting by principals and agents	1 April 2019
GRAP 110 - Living and non-living resources	1 April 2019
IGRAP 17 - Service concession arrangements where a grantor controls a significant residual interest in an asset	1 April 2019
IGRAP 18 - Recognition and derecognition of land	1 April 2019
IGRAP 19 - Liabilities to pay levies	1 April 2019
IGRAP 20 <i>Accounting for adjustments to revenue</i>	1 April 2019
Guideline Accounting for arrangements undertaken in terms of the national housing programme	1 April 2019

8.2 Risk that requires continuous monitoring by WCPP

The Auditor General advised as follows:

Procurement of legal services through the State Attorney: Even though the State Attorney is mandated to represent the government in any court of law, there are instances where Parliament specifically requests the State Attorney to appoint an external legal services provider to represent them in a court of law in relation to certain cases they are facing. The Institution would do so via an instruction letter to the State Attorney, which would include details of the external legal service providers to be appointed by the State Attorney on their behalf or to represent them in a particular case. Where the above arrangement takes place, Parliament and the Department of Justice would enter into a principal-agent relationship through a binding arrangement.

Furthermore, the request for a specific external legal services provider is considered a deviation from competitive procurement processes. The WCPP is advised to ensure that the deviation is properly motivated and approved by them to prevent/safeguard them against irregular expenditure. At present, the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development does not motivate and approve any deviations in this regard, which could therefore result in irregular expenditure for all client legislatures who requested specific external legal service providers.

Irregular expenditure will therefore be incurred if the client legislature pays the external legal services provider directly.

Material irregularities: In terms of section 1(g) of the Public Audit Amendment Act, 2018 (Act No. 5 of 2018) a material irregularity is defined as any non-compliance with, or contravention of, legislation, fraud, theft or a breach of a fiduciary duty identified during an audit performed under this Act that resulted in or is likely to result in a material financial loss, the misuse or loss of a material public resource or substantial harm to a public sector institution or the general public.

Accounting officers have a legal obligation to prevent all irregularities and take action if it occurred. The AGSA's focus is only on material irregularities. Accounting officers commit financial misconduct if they:

- wilfully or negligently contravene sections 6 to 10 of the FMPPLA which deal with their responsibilities; and
- incur or permit unauthorised, irregular or fruitless and wasteful expenditure misconduct.

Officials commit financial misconduct if they wilfully or negligently fail to exercise duty or power assigned by the accounting officer. Financial misconduct must be investigated and appropriate action taken. Auditors will take the following action upon detection of known or suspected material irregularities:

- The accounting officer will be notified without delay of the material irregularity in writing;
- The content of the notification and the response required from the accounting officer are prescribed in the material irregularity regulations; and
- The notification will provide all the relevant information on the material irregularity and will request written feedback, substantiating documents and other forms of proof within 20 working days that appropriate steps are being taken to:
 - stop the irregularity (if ongoing);
 - prevent any loss, misuse or harm, or recover any losses; and
 - determine who the responsible person or entity (e.g. supplier or implementing agent) is and take appropriate action.

The material irregularity will be reported in the Audit Report. A certificate of debt can be avoided by implementing the directive to quantify the financial loss and take steps to recover the losses. The commencement date agreed upon with the President is 1 April 2019. For the 2018/19 financial year, a phased- in approach was implemented on selected auditees only, but the requirements of the Act will be applicable to all auditees for the 2019/20 financial year's audit process.

9. Recommendations by the Committee:

The Committee RECOMMENDED that WCPP:

- 9.1.1 Ensure that mechanisms are in place to provide assurance in respect of the independence of internal audit provided by the Western Cape Government.
- 9.1.2 Investigate whether sign language can be incorporated into live House Sitting broadcasts, as reflected on page 25 of the AR.
- 9.1.3 Provide the Committee with the Public Education and Outreach's timeline and programme of action to ensure that the Unit's targets are met.
- 9.1.3 Inform the Committee whether there is a plan to insource advertising.
- 9.1.4 Provide the Committee with information on the link between the knowledge management function and the Enterprise Resource Planning system of the Institution, including whether these functions will be integrated, or whether these will operate as separate systems.
- 9.1.5 Provide the a report on ICT infrastructure, specifically WIFI at the WCPP, which should include: costs associated with the provision of this service (WIFI); what upload and download speeds are guaranteed and optimal; specifics of vendor (non) compliance indicated on page 25 of the AR; as well as contingency planning to avoid repetition of the challenges experienced with the WIFI tender.
- 9.1.6 Provide the a report on ICT infrastructure, specifically WIFI at the WCPP, which should include: costs associated with the provision of this service (WIFI); what upload and download speeds are guaranteed and optimal; specifics of vendor (non) compliance indicated on page 25 of the AR; as well as contingency planning to avoid repetition of the challenges experienced with the WIFI tender.

10. Information requested from WCPP

- 10.1 The Committee REQUESTED that WCPP provide it with the following information by 31 January 2020:
 - 10.1.1 A Report which provides reasons for the salary overpayments and debts to staff members of the Institution, including supplier overpayments, as reflected on page 149 of the AR.
 - 10.1.2 A Report on the Functional Enhancement project, including the objectives versus the outcomes of the project and the timeline in respect of the implementation of the recommendations of the project, as reflected on pages 24 to 25 of the AR.
 - 10.1.3 A plan of action on how the Institution will preserve its heritage assets, as reflected on page 155 of the AR.
 - 10.1.4 The Occupational Health and Safety Plan of the Institution for the 2018/19 financial year, as derived from page 60 of the AR.

- 10.1.5 A copy of the WCPP social media and Youtube coverage strategies of sittings of the House, as reflected on page 25 of the AR.
- 10.1.6 A copy of the Employment Equity Plan of the Institution.
- 10.1.7 A Report on whether any interns were employed in the 2018/19 financial year, and if so, how many, for what purpose and whether they were remunerated.
- 10.1.8 A copy of the Conduct Policy for the WCPP staff members which addresses the discriminatory/ derogatory remarks made, including the inappropriate use of language within the Institution which was recorded during the financial year under review, as reflected on page 96 of the AR.

12. Inputs received from the public

Members of the public were provided an opportunity to pose questions or make oral submissions, based on the contents of the 2018/19 AR of the WCPP. However, no members of the public were present to pose questions or to make oral submissions.

13. Conclusion

The Committee commends WCPP for maintaining an unqualified audit with no findings on predetermined objectives or compliance with laws and regulations.

The Committee will continue to engage with the Institution on its budget, implementation of the FMMPLA regulation, and outstanding matters that were identified in the aforementioned sections, which contains the Committee's recommendations and requests for information.

14. Acknowledgments

The Chairperson expressed the appreciation of the Committee for the inputs of the various role-players, such as the Auditor-General of South Africa and the Audit Committee, to enhance the oversight work of the Committee which relates to the AR of WCPP for the year ending 31 March 2019. In addition, the Committee thanked the presiding officers and the WCPP administration for their efforts and contributions in this regard.

2. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ON THE 2018/19 ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND ITS ENTITY, THE WESTERN CAPE RENTAL HOUSING TRIBUNAL.

The Standing Committee on Human Settlements, having considered the Annual Reports of the Department of Human Settlements and its Entity, the Western Cape Rental Housing Tribunal for the 2018/19 financial year, dated 20 November 2019, reports as follows:

1. Introduction

As part of its oversight function, the Standing Committee on Human Settlements (the Committee) considered the Annual Reports of the Department of Human Settlements (the Department) and its Entity, the Western Cape Rental Housing Tribunal (the Tribunal), on 25 October 2019. Annual reports are the key instruments for departments to report on performance measured against their performance targets and budgets as outlined in their Strategic Plans and Annual Performance Plans.

The Annual Report Programme for the 2018/2019 financial year was advertised in various newspapers, inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

The Committee deliberated 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.

2. Western Cape Rental Housing Tribunal

2.1 Key issues discussed

2.1.1 The Tribunal reported that 3 630 official complaints were registered on its complaints database for the 2018/19 financial year, of which a total of 69 complaints were received from the Eden District. The Department, under its case management performance section, reported a backlog 1 470 cases older than 90 days. The backlog was attributed to various factors such as failure to reach consensus after alternate dispute resolutions have been sought, cases that have been escalated for adjudication, and matters before the court awaiting resolution.

2.1.2 A total of 536 cases were referred to the Tribunal. The number of cases that were postponed prior to the hearing amounts to 118, and 46 cases were settled by parties prior to the hearing. A total of 39 cases were withdrawn, 12 received default rulings and 31 were struck off the roll. Rulings are finalised on the same day as the hearing. In addition, 55 warrants of execution were issued to the value of approximately R1.5 million.

2.1.3 The Rental Housing Tribunal falls under the Communications and Stakeholder Relations component of the Department and has a staff complement of 27 officials. The Tribunal reported that all vacant posts were filled.

2.1.4 The Rental Housing Tribunal's budget is managed under Programme 1 of the Department. Expenditure amounted to R8,7 million, compensation for employees amounted to R5,4 million and the remuneration for tribunal members amounted to R 3,1 million.

3. The Department of Human Settlements

3.1 Overview

The Department received a clean audit for the year under review. Focus areas for the next five years will include the acceleration of housing opportunities, the implementation of innovative solution and an integrated approach to human settlements. In addition, seven non-metro projects have been prioritised as part of the Small-Town Regeneration Programme: Challenges experienced during the year included the continued housing protests, illegal land occupation and budgetary constraints.

3.2 Key issues discussed

- 3.2.1 The Department reported that 9 662 title deeds have been transferred to beneficiaries against a target of 7 000. The Department, as per the Division of Revenue Amendment Act, 2018 (Act No.14 of 2018, as amended), spent R50,3 million of the Title Deed Restoration Grant's budget to expedite transfers to beneficiaries. New policies have been implemented to assist with the Title Deed Restoration Project, which focused on the allocation of title deeds that were issued to beneficiaries prior to 1994. Challenges remain in terms of transferring title deeds on private property that has yet to be zoned and transferred. Contested claims required a resolution as no wills were drafted to establish the identity of the rightful owner. Concerted efforts have been made by the Department to ensure that beneficiaries receive full ownership title deeds.
- 3.2.2 The provision of Finance Linked Individual Subsidy Programme (FLISP) houses to the GAP market proved to be challenging. The banks were not open to a partnership agreement with the Department to provide home loans for FLISP beneficiaries as applicants did not meet the affordability criteria. Discussions are in progress with major financial institutions regarding the development of an unsecured home loan product geared specifically for the lower-end of the affordable housing market. The Department is in the process of developing an initiative with its strategic partners to assist over-indebted prospective homeowners and those with compromised credit records to normalise their credit records. The basis of the initiative is an education programme on home ownership and budgeting to achieve credit worthiness for a pension secured home loan. In addition hereto, under the approved Provincial Policy, the Department has developed an Employer's Assisted Housing Subsidy Programme whereby the Department approached employers to assist employees to purchase homes. The Department created a credit readiness programme to provide FLISP houses to approved beneficiaries. Negotiations between the Department and four major banks are underway to provide home loans to beneficiaries under the Consumer Readiness Programme. The banks were requested to provide R5 million each to assist more prospective beneficiaries.

- 3.2.3 A concerted effort has been made by the Department to reduce poverty and unemployment through job creation. The Department provided 578 job opportunities against a target of 400. A total of 132 youth were trained in various disciplines within the construction industry, against a target of 150.
- 3.2.3 Land invasions and protests continue to be a challenge at a provincial and national level. The negative impact of the aforementioned challenges negatively impact on service delivery and was a major cause of project delays. The Department reported 237 protests occurring on a national scale. This directly impacted and placed a strain on the provincial and national budget as additional security has to be employed to guard against vandalism.
- 3.2.5 An Informal Settlement Support Plan was developed by the Department to address the challenges faced by residents living in informal settlements. The policy guideline aims to provide guidance to improve the living conditions of beneficiaries through the upgrading of the Informal Settlements Programme. The programme aims to provide clear guidelines on how to address the challenges faced by residents and systematically provide corrective action. Approximately 82 informal settlements have been identified for upgrading during the Medium Term Expenditure Framework period. Municipalities have indicated that they have capacity problems and have requested assistance from the Department to deal with housing related matters. The Department supported 20 municipalities with the integration of the upgrading of informal settlements into their project pipelines.
- 3.2.6 Six catalytic projects were registered as part of the Departments flagship programme. Approximately 80 000 housing opportunities have been earmarked for completion by 2022. These housing opportunities are aimed at the poorest residents, which include among others, the Southern Corridor, and consists of over 50 000 opportunities in the N2 Gateway Phase 1.
- 3.2.7 In a meeting that was held on 25 July 2017, the National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC) informed the Committee of their decision not to rehabilitate the houses in Wolwedans, Groot Brak River. The Department has since undertaken to conduct the repair work. The Committee raised its concern regarding the NHBRC's refusal to conduct the repair work.

4. Oral and written submissions

- 4.1 Mr Petersen, a representative of Albatross Housing Incorporated and of Communicare tenants, addressed the Committee on issues pertaining to rental increases and affordability, evictions, the maintenance of rental units, historical housing stock to be returned to government and title deed handovers.

- 4.2 Mr Tumana, from the Parliamentary Monitoring Group, addressed the Committee on issues pertaining to the non-continuation of the Peoples Housing Project (PHP), inconsistencies in relation to the Housing Demand Database as well as the existence of the PHP Facilitators' Database.

5. Information Requested

- 5.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department, by 31 January 2020, submit:
- 5.1.1 The total remuneration provided to Tribunal members for a financial year and the number of hearings attended;
 - 5.1.2 A report on the total amount spent of the Human Settlement Development Grant by the Department; and
 - 5.1.3 The geographical location where the Small-Town Regeneration Programme will be rolled out in the seven non-Metro priority municipalities.
- 5.2 The Committee further REQUESTED that the Department, by 31 January 2020, submit a list of the:
- 5.2.1 82 informal settlements that are due for upgrading during the Medium Term Expenditure Framework;
 - 5.2.2 Social housing rental stock, the available rental stock and the geographical location of the rental stock;
 - 5.2.3 Woman owned enterprises and the grading of each of the enterprises;
 - 5.2.4 Provincial housing projects that are ready for implementation;
 - 5.2.5 Partnership agreements the Department has formulated with Farm owners and the geographical location of the donated land;
 - 5.2.6 Municipalities which requested that its projects be taken over by the Department. and
 - 5.2.7 Housing opportunities of people with disabilities, including a list of partnership agreements with farmers who have agreed to provide land for housing opportunities.
- 5.3 In addition, the Committee REQUESTED that, Mr Tumana (Parliamentary Monitoring Group), submits a written submission that contains all the issues he wishes to address with the Committee.

6. Resolutions

- 6.1 The Committee RESOLVED to, at a future date:
- 6.1.1 Conduct an oversight visit to the Langeberg Municipality to engage on housing projects within the municipal area and to gain an understanding on the criteria for the prioritisation of certain areas; and

- 6.1.2 Invite the Department to brief it on new initiatives undertaken to improve the Housing Demand Database.

7. Recommendations

- 7.1 The Committee RECOMMENDED that:

- 7.1.1 The Department engage with the Social Housing Regulatory Authority to find solutions to the complaints raised by Communicare tenants; and
- 7.1.2 Strategies put in place to reduce the Western Cape Rental Housing Tribunal complaints backlog.

8. Conclusion

The Committee notes its appreciation for the responses of the Department of Human Settlements and the Western Cape Rental Housing Tribunal to the scrutiny of the Annual Reports and wishes to thank the Minister, Head of Department, Chairperson of the Western Cape Rental Housing Tribunal Board for their contributions and efforts in this regard.

3. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING, DATED 12 NOVEMBER 2019, ON THE 2018/19 ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AND ITS ENTITY, CAPENATURE, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019.

The Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, having considered the Annual Reports of the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning and its Entity, CapeNature, for the year ended 31 March 2019, referred to it, reports as follows:

2. Introduction

As part of its oversight function, the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (the Committee) considered the Annual Reports of the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (the Department) and its Entity, CapeNature, on 24 October 2019. Annual reports are the key instruments for departments to report on performance measured against their performance targets and budgets as outlined in their Strategic Plans and Annual Performance Plans.

The Annual Report Programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in various newspapers, inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions.

The Committee deliberated 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.

2. Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

2.1 Overview

The Department obtained a clean audit for the year under review thus continuing on a positive trend for the past eight years, having achieved six clean audits and two unqualified audits. The Department achieved 93.8% of its programme expenditure.

There were many achievements in terms of project management and service delivery. These include the completion of the five yearly review of the Western Cape State of Water Management Plan, the 2018/2019 Provincial Spatial Planning Performance Management Evaluation Report and the publication of the updated Western Cape State of the Environment Outlook Report.

In terms of regulatory approvals, 97% of the environmental impact assessment applications and 100% of the solid waste licence applications were finalised within the legislative timeframes of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA). The Department also completed and published a report on the assessment of the economic risks and opportunities of climate change resilience in the Western Cape as well as the 2017 State of Air Quality Management Report. The Western Cape was the first province to develop an Annual State of Waste Management Report 2017, which was published in the year under review.

The Department achieved 92% of its annual performance targets. The remaining 6% were partially achieved, mainly due to demand driven indicators and 2% which equates to one target, was not achieved.

2.2 Key issues discussed

2.2.1 The Department is continuously developing new programmes towards improving the Western Cape's long-term sustainability. One of these programmes is the Regional Socio-Economic Programme (RSEP) and Violence Prevention Through Urban Upgrading (VPUU). The Programme's main goal is urban spatial restructuring and upliftment in the context of the apartheid spatial legacy and neglected neighbourhoods. It focuses on empowering municipalities to work in collaboration with other key departments to improve the provision of services in terms of informed spatial planning.

2.2.2 The mandate of the Department as quoted in the Annual Report is "to maintain a resilient inclusive living environment" and is closely linked to Provincial Strategic Goal 4, "Enable a resilient, sustainable, quality and inclusive living environment". The Committee noted that it was difficult to discern from the Annual Report how this mandate and the Provincial Strategic Goal is interpreted from a strategic perspective within the development planning space.

Feedback from the Department was disconcerting as it was evident that the focus of the Department's efforts in the last period has been on finding ways to implement spatial planning through various projects aimed at avoiding land evasions and placing people into areas better suited for residential living. It would thus appear as if the Department's mandate is interpreted by a number of projects rather than by strategic objectives for spatial integration, inclusive communities and inclusive living. This was of concern to the Committee.

- 2.2.3 Prevailing economic conditions meant that the Department's budget has been increasingly tightened. This was evident in the 5%, 6% and 7% consecutive budget cuts over the three years of the 2020/2021 Medium Term Expenditure Framework period, which amounted to over R110 million. As a result, departmental posts are vacant and unfunded with only 70% of approved posts been funded. This resulted in a negative effect on service delivery that has been partially mitigated by the utilisation of contract staff and interns.
- 2.2.4 Of concern to the Committee was that the Department's original budget was adjusted downwards during the adjustment estimates for the 2018/19 period but that the Department still underspent on its adjusted budget. The underspending related to Compensation of Employees and the time it takes to fill posts as well as the Berg River Improvement Plan and Water for Sustainable Growth and Development Plan that were not completed by the end of the March 2019. In addition, underspending also related to a transfer to the Saldanha Bay Municipality that was withheld due to the Municipality's slow expenditure performance during the financial year.
- 2.2.5 Sections 71 to 77 of the Western Cape Constitution of 1997 makes provision for a Commissioner for the Environment. This section of the Western Cape Constitution has never been activated and it is not part of the structure of the Department. The Department contends that since 1997 various pieces of legislation relating to the environment have been passed nationally and provincially and therefore decided not to pursue the establishment of a Commissioner for the Environment. Draft Legislation has been submitted to the Western Cape Provincial Parliament, making provision to repeal Sections 71 to 77 of the Western Cape Constitution and has been referred to the Standing Committee on Premier and Constitutional Matters.
- 2.2.6 There has been a sharp decline in the number of fines issued for environmental crime at a time when people transgress more. The main reason for this is that the Compliance and Enforcement Directorate within the Department does not have the capacity in terms of human resources to monitor unlawful activities as specified in the NEMA Regulations.

In mitigation, due to this significant capacity constraint, the Directorate has undertaken blitz operations, a proactive operation within identified areas using focused interventions where people from the respective regions participate in the operations. In addition, the under-collection of fines was due to a reduction in the NEMA, Section 24G fines issued and fines being reduced following an appeal process.

- 2.2.7 The number of climate change response interventions was not reported on during the period under review with no reason provided in the report.
- 2.2.8 The Third Western Cape State of the Environment Outlook Report is a legal requirement for the Department and is produced every five years. Various themes, dictated by the National Department of Environmental Affairs, Forestry and Fisheries, is expounded upon by the collation of trends over the period. An outcome of this report was that the province's natural resource indicators are declining as all natural systems are under enormous pressure. The Department's legal obligation is to draw attention to the trends and to provide evidence and information to the National Department.
- 2.2.9 The development of the second generation Western Cape Integrated Waste Management Plan has revealed several challenges. These included the collection percentage of waste at a municipal level, financial sustainability, limited institutional capacity and limited integrated waste management infrastructure. These challenges are further exacerbated by legislative barriers which are risk averse and not risk based. If the barriers were risk based, the cost of the containment barriers could be lowered to prevent leakage to ground water. There are nine regional waste management facilities in the Province in a development phase where the Department plays a facilitation and supporting role.
- 2.2.10 The site for a landfill next to the residential area of Avian Park in Worcester was identified by the Cape Winelands District Municipality and environmental authorisation was granted by the Department. This matter is currently under review by the High Court of South Africa after the Khanyisa Community Development Organisation lodged an application against the decision of the Department to grant environmental authorisation to the Cape Winelands District Municipality. Judgement on this matter will be granted in 2020.
- 2.2.11 In terms of the TransHex Housing Development along the R60 outside Worcester, it was brought to the Committee's attention that the soil may be unsuitable for a residential development. A concern was raised during the meeting that the necessary environmental authorisation was issued for the Development.

2.2.12 The National Environmental Management Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act 39 of 2004) calls for the designation of Air Quality Officers and Air Quality Management Plans in each of the municipal areas. There are 29 municipalities that currently have air quality management plans in place. The Beaufort West municipality is the only municipality that does not have an air quality management plan in place.

3. Information requested

3.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department, by 31 January 2020, submit:

3.1.1 The time-frames for completion of the nine regional waste management facilities;

3.1.2 The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) that was compiled for the Transhex Housing Development;

3.1.3 A document setting out the application process to be followed for environmental authorisations; and

3.1.4 The Third State of the Environment Outlook Report (2018).

3.2 The Committee further REQUESTED that the Corporate Services Centre within the Department of the Premier provide it with the leave policy for government departments as well as statistics on the other types of leave that were not specified in the Annual Report by 31 January 2020.

4. Resolutions

4.1 The Committee RESOLVED to, at a future date:

4.1.1 Confer with the Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters on the state of the process with regard to the Commissioner for the Environment and request a briefing by the Department in this regard;

4.1.2 Invite the Department to brief it on the RSEP/VPUU projects and to undertake an oversight visit to such projects;

4.1.3 Invite the Department to brief it on the various climate change initiatives and projects associated thereto with specific reference to the:

4.1.3.1 Third Energy Consumption and Carbon Dioxide Emissions Database that was completed;

4.1.3.2 Assessment of the economic risks and opportunities of climate change resilience;

4.1.3.3 Desktop assessment of climate change risk and opportunities for health that was undertaken; and

4.1.3.4 The findings of the evaluation of the Western Cape Climate Change Response Strategy (2014).

5. Recommendation

The Committee RECOMMENDED that, although it welcomes the use of state land to facilitate inclusive living, the Department should, in terms of future planning, focus more on strengthening its mandate from a strategic perspective for spatial integration, inclusive communities and inclusive living and not to simply report on projects.

6. CapeNature

6.1 Overview

CapeNature is mandated to manage and protect the rich and internationally recognised biodiversity of the Western Cape. In the delivery of this mandate the Entity drew on strong leadership that came from various sources to ensure that their strategic planning was on track. CapeNature continued to strengthen good governance and achieved good results in the past financial year that resulted in another unqualified clean audit outcome. CapeNature achieved 100% of its predetermined objectives for the third consecutive year.

6.2 Key issues discussed

- 6.2.1 A major threat to the mountain catchment areas of the Western Cape is that of invasive alien plant species which is of concern to our water security. The Western Cape, in particular, holds 57% of the strategic water resources in the country contained in 26 mountain ranges largely managed by CapeNature. In managing the mountain ranges, it was observed that 1.4 trillion litres of water is lost through these invasive alien plants in the catchments. This poses a huge threat to available water resources.
- 6.2.2 In terms of social investment, CapeNature set a target to create 1 000 work opportunities that were sponsored through the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) and managed to create 2 797 work opportunities and created 649 full time equivalent (FTE) employment opportunities. Most of these FTE's are funded through the EPWP Programme and come from communities close to the nature reserves which are aligned to poverty nodes. In this way CapeNature contributes towards poverty alleviation and job security. In addition, the implementation of strategies to address natural resource management and integrated catchment management, facilitated the appointment of 20 Small Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMME's).
- 6.2.3 For a third consecutive year, CapeNature's tourism revenue generated exceeded its target. Although tourism revenue grew year on year by 18% with an income of just over R42 million, exceeding the projected income of R35 million, it would appear that the target was set too low. However, this did allow for more resources to be earmarked for conservation.

CapeNature's total revenue generated amounted to R369 million for the period under review. In this regard, R291 million was received through the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning and the remaining funds were generated from other funders and own-income revenue streams.

- 6.2.4 There has also been an improvement in expenditure. CapeNature has spent 99% of its allocated budget during this financial year. The under expenditure of R5 million was due to wild fires that delayed capital investment infrastructure work, particularly at the Kogelberg Nature Reserve. Furthermore, the closure of the Goukamma Nature Reserve during the Knysna fire and drought contributed to a low occupancy rate at the Reserve and had an impact on income revenue. The Entity further strived to redress the balance between personnel and operational funding through vacancy management.
- 6.2.5 Equity targets and employment equity status are aligned to overall provincial demographics. The Committee notes this but expresses concern that it becomes problematic when these statistics are broken down per salary band level, which indicates the different levels of skill. It would appear that disparity exists among the unskilled and semi-skilled targets for specific race groups.

7. Information requested

The Committee REQUESTED that CapeNature provides it with the names of the SMME's that were appointed as a result of the implementation strategies to address the management of natural resources, the location of the SMME's as well as the category of employment of the employees associated to the respective SMME, by 31 January 2020.

8. Recommendations

The Committee RECOMMENDED that CapeNature:

- 8.1 Investigates the prospect of investing more to keep our catchments free from alien invasive plant species;
- 8.2 When reporting on employment and vacancies, considers separating the number of permanent staff from the FTE's of contract staff members recruited through the EPWP Programme, so that the information presented is more realistic and does not cause confusion; and
- 8.3 Addresses the disparity in terms of race and gender that exists within the salary band skills levels when compiling its new Employment Equity Plan.

9. Conclusion

The Committee notes its appreciation for the responses of the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning and CapeNature to the scrutiny of the Annual Reports and wishes to thank the Minister, Head of Department, Chairperson of the CapeNature Board and Chief Executive Officer of CapeNature for their contributions and efforts in this regard.

4. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SAFETY, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORT ON THE 2018/19 ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORT, HERITAGE WESTERN CAPE, THE WESTERN CAPE LANGUAGE COMMITTEE AND THE WESTERN CAPE CULTURAL COMMISSION.

The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport having deliberated on the 2018/19 Annual Reports of the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport, Heritage Western Cape, the Western Cape Language Committee, and the Western Cape Cultural Commission, for the year ended 31 March 2019, dated 20 November 2019, reports as follows:

Introduction

The Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Annual Report programme for the 2018/19 financial year was advertised in newspapers inviting stakeholders and members of the public to attend and participate in the discussions. The Committee deliberated on the Annual Reports of the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport (the Department), Heritage Western Cape (HWC), the Western Cape Language Committee (WCLC), and the Western Cape Cultural Commission (WCCC) on 31 October 2019 as part of its oversight function. The Minister and the Head of Department were given an opportunity to make opening remarks.

The Department and its Entities were examined on:

Part A: General Information,

Part B: Departmental Performance Information; and

Part D: Human Resources Management of the Department's Annual Report.

Members of the public were also given an opportunity to pose questions and to make input during the discussions.

1. Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport

Overview

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport, led by Minister A Marais and departmental Head, Mr B Walters, reported that it achieved 106 of its 108 targets during the year under review. The Department achieved a 7th successive clean audit. The Department also supported 132 sport federations, 30 museums and 375 libraries. The Department provided support to 69 cultural organisations. As part of the Alcohol Harms Reduction Game Changer, the Department ensured the implementation of alternative recreational activities in areas earmarked for development and upliftment. The areas were identified through the Whole of Society Approach (WOSA) programmes.

2. Key points from the discussion on the DCAS Annual Report

- 2.1 The Department has liaised with the West Coast and Southern Cape communities as part of its commitment to ensure wider stakeholder communication in establishing an Archaeological and Paleontological Heritage Tourism Route.
- 2.2 The Department focused on the promotion of Khoi and San culture through various activities such as interpretive dance productions.
- 2.3 To ensure the revival and maintenance of the Nama language, the Department compiled and distributed booklets on Nama. The Department is also consulting with the University of Cape Town about offering a course to learn Nama. Additionally, the Department will compile audio material compatible with CD and Memory Stick format for persons to learn correct enunciation of the language components of Nama.
- 2.4 There is a total of 226 Libraries that receive free internet connectivity through the Rural Library Connectivity Project. Libraries in the metro district are capacitated with internet connectivity through the Broadband Project.
- 2.5 The Department reported that it is in the process of installing specialised facilities and services at libraries to accommodate visually impaired and blind persons.
- 2.6 The Department is embarking on a study, in collaboration with the Department of Local Government, on the impact of the Traditional and Khoi-San Leadership Bill [B 23D—2015], especially since the Western Cape does not have a House of Traditional Leaders on a provincial level.
- 2.7 The Department reported an underspending of R1 602 000 for the After School Programme, specifically for math graduates and other interns. The reason for this underspending in the Human Resources Management is that many of the math graduates had found employment during the course of the financial year.
- 2.8 The Department consulted several communities in the Southern Cape to identify human remains that were accessioned in museum collections. The human remains have subsequently been buried, appropriate to the specific traditions and customs.
- 2.9 The Department reported that 5.5% of its staff contingent, ranging from interns to senior management level, used incapacity leave.
- 2.10 The Department reported four cases of misconduct by its staff members for the year under review.
- 2.11 The Department reported that four grievances lodged during the year under review were not resolved.

3. Public input on the DCAS Annual Report

Mr M Mbiko, from the Nyanga Development Forum, and Mr M Arendse, the Leader King of the Kaikorane, provided oral submissions on the subject matter.

4. Heritage Western Cape

- 4.1 The HWC has been actively involved in mobilising resources to assist the Wupperthal community to rebuild its structures, especially sites regarded as heritage sites.
- 4.2 During the year under review the HWC was involved in two court matters.
- 4.3 Several departmental officials are seconded to assist the HWC.
- 4.4 The state prosecutor in the damage of property case of the Drostdy Museum in Swellendam, declined to proceed with prosecutions.

5. Western Cape Cultural Commission

- 5.1 The Department of Public Works and Transport covered the cost of all infrastructural upgrades of five Cultural facilities.

6. Western Cape Language Committee

- 6.1 The Department, in principle, supports the intention of the Traditional and Khoi-San Leadership Bill and what it presents.
- 6.2 The WCLC has no influence on the use of Sign Language on the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's YouTube channel, as its mandate is to advise and make recommendations to the Provincial Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport, rather than on operational matters of the Provincial Parliament.

7. Requests for Information

The Committee requests the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport to provide the following information:

- 7.1 The number of librarians in the province who are competent in the use of Sign Language, and are capable of interacting with hearing impaired persons who use the library services.
- 7.2 The nature of the four cases of misconduct addressed at disciplinary hearings. No names of persons should be included for this matter.
- 7.3 A list of the nature of the grievances that were not resolved in the year under review.
- 7.4 A list of the incapacity leave where there are patterns of utilising this leave before and after pay day and for Fridays and Mondays. No names of persons should be included for this matter.
- 7.5 The number of heritage site applications for the year under review.

8 Resolution

- 8.1 The Committee resolved to request a longer time slot in future for Annual Report discussions to allow for more thorough discussion of the reports of the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sports' three Entities.

5. (*Negotiating Mandate stage*) Report of the Budget Committee on the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 15–2019] (S76) (NCOP), dated 22 November 2019, as follows:

The Budget Committee, having considered the subject of the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 15–2019] (NCOP) referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 217, confers on the Western Cape's delegation in the NCOP the authority to abstain from voting.

The Budget Committee proposes that National Government should make provision in the Bill for the following as proposed amendments for consideration:

1. Funding should be allocated to address the severe drought in certain rural areas in the Western Cape since a state of emergency was declared.
2. National Government has a constitutional obligation to address the issue of safety and security in the province given the high crime rate. Due to the lack of funding from National Government, the Western Cape has forked out R1 billion of its own resources to address an issue that falls outside of the provincial mandate. This should be considered in the Bill.
3. The Western Cape has the second highest rate of immigration in the country. Public services such as education, health and other forms of service delivery remain under immense pressure as no additional funds have been allocated to the health or education sectors in the province. The Bill should include additional funding to address this matter.
4. In order to provide essential public services to the poor, National Government should finalise the Public Sector Wage Bill.
5. National Government should review the salaries of the 29 000 senior managers who earn more than R1.2 million per annum. These are non-specific Occupation Specific Dispensation posts, which the Minister of Finance, Mr T Mboweni, has raised but failed to put measures in place to address.
6. National Government must introduce consequence management given the fact that billions of Rands are being wasted incessantly.
7. National Government should not continue to bail out State Owned Enterprises (SOEs) at the expense of taxpayers and the poor, with no consequences for accounting officers who are employed at these SOEs.
8. Despite the strong opposition to National Health Insurance (NHI), the Minister continues to fund projects related to the NHI. These funds should be allocated to addressing the severe drought in the Western Cape instead, as well as to safety and security projects.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

The House met at 10:00.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLING AND COMMITTEE REPORTS - see p. 781**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you hon Speaker, I move without notice the motion on the Order Paper printed in my name:

That, notwithstanding the provision of Rule 18, the hours of sitting on Monday, 2 December 2019 shall be from 10:00 to adjournment.

Agreed to.

WESTERN CAPE ADJUSTMENTS APPROPRIATION BILL [B 6 –2019]

(Introduction and first reading)

The SPEAKER: I recognise the Minister of Finance.

†n AGBARE LID: Hoor-hoor!
[An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!]

HON MEMBERS: Hear-hear! [Applause.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Hon Speaker and Deputy Speaker; hon Premier and Cabinet colleagues; hon Leader of the Opposition; leaders of other political parties; hon members of the Western Cape Provincial Legislature and most importantly the people of the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, the Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, may have his Aloe Ferox, but we have our *spekboom*, which is native to the Karoo and which symbolises the Western Cape. What the *spekboom* symbolises is resilience, because it can survive frost. It can survive drought and it can survive fire, because it packs a punch reducing carbon in our atmosphere and because it can survive up to 200 years here in the Western Cape.

We, like the *spekboom*, are going to have to be resilient, as we face an increasingly turbulent future in South Africa, because, of course, when aspiration exceeds opportunity, especially among young people, it will fall to us to give hope to people who do not have jobs or who have given up looking for jobs, in the Western Cape.

Now hon Speaker, we all remember Premier Alan Winde delivering his maiden State of the Province Address, with a new vision, with a new focus and with a new urgency, driven by what he had seen, and by what he had heard during a gruelling election campaign, and inspired by a vision of people living free from want, free from hunger, free from deprivation, free from ignorance and, of course, free from fear in the Western Cape.

During that speech Premier Alan Winde promised that we would deliver a range of programmes that would keep people safe and he promised that we would make allowance for those programmes in the Adjustments Budget process, because too many people live in fear in the Western Cape.

Since then, we have developed a Western Cape Safety Plan, which is informed by evidence, and which will be implemented using the latest technology, and which aims to boost law enforcement capacity in our least safe neighbourhoods to deal with crime - especially violent crime - in the Western Cape.

We will, over the next twelve months, be partnering with the City of Cape Town to train and deploy one thousand law enforcement officers, providing us with more boots on the ground to fight crime - especially violent crime - in the Western Cape.

We made a promise, and we have kept that promise, because today we can announce that we have allocated an amount of R130 million in the Adjustments Budget for 2019/20; and we have allocated an amount of R417 million in 2020/21; R350 million in 2021/22 and R400 million in 2022/23 - all to support the deployment of one thousand additional law enforcement officers to fight crime - especially violent crime - in the Western Cape. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear! [Applause.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): You said three thousand, but it dropped to one now?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Hon Speaker, we have listened to the victims of crime, and we have heard the victims of crime, and we have found R1,3 billion to support the fight against crime - especially violent crime - in the Western Cape. When so many people have lost hope and when so many people have lost trust in Government, we are actually getting things done in the Western Cape. [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear! [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Hon Speaker, we all remember the sense of renewal, of revitalisation and of progress, following President Cyril Ramaphosa's first State of the Nation Address on 16 February 2018, and we all remember the announcement of a "new path", with the promise of more economic growth, of more employment and of more transformation in South Africa.

However, since then that sense of renewal, of revitalisation and of progress, along with the new path and the promise of more economic growth, of more employment and of more transformation, has faded in South Africa. What should be going up is going down, and what should be going down, is going up in South Africa. [Interjections.]

We have stagnant economic growth with the economy forecast to grow at 1,2% in 2020, 1,6% in 2021 [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: That is the DA's report, [Inaudible.] is going down.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...and 1,7% in 2022. We have collapsing revenue collection, with the revenue shortfall forecast to be R52,5 billion in 2019/20, R84 billion in 2020/21 and a staggering R114,7 billion in 2021/22. We have ballooning expenditure, with expenditure increasing by R191,3 billion in 2019/20, R134,7 billion in 2020/21 and R118,8 billion in 2021/22.

We have zombie state-owned enterprises, consuming billions of rands in bailouts: R49 billion for Eskom; R5,5 billion for SAA; R3,2 billion for SABC. [Interjections.]

†'n AGBARE LID: Sies!
[An HON MEMBER: Siss!]

†'n AGBARE LID: Skande!
[An HON MEMBER: Disgrace!]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: R1,8 billion for Denel and R300 million for SA Express in this financial year alone, in South Africa. [Interjections.]

†'n AGBARE LID: Sies! Skande!
[An HON MEMBER: Siss! Disgrace!]

†'n AGBARE LID: Skande!
[An HON MEMBER: Disgrace!]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We have staggering levels of national debt, with gross loan debt of R3,6 trillion or 64,9% of GDP in 2020/21; R4 trillion or 68,5% of GDP in 2021/22; and R4,4 trillion or 71,3% of GDP in 2022/23.

We have eye-watering debt service costs of R232,8 billion in 2020/21; R264,6 billion in 2021/22 and a staggering R299,1 billion in 2022/23. We have terrifying fiscal risks in the form of Eskom, with a debt mountain of R440 billion, requiring bailouts of R112 billion over the medium term, consuming about R85 billion in debt service costs per year, with the potential to blow up the entire national balance sheet in South Africa, and, of course, we have sovereign credit rating agencies ready to push the red button and downgrade our sovereign credit rating to junk status in South Africa. [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Who is responsible?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Hon Speaker, the fact is, national debt measured as gross loan debt has increased by a staggering... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon members!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ... R2,4 trillion or 293% over the past ten years, from R805 billion or 33% of GDP in 2009/10, to R3,16 trillion or 60,8% of GDP in 2019/20; and debt service costs have increased by a staggering R146,7 billion or 257% over the past ten years, from R57,1 billion in 2009/10 to R203,7 billion in 2019/20 in South Africa.

To put these numbers in perspective, consider the fact that if we do not stabilise national debt, we will be spending R299 billion on debt service costs alone by 2022/23, which is four times more than we will spend in 2019/20 in the Western Cape. We should not forget, of course, that national debt does not include SOE debt, with the ten largest state-owned enterprises increasing borrowing by 177% in just eight years, from R266,7 billion in 2009/10 to R738,3 billion in 2017/18. These numbers are staggering. The fact is that National Government's key fiscal objective is to stabilise national debt, but the data shows [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon members.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...that if we do nothing national debt will not stabilise and will continue to increase to unsustainable levels, with gross loan debt exploding to 80,9% of GDP in 2027/28. Let me say that again: the data suggests that if we do nothing, national debt will not stabilise and will continue to increase to unsustainable levels, with gross loan debt exploding to 80,9% of GDP in 2027/28.

An HON MEMBER: Shocking, shocking!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: It comes as no surprise therefore that Moody's Investor Services, which now stands between us and full-blown junk status, concluded that the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement did not represent a developed and credible fiscal strategy for South Africa.

Hon Speaker, we are, in the end, in deep trouble. We are earning too little, spending too much and borrowing much too much in South Africa. We are drowning in red ink and using multiple credit cards simultaneously to balance the books in South Africa. This is unsustainable and we are now in deep economic trouble in South Africa.

Now the Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, set out his response to the full horror of the mismanagement of the economy, the mismanagement of our public finances, the mismanagement of our state-owned enterprises and the massive corruption in our country in his Medium Term Budget Policy three weeks ago in Parliament. To his credit, the Minister, who is often an island of sanity in a sea of madness, had the courage to acknowledge that economic growth needed to be accelerated and tabled a paper titled "Towards an Economic Strategy for South Africa." [Interjections.]

He had the courage to tackle zombie state-owned enterprises, like South African Airways which he referred to as a “Sword of Damocles”; and Eskom which he said “should be run like a business” and he made it absolutely clear that national health insurance was not affordable in South Africa.

Of course, it was not long before those in the governing party who are stuck in the past still fighting the Cold War, still fighting for the smokestack economy, still fighting for the return of Aeroflot, all the time singing their favourite song, *The Internationale*, sprung into action to defeat all efforts to boost economic growth in South Africa.

Standard and Poor’s put it so well in their recent rating review when they pointed out, and I quote:

“Factional disagreements within the ANC ruling party threaten the reform momentum crucial to kick-starting economic growth.”

An HON MEMBER: Where is Mmusi, where is Mmusi?

An HON MEMBER: Where is Jessie?

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members, order, hon members!

An HON MEMBER: Jessie is here!

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, will you please take your seat.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Hon Speaker, the Minister of Finance... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, will you please take your seat?

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): You think you are winning votes but [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: What is the point of order, honourable?

An HON MEMBER: (Mr A LILI?) Thanks very much, hon Speaker. Hon Speaker, is the hon Minister going to... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: What is the Rule you are rising on?

An HON MEMBER: Mine, hon Speaker, is... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: What is your point of order?

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon members!

An HON MEMBER: Mine, hon Speaker, is the hon Minister going to be able to take a question, especially around the issue of the police that he is going to add. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: No, sit! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Okay, thank you.

An HON MEMBER: Excluding the economic situation in our townships [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you, hon member. Hon members... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Workshop!

The SPEAKER: When you are done then I will speak. [Interjections.] Order! Thank you. Order! My request... [Interjections.] Order, hon members, you do not speak when the Presiding Officer is speaking. Hon members, order! Let me just bring to the attention of the House, when you want to ask a question, you do not ask a question in asking whether you can ask the question.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear! [Laughter.]

The SPEAKER: So then let us now afford the Minister an opportunity whether he wishes to respond but the Minister must proceed. Minister.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I do not wish to respond to a question from that hon member.

The SPEAKER: Well please proceed.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: He is exactly one of the members I referred to in my speech earlier. Thank you, Hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: You may please proceed, Minister.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Thank you, Hon Speaker. Now the Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, was also clear in his Medium Term Budget Policy Statement that to stabilise our public finances would require difficult decisions that would imply sacrifices and as a result pencilled in what he called “large reductions” to provincial transfers in South Africa. We expect to spend approximately R72,8 billion in 2020/21, R77,3 billion in 2021/22 and R81,7 billion in 2022/23, or a total of R231,9 billion over the medium term in the Western Cape.

However, the fact is that total provincial transfers, in the form of provincial equitable share and conditional grants, will be cut by R20,3 billion over the medium term between 2020/21 and 2022/23; and total municipal transfers, in the form of local government equitable share and direct conditional grants, will be cut by R20,5 billion over the medium term between 2020/21 and 2022/23.

We should make no mistake that these budget cuts risk wiping out service delivery on the frontline, in education, in health and in social development in provinces across South Africa.

We need to understand that National Government's mismanagement of our economy, mismanagement of our public finances, mismanagement of our state-owned enterprises and massive corruption are the reasons budgets are being cut and are the reasons service delivery may be compromised in the Western Cape. [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: That is the truth!

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Absolutely!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The fact is that budget cuts may compromise our ability to appoint sufficient teachers to accommodate increasing learner numbers, may compromise our ability to provide quality healthcare resulting in longer waiting times for emergency services and may compromise our ability to provide social services and to support vulnerable children, older persons and persons with disabilities as well as victims of violence in the Western Cape.

What makes these budget cuts so hard to swallow is that Provincial Governments are expected to absorb them so that National Government can bail out zombie state-owned enterprises in South Africa. We estimate that the budget cuts this province will be expected to absorb will be roughly equivalent to the bailouts pencilled in for South African Airways.

The fact is, we are effectively bailing out National Government, so that National Government can bail out zombie state-owned enterprises like South African Airways in South Africa, which means, perversely, that when it comes to our national airline, that the poor are effectively subsidising the rich, which is simply wrong in South Africa.

An HON MEMBER: Exactly!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: That is the truth. However, hon Speaker, we must give credit to National Government for allocating additional funding to employ social workers, to prevent gender-based violence and to improve access to sanitary dignity for young women in the Western Cape.

We will receive an additional R59,7 million over the medium term to employ social workers in areas with a high prevalence of gender-based violence in the Western Cape.

We will receive an additional R17 million over the medium term to continue to support efforts to deal with the social drivers of HIV, TB, STIs and gender-based violence in the Western Cape.

And we will receive an additional R31,5 million towards improving access to sanitary dignity for young women so that they can stay in school and get the education they deserve in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, the Minister of Finance pointed out in his Medium Term Budget Policy Statement, and I quote:

“There is no point in publishing a policy statement if it simply means publishing a budget three months early. The purpose is to open a debate before the budget is finalised.”

The Minister was quoting from a press statement on the first three-year Budget Policy Statement, but neglected to mention that one of the key objectives of the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement is to provide certainty to the public service and certainty to the markets.

However, that is exactly the opposite of what the Minister did in his Medium Term Budget Policy Statement when he announced that to stabilise national debt “additional measures” - read tax hikes, and spending cuts - in excess of R150 billion would be required over the medium term between 2020/21 and 2022/23.

What is so intriguing for a Minister who believes that - and I quote - “hope is good but it is not a strategy”, is that the “additional measures” are expected to result from budget cuts imposed on compensation of employees. We were told that “reductions in compensation, based on the outcome of discussions with labour, are expected to be implemented in the future.”

Well, if ever there was a case of hope dressed up as strategy, it is the idea that the public sector unions will simply roll over and agree, at some point in the future, to major reductions in expenditure on compensation of employees in the public service in South Africa.

We at this stage simply do not know therefore, at this stage of the budget process, how the budget cuts will be applied to conditional grants, whether the budget cuts to compensation of employees will even materialise and, if they do materialise, how they will impact the Western Cape, which means that we are entering a period of significant and unprecedented uncertainty when it comes to the budget in the Western Cape.

To deal with all these known unknowns in the budget process we will firstly continue to implement our Western Cape Government Fiscal Strategy. We will continue to focus on proper expenditure management, proper revenue management and maintaining a balanced budget in the Western Cape, and we will continue to apply the principles of allocative efficiency, fiscal sustainability, fiscal consolidation and fiscal discipline in the Western Cape. And we will do so to maintain stability, credibility and transparency when it comes to the budget in the Western Cape.

However, despite the significant and unprecedented uncertainty, we can be absolutely sure that there will be budget cuts, and so we have made some tough decisions about how to proceed over the medium term in the Western Cape.

First, we have assumed a worst-case scenario and have planned a downward adjustment to the provincial budget over the medium term of 5%, or R2,67 billion in 2020/21, 6% or R3,4 billion in 2021/22 and 7% or R4,1 billion in 2022/23, in the Western Cape.

Second, we have committed to minimising the impact of the budget cuts on education, on health and on social development in the Western Cape.

Third, we have committed to minimising the impact of the budget cuts on the maintenance and repair of existing infrastructure assets in the Western Cape, and, fourth, of course, we will continue to maintain a balanced budget in the Western Cape. To achieve this, we will have to explore further measures to increase own revenue, to reduce expenditure and to improve efficiency over the medium term in the Western Cape.

We will also have to be more innovative and find new ways of doing things in government in the Western Cape. We will, for example, have to explore new ways to finance new infrastructure development that supports economic growth, including public-private partnerships, accessing finance from development banks and accessing finance from development finance institutions in the Western Cape.

Now, Hon Speaker, we have worked hard, perhaps harder than any other province, on implementing belt-tightening measures in the Western Cape.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: However, because of the budget cuts we anticipate, it is necessary to act now and to impose additional belt-tightening measures, which will be implemented over the medium term by Government in the Western Cape.

We will firstly review the provincial ministerial handbook. We will reduce spending on overtime through planning and implementing stricter controls. [Interjection.]

We will reduce spending on payouts for leave through proper leave planning and more stringent measures. We will review spending on performance bonuses across Provincial Government. We will review spending on procurement with a view to further cost containment, and we will monitor? all appointments of senior staff members that fall below a departmental vacancy norm in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, we need to pause for a moment and consider the fact that we will only be able to absorb these budget cuts because we have been prudent in the past and we have made provision for possible future shocks in the Western Cape. We are in the fortunate position of being able to minimise the impact of budget cuts, as I have said, on education, on health and social development only because we have built up reserves for unforeseen and unavoidable expenditure and for fiscal stabilisation in the Western Cape.

We have a total of R659 million available over the medium term for unforeseen and unavoidable expenditure; and we have a total of R1,2 billion available over the medium term for fiscal stabilisation in the Western Cape, which is the lifeline we will have available to cushion education and health and social development, as well as the maintenance and repair of existing infrastructure assets from budget cuts, which of course is a huge tribute to my predecessors and to the Provincial Treasury in the Western Cape and which goes to show that, like the *spekboom*, we can adapt and we can survive tough conditions in the Western Cape.

Now hon Speaker, we have a vision of “A safe Western Cape where everyone prospers” focusing on five strategic “vision-inspired priorities” in the Western Cape.

We will prioritise and invest in safe and cohesive communities over the medium term in the Western Cape. We will do so by enhancing the capacity and effectiveness of policing and law enforcement and strengthening youth-at-risk referral pathways and child and family-centred initiatives, to reduce violence and increase social cohesion and safety in public spaces in the Western Cape.

We will prioritise and invest in economic growth and job creation over the medium term in the Western Cape. We will do so by increasing investment, boosting infrastructure development, growing the economy through export growth, creating opportunities for job creation through skills development, and creating an enabling environment for economic growth through resource resilience in the Western Cape. [Interjection.]

We will prioritise and invest in empowering people over the medium term in the Western Cape. We will do so by improving early childhood development, improving education and learning, improving youth and skills development, improving health and wellness, and improving care for older persons and persons with disabilities in the Western Cape.

We will prioritise and invest in mobility, spatial transformation and human settlements over the medium term in the Western Cape. We will do so by providing better linkages between places through public transport and mobility systems that work together, creating spatially and economically vibrant growth points, providing more opportunities for people to live in better locations and improving the places where people live in the Western Cape. [Interjections.]

We will also prioritise and invest in innovation and culture in government over the medium term in the Western Cape. We will do so by creating a culture of innovation to improve service delivery, and by focusing on new and innovative ways of doing things and on an integrated service delivery in the Western Cape.

An HON MEMBER: Where exactly?

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): You are selling Tafelberg. [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Now hon Speaker, we have an opportunity to adjust the budget to support new priorities and respond to service delivery pressures in the Western Cape. We have proposed adjustments to the main budget in the amount of R716,4 million to support new provincial priorities and respond to service delivery pressures in the Western Cape.

The 2019 Adjusted Estimates provide for an allocation of R130 million for the appointment, training and resourcing of law enforcement officers who will be deployed, as I have mentioned, to fight crime, especially violent crime, in the Western Cape.

The Adjusted Estimates also provides for an allocation of R311,4 million for infrastructure-related expenditure and an allocation of R170,6 million for information technology related expenditure; and finally, the Adjustments Estimates also provides for an allocation of R50 million in emergency funding, made in terms of Section 25 of the Public Finance Management Act, for fodder support on drought-stricken farms in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, we have prioritised good governance and we have once again received the best audit outcomes for the 2018/19 financial year in South Africa. [Interjections.] [Applause.]

An HON MEMBER: No man, it is wrong!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We have more clean audits...

An HON MEMBER: It is wrong! [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: No unauthorised expenditure, less irregular expenditure and less fruitless and wasteful expenditure, by miles, than any other province in South Africa. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order hon members! Please proceed, Minister.

An HON MEMBER: It is the Premier.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Thank you Hon Speaker.

An HON MEMBER: It is wrong. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We also have the first clean audit of any health department in any province ever in South Africa.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear! [Applause.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Let me say that again, hon Speaker, we also have the first clean audit of any health department in any province ever in South Africa. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Clean audit [Inaudible.] [Applause.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Hon Speaker, think about it. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We have eight... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members! [Interjections.] Hon members, order hon members, let us allow the Minister to proceed. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: He does not know, on that point he does not even know [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Thank you, hon Speaker. Think about it.

The SPEAKER: Alright, thank you.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We have eight more clean departmental audits than Gauteng and ten more clean departmental audits than KwaZulu-Natal. We have no unauthorised expenditure, compared to R5,9 million worth of unauthorised expenditure in Gauteng and compared to R29,6 million worth of unauthorised expenditure in KwaZulu-Natal. [Interjections.] We have R7,1 billion less irregular expenditure than Gauteng... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Talk about your province.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: And R12,4 billion less irregular expenditure than KwaZulu-Natal. [Interjections.] Hon Speaker, it is very clear that the members of the Opposition are not listening, so I think it is incumbent on me to repeat the point.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We have R7,1 billion ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members! Minister, will you please take your seat. Chief Whip. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker. I rise on a point of order, I cannot hear what the Minister of Finance is saying and members of the Opposition are actually interrupting him now which is contrary to the Rules. If you could please assist?

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Chief Whip. [Interjections.] Hon members, hon members, may I please have your attention. Is there a point of order, hon Minister Fernandez?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Thank you, Chair. I think it is inappropriate for members to be talking to each other whilst you are speaking. You need to refer to the Rules and I think the members need to manage themselves with dignity and decorum. This is not a shebeen, this is Parliament. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister Fernandez. Hon members, in terms of Rule 39 we are allowed to have a conversation but it must not be in a context that renders the House chaotic. So the challenge that we are having now is that we cannot hear what the Minister is saying, and it is both sides of the House, because there is participation. It seems you missed each other, so can we proceed in the spirit where you can dance after the sitting? Now I recognise the Minister.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Thank you Hon Speaker. I think on good governance I should possibly begin at the beginning, given the response I am receiving from the Opposition. [Interjections.]

Hon Speaker, as I was saying, we have R7,1 billion less irregular expenditure than Gauteng and R12,4 billion less irregular expenditure than KwaZulu-Natal and we have R112 million less fruitless and wasteful expenditure than Gauteng and R30 million less fruitless and wasteful expenditure than KwaZulu-Natal, which is the result of our efforts - not only to prioritise good governance, but also to constantly work to improve the way we manage our public finances... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order hon members!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...and it is a badge of honour. [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Order.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: It is a badge of honour, hon Speaker, for our hard-working and diligent accounting officers, chief financial officers and staff members in the Provincial Government in the Western Cape.

The PREMIER: Hear-hear! [Applause.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Now Hon Speaker, we recently tabled two outstanding documents - the Provincial Economic Review and Outlook and its twin, the Municipal Economic Review and Outlook, which tell us a story of a slow recovery in economic growth, of a rebound in employment, and of improved human development in the Western Cape.

We have businesses that are experimenting with new products, with new markets and with new technology, and that are under pressure, not to close their business, but to expand their businesses, because they simply cannot keep up with demand for their products, which are flying off the shelves in capitals around the world, which, of course, is a credit to the resilience of businesses, which have not only survived, but have also thrived despite tough business conditions and which is ultimately a story of hope for people, especially young people who do not have jobs or who have given up looking for jobs, in the Western Cape.

We have worked hard, harder than any other province, to back business by creating an enabling environment for the private sector...

An HON MEMBER: Which?

An HON MEMBER: One person, one business!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...and for the markets to drive economic growth and job creation in the Western Cape.

We have backed business in the Western Cape. We have world-class infrastructure in the Western Cape. We have an effective clean Provincial Government in the Western Cape.

We have an award-winning international airport in the Western Cape. We have a leading tourism destination in the Western Cape. [Interjections.] We are the tech capital of the continent in the Western Cape. We are home to four world-class universities in the Western Cape. We have a vibrant culture, amazing climate and beauty everywhere in the Western Cape. [Interjections.] We are actually getting things done in the Western Cape, which is why we have a growing economy in the Western Cape. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: And which is why we are giving hope to people, especially young people, who do not have jobs or who have given up looking for jobs, in the Western Cape. That is a fact!

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): The worst language, the worst crime capital.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Hon Speaker, we have worked on the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement and the associated documents day-after-day, night-after-night, and weekend-after-weekend at the Provincial Treasury. [Interjections.]

We all owe a big thank you to Provincial Treasury's acting head official, Julinda Gantana [Applause.] who, together with Team Finance, have done such a great job producing the 2019 Western Cape Adjusted Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure, the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill 2019, the Western Cape Gazette of Allocations to Municipalities, an Overview of the Adjusted Provincial and Municipal Infrastructure Investment in 2019 and of course the 2019 Western Cape Medium Term Budget Policy Statement, which it gives me great pleasure to table today for deliberation and for consideration by members of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament.

I would also like to thank Premier Alan Winde and all my Cabinet colleagues for their support in what has been a very challenging budget process in the Western Cape.

We will, like the *spekboom*, which can survive frost, which can survive drought and which can survive fire and which can survive for up to 200 years, have to remain resilient in the Western Cape. [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): [Inaudible.] that is your problem.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I thank you. [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister, hon Premier, hon members and our guests. You have been very peaceful and cooperating.

Now I would like to request the Secretary to read the Bill the first time.

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6-2019]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr Secretary. Hon members, the Bill, together with the papers tabled will be referred to the relevant committees for further consideration and report.

Now as we adjourn the sitting, the members of the Budget Committee, there will be a Budget Committee meeting immediately upon conclusion of the sitting. Now I would like to request the House to rise and remain standing for the procession. The House is adjourned.

The House adjourned at 10:50.

ANNOUNCEMENTS TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

TUESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker:

1. Introduction of money bill in accordance with Rule 185

Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities

Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6–2019].

2. Referral of money bill to committees in accordance with Rule 188

Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6–2019].

Bill referred to relevant committees.

TABLINGS

The Speaker:

Papers tabled with the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6–2019]

- (a) Budget: Western Cape Adjusted Estimates of Provincial Expenditure, 2019 [PR458/2019].
- (b) Budget: Western Cape Medium-Term Budget Policy Statement, 2019 [PR459/2019].
- (c) Budget: Western Cape Overview of Adjusted Provincial and Municipal Infrastructure Investment, 2019 [PR478/2019].
- (d) Western Cape Provincial Treasury: Allocations to municipalities as reflected in the 2019 Western Cape Adjusted Estimates Budget and the Adjusted Appropriation Bill, 2019, which were not listed in the Division of Revenue Act, 2019 (Act 16 of 2019). (Published in Provincial Gazette Extraordinary 8181, dated 26 November 2019.)

Papers referred to relevant committees.

TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. Report on the 60th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held in Kampala, Uganda, from 22 to 29 September 2019.

Report attached.

2. **Minister of Community Safety**

South African Police Service (SAPS): Western Cape – Annual Report 2018/19.

WEDNESDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2019

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **(Final mandate stage)** Report of the Budget Committee on the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 15–2019] (S76) (NCOP), dated 26 November 2019.

The Budget Committee, having considered the subject of the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 15–2019] (S76) (NCOP) referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 217, recommends that the House confers on the Western Cape's delegation in the National Council of Provinces the authority not to support the Amendment Bill.

Minority view

In accordance with Standing Rule 90, the African National Congress expressed its minority view to support the Amendment Bill.

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2. Report of the Budget Committee, having considered the Western Cape Government: Provincial Economic Review and Outlook 2019 [PR397/2019] and the Municipal Economic Review and Outlook 2019 [PR398/2019], dated 26 November 2019, as follows:

The Budget Committee reports that it convened on 30 September 2019 and has concluded its deliberations on the Western Cape Government: Provincial Economic Review and Outlook 2019 [PR397/2019] and the Municipal Economic Review and Outlook 2019 [PR398/2019] referred to it.

**INTERPELLATIONS,
QUESTIONS AND REPLIES**

INTERPELLATIONS:*Amalgamation of schools in Herold***1. Mr M K Sayed asked the Minister of Education:**

Whether her Department has plans to amalgamate the two public schools in Herold, namely the Franken Primary School and the Herold Primary School; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, Mr Speaker, and hon member Sayed for the interpellation. I just, as a matter of background, want to first of all sketch what is happening between the two schools.

Franken VGK Primary School is a public ordinary school on leased land. The school has an enrolment of 300 learners from Grade R to 7, plus 55 learners in Grade 8 and 9. 79 learners from surrounding areas made use of the learner transport scheme. The Herold community is also served by a second primary by the name of Herold Laerskool, which is a public ordinary school on state-owned land, with four classrooms and accommodates 50 learners.

The WCED entered into a lease agreement with the Church in 2003 to accommodate Franken VGK Primary. The lease agreement has been renewed every three years. The current lease agreement expired on 31 March 2018, and despite the WCED's intention and efforts to renew the lease, as had been the practice on previous occasions in respect of this property, owing to ongoing negotiations and unresolved points of contention between the landowners and the school, no formal renewal has been concluded as yet.

However, the WCED has continued paying monthly rental to the church as the lease continues on a month-to-month basis, and the school remains in occupation.

The WCED has been in contact with the Church's attorneys with regards to extending the lease and the negotiations are ongoing. However, the Church, through its attorneys, informed the WCED that it is considering the option of subdividing and selling the premises on which the school is located, which has further complicated the conclusion of the renewal.

As a result of the delay in settling the lease and the possible sale of the land, the Department is now investigating alternatives, which could involve the closure of Franken Primary or the merger of the two schools on Herold Primary property.

The process is in its infancy and therefore there has not yet been consultation between the two schools, nor have I received any formal recommendation to this effect, and so under the circumstances I cannot add anything further at this stage. Thank you.

Mr M K SAYED: Mr Speaker, firstly let me thank the Minister for the response,

but as the ANC, we support calls for school mergers in cases where it will promote social cohesion and where it will improve effective use of scarce education resources for the benefit of all learners, but we vehemently oppose using our schools to preserve white privilege where fully resourced, predominantly white schools, will be allowed to have fewer learners and best teacher-to-learner ratios, whilst those for poor and predominantly black learners will be characterised by overcrowding and lack of resources.

The Department's approach to school mergers in the province is arbitrary and is problematic.

MEC Schäfer's Department is adamant to close down Graafwater High School on the West Coast; one of the best performing schools in that region; despite objections from parents and the community. In fact the entire process around forcing that closure is not transparent, with the MEC even ignoring the governing body's request for her presence in a public meeting.

At the same time we find this particular case where the MEC refuses to amalgamate the Franken Primary. We hear that the process is in its infancy. It is not in its infancy. The calls have been made for a long time. A predominantly black school with 275 learners and Herold Primary, a former Model C school with 50 learners, situated in Herold. The two schools are less than 600 metres apart. I do not know why they are dragging their feet in this regard.

Mr Speaker, the schools are operating from private property, with Franken Primary School operating from the United Reformed Church in Herold. We were approached by Mr Theo Adams from the Herold Meander (Pty) Limited, a 100% black-owned company which develop portions of land in Herold that are suitable for agricultural production. As early as 15 May 2015, Mr Speaker, they have been writing to WCED, raising concerns about some of the activities at Franken Primary that impact negatively on the agricultural activities.

Mr Adams clearly states that the only solution would be to merge the two schools. This was in 2015, Mr Speaker. In his correspondence Mr Adams sharply raised that the refusal to amalgamate the schools is derailing farming activities and negatively impacts on farm security; access to the farm; fencing; occupational health and safety; and blatantly disregarding the property rights of a black farmer. Having not found joy with the MEC's Department, he approached the Human Rights Commission in January this year.

Mr Speaker, we really need to get an answer from the MEC as to why WCED is so reluctant and it has taken so long to merge these two schools, when in other cases it acts swiftly and without even consultation.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon member Sayed?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Do you even know where Herold is?

The SPEAKER: Hon members ...[Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Huh?

Mr M K SAYED: Ja, you must pay your electricity.

The SPEAKER: Order! [Interjections.] Order, hon members! I now recognise hon member Botha. [Interjections.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Mr Speaker. I want to say to the sponsor of the question that he wanted to talk about Graafwater; he should have actually asked the question around Graafwater; and I want to ask the Minister: Minister, what is the general process in amalgamating or closing a school? What is the general process that the Department embarks on? When is the governing body part of it? When are parents part of it, and how are they informed? And in terms of these two schools, are there learners that are hostel dwellers? Are there learners who make use of the school transport? Would this affect them, and how would it affect them if the schools are amalgamated?

And then also generally, how does it happen in other provinces? How do they just close down schools? [Interjections.] Because I know in the Eastern Cape there are many, a few hundred schools that are closing. [Interjections.]

Mr P MARRAN: Do you have the answer?

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Botha.

Ms L J BOTHA: I am not asking you.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, thank you. I now recognise hon member Sayed.

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Some of the statements made here today by the MEC and by my Chairperson across the floor, are not surprising, Mr Speaker. You will remember that in June this year the MEC's office had denied knowledge of these developments around the schools in the media.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr M K SAYED: This is in spite of the fact that on 28 June 2018, the MEC acknowledged the concerns raised by Mr Theo Adams and his team, and made an undertaking to immediately take the matter up with Mr Archie Lewis. To this day, Mr Speaker, Mr Adams and his team are still waiting for the MEC and a senior delegation from her Department to discuss and resolve these issues. Premier Winde is also aware of the situation, Mr Speaker, as he was sent emails when he was the then Agriculture MEC.

An HON MEMBER: Ja-ja.

Mr M K SAYED: From the Premier's posture thus far, which is far more constructive and far more forthcoming than his predecessor and some in his Cabinet, Mr Speaker, I trust that Premier Winde will now show bold leadership and resolve this particular matter ... [Interjection.] as a request for former Premier Zille's intervention on the matter, which was sent on 25 February this

year, was not acted upon, but we are hoping that the Premier acts upon that, Mr Speaker, because I agree with our Deputy President when he says that Premier Winde is a good man, and thus I trust that he will intervene ... [Interjections.] and also hold his MEC for education accountable ...[Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

Mr M K SAYED: ... and hold those who are not performing accountable in the interest of the citizens of this province, because we have faith in him to an extent, Mr Speaker.

An HON MEMBER: Really?

Mr M K SAYED: Some of the concerns raised are that the Franken Primary School's sports are conducted on a field with no access to drinking water, toilet facilities and refuse bins. I know that the Premier is taking notes, Mr Speaker. The Franken Primary School buses are parked on Herold Meander land, and hinder access to the farm property. [Interjections.]. The school's ablution facilities are on a private farm. Franken Primary provides electricity ... [Interjections.] to the neighbouring farm houses via a cable that runs on top of the ground, Mr Speaker. The cable does not comply with the ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M K SAYED: ... occupational health and safety requirements.

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members! Please proceed, hon member Sayed.

Mr M K SAYED: There are additional structures that have been erected onto Franken Primary without the property owner's approval. There is even no confirmation that the erected structures are registered at George Municipality.

Mr Speaker, the lease agreement of Franken expired at the end of March 2018, to be specific and is not yet renewed, as the MEC indicated; and the MEC is yet to honour a meeting invitation with the Church to discuss these concerns. In spite of the absence of a lease agreement the Department continues to make lease payments to the property owner, Mr Speaker.

The MEC should tell us why she has allowed this to happen under her watch. She must tell us how much expenditure has been incurred since April 2018, and ensure that this matter is resolved once and for all, but we are trusting and hoping that the Premier will push her in that correct direction, because we have faith that the Premier will act. Thank you, Mr Speaker. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

The MINISTER FOR EDUCATION: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. Yes, I agree with hon member Botha. If the hon member Sayed had wanted to discuss Graafwater he should have raised the issue of Graafwater, but the comment that he made that we arbitrarily close schools is completely and utterly incorrect.

We do not ever arbitrarily close any school and even my predecessor was vindicated on his closures, except for one out of 26; whereas other provinces are closing 20 a year, for example, in Mpumalanga, and hundreds in the Eastern Cape. So why the ANC is obsessed about school closures and amalgamations in the Western Cape, I am not quite sure, other than because they want to make political noise.

Graafwater is very transparent. It is also untrue that we refuse to amalgamate. It is so that we have had queries from the landowner of Franken; that is true, but the fact of the matter is I would imagine the ANC would not want us to have a school on property where they cannot play sport and so on, which is the situation at the moment, because the property on Herold Primary is in fact too small. We do, as a Department, would like to have one educational facility, but at the moment it is not possible because we need to extend the school at Herold if we want to merge the two schools together.

As far as social cohesion is concerned, we completely support that and the comments are without substance. Both schools are very mixed, quite frankly. And then, why we take so long? Well, I mean if you are approaching the Human Rights Commission, good luck with that, because I referred one of our schools ... [Interjections.]

Mr M K SAYED: I am not talking about the Human Rights Commission.

The MINISTER FOR EDUCATION: ... to the Human Rights Commission earlier this year to do an investigation, and they still have not done it. So I do not know, I do not think he will get much joy on that.

An HON MEMBER: He will see.

The MINISTER FOR EDUCATION: Acting swiftly and without any consultation. There is no school ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, will you please take your seat? What is your point of order, hon member?

Mr M K SAYED: Mr Speaker, on a point of order and on a point of correction, I am not approaching the Human Rights Commission. It is Mr Adams who is approaching the Human Rights Commission, and, Mr Speaker, the hon member ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member ... [Interjections.]

Mr M K SAYED: ... ought to speak to the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Hon member ... [Interjections.]

Mr M K SAYED: ... not speak to me and say "you".

The SPEAKER: ... please take your seat, okay. Please take your seat, hon Minister. Hon member Sayed, that is not a point of order.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The SPEAKER: It is a point for debate. Now the request that I would make to the hon Minister is not to refer to the hon member by a pronoun. Let us refer to the member as an hon member, but let us proceed, hon Minister.

The MINISTER FOR EDUCATION: Thank you. I did not refer to the member at all ... [Interjections.].

The SPEAKER: Hon member Sayed?

Mr M K SAYED: But, Mr Speaker, I wish to differ, Mr Speaker.

An HON MEMBER: Right.

Mr M K SAYED: It is not a point of debate. It is a factual inaccuracy to say “you”, because in my speech, in my interpellation response I am saying that it is Mr Adams. I am not referring to myself going to the Human Rights Commission, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Hon member Sayed, there are Rules that deal with those matters.

An HON MEMBER: Go check ja.

The SPEAKER: And for that purpose you must go through the Rules and approach the Presiding Officer, who can then deal with it in terms of the Rules, but that is not how we conduct ourselves when there is a difference of opinion. I am going to request that we please do so by following the Rules. Hon Chief Whip?

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would actually like to raise a point of order on that.

The SPEAKER: Yes.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Because the Rules clearly state that a member who is aggrieved may not challenge a ruling in the House.

The SPEAKER: Mmm.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): So therefore that member is in breach of our own Rules.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you, Chief Whip. [Interjections.] You have just – hon Chief Whip, thank you very much. What I was explaining to the hon member, again it is important which you have just alluded to; that Rule 65 has a recourse, but please follow the Rule. I think the Leader of the Opposition and the Chief Whip of the Opposition, we can definitely assist each other.

Also the Deputy Chief Whip, the hon member.

So there is a recourse, but let us follow the Rules, then engage the Presiding Officer after the debate. I now recognise the Minister.

The MINISTER FOR EDUCATION: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The fact of the matter is whoever approaches the Human Rights Commission, good luck, because it will take a while to get any response from them. [Interjections.]

As far as the process concerning school closures is concerned, hon member Botha, what happens is the Department makes a recommendation to myself that they think it is a good idea after having had initial consultations with the schools. I have to then apply my mind as to whether the rationale is a good one, and if I think it is, I then agree that the process will start; a public participation process.

There are then adverts placed for public hearings which are conducted by my Department, not by me, which is why I do not attend those meetings, because we are acting on legal advice on how we process these things every step of the way, given the incessant desire of the ANC to take us to court, or to instigate the schools taking us to court.

So we follow the process very carefully, and it is completely inaccurate to say that we do not consult. We consult, as required by law, always; as Uitsig has recently discovered in the Constitutional Court.

So there are issues, no question about it. There are issues that are being raised by the owner of the property, and there are ongoing discussions, as I have indicated, which will continue, but unless and until they are resolved we cannot continue, we cannot just simply join the two schools together, because there simply is not sufficient space for them, and there are, as I said earlier, about 79 learners who come from surrounding areas to use the transport scheme.

So I have not refused a meeting. We have in fact been trying to arrange a meeting, but the owner of the land is also not being particularly accommodating in that regard. One of my officials has undertaken to go to the premises there. They want a whole delegation from my office, my Department to go and we are not going to send a whole delegation, because it cost a lot of money.

So she has already agreed. There was in fact, today, I think more correspondence in that regard, and she has given dates to the lawyers for the meeting to happen. So, well, no, maybe not today, but anyway recently.

So we continue to be committed to trying to resolve this issue in the interest of all the learners, and once again resent the fact that the ANC is always trying to make this into a race debate, which is unacceptable.

An HON MEMBER: Ag no.

[Debate concluded.]

*Swellendam Municipality
Implementation of Special Investigation Unit recommendations*

2. Mr D Smith asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

Whether he and his Department have put measures in place to ensure that the progress with the implementation of the recommendations of the report of 2014 by the Special Investigating Unit is being monitored at the Swellendam Municipality?

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Baie dankie, Agb Speaker, en dankie vir die agb lid vir die vraag. Die Spesiale Onderzoek Eenheid verslag is in April 2013 voltooi en dek gebeure wat voor 2011 plaasgevind het.

Die Kantoor van die President het meer onlangs op 21 September 2018 die munisipaliteit skriftelik versoek om terugvoering te gee aangaande enige stappe wat deur die munisipaliteit geneem is om die aanbevelings wat in die spesiale ondersoekverslag vervat is, te implementeer.

My Departement het gedurende Januarie die munisipaliteit skriftelik versoek om terugvoering te gee in verband met sulke stappe. Die doel van die skrywe was om op te volg in verband met die munisipaliteit se terugvoering aan die Kantoor van die President.

In Maart 2019 het ek die laaste skrywe van die munisipaliteit aangaande hierdie aangeleentheid ontvang. Hierin het die munisipaliteit 'n volledige verslag aangaande die stappe wat geneem is gelewer. Hierdie stappe sluit in:

1. 'n Bateregister wat jaarliks deur die privaatsektor bygewerk word. Die Bateregister word jaarliks deur die Ouditeur-Generaal geoudit en daar was geen sake wat in die verband deur die Ouditeur-Generaal aangeteken is nie. Die munisipaliteit het sy vierde opeenvolgende skoon oudit tydens die 2017/18 boekjaar ontvang; so dit lyk of alles daar in plek is.
2. Alle dokumente word op 'n elektroniese dokument liasseerstelsel gestoor en word ook in 'n harde kopie vorm in 'n sentrale argief gehou soos voorgeskryf deur die Provinsiale Argief Rekord Dienste van die Wes-Kaap, Wet 2005, Wet 3 van 2005. Die Wet op die Nasionale Argiewe en die Rekord Dienste van Suid-Afrika. Daar is drie argiefklerke wat verantwoordelik is vir die korrekte liassering en argivering van hierdie stukke.
3. Die goedkeuring van beleide berus by die Raad en die Raad het sedert 2013 talle nuwe beleide goedgekeur en gaan voort om alle bestaande beleide jaarliks te hersien. Die Beleid Register word bygewerk elke keer as 'n nuwe beleid geïmplementeer of hersien word.

Afskrifte word ook in 'n databasis gehou en op die munisipale webwerf gepubliseer sodat die nuwe beleid deur die Raad goedgekeur en hersien word.

4. Die Bestuurder Inkomste is verantwoordelik vir oorsig en toesien dat die aangewese waardeerders in terme van hul kontrak presteer en binne die tydsraamwerk en sperdatums hulle dienste lewer. Die waardasierol is op datum; die rol is op 1 Julie 2018 geïmplementeer en alle tussentydse waardasies is op datum.
5. Die munisipaliteit het 'n elektroniese voldoeningstelsel geïmplementeer wat alle wetlike voorskrifte aanspreek soos benodig, en alle senior bestuurders het 'n belangrike prestasie aanwyser om te verseker dat die prestasiekontrakte jaarliks hersien en nagekom word.
6. (a) Alle kritieke poste in die administrasie is gevul wat kritieke poste in die Finansiële Afdeling insluit. Die Direkteur Finansiële Dienste sluit ook die funksie van Hoof Finansiële Beampte in.
- (b) Die begroting en die verslagdoening en die uitgawes bestuurder is in plek. Die Bestuurder Inkomste is in plek. Die Bestuurder Inligting en Kommunikasietegnologie is in plek, en sowel as die Voorsieningskanaal Bestuurder is in plek. Die Rekenmeester, die Kantoor vir die Begroting en die Tesourie is ook in plek. Die posisie van Regsadviseur is op die organigram van die Departement Korrektiewe Dienste en is tans 'n vakante, onbefondsde pos. Die Regsadvies is egter op 'n kontrakbasis aangestel in gevolge die voorsieningskanaal bestuurstelsel vir die periode van drie jaar.

My Departement het ook Swellendam Munisipaliteit op die Back to Basics program geplaas in Februarie 2015. Verdere hulp wat aan die munisipaliteit verleen is sluit in die uitreik van omsendbriewe wat verskeie onderwerpe soos byvoorbeeld die regulasies op aanstelling van diensvoorwaardes van senior bestuurders.

Die eerste Back to Basics bestuurskomiteevergadering is op Mei 2015 plaasgevind, en was bygewoon deur die munisipaliteit asook die relevante sektore.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Speaker, and thank you to the hon member for the question. The Special Investigation Unit report was completed in April 2013 and I cover events that happened before 2011.

The office of the President has more recently on 21 September 2018 requested the Municipality in writing to give feedback with regard to any steps taken by the Municipality to implement the recommendations contained in the Special Investigation report.

During January, my Department requested the Municipality in writing to provide feedback with regard to such steps. The aim of the letter was to follow up with regard to the Municipality's feedback to the office of the President.

In March 2019 I received the last letter from the Municipality relating to this matter. Herein the Municipality provided a complete report with regard to the steps taken. These steps include

1. A Register of Assets that is updated yearly by the private sector. The Register of Assets is audited yearly by the Auditor-General and there were no cases in this regard that were noted by the Auditor-General. The Municipality received its fourth consecutive clean audit during the 2017/18 financial year; so it seems as if everything there is in place.
2. All documents are stored on an electronic document filing system and are also preserved in a hard copy format in a central archives, as prescribed by the Provincial Archives Record Services of the Western Cape, Act 2005, Act 3 of 2005. The National Archives and the Record Services Act of South Africa. There are three archives clerks responsible for the correct filing and archiving of these pieces.
3. The approval of policies rests with the Council and since 2013 the Council has approved several new policies and continues to review all existing policies yearly. The Policy Register is updated every time that a new policy is implemented or reviewed. Copies are also kept in a data base and published on the municipal website so that the new policy can be approved and reviewed by the Council.
4. The Manager Income is responsible for oversight and sees to it that the appointed valuers perform in terms of their contract and deliver their services within the timeframe and deadlines. The valuation roll is up to date; the roll was implemented on 1 July 2018 and all intermediate valuations are up to date.
5. The Municipality has implemented an electronic adherence system that addresses all legal prescriptions as required, and all senior managers have an important performance indicator to ensure that the performance contracts are reviewed and adhered to annually.
6.
 - (a) All critical posts in the administration are filled, which include posts in the Financial Division. The Director Financial Services also includes the function of Chief Financial Officer.
 - (b) The Budget and Reporting and the Expenses Manager are in place. The Manager Income is in place.

The Manager Information and Communication Technology is in place, as well as the Supply Chain Manager. The Accountant, and the Office for the Budget and the Treasury are also in place. The position of Legal Adviser is on the organigram of the Department of Correctional Services and currently is a vacant, unfunded post. The legal advice, however, has been appointed on a contract basis in terms of the supply chain management system for the period of three years.

My Department has also placed the Swellendam Municipality on the Back to Basics programme in February 2015. Further assistance provided to the Municipality includes sending out of circulars covering several subjects, for example the regulations of service conditions at the appointment of senior managers.

The first Back to Basics Management Committee meeting took place in May 2015, and was attended by the Municipality as well as the relevant sectors.]

The SPEAKER: Your time is up. Thank you. I now recognise hon member Smith.

Mr D SMITH: Thank you, Mr Speaker. †Baie dankie, Minister, vir die reaksie op die vraag.

Minister, in die dieselfde ondersoek word daar verwys na agt poste wat gevul was deur die munisipale bestuurder daardie tyd.

Nou hulle het ook gesê in die ondersoek dat die poste op die begroting is, op die hersiende begroting van daardie spesifieke jaar, en die hersiende begroting van daai spesifieke jaar was nooit goedgekeur deur die Raad nie; maar die poste is wel gevul, en hierdie poste bring vir jou by 'n bedrag van R305,000 in totaal.

My vraag aan u is, Minister, wie het verantwoordelikheid gevat vir die R305,000 wat betaal is aan daardie agt spesifieke persone vir daai tydperk, en kan u as u Departement seker maak dat daai R305,000 deur die verantwoordelike ou, wat die munisipale bestuurder nou op daai stadium was –

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[Thank you, Minister, for the reaction to the question.

Minister, in the same investigation there is reference to eight posts that were filled by the Municipal Manager at the time.

Now they have also said in the investigation that the posts are on the budget, on the revised budget of that specific year, and the revised budget of that specific year was never approved by the Council; but the posts were indeed filled, and these posts bring one to an amount of R305,000 in total.

My question to you is, Minister, who took responsibility for the R305,000 that were paid to those eight specific persons for that period, and can you as Department make sure that that R305,000 by the person responsible, who was the Municipal Manager at that stage] – †can it be recovered from the Municipal Manager?

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Smith. I recognise hon member America.

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Swellendam Municipality, as indicated by the Minister, has for the past four year received clean audits. If the Municipality is as corrupt as the member inferred in his question certainly that would not have been the case.

An HON MEMBER: It is in the report.

Mr D AMERICA: Mr Speaker, hon member Smith is completely misguided ... [Interjections.].

An HON MEMBER: It is in the report. [Interjections.]

Mr D AMERICA: I would advise the hon member instead to focus on Matzikama ... [Interjections.] where illegal appointments for family members and friends continue unabated under the ANC and its coalition partners' rule. Appointments are unfunded; they are not on the organogram. The Municipality's liquidity is under serious stress as a result of these kind of illegal appointments, resulting in backlogs in service delivery. This is in contrast to DA run municipalities where clean government and effective service delivery is a priority, as opposed to focusing on political patronage.

So hon member Smith, in the spirit of the World Cup, there is a coffee shop in the Main Road of Swellendam called *Ikigai*. It is a Japanese word for "the reason for being."

Mr P MARRAN: It is a Chinese word.

Mr D AMERICA: What is your motivation for getting up in the morning? I can say without fear of contradiction that this Minister is committed and motivated to deliver the best possible services to people in the Western Cape. Helen Suzman once said, "Go see for yourself."

An HON MEMBER: It is in the report.

Mr D AMERICA: So, hon member Smith, I would say to you ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon America.

Mr D AMERICA: ... Go to Swellendam and go see for yourself. It is a clean ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon member America, your time is up.

Mr D AMERICA: Oh, thank you. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: I recognise hon member Smith.

Mr D SMITH: Mr Speaker, no I just want to remind the member that we have – I am talking about a specific report that was done by the Special Investigation Unit, with clear facts.

So this is not speculation; this is not ... it is facts, and the MEC has got the facts. [Interjections.]

We just learned that in Cederberg the DA Mayor now suspended the Municipal Manager, which is supposed to conduct a Council meeting tomorrow morning, where the ANC should take over that Council. The DA Mayor just suspended the Municipal Manager, and I did inform the MEC. I hope he can reappoint him. [Interjections.] Unless that is a strategy by the MEC and the DA [Interjections.] councillors that met yesterday morning, Mr Speaker.

Now, Chair, I just wanted to understand ... [Interjections.] the Swellendam under review, the particular year under review, there was taxpayers' money being used ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members! Please proceed, hon member Smith.

Mr D SMITH: There was taxpayers' money being used to pay salaries in Swellendam, the good Swellendam that you are referring to. Under the DA's watch ... [Interjections.] there were certain recommendations in the SIU report. One of them was that the Municipality must do further investigation and report. [Interjection.] Where is the R305,000 that was paid to salaries by taxpayers in that municipality, people that was appointed by Mr Nel, the then Municipal Manager. Where is the money? Has the money been recovered? Yes or no?

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Smith. I now recognise the Minister.

†Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: In die ANC se sak.

[Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: In the ANC's pocket.]

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Baie dankie, agb Speaker. Agb Speaker [Tussenwerpsels.], ja, dit is altyd baie moeilik as ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

[The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Speaker. Honorable Speaker [Interjections.], yes, it is always difficult when ... [Interjections.]]

†n AGB LID: In julle sak.

[An HON MEMBER: In your pocket.]

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: ... as daar iets agter 'n interpellasie is wat ons nie weet nie, want ons probeer rêrig die feite vir die Huis gee. Ons respekteer die oorsigrol.

Deur die Back to Basics program, geen munisipaliteit is perfek nie. Alle munisipaliteite ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: ... when there is something behind a new interpellation that we do not know about, because we really try to provide the facts to the House. We respect the oversight role.

Through the Back to Basics programme, no municipality is perfect. All municipalities ... [interjections.]]

An HON MEMBER: Especially the ANC ones.

[The Deputy Speaker takes the Chair.]

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: ... het hulle tekortkomings.

So ons erken dit, en ons is besig met die Back to Basics program waar ons die munisipaliteite ondersteun het in die versterking van hulle wykskomitees wat ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[The MINISTER OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: ... have their shortcomings.

So we acknowledge that, and we are busy with the Back to Basics programme where we have supported the municipalities in strengthening their ward committees which ... [interjections.]]

An HON MEMBER: Point of order. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Minister, if you could just take your seat. I think I see a point of order.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes.

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Deputy Speaker, is it parliamentary for a member to film a movie in a sitting? I see the member there is busy doing a video. He says he has a tender for doing movies. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Can I ask, hon member, that you do not record. This is on television – or at least it is being streamed on YouTube.

So can I ask that you operate with some decorum. [Interjections.] Okay? Thank you. Can I have the Minister? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Hon Deputy Speaker,] I get the sense that the colleagues have not prepared for this interpellation very well, because there is obviously no municipality that is perfect, so we are busy with the Back to Basics programme, and Swellendam actually exited that programme now.

†So hulle het so goed gedoen dat hulle kan uitgaan uit daardie program uit, en ons is besig met verskillende hulp, so ons moet kyk na ons wykskomitees, hoe versterk ons dit, dwarsdeur die Wes-Kaap, ook in Swellendam.

Die webbladsye van ons munisipaliteite probeer ons standaardiseer sodat kiesers makliker en mense makliker daarop kan kommunikeer. Die kommunikasie, die media, die waterbeperkings; al hierdie goed binne 'n beperkte begroting.

Om meer direk na die lid se vraag te kom, of se opvolgstelling te kom. Daar was dissiplinêre verhoor wat ook hieruit gekom het, maar ek dink nie dit is die spasie waarin ons die dissiplinêre verhoor moet hanteer nie. Daar was 'n proses; die amptenaar - natuurlik met die MM neem die rekenpligtige beampte verantwoordelikheid vir enige uitgawes, en daar is 'n aantal, daar is 'n klagte gelê en 'n persoon het bedank, en is uit die munisipaliteit uit.

Die President se kantoor het geantwoord, so ek is seker daarvan die lid het daardie antwoord gesien, volledig. Die President se kantoor was tevrede daarmee, en ek is heel gemaklik dat die Munisipaliteit alles in sy vermoë gedoen het tot op hede, binne sy beperkte vermoë, want daar is een of twee wat ek - daar is een wat ek uitgelaat het, byvoorbeeld waar hulle die bateregister maandeliks wou opgradeer het. 'n Klein munisipaliteit het nie daardie kapasiteit nie. Ons doen dit een keer 'n jaar, en daardie tipe goed sal maar altyd op die kaarte bly.

Ek wil net 'n regstelling maak. Die lid het my nie ingelig van Cederberg nie; hy het hier mondelings vir my in lippetaal probeer verduidelik. Ek is nie bewus wat in Cederberg – ons is nie elke sekonde ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[So they have done so well that they can go out of that programme, and we are busy with various means of assistance, so we have to look at our ward committees, how do we strengthen it, throughout the Western Cape, also in Swellendam.

We are trying to standardise the web pages of our municipalities so that voters and people can communicate on there much easier. The communication, the media, the water restrictions, all these things within a limited budget.

To come more directly to the member's question, or the follow-up statement. There were disciplinary hearings resulting from this, but I do not think it is the space in which we should handle disciplinary hearings. There was a process; the official – of course with the MM the accounting official takes responsibility for any expenses, and there are a number, the complaint was laid, a person had resigned and had left the municipality.

The President's office replied, so I am sure that the member has seen that complete reply. The President's office was satisfied with that, and I am quite comfortable that the Municipality has done everything in its power to date, within its limited ability, because there are one or two - there is one that I have left out, for example where they wanted to upgrade the Register of Assets monthly. A small municipality does not have that capacity. We do it once a year, and those type of things will always be on the cards.

I just want to make a correction. The member did not inform me of Cederberg; he tried here to explain to me verbally. I am not aware what in Cederberg – we are not aware ... [Interjections.]]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Misleading die Huis.

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: ... wat op Cederberg aangaan nie. As enige, en ek wil tog 'n beroep doen ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: ... what is happening in Cederberg every second. If any, and I want to appeal to ... [interjections.]]

†Mnr D G MITCHELL: Jy mag nie die Huis mislei nie.
[Mr D G MITCHELL: You may not mislead the House.]

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: ... agb Adjunkspeaker, want ek kan ook sê Cederberg, die ANC, daar was 'n hofbevel op 26 Junie dat daar 'n kostebevel teen die ANC raadslede was.

So daar het 'n onregmatige vergadering plaasgevind wat die hof 'n kostebevel teen die raadslede laat gee het. Maar my ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: ... hon Deputy Speaker, because I can also say that Cederberg, the ANC, there was a court order on 26 June that there had been a cost judgement against the ANC members.

So an unlawful meeting had taken place so that the Court handed down a cost judgement against the Council members. But my ... [Interjections.]]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: ... my, die DA lede het nie na die Huis toe gehardloop ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: ... the DA members did not run to the House ... [Interjections.]]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: ... dat [Tussenwerpsels.] Die DA raadslede het nie na die Huis toe gehardloop, [Onhoorbaar.] daar is sekere goed wat politiek bestuur moet word.

So as die ANC so voel moet hulle 'n interdik kry teen die burgemeester. Kry 'n interdik en hanteer dit. [Tussenwerpsels.] Op hierdie stadium het die MM my nie laat weet nie; die Munisipaliteit het my nie laat weet nie. Ons kry nie inligting oor wat elke dag, elke sekonde aangaan in elke munisipaliteit nie. Dankie. [Tussenwerpsels.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: ... that [Interjections.] The DA members did not run to the House, [Inaudible.] There are certain things that must be managed politically.

So if the ANC feels like it, they must get an interdict against the Mayor. Get an interdict and deal with it. [Interjections.] At this stage the MM did not inform me; the Municipality did not inform me. We do not get information every day, every second about what goes on in each municipality. Thank you. [Interjections.]

[Debate concluded.]

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

New question to the Premier:

Criminal Procedure Act 1977: review or amendments to

1. Mr P J Marais asked the Premier:

In the light of the public outcry to amend the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 (Act 51 of 1977):

Whether he has taken any action to advocate the review or amending of this Act; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

THE PREMIER: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker, and can I thank the hon member Marais for the question. The reply is as follows:

1. With regard to the hon member's question, he does not specify which Section of the Act he is referring to, or even perhaps what the – he uses the word in the question "outcry". What outcry? So it is very difficult to answer this question with such a broad spectrum.

Due to the failure of the South African Police Services and the National Government to keep our citizens safe, the Western Cape Government has taken a stronger stance in this regard, but rather than focus on driving legislative amendments that may or may not happen, we will rather be driving an integrated provincial plan where we have more control to make lives better and improve safety proactively.

I can also say that this specific piece of legislation has been amended 78 times already as I see, and I am sure the hon member knows as well. I think he has a member in the National Assembly, and that that member can actually put a private member's Bill if it is a specific change that he wants to be made. [Interjections.] Or perhaps he could raise it through the Standing Committee, of which he is a member, but probably do it through the Safety Standing Committee, on the issues that he would like to have changed, and then start a process. Of course we do not amend national legislation from the Province.

Mr P J MARAIS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The issue here goes far beyond that. We are acting like a lion comes into this room; he kills a lot of people; and then we want to know what is the colour of the lion? How old is this lion? Appoint a commission of inquiry. How did the lion get here? And should we put the lion in a cage or not? What are we doing? Shoot the lion. [Laughter.] Or take him to a ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, please!

Mr P J MARAIS: ... put him in a cage. This is how we are playing with people's lives. Every time something happens we appoint a commission, and this committee must find out, this man who killed that woman, was he hungry? Perhaps he never had a house; perhaps he has been on a waiting list for 20 years?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member, get onto your question, please.

Mr P J MARAIS: Now I want to ask you, in the light of that ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes.

Mr P J MARAIS: ... do you still think your plan would take account of all those factors if the Criminal Procedures Act, clause 60, from sub-section 5, that clause protects criminals. It uses words, like I said in my previous speech, that if a man ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Question, please, hon member.

Mr P J MARAIS: ... cannot afford bail, the judge must allow him a smaller bail.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member, you must ask the question. This is not a speech.

Mr P J MARAIS: No, I want to ask the Minister: are you prepared ... [Interjections.] to suggest, by means of a motion in this House, to ask National Government to amend the Criminal Procedures Act, clause 60, from sub-section 4 and 5, so that bail is not granted to people who have committed murder and rape, and that they do not qualify for early parole?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. Hon Premier.

The PREMIER: No.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Any further ... [Interjections.]

Mr P J MARAIS: I am sure the voters heard that answer; no.

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY, WHICH WAS NOT REPLIED TO,
PUBLISHED FOR ORAL REPLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 206**

Inner-city projects halted by the court

20. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

In his speech during the State of the Province debate on 23 July 2019 he said: "I can tell you now, Mr Speaker, that almost all the projects that were initiated by member Herron in the inner-city were halted by the Court, all of them."

Which inner-city projects were halted by the Court, (b) what is the court case number, (c) who were the applicants and (d) when did the Court halt these projects?

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Deputy Speaker, due to my limitation in expressing myself in the Queen's language, I think I might have omitted one very important word, that would have changed my response dramatically when I spoke about this. Let me just ... [Interjections.]

In response to the question raised by hon member Herron:

20. Indeed I did say that some of the projects, almost all of his projects were halted by the Court, but in fact what I meant was they were halted by court challenges.

In fact some of the projects, when the City realised that they were going to be subjected to the court challenges, the City, in its wisdom, took a decision then to scrap the process and started from scratch, but I do want to concede that I did omit a very important word. Instead of saying "court challenge" I then said "Court". Thank you.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. So it sounds to me as if the hon Minister is saying that what he said on 23 July was not true? Because in fact none of the projects have been halted by Court, and the court challenge is against the City for cancelling one of the projects; and there are more, there are probably more challenges to come with the other projects that were cancelled by the City themselves. By the DA-led City.

So there is no court that has stopped any of the projects that were initiated, it was the City.

So can the Minister please advise which court challenge the City was concerned was going to come, which led them to stop these projects?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister.

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I think I did concede that ...[Interjections.]

Mr B N HERRON: You just say sorry.

An HON MEMBER: Say sorry.

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: No, no-no-no, can I ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, please! Please.

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Can I respond now?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Can we give him an opportunity, thank you.

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: In fact one of the projects was subject to a court challenge by the people, not by the City by the way. By the people who were part of the process. [Interjections.] And the Foreshore Freeway, for example, the City cancelled that project in anticipation of the court challenge, because of a number of complaints in terms of the processes and irregularities that were found in the process and he knows that very well.

So I do want to say, as I said earlier, that when I responded to the question I omitted the word “challenge”. They were not halted by a court; they were halted by a court challenge.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I think first of all the Minister is incorrect. He did not respond to a question. This was his first speech in this House after the Premier’s State of the Province Address, and he was addressing – he introduced this himself, not in response to a question; completely unsolicited, and, I mean the Minister is now suggesting that the people, some people, stopped the Foreshore Freeway project.

Does the Minister not know or understand that the City is being sued by the bidders who participated in the Foreshore Freeway project, for its decision to cancel the Foreshore Freeway project; and that there is nobody, no people that are trying to stop the Foreshore Freeway project. It was the City who tried to stop the Foreshore Freeway project, and the bidders who participate in the project are now suing the City to review and set aside that decision.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon Minister, if you can answer that question.

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: But I just said that. I said .. [Interjections.] - no-no-no-no ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, please, hon members. Can we ...[Interjections.]

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Can people listen very carefully, okay? I said in the case of the Foreshore it is the City in its wisdom that took a decision to reverse the process that was clearly flawed.

Now the people who are challenging the City – well, they are more than welcome. That must be a subject of the court challenge which will take its own process, but it is the City that took the decision. I just said that in the case of Foreshore Project; but I did also say that one of the projects was actually a subject of a court challenge ... [Interjections.]

Mr B N HERRON: Which one?

Mr P MARRAN: Which one?

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: ... which is Maiden's Cove.

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: So – but the point that I wanted to make here, because when I responded to this question ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: It was not a question.

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Sorry, sorry, sorry.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

An HON MEMBER: Which one?

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Sorry. Now when I responded to this challenge, I – because I need to bring context now to this issue – the member presented himself as the champion of the inner-city development; where in fact, under his watch, he did not do a single inner-city development because, one ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: ... some of these projects were the subject of a court challenge but secondly some of these projects the City decided, in its wisdom ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Which one?

Mr M XEGO: Which one?

The MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: ... to reverse the process because of the risk of being challenged. So of course the successful bidders have every right to challenge, that will take its own process.

Mr P MARRAN: Which one?

The DEPUTY CHIF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. In the same SOPA debate speech the Minister spoke about the strategic use of property to address spatial transformation. He also said that he would be challenging and requesting that the National Minister of Public Works would release strategic pieces of land for exactly this goal. So my question to the Minister is, did he address this with the National Minister and if so, what was the outcome?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much for that follow-up question. One of the things that I said is that if we are to stimulate the economy, attract investment and really deal with infrastructure investment, it would be very important to work together as all spheres of government.

That is one of the issues I addressed when I met the National Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure and I must say Deputy Speaker, that we did agree that we must look at the possibility of partnering, especially in our properties, both that are owned by National Public Works and Provincial Public Works. It is exactly the process that we are busy with, with the National Minister because it is in the interests of the people of this province that we work together and use those properties for their benefit.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Minister, in the same SOPA you highlighted that dismal delivery record of the USDG and HSDG under the tenure of the previous Mayor where member Herron was also a Mayco member for the DA. [Interjections.] Noting this how did you, in your previous department ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

Ms L M MASEKO: ... intervene in order to bring dignity to the people of the City of Cape Town? [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Minister?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Yes, indeed, it is true ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Yes, hon Deputy Speaker. It is indeed true that there were major concerns around how the Urban Settlement Development Grant was spent, to a point where we were hauled before the National Standing Committee for how poorly the City was performing on this grant.

I think this is also part of what contributed to the challenges in terms of investing in infrastructure in the city and it is a challenge that I took upon myself personally to work with the City, in my previous portfolio, to address it. I must also add, as I am about to sit down Deputy Speaker, that that was one of the issues that I used address and raise constantly with the City, under member Herron at the time, which was never really addressed.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. That is the end of this question. I move over to the next question ... [Interjection.]

Mr B N HERRON: Hon Deputy Speaker, I have been jumping up and down like a jack in the box.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes but when you spoke, I then gave to hon Mitchell ... [Interjection.]

Mr B N HERRON: Yes, but I would like ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Remember there are four follow-ups hon Herron. So, my apologies, the four follow-ups are done.

Mr B N HERRON: I will send another one.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Noted. You have that right, hon Herron. I then see hon Minister Fernandez.

New questions

NGOs in Mitchells Plain

1. Mr R D Mackenzie asked the Minister of Social Development:

Whether her Department is funding NGOs in Mitchells Plain; if so, what are the relevant details;

whether her Department has a monitoring system in place for the NGOs that they are funding in Mitchells Plain; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hon Deputy Speaker, I wish to thank the hon member, in abstentia, for this question. The reply is as follows:

1. Yes, we do fund NGOs in Mitchells Plain and the second part of the question, there is a monitoring system in place. Funded NGOs are assessed yearly in terms of PFMA compliance ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. That is unparliamentary. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, hon members. Hon Minister if you can continue.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: ... their financial statements, quarterly progress reports, non-financial data and validity of the NPO registration. Each programme of the Department has a team consisting of monitoring and evaluation officials who assess financial and governance compliance. A team of social workers also accompany the monitoring and evaluation officials and the social workers assess norms and standards of an NGO as prescribed by the relevant legislation. For example, the Children's Act or Older Persons Act, the system has been recorded in a standard operating procedure and specific monitoring tools are used. Thank you.

Churches and youth organisations in Mitchells Plain: funding

2. Mr R D Mackenzie asked the Minister of Social Development:

Whether her Department has a monitoring system in place for the churches and youth organisations that they are funding in Mitchells Plain; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Thank you, Hon Deputy Speaker. The reply is as follows:

2. The question is the same for churches and the same process in terms of monitoring and evaluation is maintained for religious bodies. Thank you.

Mr P J MARAIS: Hon Minister, I am very interested in what you are doing with NGOs, especially where church and youth bodies are involved. As you are aware, your Minister for Education has made it her duty to close as many schools as possible, so will you use those buildings for NGOs? [Interjections.] Before those buildings are destroyed through vandalism, are you prepared to consider giving those buildings to churches and to NGOs and youth groups which they can use to uplift the coloured and black communities? Are you prepared to do that Minister?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: To direct or respond to the hon member's question, buildings fit in the domain of Public Works, provincially or nationally.

However where there is a need for accommodation for safe houses, NGOs and rehabs, and as requests come in and as we do our oversight work, we do try and identify sites that can be used in communities to bring a package of services closer to the community than we currently have. Thank you.

Mr P J MARAIS: Hon Minister, I know these buildings go to Public Works once you say you do not need them but there should be co-ordination, on a Cabinet level, about these issues. Ministers are not islands on their own, so do you consult with the Public Works Department about making those buildings available to churches or NGOs for useful purposes?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hon member, it might be a new question but I am willing to take it. Yes, as a Cabinet we work transversally, so no Minister is an island, we talk to each other and we have coalesced ourselves. So it is Health, Education, Social Development, Sports, Art and Culture. We work together and that is part of the Premier's bigger plan, where we actually want to do systemic work on the ground, transversally, to create impact in communities and it means that we need to talk to each other to bring a product to the market. Thank you.

Indoor netball and soccer matches: Nooitgedacht and Delft

4. Mr P J Marais asked the Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:

Whether the Nooitgedacht and Delft community halls are included in her discussions with the City of Cape Town and other municipalities for utilisation for indoor netball and soccer matches; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORTS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. †Baie dankie agbare Marais vir die vraag. Die antwoord is soos volg:

4. Bogenoemde fasiliteite is die Stad Kaapstad se eiendom en is dit dus die verantwoordelikheid van die Munisipaliteit wat betref die instandhouding, gebruik en bestuur, insluitende sekuriteitsdienste. Ons het die inligting van die Stad Kaapstad aangevra om aan te dui of die twee betrokke sale aan die norme en standarde van die twee genoemde kodes voldoen, en ons gaan ook met die twee betrokke sportorganisasies beraadslaag om vas te stel of die lokale geskik is vir hul sportkodes. Ons sal die nodige inligting deurstuur sodra ons dit ontvang het.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[Thank you hon Marais for the question The reply is as follows:

4. The above facilities are the property of the City of Cape Town and it is therefore the responsibility of the Municipality with regard to the maintenance, use and management, including security services.

We have requested the information from the City of Cape Town to indicate whether the two relevant halls adhere to the norms and standards of the two mentioned codes, and we are also going to consult with the two relevant sporting codes to establish whether the venues are appropriate for their sporting codes. We will send through the necessary information as soon as we have received it.]

†Mnr P J MARAIS: Ek is baie bly om die Minister se antwoord te hoor, en dat sy dit ook in Afrikaans doen, baie dankie. Die punt wat ek wil maak is, ons gaan 'n Olimpiese netbaltoernooi aanbied, dit staar ons in die gesig. Ons mense, veral in bruin en swart gebiede weet nie eens waar om te oefen nie. Hulle het nie velde soos in baie gebiede waar hulle kan netbal speel nie of sokker speel nie, en ek wil net vra, die tyd dat ons konserte gehou het in munisipale sale, is verby, mense kyk TV. Daai sale staan daar soos

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[Mr P J MARAIS: I am very glad to hear the Minister's reply, and also that she does it in Afrikaans, thank you. The point I want to make is, we are going to host Olympic netball, it is staring us in the face. Our people, especially brown and black areas do not even know where to practice. They do not have fields like in many areas where they can play netball or play soccer, and I just want to ask, the time that we held concerts in municipal halls is past, people are watching TV. Those halls are standing there like] †white elephants. Can we not convert it to make it possible for five-a-side soccer or make it available for indoor netball? That would be very acceptable in my community and I ask you to speak seriously to Mr Dan Plato. †Hy kom uit Ravensmead uit, hy weet daar is niks fasiliteite nie, en hy moet antwoorde vir u gee. Ek hoop u kan terugkom, of ander kom ek met 'n mosie in die Raad. [He hails from Ravensmead, he knows there are no facilities, and he has to give you answers. I hope you can come back to us, otherwise I will have to come with a motion in the House.]

†Die MINISTER VAN KULTUURSAKE EN SPORT: Baie dankie, ek wil net noem dat dr Zahid Badroodien is die *Mayco member* en ons het maandeliks 'n vergadering juis oor die fasiliteite en saam met die L.O.C. vir die netbal vir 2023 is ons besig om alle fasiliteite te ondersoek en op te gradeer vir die groot netbaltoernooi.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[The MINISTER OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORT: Thank you, I just want to mention that Dr Zahid Badroodien is the *Mayco member* and along with the L.O.C. for the netball for 2023 we are busy investigating all facilities and upgrading it for the big netball tournament.]

†Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Dankie, agbare Minister.

[The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister.] †Any follow-ups? Yes, I see hon member Xego.

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Minister, what has your Department done in terms of promoting sport participation in townships and ensuring it is done at a school level? Has your Department done anything in collaboration – especially in the townships – to ensure there are activities there?

The MINISTER OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORTS: Thank you, hon member. It is a new question but I am prepared to answer. Yes, with our After School programmes and if you attend our Annual Report on 30 October, we will elaborate on it. But, yes, we do a lot with our schools and also with our NGOs in our communities to have participation with all the relevant codes.

Mr P J MARAIS: Thank you. Hon Minister, I received this request from the communities of Delft and Nooitgedacht, Bishop Lavis. Can I go back to those two civic organisations and say that you will definitely put them on the agenda to discuss with the City of Cape Town for the possibility of that happening in their areas? May I have your permission to carry over your commitment to fighting for those two townships?

†Die MINISTER VAN KULTUURSAKE EN SPORT: Enige tyd.
[Tussenwerpsels.]
[The MINISTER OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORT: Any time.
[Interjections.]]

[Question 5 stands over.]

Cederberg Municipality Council meeting agenda

6. Mr D Smith asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

What was on the agenda of the council meeting of the Cederberg Municipality that took place on 15 August 2019?

†Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Baie dankie agb Adjunkspeaker, baie dankie vir die vraag. Die antwoord is soos volg:

6. Die agenda van die 15de Augustus, opening, aansoek om verlof, verkiesing van die waarnemende Speaker, kommunikasie deur die waarnemende Speaker, kommunikasie deur die uitvoerende burgemeester, sake vir oorweging, items wat die amptenare na die Raad bring, die oorweging van oortrokke fasiliteite, die vervreemding van onroerende eiendom vir ekonomiese ontwikkelingsdoeleindes, en dit is min of meer die agenda. Dankie.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, thank you for the question. The reply is as follows:

6. The agenda of the 15th August, opening, application for leave, election of acting Speaker, communication by the acting Speaker, communication by the Executive Mayor, matters for consideration, items the officials bring to Council, the consideration of overdraft facilities, the disposal of fixed property for economic development purposes, and that is more or less the agenda. Thank you.]

Agricultural activities: research

7. Mr A P van der Westhuizen asked the Minister of Agriculture:

Which agricultural activities have been identified for dedicated research by his Department for the remainder of the current financial year?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Hon Deputy Speaker, I would like to thank the hon member van der Westhuizen for this question. The reply is as follows:

7. Yes, research is a medium term to a long term activity and research projects undertaken by Programme Research and Technology Development of the Department of Agriculture normally run between three to five years. I think members of this House will know that we have introduced an evidence-based practice and particularly given the fact that agriculture is both animal science and life sciences, so on a regular basis we conduct research.

In the 2019/2020 financial year, 35 projects in animal sciences, 33 in plant sciences and 2 in resource unit will be executed. An average of two to three projects are also submitted to the research committee for approval and approval is granted with due consideration of the available budget in this particular sub-programme.

Animal science projects focus specifically on dairy research and beef research, small stock and ostrich research and the breeding, feeding and management aspects thereof. I think members of this House are also aware that we have seven research farms where this research is being conducted, not only for the Western Cape but for South Africa. I think it is also important for members of this House to note that between 2009 and 2019, over the last 10 years, the research has indicated that we had a significant reduction, for example, in the dairy products, particularly the milk industry. We had about 3 200 milk producers and we have lost many of them. We now have only about 1 260. We had a 65% reduction in this specific field of agriculture, in terms of milk producers. But what we have also seen is that some of these milk producers have increased their capacity, even up to 78%, in milk production. So we welcome and appreciate that specific aspect in terms of the research.

But, hon Deputy Speaker, in terms of the plant science project, they also focus on small grains with the main focus on conservation agriculture, evaluation of plant pathology, potato production, veld management, vegetation production, alternative crops, wheat management and pastoral research.

The projects in the research unit focus also on climate predictions as well as the centennial satellite portal being developed.

I think members of this House are also aware that we have established a drought portal, that drought portal is a result of research. We have also decided, because of the nature of agriculture, because of the nature of climate change that we have also developed alternative crop modelling and it is also very important that you, as a member of the committee, appreciate that we have developed alternative crop funds focusing on alternative crops with higher labour requirements and export potential.

I think the hon member will also appreciate, as a member of the committee, what we do in this Parliament, we also bring up the information so that the members can also represent Parliament outside with the real facts, and I think the hon member Pat Marran is very active in agriculture and to be active you need the right information and so I am very happy to pass the right information on to him ... [Interjection.].

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, order. [Interjections.] Order, hon members.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Yes, I like hon Pat Marran because he is in agriculture and we are ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No, no, no. Hon member Marran. No, hon Minister. Can you speak to me?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Hon Deputy Speaker, I think with the alternative crop model we have seen significant changes in that, particularly in the labour requirements and the export potential. For example, we have done some research that shows that there is a great potential for the market, specifically in the blueberry industry and also in the cherry industry.

The Department has, for example, commissioned specific research on blueberries and the research has now shown that significant export potential happened in that particular market and next week, I think, I am going to see the people from the blueberry industry. The Department, in addition, has also put, I think, R690 000 into the alternative crops, for example specifically in cherries. That is now a big global market and I know Mr Pat would like to export cherries ... [Interjections.] so if he wants to – so the research[Interjections.]

Mr Marran can use the research. If he no longer wants to be a member of this House, he can use the research and maybe consider an alternative career because this information is very important from a research perspective.

I think what we have also done, on a more serious note, hon Deputy Speaker, we have recently launched the B-Fab Baseline Research which is the agricultural outlook for 2018 to 2027, which is authoritatively researched. It is a national collaboration. We put in money, we have done some significant research and we welcome the evidence based practice. When I go to the Minister of Finance in the MTEC engagements, I will be taking two documents, the B-FAB research evidence based practice and the Provincial Economic Review and Outlook.

In addition, I think this House has seen before, under your leadership hon Deputy Speaker, when you were the Minister of Agriculture, the great work that you did with the Agricultural Trilingual Dictionary: English, Afrikaans, IsiXhosa. I think this is great work. You cannot publish a dictionary without research.

In addition to that, hon Deputy Speaker, also under your leadership as the previous Minister, *Abundant Harvest*, the Western Cape agriculture success stories. To document success stories, you need research and so we are particularly happy since we also have some extensive involvement of women in agriculture under your leadership. You have also published a research document *Abundant Harvest: Women at Work* and I think Mr Pat Marran will appreciate that the research of women and the work of women is being acknowledged. Ms Vos, thank you for your acknowledgment in that regard.

In addition to that, we are also publishing on a quarterly basis the *Agri Pro*. This is a magazine distributed to 8000 people in agriculture and we are particularly happy for the work that we are doing in this particular regard. In addition, I think hon Pat Marran will appreciate a copy of this and Madam Deputy Speaker, with your permission, can I hand him a copy?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I will give you that permission, hon Minister. [Applause.] Thank you, Minister. I see the hon Van der Westhuizen.

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. On a lighter note I can assure you that hon Marran does not need a manual to deal with cherries. [Interjections.] †Kan ek net vir u vra, Minister...[Gelag.] Agbare Speaker, ek wil graag van Minister Meyer net weet ... [May I just ask you, Minister ...[Laughter.] Hon Speaker, I just want to know from Minister Meyer ...]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, please.

†Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: ... speel die potensiaal van sekere landbou-studievelde om 'n bydrae te lewer tot ekonomiese groei en werkskepping, dalk 'n rol in die identifisering van daardie velde as navorsingsvelde vir die Wes-Kaapse Departement van Landbou? Dankie.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: ... does the potential of certain agricultural fields of study to make a contribution to economic growth and job creation perhaps play a role in the identification of those fields as research fields for the Western Cape Department of Agriculture? Thank you.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon Minister.

†Die MINISTER VAN LANDBOU: Dankie, agb Adjunkspeaker, in die konteks van watter ander velde vir navorsing is daar; die Wes-Kaapse regering is verbind tot ekonomiese groei, die Wes-Kaapse premier, asook die onlangse

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Thank, hon Deputy Speaker, in the context of which other fields there are; the Western Cape Government is committed to economic growth, the Western Cape Premier as well as the recent] †tabling of the Municipal Economic Review and Outlook as well as the Provincial Economic Review and Outlook by the hon Minister of Finance, have indicated two big trends. Firstly, that the biggest export growth in the agricultural sector, from the Minister of Finance's report, has happened in the area of the Overberg, in terms of export growth.

The second part of the research, indicated in the MERO, was that last year the biggest single growth in the five district municipalities happened in the West Coast, so certainly one would like to look at the research capabilities that are needed to grow the economy further in that particular area.

I think hon members will also know that the drought is still severe in Matzikama so we also think that research needs to be done in that particular area, specifically in the area where we have, I think intentional competitive advantage in terms of our export capabilities.

From a research perspective, we have now at the end of September closed the call for proposals for additional research and the committee will evaluate these research proposals to determine to what extent this research will facilitate the number one strategic objective of this Government, namely to grow the economy.

But, it is clear, globally, there is also a big demand for organic wine, organic products, so this is also something that I think needs and requires further research. One of the big research institutions is at the George Agricultural College. Hon member Nkondlo, I would like to invite you to the Outeniqua Dairy Research Institute. I think that is very important. I think I will also invite the hon member, since he is from Bitou, to the very important research farm that we have in his area and that is ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: ... in terms of ostrich research. So, I think, hon member Van der Westhuizen, since we believe in an asymmetrical approach to economic development we will also commission another study later this year about the growth potential of township regions, and because we believe in an asymmetrical approach to economic development, that will guide our research and development. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Minister. I see the hon Marran.

Mr P MARRAN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I hope the Minister does not mention my name in his sleep because ... [Laughter.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): What is the question?

Mr P MARRAN: There is only one Speaker. I just want to check with the Minister. The Minister has said that ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Speak to that speaker then.

Mr P MARRAN: I just want to check with the Minister. Minister, you have said that there is a big export market for berries ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Cherries.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Speak through the Chair.

Mr P MARRAN: I am speaking through the mic!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members ...

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Speak through the Chair.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am in control, thank you.

Mr P MARRAN: Allow me to speak through the mic! [Laughter.] Please. Allow me to speak through the mic.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Marran, get on to your question please.

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, we have heard the Minister say that there is a big export market for berries. I just want to check because I have not heard the Minister speak about these particular products and it seems most applications for the production of cannabis are those who are currently farming berries, meaning it will impact on that particular industry. Is there or will there be any research, because you have said that you are doing research for the whole country, when it comes to cannabis and what impact will it have on the berry industry?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE: Hon member, you have asked me not to mention your name and I will respect your wish. [Interjections.]. Hon Deputy Speaker, I think in addition to what I have mentioned there are export markets specifically focused – and I will come to the question later on – the issue of cherries, the issues of olives, berries, blueberries, honey bush tea, to just mention a few.

I believe that we are now entering a new phase with the cannabis industry. I believe we need further research and evidence but from different sectors. I have noted the issue of the City of Cape Town and the location for cannabis farming in Atlantis and I will certainly engage with my colleagues in this particular regard. I have to make it absolutely clear, I want to be unambiguously on the record, the research must guide us because there are huge implications for education, there are huge implications for mental health and the research must indicate to me where we are going with this and so I would welcome anybody and any research in this particular regard.

And so since this is an industry for economic growth potential specifically. I was recently in the East. They use this specifically in many of the pharmacies, specifically cannabis oil.

So I think the research both from the medical science, hon Minister of Health, I will seek her guidance. I will seek the guidance of the Minister of Social Development in terms of the social impact. I will research the economic potential and certainly this will be a collective research investigation in terms of this. There is absolute clarity in my mind that this must be a product of research and investigations and like any research that this Government does, we always pilot it in a specific area to see the success and the multiplication. I have little doubt that this Government is committed to research and evidence based practice to stimulate economic development.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you hon Minister. Any follow-up questions? Hon Marran.

Mr P MARRAN: No not a question Chair, I am just glad I could assist the MEC when it comes to this specific product. Hon Minister, never forget my name. Thank you. [Laughter.]

Independent power producers

8. Ms D M Baartman asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

Whether independent power producers generate sufficient energy to supply in all the energy needs of the province; if so,

whether there are plans for the Province to secure energy from these producers; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The reply is as follows:

8. There are currently 12 independent power producers generating electricity through solar and wind power in the Western Cape. These independent power producers have a combined generation capacity of 452 Megawatts. Three new independent power producers are currently under construction and when they come on line which will hopefully be within 14 months, they will bring the total independent power producers' electricity generation capacity in the Western Cape to 732 Megawatts.

The Western Cape's peak load requires approximately 3 900 Megawatts. As such, the cumulative capacity of the IPPs located in the Western Cape can only provide for a small proportion of the province's electricity needs. The electricity produced by IPPs would also not be sufficient without supplementary options such as battery storage, as wind and solar energy are, of course, intermittent sources of power.

There are currently no utility scale battery storage facilities in the province which would of course allow excess renewable energy to be stored and used when required. But of course Eskom has several battery storage development projects underway, five of which are being undertaken in the Western Cape.

The Western Cape Government does not have a constitutional mandate as an electricity generator or distributor and is therefore of course not empowered to purchase power from IPPs.

The current model for IPPS only allows for Eskom to purchase from IPPs and the IPPs under contract with Eskom provide of course, all their power to Eskom. The power generated from IPPS goes directly into the national grid and is therefore not for the sole use of the Western Cape.

Municipalities are able to purchase electricity and a number of Metros, including the City of Cape Town, have written to the National Minister of Energy to request a determination to allow them to procure from independent power producers. And of course the City of Cape Town has taken the National Minister of Energy to court to challenge the legal basis for preventing municipalities from procuring power from IPPs and of course we wait the outcome of this court case. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, through you, if the Minister could simply indicate to us what the main obstacles currently are for Western Cape municipalities in order to procure this energy directly from independent power producers? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you. There are several obstacles, hon Deputy Speaker. Despite the fact, of course, that independent power producers have attracted up to R200 billion worth of investment, there are several obstacles. One obstacle is policy uncertainty with the delay in the Integrated Resource Plan, which of course is our electricity road map, stuck in Nedlac, which creates uncertainty about opportunities for further investment by independent power producers.

Then, of course, there is leadership instability with the axing of Karen Breytenbach who headed up the Independent Power Producers office. And then, most importantly, as I alluded to in my reply, there is regulation, where National Government prevents municipalities from purchasing electricity directly from the independent power producers, which is not in the interests of consumers or in the interests of business. It is in the interests of maintaining a monstrous monopoly in the form of Eskom.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, through you, if the Minister can just indicate whether the Western Cape ... [Interjection.]

CHIEF WHIP (DA): On a point of order Madam Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: One minute.

CHIEF WHIP (DA): The hon member is on the phone.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Lili ...

CHIEF WHIP (DA): My goodness.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Can you put that down? Otherwise you will have to leave the House. Thank you very much. [Interjections.]. And can I just ask I am not hearing hon Baartman very well. If you can just speak into your mic. Thank you, hon Baartman.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I would just like to know from the Minister whether the Western Cape is currently investing in any alternative energy sources and if so, what are those details?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon member. I would just like to assure hon members that the hon Lili was not phoning me! [Laughter.] Hon Deputy Speaker, I think one of the exciting alternatives ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order members. Members we have the Minister on the floor. [Interjections.]. Minister Maynier?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. One of the exciting alternative forms of energy is natural gas, but again, since 2016 there has been such significant uncertainty that this Government has continued to prepare for the possible importation of natural gas at Saldanha Bay.

We have completed several feasibility studies, the most recent funded by the US Trade and Development Agency and of course we have a memorandum of co-operation with Transnet to develop infrastructure to facilitate the national gas economy in the Western Cape. It presents exciting opportunities because of course we could convert the diesel fire turbines at Ankerlig to use natural gas which would be cheaper and would be in the interests of consumers and businesses in the Western Cape.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: If the Minister could please indicate how many of our municipalities currently have legislation in place should the National Minister of Energy decide that we can have Section 34 determinations out of the [Inaudible.] provinces? [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. We have in fact made considerable progress on the uptake of small scale embedded generation. 23 of our 25 municipalities have in fact adopted by-laws enabling small scale embedded generation and 19 of our 25 municipalities have approved feed-in tariffs and we are on track, we believe, to achieve the 135 Megawatts of installed rooftop solar PV by 2020 in the Western Cape, which we believe is good news.

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I just want to check with the Minister, what is the price competitiveness of the IPPs given the current cost per Kilowatt that both households and industries are paying?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Hon Speaker, I am not familiar with the current details but IPPS are becoming competitive all the time and more competitive as time goes by. But I am not familiar with the current pricing details. I will be happy to revert to my Department and furnish the member with a reply in writing. [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. That is the end of Questions for Oral Reply.

Questions and replies as received from departments

QUESTIONS

For written reply

Kannaland Municipality and Department of Transport and Public Works

1. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

With reference to the Ladismith Municipality:

(a) Which facilities at the Kannaland Municipality belong to the Department of Transport and Public Works and (b) the maintenance of which roads or road networks is the responsibility of the provincial Department of Transport and Public Works?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

- 1 (a) Below is a list of facilities within the Kannaland Municipal area belonging to the Department of Transport and Public Works:

LAND USE	FACILITY
COMMUNITY CENTRE	113 CHURCH STR, VAN WYKSDORP
OFFICES	16 ALBERT STR, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
HOSPITAL AND NURSE'S HOME	ALAN BLYTH HOSPITAL & NURSE'S HOME
FARM	AMALIENSTEIN
CLINIC	CALITZDORP CLINIC
SCHOOL	CALITZDORP HIGH SCHOOL
FARM	FARM HET GROOTE VISCHGAT
SCHOOL	GAMKA OOS PRIMARY SCHOOL
NATURE RESERVE	GAMKABERG NATURE RESERVE
SCHOOL	LADISMITH HIGH SCHOOL
SCHOOL & HOSTEL	LADISMITH SECONDARY SCHOOL & HOSTEL
NATURE RESERVE	PAARDENBERG NATURE RESERVE
ROAD CAMP	PROVINCIAL ROADS DEPARTMENT - LADISMITH
NATURE RESERVE	ROOIBERG NATURE CONSERVATION - LADISMITH
SCHOOL	TOWERKOP PRIMARY SCHOOL
SCHOOL	VAN WYKSDORP PRIMARY SCHOOL
CLINIC	VAN WYKSDORP SATELLITE CLINIC
AMBULANCE STATION	WESTERN CAPE METRO AMBULANCE SERVICE
CLINIC	ZOAR CLINIC

- (b) The provincial Department of Transport and Public Works is responsible for all proclaimed provincial roads in the Kannaland municipal area. This network consists of 5 Trunk Road sections, 9 Main Roads, 34 Divisional Roads and 92 Minor Roads with a combined total length of 1044 km. The Municipality is responsible for proclaimed municipal main roads and all municipal streets. The municipal main roads in Kannaland are as follows. In Ladismith: Main Road 31 (440m), Main Road 365 (680m) and Main Road 366 (270m). In Calitzdorp: Main Road 31 (1650m) and Main Road 361 (800m). In total there are therefore 3,84 km of proclaimed municipal main roads in Kannaland.

Kannaland Municipality: Community Development Workers

2. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:

- (a) How many community-development workers are employed by the Kannaland Municipality, (b) what is their purpose, (c) how much is their stipend and (d) who funds their operations?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

- 2 (a) The 6 (six) Community Development Workers (CDWs) in Kannaland Municipality are employed by the Department of Local Government. These CDWs are on the staff establishment of the Department of Local Government.

Kannaland Municipality does not have Community Development Workers on their own employment.

- (b) In line with Section 108 of the Public Service Regulations 2016, the purpose of CDWs is to:
- assist with improving service delivery and accessibility of services to the public;
 - assist with inter-governmental coordination between government line departments and the three spheres of government;
 - facilitate community development and stronger interaction and partnerships between government and communities; and
 - support participatory democracy.
- (c) CDWs are public servants who are employed in terms of the Public Service Act, 1994 and are remunerated on a Salary Level 6.
- (d) The Department of Local Government as the employer of the 6 (six) CDWs, based in the Kannaland Municipality, is responsible for the funding of their operations.

*Kannaland Municipality: Social Workers and disability grants***3. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:**

- (1) (a) How many (i) social workers and (ii) auxiliary social workers are currently employed by the Kannaland Municipality and (b) to which areas in the Municipality have they been assigned;
- (2) (a) which services does her Department offer to the people in the Kannaland Municipality and (b) what are the locations of these services;
- (3) (a) what process must be followed when applying for a disability grant and (b) how many disability grants are currently being issued by the Kannaland Municipality?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

KANNALAND Service Delivery Area	NR OF STAFF	SERVICES RENDERED IN ALL AREAS FROM APRIL TO SEPTEMBER 2019
Ladismith and surrounding farms	1x Social Work Supervisor(filled) (DSD)	<u>Child Protection:</u> - Families participated in family preservation programs; - Investigations were conducted to determine whether children need care and protection; - Children were placed in foster care; - Parents and caregivers attended training sessions. - Victim support services were rendered to child victims; - Trauma reports were compiled. - Children and parents participated in child abuse prevention programmes
Calitzdorp (service point) and surrounding farms	2 X Social Worker, 2 x SAW 1 x Community (Child Welfare NGO)	
Van Wyksdorp (service point) and surrounding farms	6x Social Workers(filled) (DSD)	
Zoar (service point)	4x SAW's (2filled &2vacant) (DSD)	
		<u>Social Crime Prevention:</u> - Children in conflict with the law were assessed, - Children was referred to diversion programmes; and - Participated in diversion programmes.

		• Children participated in crime prevention programs. • Adults in conflict with the law were referred to diversion programmes; and • Participated in diversion. • Pre-sentence reports were compiled.
		<u>Social Relief of Distress:</u> • Clients benefitted from undue-hardship; and • Disaster relief services.
		<u>Substance Abuse:</u> • Clients were reached through substance abuse early intervention; and • After care services; • Substance abuse prevention programs were implemented.
		<u>Youth Development:</u> • Young people were linked to skills development and other opportunities.
		<u>Services to Older Persons:</u> • Screening assessments were conducted for admission to residential facilities; • Clients participated in therapeutic and support services; • Clients participated in active ageing programs.
		<u>Services to Persons with Disabilities:</u> • Clients participated in therapeutic and support services
		<u>Victim Empowerment:</u> • Clients participated in therapeutic and support services.

NGOS funded by DSD		
Ladismith		Old Age Home Child Welfare SA social workers Early Childhood Centres
Calitzdorp		Old Age Home Victim Support Services Early Childhood centres
Zoar		Early Childhood centre

3. Complete a disability grant application form at your nearest South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) office in the presence of a SASSA officer. Bring along:
- A medical report and functional assessment report confirming your disability.
 - Proof of marital status (if applicable).
 - Proof of residence.
 - Proof of income or dividends (if any).
 - Proof of assets, including the municipal value of your property.
 - Proof of private pension (if any).
 - Your bank statements for the past three months.
 - Refugee status permit and 13-digit refugee ID.
 - Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF) document ('blue book') or discharge certificate from your previous employer if you were employed.
 - A copy of the will and the first and final liquidation and distribution accounts, if your spouse died within the last five years.

After submitting your application, you will be given a receipt to keep as proof of application.

A list of beneficiaries receiving disability grant can only be obtained by SASSA and not by DSD.

Discarding of fetuses as medical waste

4. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Health:

Whether any cases of fetuses under 26 weeks being discarded as medical waste were reported to her Department in (a) 2017/18, (b) 2018/19 and (c) 2019/20 to date; if so, was consent granted by the respective parents?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

4. (a) No, none was reported for the financial years 2017/18 to date.
- (b)& (c) At facility level non-viable foetuses below 26 weeks are managed are either buried by the family or with formal parental consent via the Anatomical Domain in the transversal Health Care Risk Waste Contract.

Sexual assault at schools in the province

5. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Education:

How many cases of sexual assault involving teachers and non-teachers were recorded at schools in the province in (a) 2017/18, (b) 2018/19 and (c) 2019/20 to date?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

5. (a) 15
(b) 26
(c) 14

Youth unemployment: plans to improve

6. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to the rise in youth unemployment:

Whether he and his Department have a plan to improve the situation; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

6. To address youth unemployment, the Department focuses on skills training in response to industry demands. The Department actively drives a work placement programme (Work and Skills and Artisan Development programme) and various Enterprise Development initiatives.

a. Skills Training

The attainment of higher levels of employment for youth is supported by programmes that aim to address systemic challenges. These programmes look to improve the following:

- Education attainment levels
- School and higher education retention rates
- Career awareness levels
- Life and job readiness skills
- Effective delivery of education and training curricula to address industry needs

- Coordination across a number of stakeholders as it relates to policy, planning implementation and funding of skills development programmes and projects

The Skills Training Programmes are rolled out across the Province based on industry needs and are either supply or demand - led interventions. These are delivered with partners in order to complement existing training programmes, that are conducted or funded by SETAs, DHET and Industry players.

Included amongst these training programmes are:

- (i) **Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Programme:** aims to assist employed and unemployed people to fast track their competence to become trade test ready. Candidates with prior learning experience in demand led priority sectors will be identified and made aware of RPL opportunities.
- (ii) **Mentorship:** The Programme aims to provide experienced or qualified employees with soft skills, mentoring and coaching skills. It is believed that this intervention will assist with the placement of youth. It also assists qualified artisans and people in priority skilled occupations in the workplace, to become mentors to artisanal candidates.
- (iii) **Sector Technical Training:** This programme focuses on the *Software Development at Schools Skills Program*. It exposes youth at school level to foundational coding and software development skills.

b. Work Placement

The Work & Skills programme and the Artisan Development Programme aims to expose youth to work placement experience for a period of 3 to 18 months across the Province, and to equip them with appropriate skills to increase their employability in the following sectors:

- Oil and Gas including boat building, manufacturing and ship repair
- Tourism and Film
- Agri-processing
- Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) and ICT
- Water and Energy

The training and work placement programmes, have been supported by employers who are increasingly looking for people with academic achievements and practical experience.

c. Enterprise Development

The Department is focused on customised support interventions where the demand raised, is focused on youth unemployment in areas such as Paarl and Hanover Park, through the whole of society approach. Small businesses play a vital role in creating jobs, increasing produce volumes, increasing exports, promoting innovation, and promoting entrepreneurship (DSBD, 2017). One of the challenges we are confronted with, relates to how we develop an entrepreneurial culture through the establishment of an effective support ecosystem for potential entrepreneurs and building an entrepreneurial mindset, starting with the youth. The Department has included youth as part of their initiatives being rolled out. The Enterprise Development unit assists small businesses and entrepreneurs across the Western Cape in the following manner:

- (i) The **Advanced Emerging Business Support Programme (EBSP)** provides high-quality low-cost training, aimed at improving the economic and business outcomes of SMMEs. It focuses on improving the managerial and entrepreneurial capabilities of business owners. This programme focuses on equipping one hundred (100) small business owners and entrepreneurs with the relevant business knowledge and skills to enhance the growth, viability and sustainability of their businesses. The two-day training course covers the following topics: growth and strategy management; growth marketing; financial management; and communication skills. Through practical business education, entrepreneurs have the opportunity to increase their business acumen and management skills, which are key determinants of small business success and growth. Managerial capital is critical to strengthening the knowledge, skills and confidence that business owners need to grow sustainable, job-creating enterprises.
- (ii) The **Western Cape Funding Fair** provides a platform for entrepreneurs, funders and business development support organisations to connect, with the goal of seeing successful projects secure funding. This initiative aims to address the obstacle of access to finance faced by many enterprises based in the Western Cape.
- (iii) The **Public-Sector Supplier Development Initiative** is focused on ensuring that businesses become compliant in terms of registration such as the Central Supplier Database, Western Cape Supplier Database (now Supplier Evidence Bank), and tax compliance, to enhance their ability to access government procurement opportunities.

- (iv) The **Supplier Development Programme** works with businesses on a one-to-one basis to improve their performance and expand their capabilities for the benefit of the business owner. It focuses on the oil & gas and agri-processing sectors and assists small businesses (including youth-owned) in areas such as Doringbaai, Stellenbosch, Malmesbury, Cape Town, Piketberg, Darling, Saldanha, Langebaan and Vredenburg.
- (v) The SMME Booster Fund, a R22m allocation, solicited calls from organisations seeking funding assistance to enhance their current businesses development support programmes. The Fund aims to support organisations that are operational in, and servicing rural and township-based SMMEs, however, other SMMEs (e.g. metro-based or sector-specific) where job creation and retention is a real possibility, are not excluded. Youth and women-owned SMMEs were also highlighted as a priority. The Fund will provide financial support to organisations in the business development support environment with existing programmes that are aimed at supporting SMMEs.

The key objectives of the SMME Booster Fund are, *inter alia*, to:

- Ensure that the objectives of job creation (or sustaining and minimising job losses) are adhered to;
- Ensure the sustainability, growth and development of SMMEs; and
- Provide appropriate business development support services to contribute towards business resilience.

One of the categories of the Fund considered proposals addressing youth owned businesses. The Fund will provide financial support to institutions who have existing programmes that provide business development support such as capacity building, training, mentorship, marketing and operational support (including machinery and equipment) to SMMEs (including social enterprises) with either high growth opportunities, who are youth and/or women-owned.

- (vi) The **Western Cape Entrepreneurship Recognition Awards (WCERA)** forms part of the Western Cape Government's SMME support programme to recognise the achievements, passion, and talent of entrepreneurs in the Province. The Department strives to recognise successful entrepreneurs through hosting the WCERA which is an annual public event in recognition of success through entrepreneurship. The WCERA will showcase, recognise and support inspiring, high-potential entrepreneurs, including youth-owned businesses.

The objectives of the WCERA is to:

- Create awareness about entrepreneurship and its potential;
 - Provide a platform to inspire individuals to become job creators as opposed to job seekers; and
 - Provide entrepreneurs and business owners with public exposure and portray them as heroes which enable them to speak about their journey and share their experiences.
- (vii) **SMME Forum** - In partnership with organisations such as the Small Enterprise Development Agency (Seda) and the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) as partners of the DEDAT established and co-ordinated Provincial SMME Forum that comprises all government departments and agencies (e.g. IDC, DTI) supporting small business and entrepreneurship.

Qualified artisans

7. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (a) From 2014 to 2019 to date, how many qualified artisans (red-seal certified) have been produced in the (i) oil and gas, (ii) tourism and (iii) agro-processing sectors, (b) what are the qualifications of these artisans and (c) what is their current status of employment?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

7. The Department of Economic Development and Tourism (DEDAT) invested in the Artisan Development Programme in response to the need for technical and vocational skills required to support the Western Cape economy.

This initiative was supported through the South African Oil and Gas Alliance (SAOGA), noting that after obtaining the theoretical requirements at a Technical Vocational Education and Training College, apprentices are required to spend up to 18 months at companies to gain workplace experience.

Over the period (2014 to 2019) the Department, with partners have placed over 1500 youth with host companies in the manufacturing and construction industries through SAOGA.

An artisanal qualification includes:

- A minimum of N2 Certificate;
- Completed a period of (mostly 18 months) experiential learning in industry under the supervision of a qualified artisan;
- Although Competency Based Modular Training (practical training) is not a requirement, most of the apprentices have completed up to 3 phases of applied learning; and

- Have completed and signed-off logbooks, specific to the respective trade.

The candidates that have completed their respective trades with the 'red seal' have done so at an accredited Trade Assessment Centre. These candidates have been qualified in the following trades: Electricians, Plumbers, Boilermakers, Welders, Carpenters; Fitters, Bricklayers and Toolmakers.

At the Provincial level, although the National Artisan Development Steering Committee (NADSC), data is collected on artisanal candidates entering industry and completing their apprenticeships. Table 1 shows the apprentices entering industry and those finishing between the period 2016/17 and 2018/19 in the Western Cape.

Table 1: Artisans entering and completing their Apprenticeships

Sector	Entered	Finished
Oil and Gas	1844	1485
Hospitality and Tourism	287	77
Agri-processing	1262	1427

The table highlighted in the document takes account of apprentices in a particular academic year and may extend beyond the reporting period. Therefore of importance, is the number of apprentices completing within a financial year, as there will always be an overlap in apprentices entering and completing within a particular academic year.

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However, in a recent tracking study to determine employment efficiencies over the past 3 years, 160 participants who qualified between 2017 and 2019 were contacted, to determine if they were employed post their trade tests.

The survey provided the following information:

- 95% were employed;
- 75% were male and 25% were female;
- 56% were between 21 and 25 years of age and 44% were between 26 and 35 years of age; and
- 51% were African, 48% were Coloured and 1% were White.

It should be noted that the three Project Khulisa sectors were only introduced in 2016/17 and therefore data collection on these sectors is limited to this time period as per the response.

Job creation: Department of Economic Development and Tourism

8. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With reference to the target of 597 000 jobs that was envisioned as a provincial strategic goal (PSG) and the report by the Department of Economic Development and Tourism that a total of 331 514 jobs were created in the three strategic sectors of Project Khulisa (oil and gas, tourism, and agro-processing):

- (1) (a) Which investment projects can be linked directly to this job output and (b) how was it measured;
- (2) what are the (a) gender, (b) geography, (c) age, (d) racial profile and (e) nature (casual, permanent or contract appointment) of these jobs;
- (3) which employment data are used to extrapolate this information, given the fact that Statistics South Africa defines the economic sectors of Project Khulisa but does not have the tourism sector as an example?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

8. (a) It should be noted that the PSG goal was a cluster goal which was contributed to by multiple departments in the cluster. It is thus not accurate to equate the job creation figures from the Project Khulisa sectors which overall achievement against the PSG target. Given that Project Khulisa and the Western Cape Government's broader strategy was to influence an enabling environment for the Western Cape economy to grow and create job opportunities, there are a range of investments that flowed into the economy. However, of the investments captured by Wesgro, it is estimated that R7,5 billion worth of investments were landed in the three strategic sectors specifically.

Please see part (c) for the measurement used.

- (b) The requested breakdown (gender, geography, age, racial profile and nature of these jobs) is not measured at this granular level across the strategic sectors.
- (c) Each of the three Project Khulisa sectors oil and gas, tourism and agro-processing sectors have specific data sources as described below.

Tourism: Output data is generated from International arrivals data and SA Tourism data. The output data is applied to a Western Cape Social Accounting Matrix (SAM) model to generate employment data. In addition, data is reviewed against a number of other industry sources such as OAG Aviation, STR, ACSA, Forward Keys, Wesgro reports.

Agri-processing: The Western Cape Department of Agriculture produces the data from underlying data. This data underpins the production of the Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS).

Oil and Gas: The output data is calculated from ship movement's data, in other words, it is based on the length of time ships are stationary for repair. This data is sourced from Transnet National Port Authority (TNPA), South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA) ship registration data and industry costing data. The output data is applied to the Western Cape SAM model to generate employment data.

Department of Transport and Public Works: Infrastructure budget

9. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

(a) In the 2017/18 financial year, what was the Department's (i) infrastructure budget and (ii) actual expenditure, (b) of that expenditure, what (i) percentage and (ii) rand value went to companies graded 1 to 4 and 5 to 9 by the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB), (c) of these companies, provide the (i) names of the companies, (ii) BBBEE status, (iii) type of projects and (iv) project value and (d) for each of these projects, provide the (i) job numbers, (ii) skills transfer and (iii) involvement of local enterprises (specifically SMMEs in and around the municipal area of the project site)?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

- 9 (a) The infrastructure budget for the 2017/18 financial year, as well as the expenditure for the 2017/18 financial year are reflected in the table below:

2017/18 Infrastructure Budget (a)(i)	2017/18 Expenditure (a)(ii)
R3 435 312 804	R3 426 120 408

(b) Percentage of expenditure allocated to various grade companies

Expenditure to non-CIDB suppliers	CIDB Grades 1 - 4	CIDB Grades 5 - 9	Total
24%	5%	71%	100%
R826 034 027	R165 833 838	R2 434 252 543	R3 426 120 408

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- (c) The list indicating the (i) names of the companies, (ii) BBBEE status, (iii) type of projects and (iv) project value and (d) the job reference number for each of these projects, is attached.

Please note:

The list provided contains 540 companies. To provide details of the work opportunities, skills transfer and involvement of local enterprises for all 540 companies will be onerous. It is suggested that the Honourable Member indicate any specific companies for which this additional information is required. Alternatively, the files for all these contracts can be made available for the Member's inspection within the Department.

(c)(i) Name of company	(c)(ii) BBBEE Status	(c)(iii) Type of projects	(c)(iv) Value of project	(d)(1) Job number	CIDB Grading
Baseline Civil Contractors	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	59 691 942,83	C1003 RHB OFKRAIFONTEIN - MR174	9CE
Amandla Umzali Pardeberg Joint Venture	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	74 413 135,50	C1005 SLENT ROAD	8CE
Sizisa Ukhanyo Trading 77/Bright Idea Projects 1306	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	1 215 510,03	C1007 DYSELSDORP UPGRADE	2CE
Sizisa Ukhanyo Trading 756	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	4 100 379,36	C1007.5 DYSELSDORP	2CE
Brouwers Property	1	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	2 123 908,58	C1007.6 DYSELSDORP	5CE
Baseline Civil Contractors	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	104 711 830,85	C1009.1 KALBASKRAAL	9CE
SMEC South Africa	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	19 522 441,86	C1025 WINGFIELD I/C <u>DESIGN FEES</u>	PSP
Roadmac Surfacing Cape	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	102 960 000,00	C1030 CALEDON - BREDASDORP RESEA	9CE
Entsha Henra	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	86 705 025,65	C1031 OP-DE-TRADOUW BARRYDALE	9CE
Actophambili Roads	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	34 320 650,09	C1032 WITZENBERG AREA RESEAL	8CE

Roadmac Surfacing Cape Pty Ltd	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	86 286 000,00	C1033 YZERFONTEIN - LANGEBAAN	9CE
Roadmac Surfacing Cape (Pty) Ltd	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	34 000 000,00	C1034 BOTRIVIER - HERMANUS RESEA	9CE
Actophambili Roads	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	44 572 273,58	C1035 MOSSGAS - HERBERTSDALE	8CE
Imvula Roads & Civils	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	73 388 925,34	C1037 PRINCE ALBERT ROAD RESEAL	8CE
VE Reticulation Pty Ltd	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	520 464,26	C1038 N7 POTSDAM & MELKBOS I/C	7EP
VE Reticulation Pty Ltd	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	12 942 068,75	C1038.1S/LIGHT B/MANSDAM-POTSDAM	7EP
Hawkins Hawkins & Osborne	1	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	1 352 763,76	C1039.1 RLIGN B/CERD QUARY <u>DESIG</u>	PSP
Power Construction	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	186 535 614,14	C1039.1 RLIGN B/CHERD QUARRY PH	8CE
Actophambili Roads	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	58 850 867,71	C1040 EENDEKUIL-HET KRUIS KEEROM	8CE
Martin & East Pty Ltd	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	71 000 000,00	C1041 N7 - MELKBOS RESEAL	9CE
Roadmac Surfacing Cape Pty Ltd	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	40 621 613,73	C1042 MATJIESFONTEIN RESEAL	9CE

Amandla GCF Construction	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	38 117 789,14	C1044 PHILLIDELPHIA ROAD RESEAL	8CE
Martin & East	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	486 900 000,00	C1046 N1 DURBAN ROAD I/C AFR	9CE
Entsha Henra	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	52 745 495,89	C1047 GEORGE A/PORT, WHITES RD	9CE
Power Construction	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	107 922 130,31	C1048 PAARL - WELLINGTON RESEAL	8CE
SJW Civils	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	18 490 000,02	C1050.1 MONTAGU AREA	7CE
Penny Farthing Engineering	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	10 722 282,55	C1050.2 AKKEDISBERG PASS FILL	8CE
Amandla GCF Construction	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	15 274 973,32	C1051.1 LAINGSBURG AREA	8CE
Exeo Khokela	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	14 219 378,21	C1051.2 WORCESTER AREA	9CE
Alpha Civils	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	15 947 501,72	C1051.3 F/DAMAGE LAINGSBURG AREA	7CE
Penny Farthing	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	8 774 299,90	C1052.1 CASTLE ROCK	8CE
Lwazi Projects	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	11 895 134,42	C1052.2 MILLERS POINT	6CE
Amandla Umzali Pardeberg Joint Venture	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	18 517 142,95	C1052.3 HEIDELBERG AREA	8CE

Amandla/Khubeka Joint Venture	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	18 348 046,02	C1052.4 RIVERSDALE EAST AREA	8CE
Amandla GCF Construction	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	20 562 815,68	C1053.1 LADISMITH AREA	8CE
Stefanutti Stocks Marine	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	14 041 178,33	C1053.2 MONTAGU AREA	9CE
Penny Farthing Engineering S A	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	11 599 453,31	C1053.4 KEURB/STR-N/TURE VALLEY	8CE
Q-Civils	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	9 905 176,60	C1054.3 CULVERT FAIL S/W - S/BOS	7CE
Southern Engineering	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	10 242 134,85	C1054.4GOURITS BRIDGE&ALBERTINIA	7CE
ATN Group	1	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	12 749 850,69	C1054.5 ROBERTSON AREA	4CE
Roadmac Surfacing/Actophambili Joint Venture	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	59 130 000,00	C1081 GORDONS BAY RESEAL	8CE
Actophambili Roads JV	5	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	32 111 266,97	C1084 PAARL - MALMESBURY RESEAL	8CE
Amandla/Umlazi JV	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	81 000 000,00	C1087 STELLENBOSCH -KLAPMUTS RES	8CE
EMPA STRUCTURES PTY LTD	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	2 535 284,39	C1112.1 REFINERY I/C	8CE

Power Construction	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	161 600 624,58	C415.2 SALDANHA - TR77 AFR	8CEPE
Royal Haskoning DHV	1	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	1 715 493,22	C415.2 SALDANHA-TR77 <u>DESIGN FEES</u>	PSP
Martin & East/Isidima Civils Joint Venture	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	138 760 130,71	C498.2 STELLENBOSCH ARTL PHASE 2	9CE
Civils 2000	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	14 633 217,27	C733.6 N2 - MARINERS WAY	9CE
Baseline Civil Contractors	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	190 701 636,57	C751.2 REHAB TR 23/3 GOUDA	9CE
Haw & Inglis Civil Eng.	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	277 000 000,00	C776.3GANSB-ELIM PHASE3UPGR(AFR)	8CE
Penny Farthing Engineering	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	15 153 101,50	C799.2 F/DAM GAB CHAPMANS PEAKDR	8CE
BBE Joint Venture	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	227 282 493,53	C815 WORCESTER (NEKKIES)	9CE
NMC Civils	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	106 016 032,41	C817 MALMESBURY - DARLING REHAB	8CE
Basil Read	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	583 279 179,46	C818 ASHTON - MONTAGU	8CE
Triamic Construction	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	205 000 000,00	C820 ROBERTSON - BONNIEVALE	9CE
Roadmac Surfacing Cape	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	169 725 206,56	C821 PORTERVILLE - PIKETBERG	9CE

Power Construction PTY Ltd	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	182 420 000,00	C822 HARTENBOS - GROOTBRAK	8CEPE
Entsha Henra	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	102 252 200,25	C823.1 HOEKWIL - SAASVELD ROAD	9CE PE
Lexinton's Civil & Plant Hire	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	32 250 000,00	C833 HET-KRUIS-GRAAFWATER REGRAV	7CE
Penny Farthing Engineering	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	88 678 068,56	C835.1 REDELINGSHUYS - ELANDSBAA	8CE
Vusela Construction	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	78 500 000,00	C838.4ACALEDON-HEMEL-EN-AARDE	9CE
Entsha Henra	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	75 390 069,49	C846.1 PLETTENBERG BAY AIRPORT	9CE
Baseline Civil Contractors	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	51 101 660,77	C850 SANDRINGHAMPAD	9CE
SMEC South Africa		Transport Infrastructure: Capital	41 114,31	C852 BOOIJNTIESKRAAL	PSP
SMEC South Africa		Transport Infrastructure: Capital	4 139 440,04	C880/R M5 EXPANSION JOINTS	PSP
Power Construction	8	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	156 939 766,38	C914.1 SPIER ROAD REHAB	8CEPE
Civils 2000	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	281 000 000,00	C914.2 N2 - VLAEBERG	9CE

Group Five	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	352 058 791,24	C917 PIKETBERG - VELDRIFT	9CE
Group Five	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	17 100 000,00	C917.S1 PIKETBERG REHAB	9CE
NMC Civils JV	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	213 647 414,51	C918 OUDTSHOORN - DE RUST	8CE
Roadmac Surfacing Cape	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	178 225 000,00	C920 MOORREESBURG	9CE
Baseline Civil Contractors	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	122 242 981,50	C921 ANNANDALE	9CE
Baseline Civil Contractors	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	18 821 749,60	C958.5 OVERBERG BOTRIVIER	9CE
Amandla GCF Construction	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	18 311 752,17	C959.1 OUDT-CALTZ-LANGKL AREA	8CE
Alpha Civils	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	116 434,00	C960 NUY AREA	7CE
Alpha Civils	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	27 444 590,86	C960.1 VAN WYKSDORP AREA	7CE
Alpha Civils	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	15 489 640,30	C960.2 LADISMITH AREA	7CE
Baseline Civil Contractors	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	9 000 318,60	C960.4 OVERBERG GREYTON	9CE
Alpha Civils	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	286 622,29	C960.5 FLOOD DAMAGE GROOTRIVIER	7CE

Asla Construction Pty Ltd	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	30 042 310,95	C964.1 MOSSELBAY - HARTENBOS	9CE
Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)		Transport Infrastructure: Capital	70 000 000,00	C967.1 HOPEFOELD I/C	PSP
WBHO Construction	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	283 164 359,52	C975.1 SALDANHA BAY IDZ AFR	9CE
Aecom	1	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	1 034 872,77	C975.2 SALDNH <u>DESIGN FEES</u> AFR	PSP
Civils 2000 Pty Ltd	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	45 315 000,00	C981DE HOEK/AURORA/VERVELDT PAS	9CE
Actophambili Roads	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	77 239 367,68	C982 RESEAL HOLGATEN- UNIONDALE	8CE
Amandla Umzali Joint Venture	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	104 166 361,43	C984 GRABOUW - VILLIERSDORP	8CE
Imvula Roads and Civils PTY Ltd	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	34 948 925,27	C988 HOPEFIELD-VREDENBURG/LANGEB	8CE
Martin & East	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	156 960 000,00	C989 N2 - STILBAAI	9CE
Actophambili Roads	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	32 112 006,08	C991 VREDENDAL - VAN RHYNSDORP	8CE
Martin & East	3	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	78 080 000,00	C992 MILNERTON - MELKBOSSTRAND	9CE

Actophoambili Roads	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	73 497 685,10	C995 STORMSVLEI - BREDASDORP	8CE
Actophoambili Roads	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	47 799 601,27	C997 WOLSELEY AREA RESEAL	8CE
Imvula Roads and Civils PTY Ltd	4	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	34 948 925,27	C998 OUDTSHOORN - CANGO CAVES	8CE
Power Construction Pty Ltd	2	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	60 972 719,29	C999 SUID AGTER PAARL ROAD	8CE
Eden District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	200 305,94	CALITZDORP ED DM	0
West Coast District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	6 403 401,95	DE KOP - NOOITGEDACHT WC DM	0
Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	3 590 053,23	<u>DESIGN FEES</u> NEW	PSP
Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	79 973 525,47	<u>DESIGN FEES</u> REHAB	PSP
Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	19 025 715,70	<u>DESIGN FEES</u> UPGR	PSP
Eden District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	620 574,66	DYSELSDORP ED DM	0
West Coast District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	19 050 227,57	ELANDSBAAI - LAMBERTSBAAI WC DM	0
Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	9 208 091,30	FMS ON N-ROUTES NEW	PSP

Eden District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	39 518 912,66	FRIEMERSHEIM ED DM	0
Overberg District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	10 306 413,17	GREYMEAD OB DM	0
Cape Winelands District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	4 365 804,97	HAASEKRAAL CW DM	0
Overberg District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	4 574 323,04	HANGKLIP OB DM	0
West Coast District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	3 740 502,60	KORINGBERG WC DM	0
West Coast District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	23 078 108,65	MUISBOS PAD WC DM	0
Eden District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	117 934,49	N2 - SWARTVLEI ED DM	0
Overberg District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	2 670,99	OLIVEDALE OB DM	0
Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	919 484,37	PLANNING FEES NEW	PSP
Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	6 447 883,51	PLANNING FEES UPGRD	PSP
Central Karoo District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	19 041 565,42	REGRAVEL CK DM	0

Cape Winelands District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	26 594 190,49	REGRAVEL CW DM	0
Eden District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	21 655 321,81	REGRAVEL ED DM	0
Overberg District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	30 387 533,93	REGRAVEL OB DM	0
West Coast District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	12 903 419,26	REGRAVEL WC DM	0
Cape Winelands District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	13 192 292,50	RESEAL CW DM	0
Eden District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	14 945 409,34	RESEAL ED DM	0
Overberg District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	10 176 494,65	RESEAL OB DM	0
West Coast District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	13 293 874,24	RESEAL WC DM	0
Cape Winelands District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	5 956 716,36	TWEE JONGE GESELLEN CW DM	0
West Coast District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure: Capital	7 577 586,27	WARMBADPAD WC DM	0
Aurecon	1	General Infrastructure: Capital	2 429 023,30	WC 85	PSP

Framework: Multiple Suppliers for rendering of Security Services(SFP & Security and Fire Pty Ltd, Fang Fences and Guards Pty Ltd, IDTek Solutions)	0	General Infrastructure: Capital	6 326 185,30	WC01	0
Status Africa	3	General Infrastructure: Capital	16 000 000,00	WC022	7GB
GVK SiyaZama	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	6 570 000,00	WC03	8GB
Superway Construction	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	7 480 000,00	WC06	9CE
Grinekar LTA	3	General Infrastructure: Capital	108 620 000,00	WC08	9GB
Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)	1	General Infrastructure: Capital	2 000 000,00	WC09	0
GVK SiyaZama	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	67 948 075,00	WC10	8GB
Prema Raciti Construction	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	16 924 902,04	WC11	7GB
Shared Energy Management	3	General Infrastructure: Capital	25 572 782,35	WC13	5EB
SR Civils	1	General Infrastructure: Capital	9 558 225,73	WC14	5CE
Strate Civils	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	4 993 772,32	WC15	7CE

Payment to PSP for Building related work (Multiple Suppliers)	1	General Infrastructure: Capital	7 000 000,00	WC16	0
Edge to Edge	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	15 285 320,00	WC18	8GB
Status Africa	3	General Infrastructure: Capital	12 570 121,58	WC21	7GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance (Various suppliers)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	11 089 250,39	WC23	2GB
Framework: Rehab and Renovations and Refurbishments 2016-2019 (Various suppliers)	3	General Infrastructure: Capital	8 001 461,27	WC24	7GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance (Various suppliers)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	4 210 589,03	WC25	2GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance (Various suppliers)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	766 311,73	WC26	2GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance (Various suppliers)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	16 375,03	WC27	2GB
Multiple Suppliers for rendering of Building Services	3	General Infrastructure: Capital	4 038 046,10	WC28	7BG
Denbar Services	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	915 676,16	WC31	0
Prema Raciti Construction	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	21 085 867,72	WC32	7GB

Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance (Various suppliers)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	379 605,87	WC33	2GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance (Various suppliers)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	742 340,36	WC34	2GB
ZAF Construction (Modernisation Framework)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	11 503 781,92	WC36	6GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance (Various suppliers)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	5 058 737,67	WC41	2GB
Schindlers	0	General Infrastructure: Capital	8 923 077,35	WC44	7SI
ITD Air conditioning	7	General Infrastructure: Capital	32 000 000,00	WC45	0
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	6 263,55	WC49	2GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	17 638 154,01	WC50	2GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	11 355 997,47	WC51	2GB
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	698 643,06	WC52	2GB
ZAF Construction	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	3 315 367,00	WC55	6GB

Superway Construction		General Infrastructure: Capital		WC62	9CE
Framework: Multi Discipline Day to Day Maintenance	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	3 332 343,59	WC64	2GB
AR Projects and Developments	1	General Infrastructure: Capital	16 896 851,36	WC67	7GB
ACV Civils PTY Ltd	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	7 200 000,00	WC77	7CE
Bouvest 2117	1	General Infrastructure: Capital	5 139 788,67	WC78	6GB
Ezone construction	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	1 836 532,29	WC79	2SO
Patkum Construction	1	General Infrastructure: Capital	179 340,80	WC80	7GB
Multiple Suppliers for rendering of Building Services		General Infrastructure: Capital		WC84	
Various suppliers - Drought intervention programme and Geohydrologist	0	General Infrastructure: Capital	31 575 000,00	WC87	0
Prima Raciti Construction	2	General Infrastructure: Capital	1 080 283,53	WC88	7GB
KFD Wilkinson	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	1 091 205,34	WC89	PSP
Various suppliers (Quotes)	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	1 457 368,21	WC90	0

Multiple Suppliers - Framework 3 YEAR MAINTENANCE: FRAMEWORK EMERGENCY ELECTRICAL REPAIRS	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	412 590,07	WC94	2GB
Aspire Architects	4	General Infrastructure: Capital	4 473 243,91	WC95	PSP
Magesh and Buntu Builders cc	0	General Infrastructure: Capital	660 667,76	WC96	6GB
Caoe Guru Construction	3	General Infrastructure: Capital	500 460,00	WC97	4GB
Haw & Inglis	2	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	16 000 000,00	R/LT 20/2013	8CE
The SA National Roads Agency	0	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	1 403 662,78	MAINT & REP: FMS	0
Multiple Suppliers	4	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	6 511 200,50	s031/16: MAINT & REP: ROADS RESERVE	0
Multiple Suppliers	4	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	3 926 134,26	S031/16: MAINT & REP: ROADS SUFRACED	0
Oudtshoorn Sweiswerke	0	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	19 977,14	OR-023338 ;MAINT & REP: SEWERS	1
Adenco Construction	1	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	20 002 503,71	MAINT & REP: STREET LIGHTING	7CE
Central Karoo District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	21 658 434,58	MAINT BY CK DM PR3	0

Cape Winelands District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	48 161 884,26	MAINT BY CW DM PR3	0
Eden District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	74 029 316,60	MAINT BY ED DM PR3	0
Eden District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	9 540 791,52	MAINT BY ED DM PR3 - DISASTER	0
Overberg District Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	31 427 859,14	MAINT BY OB DM PR3	0
West Coast Municipality	0	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	47 987 430,46	MAINT BY WC DM PR3	0
Aurecon	1	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	14 996 631,37	S031/16	PSP
Multiple Suppliers: Framework	4	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	5 522 197,19	S078/16	6SK
Multiple Suppliers: Framework	2	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	89 413 981,74	C1057	6CE
Rainbow Civils	1	Transport Infrastructure Maintenance	30 569 039,16	C1057	8CE
PYRAMID ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS C	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	132 760,98	9 DORP STR (CT)	6EP
B N BUZIBA & ASSOCIATES CAPE CC	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	209 198,58	9 DORP STR (CT)	0
Muster Property Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	562 970,24	DE NOVO REHAB CTR (OB)	0

CSM CONSULTING SERVICES (PTY) LT	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	47 275,19	EF OUDTSHOORN (OUD)	1CE
R&T SECURITY SYSTEMS CC	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 789,46	EF OUDTSHOORN (OUD)	3SF
THE BUSINESS ZONE 2213 T/A PHOEN	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	175 560,00	EF OUDTSHOORN (OUD)	1 CE
Midron Construction & Property Development	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	430 678,32	G001/16-BI:R & R	2GB
Quincy Fire Installations CC	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	341 200,51	G001/17-MI: FIRE EQUIP SERV	2SF
Bright Idea Projects 322 cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	309 897,60	G002/16-BI:R & R	4GB
AMT Systems	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	229 809,18	G002/17-MI: LP GAS	0
Midron Construction & Property Development	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	486 157,00	G003/16-BI:R & R	2GB
A Maree	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	221 494,00	G004/16-BI:R & R	2GB
Karoo Lugreeling en Verkoeling	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 805 304,00	G004/17-MI: AIR CONDITIONING	3ME
Kuthele General Projects & Silver Mountain Project	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 399 802,60	G006/17-BI: ACCESS ROAD	6GB

CD Emmie Construction cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 915 607,89	G007/15-BI:ACCESS ROAD	4GB
Inyameko Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	6 120 844,68	G007/17-BI: R & R	6GB
C D Emmie Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 964 475,36	G008/17-MI: WATER SUPPLY	4GB
NAYLOR NAYLOR & VAN SCHALKWYK	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	17 242,06	G011/16-MI:WATER SUPPLY	0
R and T Security Systems	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	86 791,05	G011/17-EI: R & R	3SF
KAROO LUGREELING & VERKOELING	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	275 362,47	G013/16-MI: HVAC	3ME
Garden Route Generator Services	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	53 431,30	G013/17-MI: GENERATORS	2ME
A Maree t/a Maree General Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	267 905,00	G014/16-BI: R & R	2GB
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	294 350,00	G014/17-EI: R & R	2EB
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	268 277,51	G015/16-MI: UPGRD WATER SUPPL	2ME
Nellie and Jerome Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	177 127,50	G015/17-BI: REPAIRS & PAVING	2GB
Garden Route Cooling cc	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	768 342,40	G016/16-MI:UPGRD WATER SUPPL	2ME

Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	94 612,00	G017/16-EI: R & R	4GB
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	166 744,20	G018/16-EI: R & R	4GB
VE Reticulation	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	378 480,00	G019/16-EI: UPGRD STREETLIGHTS	7EP
Imvusa Trading 1581CC	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	370 301,87	G020/16-BI: R & R	2GB
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	476 360,17	G021/16-MI: BOREHOLE	2ME
CD Emmie Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	46 700,38	G022/16-MI: UPGRD WATER SUPPL	4GB
The Business Zone 2213 cc t/a Phoenix Civils	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	671 429,48	G023/16-MI:UPGRD WATER SUPPL	1GB
Southern Ambition 1085	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	11 243,52	G024/15-BI:R & R	1GB PE
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	297 999,38	G025/16-MI: UPGRD WATER SUPPL	2ME
TG Elektries	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	422 749,40	G026/16-EI: R & R	5EB
MDL Electrical	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	239 865,86	G027/16-EI: R & R	1EB

Karoo Lugreeling & Verkoeling	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	175 468,28	G028/14-MI:HVAC YORK PARK	3ME
AJ Enterprises	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	188 069,11	G028/16-MI:UPGRD WATER SUPPL	1GB
Maree General Trading and Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	361 415,00	G029/16-BI: R & R	2GB
Sharon Rose Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 014 647,90	G030/16-BI: BOUNDARY FENCE	5SQ
Garden Route Cooling	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	328 445,40	G031/16-MI:UPGRD WATER SUPPL	2ME
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 257 413,00	G032/16-MI:UPGRD WATER SUPPL	2ME
N2 Consultants	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	120 920,96	G033/16-BI: ROOF COVERING	5GB
CD Emmie Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 358 925,73	G034/16-BI: R & R	4GB
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	817 826,33	G035/16-MI:WEIR & WATER PUR	2ME
Maree General Trading and Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	360 508,00	G036/16-BI: R & R	2GB
CSM CONSULTING SERVICES (PTY) LT	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	545 289,60	G037/15-BI:R & R	1CE
Willvest Twenty Three PTY Ltd t/a Urhwebo e-Transand	8	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	34 250,98	G037/16-BI: ACCESS ROAD	7GB

Quincy Fire Installations	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	527,25	G046/14-MI:FIRE FIGHTING	2SF
Muster Property Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 603 929,00	K020/16:-BI:ESTMAN SERV-FAURE	0
Sankofa Cleaners	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 967,00	K026/16-BI: PAINT & RENOVATE	2GB
Maverick Trading 1106cc	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	39 617,39	K042/16-BFMP DATA CAPTURERS	1GB
KRB HVAC and Filtration cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	6 007,01	K064/16-MI:INSTALL_AIRCONS	4ME
Hammer and Chisel Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 602,27	K066/16-EI:ELECT REPAIRS	4GB
Hammer and Chisel Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 078,00	K068/16-EI: ELECTRICAL UPGRADE	4GB
Hammer and Chisel Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 419,30	K083/16-BI: REPAIR & PAINT	4GB
BSM Contractors	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	900,00	K086/16-BI: REPLACE FLOOR COVER	1 SO
Indumiso Cleaning and Transport	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 750,00	K094/16-BI: REPAIRS & PAINTING	0
Mosadi Service	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	11 500,00	K095/16-BI:GARDEN SERV.OLD/C HOS	0

AWV Project Management	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	27 531,00	K099/16-BI:GARDEN SERV.P/LANDS	0
Multimode Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	31 061,50	K101/16-BI: INTERN PAINT&REPAIRS	2 ME
Multimode Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	42 836,98	K101/17-MI: SUPPLY INSTALL	2ME
BLT Boiler Services cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	114 963,33	K102/16-EI: ELECTRICAL UPGRADE	5EB
Hammer and Chisel Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	40 834,80	K111/16-EI: ELEC UPGRADE	4GB
Hammer and Chisel Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	84 857,67	K139/16-BI: GEN REPAIRS & PAINT	4GB
Indumiso Cleaning and Transport	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	71 200,00	K155/16-BI: REPAIRS TO ROOF	0
Paly Technical Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	134 746,21	K166/14-EI:AUDIO VISL/SYSTMTSTV	0
BSM Contractors	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	32 000,00	K183/16-BI: SECURITY GATES	1SO
Hammer and Chisel Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	56 523,84	K184/16-MI: ELECTR REPLACE GATE	4GB
V and S Refrigeration and Air- Conditioning cc	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 126,30	K221/15-MI:AC:INSTALL	4ME
Bergstan South Africa	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	21 436,33	K250/16: BFMP DATAAUTHORISERS	PSP

Broll Property Management	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	69 680,06	L: PROTEA ASS BLD (CT)	0
SFP & Security and Fire Pty Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	509 278,02	L009/15-BI:SC:ELSENBURG & FARMS	4SF
SFP & Security and Fire Pty Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	236 618,52	L009/15-MI: MAINTENANCE	4SF
Multiple Suppliers	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	8 945,58	L010/15-MI: INSTALLATION	4
Distinctive choice 308cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 468 792,46	L037/16-CE:BFMP REG1A CLEANING	6GB
Impenthana Projects and Maintenance	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 229 982,92	L039/16-CE:BFMP REG2A CLEANING	4GB
Moneyline 1358cc t/a HB Airconditioning	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	12 265 540,08	L048/17-MI: REPLACECHILLERS	6ME
Silvermist Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	125 182,69	L054/17-MI :REFERBGWTPLANT	
Enwyr Simons Electrical Contracting	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	123 154,24	L068/17-BI: REPAIRS	1GB
Enwyr Simons Electrical Contracting	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	149 481,18	L069/17-BI: REPAIRS	1GB
GVK Siya Zama	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	164 655,08	L34/16-BI: REMOVAL OF ASBESTOS	8GB

Various Suppliers: Quotations	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	341 969,01	MAINT & REP: CAMP SITES	0
Various Suppliers: Quotations	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	240 080,65	MAINT & REP: HOUSES	0
Various Suppliers: Quotations	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	875 490,15	MAINT & REP: OFFICE BUILDINGS	0
Fang Fences & Guards Pty Ltd	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	257 738,04	MAINT OF OFFICE BUILDINGS PR5	1SF
Frameworks: Various Suppliers	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 184 743,33	MAINT:BI:DAYTODAYGEORGE	4
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	221 976,71	MAINT-PLAN: BI: GRANGE-REPAIRS	2 GB
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	33 884,40	MAINT-PLAN: BI: NAPIER: R&R	PSP
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	128 147,41	MAINT-PLAN: BI: OTTERY: FENCE	PSP
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	51 606,85	MAINT-PLAN: DPMARAIS	2 GB
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	62 362,39	MAINT-PLAN: KROMRHREPAIR&PAINT	2 GB
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	26 688,75	MAINT-PLAN: TCNEWMREPAIR&PAINT	2 GB
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	26 646,12	MAINT-PLAN: VROLIJNRPAIR&PAINT	2 GB

Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	247 723,72	MAINT-PLAN:BI :STIKLAND :R&R	PSP
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	32 533,22	MAINT-PLAN:BI: PAROWVALL: REPAIR	PSP
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	34 843,96	MAINT-PLAN:BI: SWELLENDAM:REPAIR	PSP
Pierre Wepener CC t/a Industrico	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	170 031,18	MAINT-PLAN:BI:DAYTODAYCAPETOWN	PSP
ACG Architechts	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	443 428,47	MAINT-PLAN:BI:LEEUVENHOF	PSP
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	257 169,78	MAINT-PLAN:BI:WORCESTER-REPAIRS	PSP
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	66 568,22	MAINT-PLAN:BI-BREDASDORP SHADEPO	2 GB
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	40 515,55	MAINT-PLAN:BI-CALEDON: EMDC	2 GB
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	72 118,50	MAINT-PLAN:BI-CALEDONUPGRADES	PSP
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	52 917,15	MAINT-PLAN:BI-CHRYSL:GENERALREP	2 GB
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	17 584,22	MAINT-PLAN:BI- GOODWOOD:SHADEPORT	2 GB

Frameworks: Various Suppliers	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	8 888 077,23	MAINT-PLAN:BI-MULTIBOQFRAMEWORK	4
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	66 342,85	MAINT-PLAN:BI-RUYTERWACHT ELEREP	2 GB
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	330 474,97	MAINT-PLAN:BI-STELLENBOSCH NURSE	PSP
Sithembile Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	31 644,56	MAINT-PLAN:BI-VREDENBURG:RECONFI	2 GB
BN Buziba & Associates	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	603 306,28	MAINT-PLAN:EI:9DORP_GREYWATER	0
Eskom	7	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	31 507,76	NO PROJECTS	0
Muster Property Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 076 588,56	OUDE MOLEN	0
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	163 969,29	PORTER REFORM ESTATE (SP)	PSP
Berg Erasmus Quantity Surveyors	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	5 261,08	PROVINCIAL BUILDINGS (CT)	PSP
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	161 000,00	Q003/17-EI: R & R	2EB
R & T Security Systems cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	28 830,60	Q006/17-EI: FIRE ALARM	3SF
R & T Security Systems cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	21 420,60	Q007/17-EI: FIRE ALARM	3SF

C Z Elektrics	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	82 631,43	Q008/17-EI: R & R	3EB
Kholekile Cleaning services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	208 716,90	Q009/17-MI: UPGRD WATER SUPPLY	0
Cosmic Gold Trading 602	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 415,29	Q010/16-BI: R & R	1 GB PE
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	184 753,25	Q010/17-EI: R & R	2EB
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	192 546,00	Q011/17-EI: R & R	4GB
Kholekile Cleaning services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	194 791,80	Q013/17-MI: AIRCON	0
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	173 494,32	Q014/17-EI: R & R	4GB
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	86 236,44	Q015/17-EI: R & R	4GB
Entas Construction & Projects	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	42 146,83	Q016/17-BI: R & R	3GB
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	104 900,00	Q017/17-EI: R & R	2EB
Brainwave Projects	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	26 514,31	Q018/16-BI: R & R	1GB

CZ Elektries	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	79 043,40	Q018/17-EI: R & R	3EB
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	93 000,00	Q020/17-EI: R & R	2EB
CD Emmie Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	100 351,99	Q022/17-BI: R & R	4GB
Golden Rewards 1357	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 650,00	Q024/16-BI: PALISADE FENCE	2 GB
CD Emmie Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	120 417,80	Q024/17-MI: UPGRD WATER SUPPLY	4GB
Golden Rewards 1357	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	60 181,00	Q027/16-BI: GEN BLD REPAIRS	2 GB
R&T Security Systems cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	31 500,00	Q028/17-BI: R & R	3SF
Hammer and Chisel Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 136,83	Q029/16-EI: R & R	4GB
R&T Security Systems cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	146 298,89	Q029/17-EI: FIRE ALARM	3SF
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	17 385,00	Q031/16-BI: REPLACE ROOF INSUL	4GB
Slyahlangana Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 597,70	Q034/16-BI: R & R	6GB
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	5 666,66	Q035/16-EI: R & R	2EB

Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	94 753,15	Q035/17-EI: R & R	4GB
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	900,00	Q036/16-EI: AUTO GATE	2EB
R & T Security Systems	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	5 130,00	Q037/16-EI:BOOM GATE	3SF
Willis & Human Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	91 149,05	Q038/16-BI: R & R	1GB
Wise Gnome Trade 7 cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	352 921,42	Q039/16-BI: R & R	2GB
Southern Ambition 1085	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	370 182,75	Q040/16-BI: R & R	1GB PE
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	23 028,00	Q040/16-EI: UPGRD LIGHTS	4GB
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	129 490,21	Q041/16-EI: UPGRD LIGHTS	4GB
Willis & Human Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 802,80	Q046/16-MI:WATER SUPPLY	1 GB
Willis & Human Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 582,59	Q047/16-MI:UPGRD WATER SUPPLY	1 GB
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	6 364,05	Q048/16-EI:R & R	4GB

Cosmic Gold Trading 602	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	-	Q049/15-BI: CLEAN ERVEN	1 GB PE
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 436,04	Q049/16-EI: R & R	4GB
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	68 845,17	Q050/16-MI: WATER PIPES & HVAC	2ME
AJ Enterprises	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	66 001,23	Q050/17-MI: COPPER PIPES	1GB
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	9 810,50	Q051/16-MI: SOLAR GEYSERS	2ME
CD Emmie Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	53 676,90	Q052/16-MI: UPGRD H WATER SUPPL	4GB
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	191 524,60	Q053/16-MI: UPGRD WATER SUPPLY	2ME
CD Emmie Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	91 200,00	Q053/17-MI: BOREHOLE	4GB
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	68 566,67	Q054/16-EI: UPGRD SOLAR	2EB
Prins Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	41 333,33	Q055/16-EI: AUTO GARAGE DOOR	2EB
Kholekile Cleaning services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	91 431,80	Q055/17-MI: SOLAR GEYSER	0
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	86 905,62	Q056/16-MI: UPGRD WATER SUPPL	2ME

Kholekile Cleaning services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	105 700,80	Q058/17-MI: BOREHOLE PUMP	0
Slyahlangana Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	95 050,12	Q059/16-MI: UPGRD WATER SUPPLY	6GB
Garden Route Cooling	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	78 481,61	Q060/16-MI: BOREHOLE PUMP	5ME
AJ Enterprises	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	49 901,60	Q061/17-MI: BOREHOLE PUMP	1GB
AJ Enterprises	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	99 634,48	Q069/17-MI: COPPER PIPES	1GB
AJ Enterprises	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	75 905,00	Q070/17-MI: WATER SUPPLY	1GB
Sisonke Civils	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 086 116,78	S001/17/18-BI-SCHED EMERGENCY	4GB
Masiqhame Trading 1555 cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	33 338,26	S002/16-EI: CALLOUT	6GB
Masiqhame Trading 1555 cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 346 854,14	S002/16-EI: DAY TO DAY MAINTENANC	6GB
Otis (Pty) Ltd	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 856 862,80	S005/12-MI: L: PROV BLD	8SI
Sats Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	165 410,00	S005/15-001-BI: REPLACE WATERTANK	3Gb

Ezone Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	66 044,28	S006/15-001-BI: EMERGENCYPLUMB	1GB PE
Sats Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	31 341,76	S006/15-002-BI: EMERGENCY PLUMB	3Gb
Livewire Engineering	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	368 214,30	S006/16: REMOENERGY&WATERMTRING	3EP
TWB Plumbing	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	213 380,64	S007/15-001-BI:KLIPHUISNR:REPAIR	6GB
Shared Energy Management	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 071 050,16	S007/16:EI:SOLAR SYSTEM	6EP
Sats Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	17 100,00	S008/15-003: BLOCK OFF FIRE	3Gb
Sats Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	54 378,00	S008/15-005: REPAIRS TO UNDERGRO	3Gb
West Coast Project Management	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	338 149,10	S009/15-017-BI: REPAIR SHOWERS	5GB
F Bocks Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	879 661,95	S009/15-020-BI: MAINT PROJECTS	5GB PE
West Coast Project Management and Investment	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	915 820,16	S009/15-024-BI: REFURBISHMENTS	5GB
West Coast Project Management and Investment	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	115 778,40	S009/15-024-EI: <u>PROFESSIONALFEES</u>	5GB
Bosman and Andrews Builders cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	757 467,10	S009/15-025-BI: BUILD&ELEC REP	5GB

Camel Rock Trading 311 cc	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 375 448,79	S009/15-026:BI-PROFESSIONAL FEES	4GB
West Coast Project Management and Investment	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	926 352,28	S009/15-027-BI: MAINTENANCE	5GB
West Coast Project Management and Investment	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	123 278,75	S009/15-028: REPAIRS	5GB
F Bocks Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	664 906,60	S009/17-027-BI: HEALTH&SAFETY	5GB PE
Linamandla Business Enterprise cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	7 057 122,21	S010/15(021)-BI: MAINTENANCE	6GB
Blizzard Trading cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	6 206 682,59	S010/15(022)-BI: MAINTENANCE	7GB PE
Zingco 112 cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 707 137,62	S010/15(025)-BI: MAINTENANCE	6GB
Juro Piping cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	438 375,52	S010/15(026)-BI: MAINTENANCE	6GB PE
Bramley Trading 113 cc t/a Dual Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	206 664,90	S010/15-(036)-BI: REPAIRS	4GB
Safari Flooring	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 072 941,41	S010/15-(037)-BI: RENOVATIONS	4GB PE
Bramley Trading 113cc t/a Dual Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	349 783,62	S010/15(038): BI: MAINTENANCE	4GB

Safari Flooring	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 023 737,43	S010/15(039)-BI: GENERAL REPAIRS	4GB PE
Zingco 112cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 710 230,91	S010/15(042):BI: GEN REPAIRS	6GB
Linamandla Business enterprise	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 633 056,44	S010/15(044):BI: REPAIRS	6GB
Safari Flooring	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 366 126,16	S010/15-023-BI: INSPECTION	4GB PE
Bramley Trading 113cc t/a Dual Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 144 949,31	S010/15-024-BI: MAINTENANCE	4GB
Safari Flooring	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	225 593,21	S010/15-027-BI: INSTALLATION	4GB PE
Zingco 112cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 213 994,10	S010/15-029-BI: MAINTENANCE	6GB
Blizzard Trading cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 146 353,49	S010/15-041-BI: REPAIRS	7GB PE
Siyakhana Civils Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	608 532,00	S010/15-28-BI: REPAIRS	6GB
Siyakhana Civils Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	590 276,04	S010/15-28-EI: REPLACE THATCH	6GB
Nedsteel (PTY) Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	43 013,00	S010/16:BI:RR-PERIMETER FENCE	6SQ PE
Gateway Metalworks	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	471 161,76	S011/15(016):BI: GENREPAIRS	4GB

FB Lethabo Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	576 805,18	S011/15(018): BI: GEN REPAIRS	5Gb
Evening Rainbow Trading 101 cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	878 471,18	S011/15(019):BI: GENREPAIRS	4GB
Masiqhame Trading 1555cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	614 529,13	S011/15(022):BI: REPAIRS&RENOV	6GB
Masiqhame Trading 1555cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	511 807,97	S011/15(023):BI: GEN REPAIRS	6GB
Gcinikhaya Civil and Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	644 672,77	S011/15(024):BI: REPAIRS&RENOV	5GB
Gcinikhaya Civil and Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	401 221,44	S011/15(025):BI: REPAIRS&RENOV	5GB
Ancon Projects	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	464 860,54	S011/15-007-BI: PAINT&REPAIRS	3GB
Masiqhame Trading 1555	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	108 122,71	S011/15-008-BI: REPLACEFLOORTILE	6GB
Evening Rainbow Trading 101 (PTY) Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 624 909,96	S011/15-010-BI: CULVERT&WATERSUP	4GB
JCMC General Maintenance cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	81 341,60	S011/15-014-BI: GENERAL REPAIRS	5GB PE
Gcinikhaya Civil and Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	698 138,41	S011/15-12-BI: PAINTING BUILD	5GB

JCMC General Maintenance cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	328 401,28	S011/15-13-BI: MINOR REPAIRS	5GB PE
FB Lethabo Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 083 671,54	S011/15-BI: REPAIRANDPAINT	5Gb
Inyameko Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	468 523,42	S012/15(010)-BI: R & R	6GB
Goal Projects	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 651 471,10	S012/15(011)-BI: R & R	5GB
Inyameko Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 468 785,61	S012/15(012)-BI: R & R	6GB
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 651 382,75	S012/15(013)-BI: R & R	4GB
Goal Projects	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 273 127,00	S012/15(014)-BI: R & R	5GB
Transform Construction	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 460 723,63	S012/15(015)-BI: R & R	4GB
B Roofing and Building Contractors	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	644 389,47	S012/15(016)-BI: R & R	5GB
Magesh and Buntu Builders cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 633 114,34	S014/15(053)-BI: MAINTENANCE	6GB
Hightide Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 274 288,59	S014/15(054)-BI: MAINTENANCE	4GB
Shine the Way	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 665 703,34	S014/15(058)-BI: WATERPROOF ROOF	4GB

Roycon Properties	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	191 577,00	S014/15(093): BI: CARPORTS	1GB
Zaelfah Contractors	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	617 036,40	S014/15(094): REPAIR BLINDS	5GB
Hightide Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 883 135,14	S014/15(096):BI: REPAIRS&PAINT	4GB
AJ Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	987 728,59	S014/15(099):BI:INTERNALPAINT	5GB
City Interiors	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	218 522,04	S014/15(100):BI: GEN REPAIRS	3GB
MF Awan All Trade cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	565 738,83	S014/15(101):BI: REPAIRS&RENOV	6GB
Hightide Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	549 742,00	S014/15-084-BI: MAINTENANCE	4GB
AJ Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	694 503,05	S014/15-087-BI: REPAIR FENCES	GB
Izinyoni Trading 54 cc	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 060 908,21	S014/15-088-BI: REPLACEROOFCOVER	6GB
Pro-Khaya Construction	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 433 012,08	S014/15-091: REPAIRS	7GB
Shine the Way 1065cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	10 350 192,24	S014/15-097-BI: GEN BUILDING REP	4GB

Hightide Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	393 777,03	S014/15-105: EMERGENCY&DISASTER	4GB
Sizisa Ukhanyo Trading 77 cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 052 383,02	S015/16:EI:ELECTRICALREPAIRS	6GB
S&N Plumbing Drainage	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	542 953,50	S016/17-BI: REPAIR ENTRANCE ROAD	1SO PE
WIVR Electrical cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	107 792,05	S018/15:019-EI: MAINTENANCE	3EP
Distinctive choice 308cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 227 396,98	S018/15-018-EI: STREETLIGHTUPGR	6GB
Lite Line Electrical cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	5 409 322,06	S018/15-10-EI: ELEC REPAIRS	6EB
WIVR Electrical cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	501 063,36	S018/15-16-EI: MAINTENANCE	3EP
Lite-Line Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 308 015,79	S018/15-20-EI: REPAIR&UPGRADE	6EB
Anil M Jessa cc t/a Dhanesh Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	723 621,12	S018/15-EI: ELEC REPAIRS	3EB
His Majesty Electrical cc	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	307 163,12	S019/15-003-EI: ELECTRICAL REP	2GB
Lite Line Electrical cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	908 010,00	S019/15-EI: ELECTRICAL REP	6EB
Mbele Electrical cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	770 690,64	S020/15(044)-EI: SERVELECTRAISER	4EP

Pyramid Electrical Contractors	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 202 812,12	S020/15-042-EI: ENERGY CONSUMP	6EP
Contract Electrical Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 209 175,20	S020/15-043-EI: STREET LIGHTING	4EB PE
Zaf Construction cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	60 117,00	S020/15-055-EI:ATHLONE SHAR:ROOF	6GB
Mbele Electrical cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	991 936,80	S020/15-057-EI: MAINTENANCE	4EP
His Majesty's Electrical Services	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	30 130,70	S020/15-066-EI: MAINTENANCE	2GB
Atom Automation cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	244 862,67	S020/15-067-EI: MAINTENANCE	3EB
Contact Electrical Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	619 538,70	S020/15-068-EI: REPAIR WINDINGS	4EB PE
Zaf Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	56 361,00	S020/15-45-EI: ELEC UPGRADE	6GB
Pyramid Electrical Contractors cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	180 899,31	S020/15-69-EI: MAINTENANCE	6EP
Nedsteel (PTY) Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	712 655,77	S022/15-BI:ERECT_FENCE	6SQ PE
Amabamba Fencing	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 022 421,56	S024/15(002)-BI: FENCING	7SQ

Nedsteel (PTY) Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	542 640,00	S026/15(001)-BI:RR:FCNRADIE HOSP	6SQ PE
Sharon Rose Trading cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 676 245,80	S026/15(012):BI: ERECTINGFENCE	5SQ
Nedsteel (PTY) Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 348 848,00	S026/15-006-BI: PALISADE FENCE	6SQ PE
Gordian Fence SA	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 909 816,47	S026/15-010-BI: ELECTRIC FENCE	6GB
Frameworks: Various Suppliers	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	7 257 734,80	S031/16-BI: MULTIREGIONDAYTODAY	4
Frameworks: Various Suppliers	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 335 435,71	S031/16-EI: MULTREIONDAYTODAY	4
Frameworks: Various Suppliers	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	94 765,99	S031/16-MI: MULTREIONDAYTODAY	4
Bambana Management Services	5	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	15 826 726,47	S034/16-BI: WATERSAVINGMEASURE	7GB
Mnembe Civil Engineering	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	46 877 626,34	S036/13(007)-BI:RR:19HSES	8GB
Maverick Trading 437 cc	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	334 822,56	S036/13(027)-BI: REFURBISHMENT	5GB
Mnembe Civils	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	913 671,92	S036/13(032)-BI:RR:CAPE GATEWAY	8GB
Maverick Trading 437 cc	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 331 181,42	S036/13(036)-BI:RR:27 WALE STR	5GB

Lavender Moon Trading 58 cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 607 280,30	S036/13(039)-BI:VLDRAI HSES(STB)	5GB
Dynamic Flooring	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	6 113 954,42	S036/13(044)-BI:RR:HOSTL F BLCK	6GB
N2 Consultants	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 217 417,86	S036/13(045)-BI:\RR:OFFHSEDAIRY	5GB
Maverick Trading 437 cc	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 053 526,44	S036/13(046)-BI:RR&E ELSNB (STB)	5GB
Premier Attraction 988 cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	7 968 446,97	S036/13(22)-BI:RR:ALFRED STR	7GB
Maverick Trading 437 cc	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	95 464,74	S036/13-001-BI:WORKS GENER MAINT	5GB
Lewis & De Kroon	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	87 657,13	S036/13-EI: REPAIR: 82 HSES	PSP
Brouwers Property Developments	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	618 323,46	S041/16-MI:STORMWATER SYS UPGR	4GB
Moneyline 1358 cc t/a HB Air-conditioning	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	8 319 127,20	S043/15-MI:AC:CT CBD&SURREND M&R	6ME
Mnembe Civils	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	6 127 872,70	S051/16-BI: INSTALL & FILTER	8GB
Mnembe Civils	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	6 127 872,70	S051/16-BI:R&R SWIMMING POOL	8GB

ROK Civils & Plant Hire	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 145 198,42	S051/17-BI :PAVEPARKING	0
ZES Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	620 906,70	S054/16-BI:REPAIR&PAINTING	1EP
General Builders	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	588 024,54	S059/16-BI:REPAIRS&RENOVATIONS	1GB
Sharon Rose Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	626 373,00	S060/16-BI: REPLACE FENCE	5SQ
No Fear Systems CC	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	5 083 322,68	S060/17-MI: INSTALL SMOKE ALARM	1SQ
MB Trading Enterprises	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	986 991,48	S064/16-MI:SERVICING_FF_EQUIP	0
Moneyline 1358 cc t/a HB Air-conditioning	6	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 712 744,00	S066/16-MI: MAINTENANCE	6ME
O Fouten and Sons t/a Phase Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 919 724,70	S074/16-EI: ELECTRICAL UPGRADE	7GB
Brouwers Property Developments	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	232 636,95	S080/16-BI: R&R ABLUTIONS	4GB
AMS Civils Pty Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 663 076,46	S083/16-BI:REPAIRS TO ROADS	4CE
Rock City Productions	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	604 229,00	S086/16-BI: BUILDING REPAIRS	2GB
Cape Guru Building Services	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	330 030,00	S088/16-BI:REPAIRS & PAINTING	4GB

MV Fire Protection Services t/a Jasco Fire Solutions	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 124 389,41	S090/16-MI: INSTALLFIREDOOR	0
Masiqhame Trading 1555cc	3	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	976 357,56	S093/16-MI: SERV ROLLER DOOR	6GB
JT Maritz Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	510 865,92	S097/16-MI: GENERATORMAINT	7EP
Gordian Fence SA	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	640 826,54	S101/14-11-61-BI: EMERGENCYCYCC	6GB
Bramley Trading 113cc t/a Dual Construction	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	529 640,66	S101/15-24-BI: BUILD REPAIRS	4GB
Qwaka Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	709 278,97	S104/16-BI-AUDIT/REPORT&INSPECT	3GB
Qwaka Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	709 278,97	S104/16-BI: INSTALLROOF&REPAIRS	3GB
Gateway Metalworks	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	310 305,72	S105/16-BI: REPLACE FENCE	7SQ
Firewire System Solutions Pty Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	709 278,97	S108/14-MI:F:PROV BLD,CWINE&WCST	5SF
AR Projects & Developments	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	262 230,15	S11/15-009-BI: REPAIRS&PAINT	7GB
Zaf Construction cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 154 090,40	S111/16-BI: REPLACE CARPETTILES	6GB

Dynamic Flooring	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 494 505,80	S112/16-BI: REPLACEMENT OF TILES	6GB
JVZ Construction PTY Ltd	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	13 711 857,21	S115/17-BI: UPGRADING	8CE
Zinzani Civils cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	775 986,14	S117/15-MI:WS:WC Y/RHAB CT E/RVR	2GB
Inyameko Trading 377	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	213 636,00	S124/16-BI: BUILDING & REPAIRS	2GB
JDK Civils & Building CC	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	315 378,82	S125/16-BI:R&R_PARKING&DRAINAGE	3CE
Dhanesh Electrical	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	757 503,78	S133/14-MI:GENERATORS OSIDE AREA	3EB
IX Engineers	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	7 273,77	S136/16-003: BI-WATER SUPPLY	PSP
Constructsafe consultants	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	11 901,60	S136/16-004: BI - HEALTH&SAFETY	PSP
Otis (Pty) Ltd	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 667 600,00	S140/12-MI:L:PROV BLD	8SI
TR Mechanicals 786	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 269 406,00	S140/15-MI:C\METRPLE HVAC&REFRI	6ME
MB Trading Enterprises t/a M & B Fire	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 299 288,78	S140/16-MI: REFILLEXTINGUISHER	0
BLT Boiler Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 360 822,60	S141/15-MI:C\WINE HVAC&REFRI	7ME

Louwco Cooling Solutions	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 028 599,20	S142/15-MI:AC:OVRBRG & OTH AREA	0
BLT Boiler Services	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 421 409,00	S143/15-MI:WC HVAC&REFRIG SYSTEM	7ME
Andy's Boiler & Burner Service cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 563 282,00	S144/15-MI:RR:PROV BLDS SPGE&SEW	0
ZKC Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	223 783,14	S144/16-BI: EXTERNAL PAINTING	3GB
Anil M Jessa cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 998 618,40	S145/16-EI: MAINTENANCE	3EB
Anil M Jessa cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	3 998 618,40	S145/16-MI: SERVICES	3EB
Wasteman Holdings (Pty) Ltd	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 228 705,68	S146/12-BI:W:REPLACE&COLLECT CONT	0
Anil M Jessa cc	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 948 203,00	S146/16-MI: SERVICES	3EB
ZES Construction	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	356 767,56	S151/16-BI: MAINTENANCE	1CE
Fire Check Pty Ltd	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 339 257,00	S159/15-MI:F: ALL REGIONS WC	7SF
Enviro Safe	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	4 128 897,60	S174/15-BI:PC:CT METROPOLE	0

Frameworks: Various Suppliers	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 650 775,62	S180/15-BI:RR:CT CBD & SURROUNDS	2
Build A Way Construction	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	6 079 030,49	S183/15-BI:RR:LEEWENHOF ESTATE	8GB
Frameworks: Various Suppliers	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	634 461,23	S201/15-EI:DAY TO DAY MAINT	6EB
Schindler Lifts SA Pty Ltd	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	2 407,68	S206/15-004-002-MI: MAINTENANCE	8SI
Schindler Lifts SA Pty Ltd	0	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	26 685,12	S206/15-004-MI: MAINTENANCE	8SI
TUV SUD South Africa Real Estate	2	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	1 006 038,39	S206/15-MI:LIFTS MAINTENANCE	0
MB Trading Enterprises	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	438 840,72	S223/13-MI:F\C\MTRO&OVRBRG EQUIP	0
Schindler Lifts (SA) Pty Ltd	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	24 199 289,43	S296/12-MI:L:ALFRD,LIB,STRS&MDEP	8SI
Speed Shelf 1067 Trading	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	13 284,82	WILLEM VAN HEERDEN KOSHUIS (MB)	2ME
NJ Projects and Maintenance	1	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	38 000,00	WILLEM VAN HEERDEN KOSHUIS (MB)	1 GB
Karoo Lugreeling & Verkoeling	4	Maintenance & Repairs: General Infrastructure	75 411,00	YORK PARK BLD (GEO)	3ME

Questions and replies as received from departments

QUESTIONS

For written reply

Non-Corporate Service Centre: staffing

1. Mr R D Mackenzie asked the Premier:

How many officials from non-Corporate Service Centre (CSC) departments of the provincial government have been promoted in (i) 2017/18 and 2018/19, (b) (i) how many were on level 11 to level 13 and (ii) in which departments were these promotions made, (c) (i) how many CSC vacancies on level 5 to level 13 at offices in the CBD of Cape Town have been filled by individuals not residing in the City of Cape Town in (aa) 2017/18 and (bb) 2018/19 and (ii) in which other municipalities do they reside; (d) (i) how many unemployed individuals have been appointed to positions in CSC departments at all levels of the provincial government in (aa) 2017/18 and (bb) 2018/19 and (ii) in which departments were these appointments made, (e) (i) how many individuals between the ages of 18 and 35 have been appointed to positions in CSC departments at all levels of the provincial government in (aa) 2017/18 and (bb) 2018/19 and (ii) in which departments were these appointments made?

The PREMIER:

1. (a) It must be noted that “promotions” in the traditional sense (i.e. the advancement of an employee within an organisation, usually linked to performance or tenure), are no longer provided for in the Public Service Regulations. All appointments are now preceded by a recruitment process, in which the suitability of applicants is assessed through various selection tools. With this in mind, I can report that there were a total of 49 (6 in 2017/18 and 43 in 2018/19) officials from non-CSC departments who have been appointed in higher graded posts within the CSC.

Current public service employees who have been successful candidates for CSC recruitment processes make up 23% of the total posts filled during the two reporting periods. The majority is of posts filled (75%) were through recruitment processes where the successful candidate was not a public servant at the time of appointment. The remaining 2% of posts were filled by way of lateral transfer of appointee.

- b) A total of 8 (4 in 2017/18 and 4 in 2018/19) appointments in higher graded posts were on level 11 to level 13
 - ii) The above appointments were made in the following departments:

2017/18

Three (3) in Transport and Public Works; and
One (1) in Agriculture

2018/19

Two (2) in Transport & Public Works;
One (1) in Provincial Treasury; and
One (1) in the Department of Local Government

c) i) and ii)

Unfortunately, no data is available to indicate from which provinces/regions applicant originate prior to their appointment in provincial departments. There is no restriction on applicants from anywhere in South Africa to apply for jobs, and residential address at the time is not used as a selection criterion to determine suitability. Successful candidates from other provinces or districts, who have applied for posts in the CBD, usually relocate to the metropole when they assume duty. Only the most recent residential address is captured on our payroll system.

d) i) and ii)

Selection criteria are based on the inherent job requirements, as well as proven experience in areas as it relates to the key performance areas of the job. All applicants are required to submit CVs which provide the source information to shortlist applicants. Whether or not an applicant is unemployed when they apply for post does not inform a shortlist, accordingly this information is not recorded and therefore unavailable

e) i) The totals per financial year is provided below. It must be noted that appointment data includes posts filled through transfers into the Department as well as what is considered promotions.

aa) In the 2017/18 financial year there were a total of **560** individuals between the ages of 18 and 35 appointed into positions in CSC Departments across all levels.

bb) In the 2018/19 financial year there were a total of **675** individuals between the ages of 18 and 35 appointed into positions in CSC Departments across all levels.

The table below is a breakdown of the appointments per department as referred to in e) i) aa & bb above

Department	2017/18	2018/19
Agriculture	63	57
Community Safety	20	18
Cultural Affairs and Sport	21	39
Economic Development & Tourism	19	15
Environmental Affairs and Development Planning	27	28
Human Settlements	33	28
Local Government	21	25
Premier	82	55
Provincial Treasury	17	31
Social Development	124	155
Transport & Public Works	133	224
Grand Total	560	675

Beaufort West Municipality: Heritage Day event

2. Mr D G Mitchell asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the Heritage Day event hosted by the Beaufort West Municipality on 24 September 2019:

- (1) (a) What are the names of all the service providers that were contracted by the Municipality for this event, (b) what was the total cost paid by the Municipality to each service provider and (c) what are the names of the directors, board members and owners of these service providers;
- (2) in line with the process of supply chain management, whether the names of all the service providers that submitted quotations to deliver the required services for this event can be made available; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details
- (3) whether a copy of the programme, including the names of all the guest speakers, can be made available; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

2. The following information was provided by the Municipality:

- (1) (a) No service providers were directly contracted by the Municipality for this event. The Speakers Office coordinated the event.
- (b) The Municipality incurred no money on service providers.

- (c) The Municipality did not make use of any service providers, but only received donations.
- (2) No service providers were contracted, but GCIS sponsored R26,000 for the sound system used at the event, Old Mutual provided sausage to the value of R500 and Finbond donated party packs and gifts for the children. The Communication office supplied footage (photos) of the event to showcase the number of people that attended the event. The event was mostly attended by children.
- (3) No copy of the programme is available.

Guest speakers at the event were:

Mr Chris Nissen (South African Human Rights Commission);

Ms Ayanda Barns (MP);

Alderman Sinki Motsoane (Speaker of Beaufort West Municipality);

Cllr Quinton Louw (Deputy Mayor of Beaufort West Municipality); and

Cllr Mcebisi Kilani (ANC Chief Whip)

Beaufort West Municipality: Public Participation Fund

3. Mr D G Mitchell asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the Public Participation Fund of the Speaker of the Beaufort West Municipality:

- (a) What were the allocated fund for the (i) 2014/15, (ii) 2015/16, (iii) 2016/17, (iv) 2017/18 and (v) 2018/19 financial years, (b) what were the (i) activities for each of the financial years and (ii) cost per activity and (c) what is the net amount available in the this fund as at 2 October 2019?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

3. (a) Funds for the (i) 2014/15, (ii) 2015/16, (iii) 2016/17, (iv) 2017/18 and (v) 2018/19 financial years:

FINANCIAL YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE
Financial Year: 2014-2015	R 934 000.00	R 618 062.93
Financial Year: 2015-2016	R 470 000.00	R 691 675.87
Financial Year: 2016-2017	R 350 000.00	R 367 951.70
Financial Year: 2017-2018	R 500 000.00	R 513 085.69
Financial Year: 2018-2019	R 550 000.00	R 506 116.08

(b) Activities for each of the financial years and cost per activity

WARD COMMITTEE ALLOWANCE	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ACTIVITIES	TOTAL EXPENDITURE
R 260 500.00	R 357 562.93	R 618 062.93
R 290 000.00	R 401 675.87	R 691 675.87
R 94 000.00	R 273 951.70	R 367 951.70
R 368 000.00	R 145 085.69	R 513 085.69
R 370 500.00	R 135 616.08	R 506 116.08

(c) Net amount available in this fund as 2 October 2019:

Financial Year: 2019-2020 R 665 000.00

Expenditure Year to Date: R -89 495.00

Balance 30 September 2019: R 575 505.00

Questions and replies as received from departments

QUESTIONS

For written reply

Housing projects

1. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

With reference to his reply to question 20 published in the Question Paper for Written Reply on 6 September 2019 and in the Question Paper for Oral Reply on 3 October 2019:

- (1) What are the details of the court cases or court actions that halted the housing projects at (a) Pickwick Street, Woodstock, (b) the Fruit and Veg site, Cape Town's inner city, (c) the Woodstock Hospital site, Woodstock, (d) the New Market site at the edge of the inner city, (e) Woodstock Park, Woodstock, and (f) the foreshore freeway (a combination of inner-city housing and transport improvement which was to be undertaken at no cost to ratepayers) and resulted in the cancellation of the provisioning of well-located housing for thousands of families;
- (2) whether he deliberately misled the House by suggesting that the Maiden's Cove project was my project while it was indeed led by Deputy Mayor Ian Neilson?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

1. (1) In terms of Rule 195 (1) of the Standing Rules of the Western Cape Parliament, questions may be put to a member of the Provincial Cabinet concerning any matter falling within the area of responsibility of that Cabinet member.

The maintenance of records of court cases and court details involving projects within the jurisdiction of a separate sphere of Government such as the City of Cape Town is clearly not an area of responsibility of the Western Cape Minister of Transport and Public Works. It is recommended that the Member redirect his question accordingly.

- (2) There was no intention of deliberately misleading the House by any comments made about the Maiden's Cove project referred to.

Provincial Traffic Restructuring

2. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

With regard to his announcement of the "Provincial Traffic Restructuring" and the introduction of an "interception unit" and a "highway patrol":

- (1) What is the difference in terms of the function, purpose, mandate and powers of the new “interception unit” compared with the function, purpose, mandate and powers of the provincial “Traffic Law Enforcement Authority” and a “traffic officer” prior to the introduction of the “interception unit”;
- (2) what is the difference in terms of the function, purpose, mandate and powers of the new “highway patrol” compared with the function, purpose, mandate and powers of the provincial “Traffic Law Enforcement Authority” and a “traffic officer” prior to the introduction of the “highway patrol”;
- (3) whether the “Provincial Traffic Restructuring” and the introduction of an “interception unit” and a “highway patrol” are included in the provincial Traffic Law Enforcement Authority’s integrated strategic and tactical plan as required by the National Road Traffic Law Enforcement Code; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) whether the introduction of an “interception unit” and a “highway patrol” involves the recruitment and appointment of additional traffic officers or whether these units will be staffed by current employees; if so, how many new traffic officers will be or have been appointed for the “interception unit” and the “highway patrol” respectively;
- (5) whether the introduction of an “interception unit” and a “highway patrol” involves the procurement of new and/or additional vehicles and equipment; if so, (a) what are the details of the procurement of new and/or additional vehicles and equipment and (b) what is the budget or cost of the procurement; if not;
- (6) whether the vehicles used by the “interception unit” and the “highway patrol” are rebranded existing vehicles of the Traffic Law Enforcement Authority; if so, what is the cost of the rebranding?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

2. (1) The restructuring of Provincial Traffic Services acknowledges that the function, purpose, mandate and powers of Traffic Law Enforcement (TLE) have included combatting crime for many years, and are not strictly limited to traffic management and road safety. The Provincial Traffic Services have always patrolled our high ways and have been instrumental in the arrests of numerous criminals from drug dealers to smugglers. The change also acknowledges the role that new technologies, especially license plate recognition, can play in enhancing this element of Traffic Law Enforcement to help protect Western Cape communities from criminals. The re-positioning of Provincial Traffic Services thus enhances an existing function rather than re-creates or replaces other elements TLE’s mandate. The Interception Unit will primarily focus on the interception of vehicles identified as being suspicious, for example vehicles with cloned license plates. The Interception Unit will be manned by traffic officers who will receive additional training.

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 - (3) The development of the Highway Patrol and its Interception Unit is an integral component of the Provincial Sustainable Transport Plan currently under development by the Branch: Transport Management, it should be noted that the National Road Traffic Law Enforcement Code is in draft form and not yet in effect. In any event the National Road Traffic Law Enforcement Code in its current form is an unconstitutional attempt to nationalise provincial traffic services and municipal police and traffic services. In addition, the code does not comply with its own founding provisions in Section 32 of the Road Traffic Management Corporation Act (1999).
 - (4) All TLE officers will be responsible for Highway Patrol duties however, the Interception Unit officers will be recruited from the ranks of Provincial Traffic. Budget dependant we hope to recruit additional traffic officers.
 - (5)
 - (a) The Interception Unit will be equipped with an additional five BMW X5 Utility Vehicles. One vehicle is being repurposed while four further vehicles will be procured. The Interception Unit members will be equipped with body armour and pistol convertors to provide them with additional protection and firepower in the event of an interception involving dangerous criminals.
 - (b) R6 011 340 in additional funding will be required for the procurement of additional vehicles and equipment.
 - (6) The Interception Unit will use specialist vehicles, while the remainder of the Highway Patrol will continue to use existing vehicle stock. The cost of branding/re-branding of existing vehicles will cost approximately R8 000 000.

*Clandestine manufacturing drug laboratories***3. Mr R I Allen asked the Minister of Community Safety:**

(a) How many clandestine manufacturing drug laboratories have been shut down in the province in (i) 2014/15, (ii) 2015/16, (iii) 2016/17, (iv) 2017/18, (v) 2018/19 and (vi) 2019/20 to date, (b) how many drug dens have been discovered and shut down over the same period, (c) how often have confiscated illicit substances been destroyed over the same period and (d) how many substances have gone missing from SAPS storage after having been confiscated over the same period?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

The South African Police Service informed me as follows:

3. (a) (i) 5
(ii) 5
(iii) 6
(iv) 4
(v) 6
(vi) 4
- (b) (i) 23
(ii) 21
(iii) 8
(iv) 8
(v) 9
(vi) 6
- (c) Destruction is done by the forensic laboratory after the finalisation of the cases.
- (d) No losses from SAPS storage has been reported

*Surfaced and gravel roads:condition of***4. Mr A P van der Westhuizen asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:**

How do he and his Department plan to address and turn around the increasing percentages between the 2017/18 and 2018/19 financial years of surfaced and gravel roads classified as “very poor” and “poor” as illustrated by Tables 28 and 29 in his Department’s Annual Report for 2018/19?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

4. The Department has multiple initiatives to address the roads that are classified as poor and very poor. These initiatives span the planning, programming, design and implementation of various projects for periodic maintenance, rehabilitation and upgrading of both the surfaced and gravel road networks.

In view of the current Medium- Term Expenditure Framework Budget the backlog of poor and very poor surfaced and gravel roads is however not expected to be turned around in the short to medium term.

As indicated in the Road Asset Management Plan (RAMP 2019/20), various turn around strategies have been developed for different funding scenarios, but to fully address the backlog and to maintain the total road infrastructure network to an appropriate level of service, substantial additional funding would be required, as is evident from the RAMP 2019/20 analysis.

Specialised care: service-delivery readiness

5. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Health:

With regard to service-delivery readiness for specialised care:

(a) How many public (i) oncologists, (ii) gynaecologists and (iii) obstetricians are there in the province, (b) how many (i) district hospitals and community clinics are there in the province and (ii) of these facilities, how many are able to provide the specialised care referred to in (a), (c) what percentage of the province's population receives antiretroviral and pre-exposure prophylaxis from her Department and (d) (i) how many mental healthcare facilities are there in the province and (ii) whether any further mental healthcare facilities are being planned for designation or construction; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

5. (a) (i) 29.
(ii) and (iii) 90 Gynaecologists and obstetricians are grouped in one category on Persal.
- (b) (i) 33 District hospitals and 263 primary care facilities.
(ii) All health facilities provide access to medical care. Should patients require specific treatment or specialised care they will be referred to the facilities where the service is offered.
- (c) The Western Cape supports the national implementation of Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for HIV negative people. At the end of May 2019, 3 843 people were initiated on PrEP in the Western Cape
- As at the end of September there were 284 708 clients on antiretroviral treatment at Public Health Facilities in the Western Cape.
- (d) (i) Four (4) psychiatric hospitals.
Three (3) sub acute facilities.
Four (4) funded NPOs

Mental health services can also be accessed at primary care facilities with acute hospitals also having 72-hour observation wards.

- (ii) As part of Healthcare 2030, mental health services in the province will be integrated into community-based, primary healthcare, and acute hospital platforms and service delivery. Only those services requiring a more specialised level of intervention will be treated within a specialist hospital.

Questions and replies as received from departments

QUESTIONS

For written reply

City of Cape Town: Executive posts

1. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

Whether he is aware of any moves by the City of Cape Town to create a Deputy City Manager post; if so, (a) how is such a position justified given that the new Mayor introduced an two new additional multimillion-rand Executive Director posts less than 12 months ago, meaning that the demands on the City Manager are now far more diluted than they were a year ago and (b) what is the salary range?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

1. According to the City of Cape Town, it is untrue that they are creating a post of Deputy City Manager. This is false information that has been published in the media and circulated on social media. As the question has been refuted, it is therefore not necessary in the circumstances to respond to questions 6 (a) and (b).

Department of Human Settlements: Head of Department

2. Mr C M Dugmore asked the Premier:

- (1) Whether the contract of the Head of the Department of Human Settlements has been renewed; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether the process to appoint a new Head of Department has been concluded; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether the senior management team of the provincial government is representative of the people of our province; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The PREMIER:

2. (1) The contract term in respect of Mr T Mguli should have come to an end on 15 September 2019. However, it was not envisaged that the recruitment process, following the advertising of the post of Head of Department, would be completed before the end of September 2019, accordingly approval was granted to extend the contract of Mr Mguli until 31 December 2019, when the contract will come to an end.

- (2) The recruitment and selection process for the post of Head of Department of Human Settlements has indeed been concluded. The nomination of Ms Jacqueline Sampson was endorsed by Cabinet. She has accepted the offer of employment and will assume the responsibilities of Head of Department from 1 January 2020.
- (3) The senior management echelon is currently a focal point of attention of the provincial government in order to ensure that this cadre becomes representative of the economic active population of the Western Cape. The current, overall comparison is as follows:

	AFRICAN	COLOURED	INDIAN	WHITE
EAP of Western Cape	38%	46%	1%	15%
SMS representivity	12%	49%	7%	32%

CCTV cameras and drones

3. Mr D Smith asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

- (1) (a) What policies and ethics documents guide the operation of surveillance apparatus, such as CCTV cameras and drones, in the City of Cape Town and (b) what is the total number of CCTV cameras that are operated by the government in the City of Cape Town;
- (2) whether all of the cameras are connected to the City's central control room; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

3. (1) The City of Cape Town has the attached policy: Regulation of External and Privately-Owned CCTV Cameras on City Property in place. Their drones are not yet in operation, as they are in the process of applying for their Operators Certificate from the South African Civil Aviation Authority.

Responsible Entity	Number of Cameras	Operated by City
City of Cape Town Metropolitan Police CCTV	713	Yes
City of Cape Town Transport (MyCiti)	773	Yes
Freeway Management Services (SANRAL)	237	No, but monitoring staff are located in our building (Transport Management Centre) and we can view these cameras at any time.

- (2) All City of Cape Town cameras are connected to the City's CCTV Centre within the City of Cape Town; however, the Grassy Park & Retreat cameras are connected to the control room at Grassy Park Civic centre, the efforts to get the connectivity to the City's central control room is in progress. Management of the control room remains within the ambit of Metropolitan Police CCTV Department and all functions are controlled within the same structures.

Freeway Management Services is situated within the CCTV Centre where they monitor the cameras, mutual agreements are in place, should the City of Cape Town require access to their network



REGULATION OF EXTERNAL AND PRIVATELY OWNED CCTV CAMERAS ON CITY PROPERTY POLICY – (POLICY NUMBER 21207)

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CITY OF CAPE TOWN

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EXTERNAL AND PRIVATELY OWNED**

CCTV

(Closed Circuit Television)

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CITY OF CAPE TOWN CCTV POLICY

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DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

“Applicant”	means a registered organisation, body or person applying to the City of Cape Town Vetting Committee for authority to install a CCTV system, camera, equipment or merely registering a CCTV camera on City property or viewing public land.
“Camera Housing”	means the cover or container on cameras designed to protect from it from the weather.
“CCTV”	means Closed-Circuit Television and is the industry standard in surveillance cameras;
“City Property”	means land, structures and infrastructure owned by the City ;
“City”	means the City of Cape Town, a municipality established by the City of Cape Town Establishment Notice No. 479 of 22 September 2000, issued in terms of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998, or any structure or employee of the City acting in terms of delegated authority;
“Council”	means the municipal council of the City;
“ICASA”	means the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa;
“Infrastructure”	means any land, road, building or fixture attached to it, any pole, fence, wall, bridge, sign, cabling, tree, tower or fixture attached to it.
“Person”	includes a natural or juristic person;
“Register”	means a process whereby an applicant registers a CCTV system, camera or any related equipment on city land or infrastructure;
“Structure/s”	means an item or items made up of a number of parts that are held or put together in a particular way;
“Temporary Installation”	means the installation of a CCTV camera or system on City land or infrastructure, not exceeding thirty (30) days. This includes a trailer adapted to be a roving mobile CCTV camera device;
“Vetting Committee”	means a committee headed by the City of Cape Town, Metro Police CCTV Department manager and affected members from the relevant City of Cape Town line departments.

1. PROBLEM STATEMENT

- 1.1. The City of Cape Town is experiencing an increase of privately owned CCTV cameras, installed on City land and infrastructure, without authorization.
- 1.2. Some of these installations damage and clutter City structures, duplicating the purpose of existing cameras monitoring an area.
- 1.3. There is currently no application process in place for recognised organisations, a registered body or a person to register their CCTV system with the City.
- 1.4. There is currently no effective way to ascertain the ownership of a CCTV camera installed on city land, which affects investigation processes by the South African Police Services and information gathering by the City of Cape Town, Metropolitan Police Department.

2. DESIRED OUTCOME

- 2.1. The aim of this policy is to regulate all CCTV on City property, while promoting the use of CCTV cameras, as a mechanism to deter crime and promote a safer city.
- 2.2. The Policy establishes a uniform and comprehensive set of standards and assessment criteria to assist in the control, development and installation of CCTV infrastructure on City structures, in the jurisdiction of the City of Cape Town. A written agreement in this regard, between the City of Cape Town and the applicant, will be entered into, once the application is approved.
- 2.3. The Policy will enable the registration of all CCTV cameras currently installed on City structures, infrastructure and land by 31 December 2014.
- 2.4. The policy shall allow for improved security by providing for reasonable connecting mechanisms i.e. either by physical or via fixed or non-fixed line when required, to allow the Metro Police CCTV Department access into the applicant's CCTV system, to view the public area via CCTV.
- 2.5. If there is benefit of a private and external CCTV camera to the Metro Police CCTV Department, the City of Cape Town will subsidize the monthly electricity usage for each individual third party camera.
- 2.6. The City may consider the possibility of paying, in full, or part thereof, the installation fees for City approved Special Rating Areas, Community based Organisations (registered with the Sub Council / City of Cape Town), Neighbourhood Watches and Community Police Forums (registered with the Provincial Dept. of Community Safety), of the actual cost involved to install a pole for one or more cameras, including the electrical connection to such pole (or on any other existing City owned infrastructure), as well as the monthly electrical tariff, upon considering a written submission made by such entity, which will include proof of funding limitations suffered by such entity or any other relevant factor which the City could consider. The City may consider installing additional poles for the sole purpose of CCTV surveillance if there is no existing City pole that can be used, as per 2.5.
- 2.7. The City will welcome cross-subsidization of systems, from third party applicants, for impoverished areas. A written agreement will be entered into between the donor party and the City of Cape Town, or the receiving party.

3. STRATEGIC INTENT

The Policy seeks to align with a number of overarching strategy documents that inform the City's work, namely:

3.1. The Integrated Development Plan (IDP)

The priority areas listed under the IDP Strategic Focus Area 2 and 5 have direct implications for the Policy:

- 3.1.1. Improve safety and security through partnerships: The IDP objective is to build a safer city through partnerships. This is expressed in the overall purpose of the policy in regulating CCTV and ensuring that it can be used to promote safety.

3.2. One Cape 2040 Agenda and the City Development Strategy (CDS)

The following transition identified by the CDS supports and informs this Policy:

- 3.2.1. The Settlement transition is concerned with the creation of healthy, safe and liveable communities, through community safety initiatives to counter and prevent crime, by means of formal crime prevention mechanisms, such as a CCTV system.

4. POLICY PARAMETERS

- 4.1. This policy applies to private and external CCTV cameras, installed on City of Cape Town land and infrastructures as well as private CCTV cameras installed on private property, monitoring the City's public area and those CCTV cameras which forms part of a broader CCTV network.
- 4.2. This policy is intended to regulate and not restrict the erecting of CCTV infrastructure on City structures.
- 4.3. This policy is applicable within the boundaries of the City of Cape Town.
- 4.4. This policy has transversal implications, as it affects the various departments responsible for the structures, where CCTV systems will be installed.
- 4.5. City of Cape Town departments are not required to follow the application process, but merely register the locations of the CCTV cameras with the Metro Police CCTV Department, for documentation and database recording purposes, using Annexure 10.9.

5. ROLE PLAYERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

5.1. The Metropolitan Police Department: CCTV Section

- 5.1.1. The CCTV section is responsible for the implementation and monitoring of this policy.
- 5.1.2. The CCTV section shall coordinate the vetting committee which shall review all applications on a monthly basis or as deemed suitable by the manager of the CCTV section.
- 5.1.3. All applications shall be submitted to the CCTV section that shall facilitate the smooth application and registration process of CCTV cameras.
- 5.1.4. The CCTV section shall maintain a central database of CCTV cameras in the City of Cape Town

5.2. Transport for Cape Town

- 5.2.1. The Transport for Cape Town department is responsible to have a representative on the vetting committee and advise on the wayleave process, whereby an application is made to place third party structures on city property, consider the placement of the CCTV camera / equipment on a City structure or open space and to verify that the technical aspects of the application meet the structural and durability tolerances within the necessary limits.

5.3. Electricity Department

- 5.3.1. The Electricity Department will be responsible for advising on the wayleave process for electrical supply issues and to verify that an electricity pole or light pole will meet the structural and durability tolerances within the necessary limits, to accommodate CCTV camera and related equipment

5.4. Other City of Cape Town departments

- 5.4.1 Any line departments required to facilitate the application process will have a representative on the vetting committee.

5.5. Stakeholders who could benefit from this policy:

- South African Police Services
- Community Police Forums
- Business
- Special Rating Areas
- Registered Ratepayers Associations
- Registered Neighbourhood Watches
- Registered Community Based Organisations

6. REGULATORY CONTEXT

- 6.1. The CCTV System that is envisaged for installation by the successful applicant may not infringe any stipulations as prescribed by the following legislation:

6.1.1. The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996

6.1.2. Telecommunications Act, 1996 (Act No. 103 of 1996).

6.1.3 Provincial Archives and Records Service of the Western Cape Act, 2005 (Act No. 3 of 2005)

- 6.2. This policy should also be read with the following by-laws:

6.2.1. City of Cape Town Electricity Supply bylaw of 27 May 2009.

6.2.2. City of Cape Town Outdoor Advertising and Signage Bylaw no. 10518 of the City of Cape Town.

- 6.3. Reference to the applicable legislation must be made in the applicant's business plan. Applicants in contravention of any law whilst in operation will have to cease operations and remedial action will need to take place.

- 6.4. The system specifications must be in line with the Consumer Goods Council, Recommended Industry Guidelines for CCTV. A copy is available on request from: CCTV.Unicity@capetown.gov.za

- 6.5. The City of Cape Town CCTV Master Plan as revised in June 2013.

- The integration of existing and independent CCTV systems

7. POLICY DIRECTIVES

7.1. Mandatory criteria required in application- New Installations

- 7.1.1. The application for permission to install a new system on a City structure must provide written motivation in the form of an application to Vetting Committee, via the Head of Metro Police-CCTV section, as per 7.2 of this policy.

- 7.1.2. All the applicable annexures as listed in Section 10 must be duly completed and submitted with the application.

7.1.3 Criteria for subsidisation

- The applicant should be a City of Cape Town-approved special rating area, a community-based organisation registered with the City, a registered neighbourhood watch, a community police forum or a ratepayer's association, setting up its own community CCTV system.
- The CCTV camera will be used for safety and security purposes, i.e. crime, traffic and fire incidents as well as by-law enforcement.
- The final location of the camera will be selected by the City of Cape Town.
- 4 The CCTV camera must be a controllable camera that the Metro Police can operate and control.
- The CCTV camera must record as per the set timeframe set in the CCTV policy.
- The area must be monitored at all times.

7.1.4 Provision to cease subsidisation

- The City reserves the right to cease the subsidised imbursement for the electrical supply to the CCTV camera site, should the CCTV camera, equipment and site not be properly maintained.

7.2. Submitting of Application

The following items will form the core of the application:

- 7.2.1. **Applicant's Business Plan:** A complete written motivation is required with reasons as to why the system or camera is required and supported with proof. A funding and operational cost sustainability strategy to be provided. The application form is attached in Annexure 10.1
- 7.2.2. **Proof of consultation with External Groups and Bodies:** Proof of consultation with the relevant and interested authorities in a specific area is needed to process the application. These bodies might include the local South African Police Service, Community Police Forum, Special Rating Area or Registered Neighbourhood Watch.
- 7.2.3. **Background reference of applicant:** A background reference and proof of address must be submitted with business plan.
 - 7.2.3.1 **System Specifications:** Specifications must be submitted in the application, with relevant contact numbers. The specifications must be in line with the Consumer Goods Council Recommended CCTV Industry Guidelines. The CCTV system must have the ability for the Metro Police CCTV section to connect to the system at any time and view the imagery in the event that this is required.
- 7.2.4. **Third Party Infrastructure :** The Geographical CCTV Camera layout and the Schematics of the following must be submitted with the application:
 - Wireless Network layout inclusive of antennae and transmission equipment.
 - Fixed line layout of fixed solid cable linked to two or more devices.
 - Backbone layout related to the main network carrier.
 - Typical camera installation layout (one or more if different)
 - Control Room layout where CCTV images are monitored, recorded and stored
 - How the Metro Police will connect to the system.
- 7.2.5. **Monitoring Specifications:** The following information must be submitted with the relevant contact details:

- Location of the control room or monitoring centre.
- The Company contracted to conduct the monitoring

Any changes to the location or contracted company must be forwarded to the Vetting Committee in writing, thirty days in advance of the change.

7.2.6.Pre & Post on-site inspection and acceptance: Prior and post installation inspections will be done by a person/s designated to do so, by the Vetting Committee.

7.3 The Application Process

- 7.3.1 Once the applicant submits the application set out in 7.1, the application will be considered for approval.
- 7.3.2 The Vetting Committee shall consider the application in the first instance.
- 7.3.3 If the application is accurate and complete, it shall be sent to the relevant department.
- 7.3.4 It shall be the responsibility of the relevant department, whose structure the applicant applies to utilise, to verify that the technical aspects of the application meet the structural and durability tolerances within the necessary limits.
- 7.3.5 If the department responsible for this structure is satisfied with the load test and tolerances, the Vetting committee shall approve the request. If the application is rejected by the Vetting Committee, the applicant can object to such decision via the office of the City Manager.
- 7.3.6 If the City structure is not a viable option, the applicant will have to consider another placement option, such as applying for a wayleave to install a pole on City property.
- 7.3.7 The successful applicant shall be required to adhere to any rules, regulations and limitations set out by the Vetting Committee in the approval.
- 7.3.8 The applicant shall be bound to all written agreements relating to this policy.

7.4 Registration of City-owned CCTV Cameras

- 7.4.1 All existing City-owned CCTV cameras are required to be registered with the Vetting Committee.
- 7.4.2 City of Cape Town departments are to follow the registration process as per Annexure 10.9 in this policy

7.5 Areas requiring special approval for Third Party installations

- 7.5.1 The installation of CCTV cameras by private organisations on the following structures will require special approval from the owner
 - City of Cape Town Buildings
 - Freeways
 - Near any or on a Metro Police Camera, serving similar purpose
 - Bridges
 - Signboards
 - Traffic Signals
 - Information Boards
 - Any other structure / property belonging to City, deemed prohibited by the Vetting Committee
 - Government Buildings
 - National Key Points
 - South African Police Community Service Centres
 - Schools

7.6 The Erection of Temporary Cameras

- 7.6.1 An applicant, who would like to install a temporary CCTV camera for a period not exceeding 30 days, needs to complete only Annexures 10.2 and 10.4.
- 7.6.2 This application must be submitted to the Vetting Committee for permission before the temporary installation takes place by the applicant.

7.7 Existing Third party CCTV system or cameras in operation on City Property or Structures

- 7.7.1 All third party CCTV systems and cameras on City property and City structures need to be registered with the City of Cape Town by 30 November 2014.
- 7.7.2 The registration process is the same as that set out in 7.3 and the relevant documentation as attached in Annexure 10.1 and 10.2 to be completed.
- 7.7.3 If a system is identified as unregistered after 31 December 2014, the unregistered CCTV equipment or systems shall be dealt with as stipulated in items 7.8.4 to 7.8.6

7.8 Unregistered CCTV Equipment and cameras

- 7.8.1 Should any camera, equipment, system or part thereof not be registered in accordance with this policy, a notice will be issued by attaching the notice to the CCTV structure, to register the CCTV camera. The first notice is attached in Annexure 10.8.1.
- 7.8.2 After fourteen days, if no contact is made with the City official whose details appear on the first notice, a second notice will be issued (Annexure 10.8.2) and the system could be switched off and removed (in the case of a camera).
- 7.8.3 If contact is made with the City of Cape Town official for the camera registration, the applicant will be permitted to operate the system, on condition that an application for camera registration is made.
- 7.8.4 The application to register the CCTV camera or equipment must be submitted to the vetting committee within one month from the date that contact is made with the City of Cape Town official, whose name appears on Annexure 10.8.1. If the application is rejected by the Vetting Committee, the applicant can object to such decision via the office of the City Manager within seven days.
- 7.8.5 If no objection is made by the applicant or the objection is unsuccessful, all the CCTV and related equipment must forthwith be removed from City property in an appropriate manner.
- 7.8.6 If this notice is not adhered to, the City will remove the CCTV system completely and hand in at the nearest police station or be held in lockup for three months in a City facility and thereafter it shall be auctioned off or disposed of, as the City sees fit.
- 7.8.7 If the CCTV system is retrieved by the owner within the three month period, the cost for the de-installation, removal and storage of equipment must be settled immediately by the owner and released upon receipt of payment.

7.9 Third party CCTV Inspections.

- 7.9.1 All third party applicants must ensure that proper records of their CCTV system are kept.
- 7.9.2 Inspections shall be carried out by a person designated by the Vetting Committee for compliance with this policy.

7.10 Acceptance of costs and liability

- 7.10.1 All costs to setup, install and maintain the system will be borne by the applicant.
- 7.10.2 All liability will be borne by the applicant.

- 7.10.3 The City of Cape Town will be exempt from all liability arising from this application. This will also apply during installation of the relevant system as well as during the operation thereof.
- 7.10.4 Any damage to the applicants system is at their expense and the City will not be liable to the recovery of costs or repair, even should the damage arise from City departments.
- 7.10.5 Any damage or unauthorized modification to the City's infrastructure must be repaired or made good at the cost of the applicant within an agreed upon time.
- 7.10.6 All equipment must be insured against personal liability and damage by the applicant and necessary documentation must be provided as proof.

7.11 Structures other than City of Cape Town property

- 7.11.1 CCTV installations on private property, that monitor public urban space and that do not form part of a broader CCTV network i.e. transmitted and recorded off-site, do not require the authorization of the Vetting Committee. The location of the cameras and reasons for the installation must however be submitted (Annexure 10.7) to the Vetting Committee to ensure that all cameras, viewing public space, including a road, are used for legitimate policing efforts, which are in the broader community's interest and not for any illegal activities or purpose and used in compliance with the privacy rights of a person
- 7.11.2 A database of all third party cameras monitoring City property viewing public space shall be kept by the Metro Police CCTV Department.
- 7.11.3 The City holds the right to utilize the public space as the necessity dictates and takes precedent above the camera installations, existing or new.

7.12 Structure and Equipment Specifications

- 7.12.1 The structure specifications shall be set out by the City line departments and the Vetting Committee. This includes the height of the camera and equipment.
- 7.12.2 The applicant will ensure that the City structure is not damaged or modified in such a way that it does not serve its original purpose. Please see 7.10.5

7.13 Handling of evidence and recordings (Recorded and still imagery / footage)

- 7.13.1 Each camera should record and have footage available up to 20 days. (Optimal)
- 7.13.2 Systems that are unable to meet the optimal recording requirement, requires a measure to be put in place, in order for the relevant imagery to be removed and stored by the relevant CCTV control centre in a safe place, until such time that it can be utilized for investigation or court purposes by the investigating officer.
- 7.13.3 The person downloading such evidence onto a movable media source will be required to provide a statement to the court when required, confirming that they have done such transfer, without altering or manipulating any data thereon. Attesting to the evidence provided, may be required to be done in court.
- 7.13.4 All CCTV footage / imagery of recorded incidents, that require further investigation, must be stored in a safe place; preferably a locked steel safe and a removal register, tracking such removal.
- 7.13.5 All CCTV footage is to be treated as confidential evidence and be handled in that manner. Footage should only be released to South African Police Service / Metropolitan Police Department, with a receipt, to track such footage removal.

- 7.13.6 All CCTV cameras and camera footage of public space, including a road, must be used for legitimate policing efforts, which are in the broader community's interest and not for any illegal activities or commercial purpose, without the consent of the person appearing on the camera footage.

8 Implementation Programme

- 8.1 All CCTV cameras installed on City Property prior to this policy are required to be registered by the 31 December 2014 with the City of Cape Town, Metropolitan Police Department-CCTV Section.
- 8.2 All CCTV cameras on private property, forming part of a broader CCTV network of an organisation, monitoring public area are to be registered by the 31 December 2014 with the City of Cape Town, Metropolitan Police Department-CCTV Section.
- 8.3 All private CCTV cameras on private property, monitoring public area, but not forming part of a broader CCTV network i.e. recorded and transmitted off-site, are to be registered with reasons for the camera viewing the public space. The location of the camera will be a benefit to police investigators and the community can be contented that the camera is being used in their interest, which is safety and security.
- 8.4 All new CCTV camera installations are to follow this policy and process.

9 Monitoring, Evaluation and Review of Policy.

- 9.1 It is the responsibility of the City of Cape Town Metro Police - CCTV Department to maintain the database of registered CCTV cameras on City structures.
- 9.2 The success of the policy will be measured in terms of the number of CCTV cameras that are registered with the City and how many new applications are received.
- 9.3 This policy will be evaluated every two years or when there is a change in any law, affecting this policy.

10 Annexures

- 10.1 Application form
- 10.2. Camera Registration form
- 10.3. Application checklist
- 10.4. Temporary application form
- 10.5. Structure specifications
- 10.6. Application for new or modified electricity services
- 10.7. CCTV cameras on private property, monitoring public area
- 10.8.1. Notice of impending removal of CCTV equipment on city of Cape Town property
- 10.8.2. Notice of removal of CCTV equipment on city of Cape Town property
- 10.9. .CCTV cameras installed on public roads by City departments

Annexure 10.1



APPLICATION FORM TO INSTALL / OR CCTV CAMERAS ON CITY OF CAPE TOWN PROPERTY		
Name of organisation		
Representative Name		
Address of Organisation		
Tel of Organisation		
Tel of Representative		
E-mail address of Org		
E-mail address of Rep	Optional	
Please submit the following details		
Reason for application	Full Motivation with factual info and complete understandings	
Approvals	Letter of acknowledgment from the South African Police Area Station Commander, Community Police Forum, Central Improvement District or Neighbourhood Watch	
Business Plan	Short, Medium and Long Term plan for CCTV System	
CCTV Monitoring Centre		
CCTV Locations	Complete Annexure 10.2	
CCTV Cam GPS Co-ordinates	Optional	
Schematics and Diagrams	Separate page, preferably to scale, with all dimension given.	
Envisaged Start Date		
Completion Date		
Date Application received:		

Annexure 10.2



CITY OF CAPE TOWN				
CCTV CAMERA REGISTRATION FORM				
INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR CCTV DATABASE				
No	Location	At intersection or between which roads	Purpose	PTZ or Static
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CCTV.Unicity@capetown.gov.za				

Annexure 10.3



CCTV APPLICATION CHECKLIST BEFORE SUBMISSION	
ITEM	TICK BOX
a) Application Form	
b) Full motivation with factual information & complete understandings	
c) Approval- letter from Area Station Commissioner	
d) Approval- letter from Community Police Forum, Central Improvement District or Neighbourhood Watch	
e) Approval from all relevant bodies in the CCTV Project area	
f) Business Plan- Short, Medium and Long Term Plan	
g) Geographical area for the CCTV Project	
h) CCTV Locations List	
i) CCTV Locations GPS Co-ordinates	optional
j) CCTV System Specifications	
k) CCTV Monitoring Specifications	
l) CCTV Monitoring Centre	
m) Schematics and diagrams	
n) References of Installers	
o) Acknowledgement and Acceptance of costs & liability.	
p) Approval for Special Areas (if any)	

APPLICATION PROCESS FLOW

1. Receive application
2. Check application for all necessary requirements
3. Table to Vetting Committee
4. Acceptance that application meets initial requirements
5. Distributed to respective line departments.
6. Comments from line department
7. Approval / Rejection of application

Annexure 10.4



APPLICATION TO INSTALL CCTV CAMERAS ON CITY OF CAPE TOWN PROPERTY FOR 30 DAYS OR LESS	
Name of organisation	
Representative Name	
ID Number	
Address of Organisation	
Tel of Organisation	
Tel of Representative	
E-mail address of Org	
E-mail address of Rep	
Please submit the following details	
Reason for application	
CCTV Monitoring Location	
CCTV Locations	Annexure 10.2 to be attached to this application
CCTV Cam GPS Co-ordinates	Optional
Schematics and Diagrams	Installation.
Envisaged Start Date	
Completion Date	
Date Application Received:	

Annexure 10.5



CITY OF CAPE TOWN STRUCTURE SPECIFICATIONS

Electricity Services

Infrastructure Cameras and Connection Boxes will be allowed on:

- Low Voltage Distribution Mains Poles only, i.e. only electricity poles that have mains wires on and that form part of the Low Voltage Overhead Line Network.
- No camera's or connection boxes for cameras are allowed on streetlight poles or standalone distribution poles.
- Only two cameras allowed on any such pole.
- Wireless antennas are not allowed to encroach on the minimum clearances as listed below and must be aesthetically pleasing.

Installation allowed on LV Distribution Mains Poles.

- The electrical connection from the mains wires will have to be done by the relevant Construction Section of the affected Distribution District. Cost to be determined by District System Development. It will be a fixed rate tariff, no meter.
- The camera installation is to be SANS 0142 compliant and a Certificate of Compliance to be issued by the contractor installing the electrical connection box prior to switch on.
- The camera installation to be at least 1m below any streetlight luminaire, where there is no streetlight luminaire, the camera installation to be 1m below the overhead line conductors.
- All cable and wire used to be UV rated and properly terminated via a gland.
- If deemed necessary there shall be earth leakage provided by the installer of the camera equipment.

Installation of Cameras and Connection Boxes other than on Distribution Mains Poles.

- In areas where the Low Voltage Network is underground and only streetlight poles exist, no cameras or connection boxes will be allowed to be mounted on the streetlight poles.
- In this case the requestor will have to provide and install a suitable pole as per the industry standard and install the equipment on it. A maximum of two cameras allowed per pole.
- The cable should run internally in the pole and no cables to be visible on the outside.
- The requestor is to provide and install the supply cable up to the allocated mains kiosk and leave enough slack/spare for the cable to be terminated in the kiosk. No joints allowed.
- Connection fee and fixed rate tariff to be provided by District System Development. All work to be in accordance with Electricity By-Laws and SANS 0142. A Certificate of Compliance is to be provided prior to switching on.
- All way leaves and the necessary permits to be obtained by the contractor installing the cable and pole/s.

Reasons for not installing on streetlight poles

- It is not acceptable practice to have two separate supplies on one pole.
- The streetlight poles are not designed to carry boxes and cameras on them.
- The maximum bending ratings of streetlight poles are not the same.
- Streetlights are not designed to support ladders for maintenance purposes.

Other Comments

- Camera weights and dimensions to be provided.
- Connection boxes to be standard and the same colour as existing boxes on Electrical Services infrastructure.
- Electricity Services not responsible for cleaning and maintaining cameras.
- No Electricity Services Aerial Platform may be used by the contractor for installation, maintenance or servicing of the camera.
- All requests to be treated as projects run by District System Development and Construction in the three Areas and twelve Districts.
- No cameras or other CCTV equipment to be installed on Medium or High Voltage Overhead line networks.
- Camera casing to include permanent display of contact details such as telephone number of the responsible person to be contacted with respect to the camera installation.
- Electricity Services shall not be held responsible for any damage as a result of the pole getting damaged, the camera equipment being vandalized or the camera malfunctioning as a result as of any supply related problems.

Annexure 10.6



CITY OF CAPE TOWN
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ELECTRICITY SERVICES

Making progress possible. Together.



APPLICATION FOR NEW OR MODIFIED ELECTRICITY SUPPLY SERVICE

Please use clear capital letters and tick applicable blocks. Forms are to be completed in black ink only.

Partially completed forms will not be accepted. Incomplete and inaccurately completed forms will lead to delays.

Only the property owner may apply for a new connection or a change to the existing supply to the property.

Proof of ownership of the property (property rates account / title deed / proof of registration) must be attached to the application form.

If the owner is a private person, a copy of his/her identity document or passport must be attached to the application form.

If the owner is not a private person, a copy of the business / trust / body corporate registration form must be attached to the application form.

1 SERVICE LOCATION

Ert number Township / Suburb / Farm

Physical address

Code

2 PROPERTY OWNER (APPLICANT)

Business partner number

as per municipal account

Contract account number

Title ☐ Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Ms ☐ Dr ☐ Rev ☐ Prof ☐ Sir ☐ Other

First name / Company name

Second name / Trading as

Surname

Type of identification attached to application ☐ ID document ☐ Passport ☐ Company registration documents ☐ Trust

Identity number / Business registration number

Tax invoice required ☐ Yes ☐ No

Address where documentation must be sent to, if different from physical address:

Postal address

Code

Telephone number

Fax number

Cellphone number

Email address

Quotation to be ☐ Posted ☐ Faxed ☐ Emailed

3 CONTACT PERSON (PERSON TO BE CONTACTED IN CASE OF ANY QUERIES)

Title; First name

Surname

Telephone number

Fax number

Cellphone number

Email address

4 ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR (PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR INSTALLATION WORK WITHIN PROPERTY BOUNDARIES)

Title; Name & surname

Company

Registration number*¹

Telephone number

Fax number

Cellphone number

Email address

*1 Registration as electrical contractor with the Department of Labour (process managed by the Electrical Contractors' Association)

5 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY SERVICE

5.1 Existing installation

Category ☐ Residential ☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☐ Temporary supply ☐ No supply

Service connection ☐ Underground ☐ Overhead

Existing supply to premises ☒ A or ☒ kVA or ☒ MVA ☒ Single phase or ☒ Three phase

Meter number

5.2 Service required

☐ New supply ☐ Upgrade / downgrade ☐ Residential ☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☐ Temporary supply

☐ Convert to prepayment meter (max 100 A 3 phase) ☐ Additional (second) meter ☐ Overhead to underground

☐ Tariff change Other

Required supply to premises ☒ A or ☒ kVA or ☒ MVA ☒ Single phase or ☒ Three phase

5.3 Tariff choice

Details with respect to current tariffs are available at <http://www.coastdown.gov.za/en/electricity/tariffs>. Printed copies are available on request. You are advised to acquaint yourself with the tariffs available and applicable conditions, and consult with your electrician or consultant. A wrong or inappropriate tariff choice may result in delays with the quotation process or unnecessarily high electricity bills.

☐ Domestic (will convert to LifeLine if complying) ☐ Small Power 1 ☐ Small Power 2 ☐ Small Power with Off-peak

☐ Large Power Low Voltage ☐ Large Power Medium Voltage ☐ Large Power Time of Use

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6 DECLARATION

I/we, the owner(s) of the property, hereby declare that I/we have taken the necessary steps to ensure all information contained in this application is correct. I/we request a new or modified electricity supply service as specified, at the tariff indicated. I/we further acknowledge and agree to comply with the provisions of the City of Cape Town Electricity Supply By-law and Conditions of Supply⁴².

⁴² Available at <http://www.capetown.gov.za/en/electricity/Pages/ServiceApplicationForms.aspx>.

Owner's name / Owners' names													
Owner's signature / Owners' signatures													
Date	2	0								2	0		
	year		month		day	year		month		day			

If signing on behalf of the property owner(s), an approved letter of proxy must be attached to this application.

Proxy's name						
Proxy's signature						
Date	2	0				
	year		month		day	

The requirement to submit a Commencement of Work form for installation work that would require a new or upgraded electricity supply was waived in the City of Cape Town in accordance with Regulation 6(1) of the Electrical Installation Regulations of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 95 of 1993).

For official use: City of Cape Town official receiving application form:-

Official's name	
Official's staff number	

Annexure 10.7



CCTV CAMERAS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, MONITORING PUBLIC AREA	
Owner of Property	
Owner contact number	
Erf Number	
Address	
Organisation monitoring the camera or private camera	
Contact number	
Responsible Person	If different from owner
E-mail address of Org	If different from owner
E-mail address of Owner	
Please submit the following details	
What is the camera viewing / Purpose of the camera	
CCTV Monitoring Centre	
CCTV Cam GPS Locations	Optional
*Attach Map for reference**	Optional
Submitted by:	
Date:	
CCTV.Uncity @capetown.gov.za	

Annexure 10.8.1



NOTICE OF IMPENDING REMOVAL OF CCTV EQUIPMENT ON CITY OF CAPE TOWN PROPERTY

**PLEASE BE INFORMED THAT THIS EQUIPMENT IS INSTALLED ILLEGALLY
ON CITY OF CAPE TOWN PROPERTY AND WILL BE REMOVED AFTER 14
DAYS OF THIS NOTICE, IF NO CONTACT IS MADE WITH THE OFFICIAL
BELOW TO REGISTER:**

FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT:

NAME:

CONTACT NUMBER:

DATE OF NOTICE:

Annexure 10.8.2



NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF CCTV EQUIPMENT ON CITY OF CAPE TOWN PROPERTY

**PLEASE BE INFORMED THAT THIS EQUIPMENT WAS INSTALLED ILLEGALLY ON CITY
OF CAPE TOWN PROPERTY AND HAS BEEN REMOVED. IF EQUIPMENT IS NOT
COLLECTED WITHIN 90 DAYS, THE CITY SHALL AUCTION OFF THE EQUIPMENT.**

FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT OFFICIAL:

NAME:

CONTACT NUMBER:

DATE OF REMOVAL:

Annexure 10.9

**CCTV CAMERAS INSTALLED ON PUBLIC ROADS BY COCT DEPARTMENTS.**

This is for registration and database information only

City of Cape Town Department	
Line Manager	
Project Manager	Optional
Department Address	
E-mail address of Line Manager	
E-mail address of Project Manager	
Brief description of the CCTV Project	
CCTV Monitoring Centre	
Submitted by:	
Date:	

No	Location	At intersection or between which roads	Purpose	PTZ or Static
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Please e-mail to CCTV.Uncity@capetown.gov.za				

*Department of Agriculture Workforce Plan 2016-2021***4. Mr P Marran asked the Minister of Agriculture:**

With reference to his Department's Workforce Plan 2016–2021, as stated on page 186 of the Annual Report, that aimed among others to ensure the appointment of a sufficient number of qualified, young black professionals and engineers:

How many qualified, young black professionals and engineers have been appointed in his Department in (a) 2016, (b) 2017, (c) 2018 and (d) 2019?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE:

4. The table below lists the young black professionals and engineers appointed in this Department, of which forty-eight percent as indicated, are females.

Row Labels	African		Coloured		Indian		Grand Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
2016/17	1		1	1			3
2017/18	1	1	2	2		1	7
2018/19	7	8					15
2019/20 (till 30 Sep 2019)	2	1	1				4
Grand Total	11	10	4	3	0	1	29

Pre-Young Professional Persons (Pre-YPP) and Young Professional Persons (YPP) Programmes

The Pre-Young Professional Persons (Pre-YPP) and the Young Professional Persons Programmes are departmental affirmative action developmental programmes specifically for young people from the designated groups as defined in terms of the Employment Equity Act (Act no 55 of 1998).

The programme specifically empowers previously disadvantaged individuals from the following designated groups: Black, Coloured, Indian, females (White females included) and people with disabilities, who have been accepted by a recognised higher education institution for an Honours qualification (Pre-YPP), and Masters or Doctorate qualification (YPP), through the gaining of experience and mentorship, towards obtaining their qualification in the scarce and critical skills of the Department and the sector.

Candidate Engineering Technician Programme

This four-year developmental programme is aimed at assisting students who have completed their engineering qualifications, in gaining experience in order to meet the full requirements for professional registration as engineering technicians and technologists, with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA).

Students are placed with registered engineers either internally (within the department) or externally, for the duration of the programme. It is the role of the registered engineers to ensure that candidates get the required exposure for professional registration.

The table below lists black youth appointed onto this Department's professional youth development programmes (Pre-Young Professional Persons (Pre-YPP), Young Professional Persons (YPP) and Candidate Engineering Technicians), of which thirty one percent as indicated, are females.

Gender	2016 Total							2017 Total							2018 Total							2019 Total							Total
	Male			Female				Male			Female				Male			Female				Male			Female				
	A	C	I	A	C	I		A	C	I	A	C	I		A	C	I	A	C	I		A	C	I	A	C	I		
Pre-Young Professional Persons (Pre-YPP) Programme	1						1	2			1			3		1			1		2		1				1	7	
Young Professional Persons (YPP) Programme	1	1			1		3	1	2				3	2	3		1			6	1	4		2	2		9	21	
Engineering Technician Candidate	2	5		1	2		10	2	4		1	2		9	1	3		2	1		7	3	1		1	1		6	32
External Development Initiatives: Placement	4	6		1	3	0	14	5	6	0	2	2	0	15	3	7	0	3	2	0	15	4	6	0	3	3	0	16	60

The table below lists the fields of studies of candidates on the youth development programmes.

Youth Programmes	Qualifications	2016 Total							2017 Total							2018 Total							2019 Total							Total
		Male			Female				Male			Female				Male			Female				Male			Female				
		A	C	I	A	C	I		A	C	I	A	C	I		A	C	I	A	C	I		A	C	I	A	C	I		
Pre-Young Professional Persons Programme	BTech: Agriculture (Viticulture & Oenology)	1						1	1						1															2
	BTech: Civil Engineering								1			1			2															2
	Hons: Agricultural Economics																		1		1									1
	BSc: Biodiversity & Conservation Biology															1					1									1
	BTech: Food Science																						1					1		1
Young Professional Persons (YPP) Programme	BSc: Civil Engineering	1						1															1					1		2
	MAdmin: Economics					1		1																						1
	MTech: Food Science		1					1		1					1		1					1								3
	MSc: Civil Engineering									1					1	1						1								2
	MSc. Genetics									1					1		1					1								2
	MSc. Sustainable Agriculture																	1				1				1				2
	MTech: Agriculture (Viticulture & Oenology)															1						1	1					1		2
	MSc. Plant Pathology																1					1		1				1		2
	DTech: Food Science																						1					1		1
	MSc. Agricultural Economics																									1			1	1
	MSc. Food Science																									2		2		2

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*Police stations: victim-friendly rooms***5. Mr R I Allen asked the Minister of Community Safety:**

- (a) How many police stations in the province have victim-friendly rooms, (b) how many police officers have been trained to roll out the Victim Empowerment Service and (c) how do police officers register such cases?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

5. (a) 151 police stations in the province have a victim friendly room.
(b) Trained personnel:
- Victim Empowerment = 2 544
 - Domestic Violence Learning Programme = 3 948
 - First Responder to Sexual Offences Learning Programme = 1 773
 - Vulnerable Children Learning Programme = 1 665

Experienced detectives specialising in the specific field will assist with the taking of a statement from the victim where after a case docket is opened and the case registered on the CAS. Dependent on the nature of the complaint specialised units may be called for statement taking and/or other referrals. The privacy of the victim is always honoured and therefor such statements will be taken in private.

*Community Development Workers***6. Mr A P van der Westhuizen asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

- (1) (a) Which sphere of the government is responsible for the employment of community development workers and (b) what is the job description, as well as the criteria, included in the performance agreement of community development workers;
- (2) whether their employer is responsible for the supervision and all the administrative costs (such as office space and travel cost) related to their employment; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether community development workers are assisted with a formal induction process and an accredited training programme on the assumption of their positions; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) where can the contents of this process and programme be accessed?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

6. (1) (a) The Provincial sphere of Government is responsible for the Community Development Worker (CDW) Programme.

- (b) The purpose of a CDW is to assist communities with access to services provided by Government and to assist communities to identify and communicate their needs - across the three spheres of Government. CDWs have the following key responsibilities:

- To inform and assist communities with access to services provided by government
- To determine the needs of communities and communicate these needs to the relevant government structures
- To promote networks and enhance the activities of existing local community workers aimed at improved service delivery
- To keep up to date with regard to all services rendered by government and processes to access these services

The responsibilities stated above, are captured in the Performance Agreements of CDWs and also aligned with the departmental Annual Performance Plan targets.

- (2) CDW Supervisors, appointed by the Department of Local Government (DLG), are responsible for the supervision of CDWs. DLG is responsible for all the administrative costs associated with the operationalisation of the CDW Programme.
- (3) (a) CDWs are appointed in accordance to the Public Service Act - which prescribes that officials should undergo a formal induction. Newly appointed CDWs undergo a formal induction process, facilitated by the Department of the Premier.
- (b) The contents of the formal induction programme may be obtained from the Department of the Premier.

Questions and replies as received from departments

QUESTIONS

For written reply

Textbooks and educational material

1. Ms L J Botha asked the Minister of Education:

Whether all schools have received the necessary textbooks and educational material needed for the new academic year; if not, (a) how many schools have not received this material and (b) what are the names of these schools?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

1. All public schools were requested to plan their textbook needs for 2020 and were afforded the opportunity to order textbooks online during May/June 2019.

1 479 schools participated in the online ordering process and 499 580 textbooks were ordered to top up the textbooks currently used in schools.

All the ordered textbooks were procured and delivered to schools by 31 October 2019 for use in 2020.

Learner migration

2. Ms L J Botha asked the Minister of Education:

(a) How does her Department monitor learner migration, (b) how many non-South African learners are enrolled at Western Cape schools and (c) how many learners from other provinces in the country has her Department accommodated in the current academic year?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

2. (a) As part of the WCED's Admissions Policy all WCED schools are required to register learners on the Centralised Education Management Information System (CEMIS). For 1st time registrations schools are required to select whether a learner is a SA or non-SA citizen (compulsory field). In addition, schools are required to indicate whether it is the 1st time the learner is registered at a WCED school and where they were registered in the last year prompting the response to indicate the Province/ Country (Province of Country must be specified).

- (b) For the 2019 academic year 1643 (Source: Annual School Survey 2019) Non-South African learners, based on the information captured by schools, were enrolled at all WCED Public Ordinary Schools (GRR to 12).
- (c) 22 014 based on the information captured by schools, (Source: Annual School Survey 2019) learners originating from other provinces were registered at WCED Public Ordinary Schools.

Learner and teacher absenteeism rates

3. Ms L J Botha asked the Minister of Education:

With regard to learner and teacher absenteeism rates as recorded in her Department's Annual Report of 2018/19:

- (1) Why is the audited value higher than the reported achievement;
- (2) whether this has had any impact on learner-performance outcome; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

- 3. (1) The 2019/19 audit established that manual record keeping of registers at school level, was inadequate. The discrepancy was because of the poor record keeping of manual school registers, and incorrect transcription of the data onto CEMIS at the end of the quarter.

The WCED is piloting an on-line solution in 446 schools where educators can do the registers from their cell phones or any mobile device. It tracks learner absenteeism daily, eliminates manual recording and transcription, is very fast and user friendly.

- (2) It is difficult to assess impact at this stage as schools have only been recording summary level absenteeism and not learner level absenteeism. A learner level data mechanism which tracks absenteeism at learner level should in future, provide more detailed information to be able to see trends and possible impact more clearly.

Western Cape Police Commissioner

4. Mr R I Allen asked the Minister of Community Safety:

With reference to the permanent position of the Western Cape Police Commissioner:

What (a) are the reasons for the withdrawal and re-advertisement of the post, (b) is the timeline to appoint a permanent Police Commissioner, (c) was the full cost of (i) advertising the initial vacancy and (ii) re-advertising the vacancy and (d) are the other applicable costs?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

4. The South African Police Service informed me as follows:

Following the conclusion of the selection process, for the post of the Provincial Commissioner: Western Cape, complaints were received. Over and above the complaints received, there was also no gender representation, as all the applicants were males. To mitigate the risk for the South African Police Service (SAPS), should a dispute emanate from the filling of the post, the National Commissioner decided not to fill the post, but to re-advertise the post of Provincial Commissioner: Western Cape.

- (b) The post of the Provincial Commissioner: Western Cape, will be filled in the 2019/2020 financial year, before 31 March 2020.
- (c)
 - (i) The post was advertised, internally in the SAPS and no advertisement costs were incurred.
 - (ii) The post was re-advertised, internally in the SAPS and no advertisement costs were incurred.
- (d) The other applicable costs were the travelling and subsistence costs of one member of the evaluation panel, who was a representative from the Office of the Premier: Western Cape, during the shortlisting and two-day assessment process. The accommodation and travelling and subsistence costs of the shortlisted candidates, for the two-day assessment process, was incurred from the budgets of their relevant offices.

However, when writing to Premier Winde on 28 October 2019, the SAPS did not express gender as a reason for re-advertising the post. SAPS indicated that the post would be re-advertised due to 'complaints received', which I believe points to political interference. For this reason, on 31 October 2019, I delivered an affidavit to the Office of the Public Protector. I previously condemned the re-advertisement as it pointed to top-level ANC interference in the management of SAPS and government recruitment processes.

On Friday, 8 November 2019, I received confirmation that the matter would be investigated by the National Office in Pretoria. I am pleased that this matter will be prioritised by the Public Protector with the seriousness it deserves. I have since welcomed the decision by the Office of Public Protector to investigate alleged political interference in the appointment of a Provincial Police Commissioner in the Western Cape. I hope that this investigation provides clear direction on addressing political interference in government recruitment processes.

According to Section 207 (3) of the Constitution of South Africa, 'The National Commissioner, with the concurrence of the provincial executive, must appoint a woman or a man as the provincial commissioner for that province, but if the National Commissioner and the provincial executive are unable **to agree** on the appointment, the Cabinet member responsible for policing must mediate between the parties.' It is on this basis that I have made my complaint.

As per the Constitution, only if there is disagreement on the appointment of the Provincial Commissioner **between** the National Commissioner and provincial executive must the Cabinet member responsible for policing [Minister Bheki Cele] mediate, or in this case re-advertise the position. I am on record for saying that there never was disagreement between the provincial executive and the National Commissioner over the appointment. There were, however, objections and allegations from the ANC's Faiez Jacobs, who was not included in the panel.

Rusthof Old-age Home: frail-care centre

5. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

Why has his Department not considered converting the vacant JJ du Pre le Roux building in the Drakenstein Municipality into a frail-care centre for the Rusthof Old-age Home?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

5. The property, known as the former JJ du Preez Clinic in Paarl is earmarked for eventual utilization by the Western Cape Government. However, the Department of Transport and Public Works is considering the short-term letting of the property for community purpose. The letting of the property for community purposes will, in order to afford all interested parties, the opportunity, be advertised for the invitation of offers to lease. This will afford the Rusthof Old-age home the opportunity to submit an offer to lease the property. Should their offer be successful, the Rusthof Old-age Home can attend to the utilization of the property as a frail-care centre during the period of lease.

Pauw Gedenk Primary School

6. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Education:

With regard to the lockdown situation at the Pauw Gedenk Primary School in Drakenstein:

Whether the school is safe to use; if not, why not; if so, (a) what measures have been put in place by her Department to ensure that learners do not lose teaching or learning time and (b) when is the construction that is currently underway anticipated to be completed?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

6. There is 1 (one) double storey building part of this facility comprised of 4 (four) ground- and 1st floor classrooms. The 1st floor classrooms' existing timber floor support structure has, over time, deteriorated to the degree that its structural integrity cannot, at present, be guaranteed.

At present, the 8 (eight) ground and 1st floor classrooms should not be occupied.

The WCED planned to install temporary mild steel support structures to enable continued use of all 8 (eight) ground and 1st floor classrooms. The school and Governing Body (SGB) however prevented these works from being executed in October 2019.

The Department of Transport & Public Works Directorate Education Infrastructure (DTPW-EI) has completed design of a permanent solution that shall simplistically comprise the introduction of additional structural support members in all 4 (four) 1st floor classrooms' timber floor structure.

The WCED is, at present, awaiting confirmation of milestone dates for commencement and completion of on-site construction works to execute the permanent works.

Erf 606 in Gouda, Drakenstein – illegal occupation

7. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

With regard to the illegal occupation of erf 606 in Gouda, Drakenstein:

- (a) What action has been taken to address the illegal occupation and (b) what are the details of the action that has been taken?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

7. (a & b) It was established that the Municipality applied for an eviction order as well as a Rule Nisi Order that was granted on 30/3/2017. The court date for the Eviction Application was set for 13/6/17 and arguments from both sides were heard on the day.

Judge Dlodo emphasized that the Court had a very difficult task as the respondents would be rendered homeless if they were to issue an eviction order. In view of the fact that the municipality was unable to provide alternative accommodation, the court dismissed the application.

The municipality did not pursue the matter further after the Courts decision. In terms of the current situation, the municipality is in the process of providing rudimentary services (water and sanitation) to the area.

*Festive period: traffic***8. Mr D G Mitchell asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:**

What plans does his Department have in place to prepare the province's roads and transportation networks for the influx of traffic over the festive period?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

8. The Department has developed a comprehensive 2019/20 Festive Season Plan to deal with the influx of traffic over the festive season. In general terms the Plan includes, but is not limited to:

- National Interventions
- Provincial Tactical and Operational Focal areas including driver fitness, passengers and documentation
- Moving violations
- Vulnerable road users (Pedestrians, cyclists and motor cyclists)
- Fatigue Management programme: Public and Freight Transport
- Alcohol enforcement
- Communication Strategy
- Inter Provincial Traffic and SAPS Operations

Although the Plan is implemented earlier, the official launch is set for 5 December 2019.

*Golden Arrow buses: arson attacks***9. Mr D G Mitchell asked the Minister of Community Safety:**

Whether the South African Police Service has launched a criminal investigation into the recent arson attacks on Golden Arrow buses in the City of Cape Town; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

9. The South African Police Service informed me as follows:

(a) Yes.

See attached document for details.

ARSON ATTACKS ON GOLDEN ARROW BUSES: APRIL 2019 UNTIL DATE

NO	STATION	CAS	CHARGE	SHORT DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT	NR OF ARREST	STATUS OF CASES I.E UNDER INVESTIGATION (NO SUSPECTS ARRESTED), WITHDRAWN BY SPP (PROVIDE REASONS), SOR (INDICATE WHY) NEW REMAND DATE, GUILTY (PROVIDE SENTENCE	INVESTIGATED BY (DETAILS OF I/O)
1	Kleinvlei	26/04/2019	Malicious damage to property	On 2019.04.01 at 17:50 the driver was on the way to the depot when a group of people set the bus on fire and threw bricks at the bus.	0	Undetected	Const Dirks (Kleinvlei Detectives)
2	Harare	30/05/2019	Malicious damage to property	On 2019.05.02 at 08:28 one of the community members who was busy protesting threw a petrol bomb through the window of the bus.	0	Undetected	Const Qibisa (Harare Detectives)
3	Harare	32/05/2019	Malicious damage to property	On 2019.05.02 at 06:55 an unknown male threw a petrol bomb at the windscreen of the bus.	0	Undetected	Const Qibisa (Harare Detectives)
4	Muizenberg	346/10/2019	Murder	On 2019.10.31 at 17:35 a bus en route from Simon's Town to Khayelitsha was thrown with a petrol bomb. The petrol bomb went through a window of the bus. One passenger succumbed due to his injuries.	0	Under investigation	Const Loskitt (Muizenberg Detectives)
5	Muizenburg	342/10/2019	Attempted Murder	On 2019.10.31 at 08:36 a bus en route in Maria Dagama Road, Muizenberg was thrown with a petrol bomb. The petrol bomb went through the window of the bus. One passenger sustained serious burn wound.	0	Remanded to 2019.11.14	Const Loskitt (Muizenberg Detectives)

6	Nyanga	522/10/2019	Malicious damage to property	On 2019.10.18 at 18:00 a Golden Arrow bus was set alight by unknown perpetrators.	0	Undetected	Const Mqhwayi (Nyanga Detectives)
7	Nyanga	543/10/2019	Malicious damage to property	On 2019.10.18 at 18:00 a Golden Arrow bus was set alight by unknown perpetrator.	0	Under investigation	Const Dike (Nyanga Detectives)

INTERPELLATIONS:*Matriculants pass rate***1. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Education:**

Whether she and her Department have a turnaround strategy to ensure that matriculants achieve a quality pass rate in Quintile 1 to Quintile 3 in the province?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you very much hon Speaker and to the member for the interpellation. Yes, we certainly do have a strategy in place. The Department prioritises schools for support that need it the most, which includes obviously Quintiles 1 to 3 but can also include schools in Quintiles 4 and 5 because as you well know many of our poorer communities are in schools in Quintiles 4 and 5. This depends on their results.

The strategy includes the following: An Examination Roadshow was conducted in all districts targeting all Grade 12 teachers in all subjects. Each teacher was provided with feedback on the NSC examinations based on the examiners' and moderators' report. The feedback included a detailed analysis of the results per subject and questions to identify areas needing attention. Each subject teacher received a subject support package containing support materials in problematic content areas. The Department has broadcast the Telematics Programme to 150 schools throughout the academic year. This programme was also accessed via live streaming which in effect provides access to all learners.

A "Tips for Success" booklet was issued to all Grade 12 learners. An "Exam Exemplar" booklet was distributed to all Grade 12s. All districts have implemented comprehensive support programmes for teachers and learners. A centralised tutoring programme targeting learners from schools in the lower quintiles was conducted during August and September. The programme in August provided six hours of tutoring in a range of subjects where learners were able to register for two subjects in which they were either performing poorly or had the potential to achieve an excellent result.

In September the same learners went to classes over a three-day period which provided them with another six hours of tuition in three subjects. This programme targeted approximately 1 800 learners across the province. Subject advisers and senior curriculum planners have also visited and supported teachers and learners at these schools during the course of the year. Thank you.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Speaker. Thank you Minister for that response. Just, Minister, and I am just reading out of the annual report, so your focus and objectives were to improve the level of language and mathematics in our schools; also to increase the number of quality passes in the National Senior Certificate and also to increase the quality of education provision in poorer communities.

Now, Minister, you will agree with me that there is still a lot to be done when it comes to the poorer schools because if we look at just the statistics out of the annual report, although we show a significant increase when it comes to these quintile schools, it is still far beyond where we need to go and I am not going to give the details but in the annual report it gives us the successes of the Quintile 1 and the Quintile 2 and Quintile 3, the bachelor passes, but my concern is, still in our poorer schools people are still not getting quality education. Let me just try to give you one example. We have been to Chrysalis not so long ago and one of the presentations that was done by Chrysalis says, and I challenged them with this when they said, "Many young black men in particular are groomed for prisons, unemployment and not reaching their highest potential, by our system of inequality, neglect and poor education."

The CEO Dr Meyer also said that when they do get a child from Khayelitsha and a child from Rondebosch there are miles - you cannot even compare the two because they do not receive the same education. So I am just asking, I am glad and I am happy with the interventions being done but we really want to see an increase in our poorer schools when it comes to bachelor passes. Many of the learners - and we know there are other avenues that they can go to - but we would really want to encourage our learners to get bachelor passes so that they can go to university and educate themselves because we know what education does to communities, poor communities.

So Minister, like I said I am happy with what you are saying, but still when we make the comparisons we do not see equal education. When we do the comparisons we still see that our Quintile 1 to 3 are lacking far behind. I thank you, hon Speaker.

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Speaker. Minister, we know that when the DA took office in 2009 the matric pass rate in Quintile 1 schools was 57.5% and in 2018 it grew to 70.5% so we had a pass rate increase of 10.6% in Quintile 2... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Yoh!

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Who was the Minister then?

Ms L J BOTHA: ...and 15.6% in Quintile 3 schools... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Hon member Dugmore.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: There we go!

Ms L J BOTHA: ...and I want to know that in terms of the WCED and the retentions of learners to be able to complete a matric pass, how does that compare for instance to our neighbours in the Eastern Cape and also in terms of the collaboration schools, how many are there in these Quintiles 1 to 3 and what will this collaboration - what will the effect be on the matric pass and, Minister, if you can speak to the number of matrics in these quintiles as asked in the questions Quintiles 1 to 3, how many will be matriculants writing the external exam for 2019; and is there any way that the WCED with regards to our

bachelor passes track these learners after they have completed and are eligible to go to an institution of higher education in terms of a bachelor pass? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Who was the ANC MEC?

Ms L J BOTHA: The Leader of the Opposition.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon members, thank you hon member Botha. Hon member Sayed.

An HON MEMBER: Numbers do not lie! Numbers do not lie!

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker. Every year over the past three years the hon MEC for Education has been claiming to have a turnaround strategy to help turn the tide, yet when the results are released we witness a regression in the matric pass rate in the Western Cape. Not only is the pass rate declining, but the quality itself is dropping, with the number of schools with a matric pass rate below 60% increasing and the majority of such schools are Quintile 1 to 3 where learners from disadvantaged and poor backgrounds are affected.

Now hon Speaker, the retention rate for learners between Grades 10 and 12 is decreasing and hon Speaker, the number of learners taking up mathematics and science and that of learners passing these subjects is also dropping and the bachelor pass rate when compared to the previous years, is quite poor. Hon Speaker, an effective turnaround strategy should be the one which addresses the root causes of the challenges affecting the schools in Quintile 1 to 3, not piecemeal solutions and aside from shifting the focus to the budgetary constraints the MEC must tell us what is being done to address the overcrowding and the teacher-to-learner ratio. Is there a plan to alleviate the pressure by opening up the gates of schools in Quintiles 4 and 5 to learners from overcrowded schools in poor communities?

The scourge, hon Speaker, of gangsterism at our schools is exaggerated by the unwillingness of the Department of Education in the Province and the MEC to fix broken fences, a matter that I have always been raising. What is being done to keep our schools safe, for example from Homba Primary School today in Khayelitsha we received news of the computer labs again being vandalised with PCs having been stolen, despite numerous requests by the principal for the Department to build fences. Obviously you will have poor results... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): ...and in conclusion, hon Speaker, I want to move, I want to move a motion calling on the Premier... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member, your time is up.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): ...to appoint a task team to assess and provide us with solutions on the poor state of education in our province if matric results again show a decline.

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): I thank you, hon Speaker. [Applause.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you. Thank you, hon Speaker. I really do not want to make this a political debate, really I do not. I really do not. The important thing is, it is a problem that needs to be addressed.

An HON MEMBER: It is the political setting.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: It is a problem I need to address. I mean, one of the examples that we have is when we visited Laingsburg. One high school in Laingsburg... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): But you are part of the Opposition.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: ...and one school, high school in Laingsburg, and those children do not have the opportunity to do pure maths because they do not offer it, so they need to leave Laingsburg for pure maths. So yes, and the more and more we hear that pupils are sent in certain directions so that schools can get better results and not thinking that maths and science are so crucial that we get and steer people in those directions where it is mostly needed. Another important thing, hon Speaker, is when it comes to - and we have always spoken about that - but if we do not fix the safety of our learners I do not think they will excel and that is a critical issue, but besides that I think the important thing is we want to see better results where the Western Cape is first again and not third. We want to see that we excel in various areas, but especially in those poor schools, especially where those pupils that matriculate just become unemployed and are roaming the streets. That is what I am talking about. Let us put in all the efforts to improve our education so that our pupils in those quintiles, Quintile 1 to 3 get quality education so that they just do not go to an institution of learning but also go to university. It is so easy to say "institution of learning", I am here to say our percentage of Quintile 1 to Quintile 3, when it comes to bachelor passes, is lagging far behind. When it comes to, if you break down the 81% pass rate and you take it via quintile, we will be astonished to see that we are lagging behind, so it is one thing to say we have 81% but out of that 81% a lot of our Quintile 1 to 3 is not featuring there, so Minister... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: You need to conclude, hon member.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Yes, Minister, I encourage what you said but we need to do something to see a turnaround at the end of this year and be proud that everybody has gained and has quality education. I thank you.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you very much to members for the debate. Hon member Christians, yes, I do agree with you that we are nowhere near where we would like to be in Quintile 1 to 3 schools, in fact in many of our schools - even in the other quintiles. We are always looking to improve in the Western Cape Education Department but we really are doing the very best we can under an extremely difficult and increasingly difficult financial situation.

Hon member Botha, I do not have the figures of the collaboration schools. I can get them for you and I will send them through to you, but bachelor passes have certainly increased in the last year, we went up very nicely and the bachelor passes in the Quintile 1 to 3 schools in particular have increased very, very nicely, and as you have said the matric results also since we took power in 2009 have increased substantially and we will continue. I mean that is all as a result of ongoing efforts in those schools to ensure that we do the very best we can for those learners.

Hon member Sayed, I am sick and tired of hearing from the ANC that we must come up with a plan... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Shame, shame! [Interjections.]

HON MEMBERS: No-no! [inaudible - members speaking simultaneously]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Yes, yes, yes! [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Yes, I am. [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): You must welcome our critique.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Do not come and tell me about budget. Well, tell me how to employ... [Interjections.] Sorry, hon Speaker. [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): You must welcome our critique.

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: I do not welcome critique when the reason why we cannot fix fences at every school and the reason we cannot employ teachers in classes is because the ANC has stolen and wasted so much money, hundreds of billions of rand... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Oh my goodness!

An HON MEMBER: So the ANC is getting [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...that every year we get told to cut our budget. [Interjections.] We cannot increase the standard of education by giving better teachers, more teachers for maths and science, and more teachers to reduce the class size - not without more money. I do not understand how it is so difficult to comprehend. We cannot employ teachers without money. Now if we are having classes with 60 pupils in a class we need more teachers, therefore, we need more money. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: You are controlling... [Inaudible.] [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: So, perhaps hon member Sayed can take it to his national counterpart in National Treasury... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: You are building fireproof... [Inaudible.]

An HON MEMBER: Billions of savings [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...and tell them what they are doing to education in the Western Cape. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members!

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): The Auditor-General's findings.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: As far as the matric pass rate is concerned we have been there I do not know how many times, half of the pass rate increase last year was because of the multiple of examine opportunity, which other provinces forced their learners to not write the full matric exam. [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

An HON MEMBER: Let us tell the truth. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: And then their pass rate went sky-high because they had fewer people writing, so all the people who were not going to pass were kept out of the system. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Tell them!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: So that is why the pass rate went high. We still maintained 81% with the highest retention rate in the entire country from Grades 10 to 12. [Interjections.] That is my priority, yes, so that is completely not correct and we do need to look, I agree. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Now even the elections [Inaudible.] [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We do need to look... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order, hon members!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We do need to look at how we report matric results because if it is just going to be percentage then we are going to carry on doing this and people are going to carry on being pushed out of the schools to get better results and they are not going to take mathematics. I agree some people are kicked out because they are not going to - they are going to bring down the result. In addition, because of the ANC's abject failure in the Eastern Cape... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Now you are doing that [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...we had a 130 000 more learners coming here. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] in the Eastern Cape, where are they...

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: A third of them - they only come here in Grade 10 because they are so desperate to get a better education. Then they are not improving. 25% [Interjections.] 25% of their learners did not write matric last year, go look, so, the point is - the point is... [Interjections.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: You see we have retention and the full marks there... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: They are maybe improving but nowhere near what they were claiming last year. Now the point is we cannot keep on pursuing the percentage pass if we are genuinely serious about trying to get people to stay in school and take the subjects like maths and science that we so desperately need in our economy, so I agree that we are nowhere near where we should be, but our bachelor passes are hugely improved. Our retention rate has hugely improved and I also would like to just say to hon member Christians, I do not agree that we must obsess about university. Higher education yes, but not everyone should be going to university because that is not the best option for everybody and we need more non-technical and vocational skills in this country.

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, you need to wrap up.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We need more non-technical vocational skills in the country and that is what we need to work towards. [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you.

An HON MEMBER: You do not care about the poor.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Thank you, hon Minister.

An HON MEMBER: You do not care about the people.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, before we go to the next interpellation, allow me to do the following. Hon Premier, Leader of the Opposition and obviously hon members present. I know that members may see some changes, maybe some new faces or one face that is new in the House. He is not a member of the public. Due to the resignation of Mr De Jager, a vacancy occurred in the representation of the Al Jama-ah party [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Speaker in Stellenbosch [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: ...in the Western Cape Provincial Parliament...

An HON MEMBER: Really?

The SPEAKER: ...thus creating a vacancy which has since been filled by the nomination of Mr G Brinkhuis with effect from 23 October 2019. I had the liberty to preside over the swearing in of hon Brinkhuis in my office on 23 October 2019. Hon members, please allow me to welcome in this House of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament, hon member Brinkhuis. Welcome hon member Brinkhuis. [Applause.] Now you are a hon member of this House, but you have been participating in committees in any case, so welcome, sir.

Mr G BRINKHUIS: Thank you.

[Debate concluded.]

Wasteful and fruitless expenditure: measures to prevent

2. Mr L L Mvimbi asked the Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism:

What measures has the Provincial Government put in place to prevent irregular, unauthorised, wasteful and fruitless expenditure from recurring in the province?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Thank you, hon Speaker.

The constrained economic and fiscal outlook requires provinces to ensure that efficient, effective and sustainable management of fiscal resources is of course implemented in the Western Cape. Good governance and fiscal responsibility are of course critical to ensure that, despite the challenges we face, we can continue to deliver services to unlock economic growth and of course to create jobs in the Western Cape. We remain committed to the principles of allocated efficiency, fiscal consolidation, fiscal discipline and fiscal sustainability in the Western Cape. With the Provincial Treasury's mandate to promote and enforce transparency and effective management in respect of revenue and expenditure, assets and liabilities of Provincial Departments and provincial entities set out in the PFMA, the Department has sought to implement sound financial management in order to prevent irregular, unauthorised and fruitless and wasteful expenditure across all departments and entities in the Western Cape.

We have conducted assessments of departments and entities on budgetary matters, supply chain, asset management and accounting with departments and entities, reporting to the Provincial Treasury on of course the irregular, unauthorised and fruitless and wasteful expenditure as part of the monthly in-year monitoring reports. We hold quarterly engagement sessions with departments to discuss all issues emanating from the in-year monitoring reports. We have developed good governance support plans to assist departments and entities to close the good governance gaps and improve fiscal responsibility.

We also have forums for chief financial officers, supply chain management, and of course financial management and accounting. We have issued delegation frameworks and we provide a continuous analysis and guidance of regulations and instructions.

We are also workshopping versions of the irregular, unauthorised fruitless and wasteful expenditure frameworks to ensure that there is consistence; that there is a consistent understanding in the province with a standard way of evaluating, monitoring and reporting particularly on irregular, unauthorised and fruitless and wasteful expenditure. We have institutionalised these measures which has gone a long way, I think, to explain how we have become the top performing province when it comes to managing irregular unauthorised and wasteful and fruitless expenditure in South Africa. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. I now recognise hon member Mvimbi.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Speaker, thank you very much. The issue was raised in the spirit of wanting to prevent instead of actually curing, so as we all know that prevention is better than cure so let us rather try and prevent it from happening instead of us having to work on fixing when it has been done. [Interjections.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Tell that to the National Government.

Mr L L MVIMBI: And I am saying this in the spirit of wanting to bring and usher in good governance in the Western Cape as the Minister has alluded... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] Eskom.

Mr L L MVIMBI: ...but hon Speaker, allow me first to state that... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Ja, Eskom proved this [Inaudible.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: ...while irregular unauthorised and fruitless and wasteful expenditure are not forms of corruption, but they are forms of non-compliance with the PFMA and other regulation, for instance irregular expenditure is defined as expenditure that was not incurred in the manner prescribed by legislation, which means that somewhere in the process of expenditure the accounting officer failed to comply with applicable legislation. On the other hand fruitless and wasteful expenditure means expenditure made in vain, that could have been avoided had reasonable care been taken. Hon Speaker, the above speaks to both the weakness and other related challenges of the supply chain management process, as well as the lack of consequent management.

In this regard the Auditor-General has been consistently making calls to pay urgent attention to improving supply chain processes. The PFMA makes it clear that:

“Accounting officers are responsible for preventing the above transgressions.”

Instead of applying consequent management, the Provincial Government must not move in to condone some of these expenditures. Action must be taken against the individuals that have been responsible for this.

As an example there are departments that have irregular and fruitless expenditure. I would have expected that the Minister would say ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Cederberg.

Mr L L MVIMBI: ... in these departments, these are the actions, these are the activities that are going to be done. [Interjections.] Instead, the Minister has mentioned that they are the top performer, but ... [Interjections.] if you are a top performer we want you to move beyond having irregular and unauthorised expenditure, and instead there must also be action there, and then also politicians must stop defending and covering up for officials that are involved in irregular and fruitless expenditure. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: You must try and wrap up, hon member.

Mr L L MVIMBI: You should, as responsible politicians, especially the executive authority, they must be the first to say that, "This official has been responsible and we are taking action."

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

Mr L L MVIMBI: We do not expect that ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Mvimbi.

Mr L L MVIMBI: ... there must be cover up. [Interjections.] [Applause.]

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The role of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the WCPP is to hold the Executive to account for the financials in their respective departments, but firstly two things. I would like to thank the Ministers, every single one, and the Premier, for availing themselves. I have seen every single Minister here during the SCOPA annual reports during the season.

Mr P MARRAN: On our request.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Secondly I would like to congratulate the Minister of Health and her Department for being the first Health Department in South Africa for getting for getting a clean audit. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Thank you for listening, Premier.

An HON MEMBER: Thank you, Sir.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Mr Speaker, when it comes to irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: A good Premier.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: ... the reason why the Health Department is actually such a beacon of light is because in the *ad hoc* nature, in the emergency situations that exist in the health sector, it is truly a remarkable feat to receive a clean audit.

In SCOPA we heard various examples of minimal amounts of irregular expenditure, where it was crucial to ensure service delivery, but due to red tape certain legislation imposes, the particular regulations could not necessarily be complied with, and I will give you some examples. In many of these, for example, you would get two quotes instead of three, but there were only two companies in the whole municipality that could deliver the particular service.

In the Health Department – and remember hon member Mvimbi is the chair of SCOPA and, you know, we sit on the same committee so I am surprised he forgets some of these things. Health, for example, had to get a new machine, but with this particular machine only the particular branding of that machine could be bought, otherwise it would not comply with any other technology in the whole department. I am not sure if hon member Mvimbi wanted the Minister to buy a different machine.

The SPEAKER: You need to wrap up ... [Interjections.]

Ms D M BAARTMAN: In, for example, Social Development [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: ... hon member Baartman.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: ... the majority of irregular expenditure was local content. If you do not comply one hundred percent, if it is 99% then all of a sudden it is non-compliant.

Agriculture, which is arguably the worst ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Baartman.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: ... had a fifth of a tenth of one percent.

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member. [Interjections.] I now recognise hon member Mvimbi.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. It has quite been interesting that when I raised this issue I did not make mention of any specific department because I was actually saying that we must make sure that we do prevent irregular and unauthorised expenditure. But, out of political expediency, some Members of Parliament have chosen to mention their department; for example ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): We did not [Inaudible.] Eskom.

Mr L L MVIMBI: ... while most ...

Mr M K SAYED: Eskom is not run by the Province. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order, hon members. [Interjections.] Please proceed hon member Mvimbi.

Mr L L MVIMBI: I have actually found it very strange, We should be working together on making sure that we prevent irregular and unauthorised expenditure. Some members of the Provincial Legislature seem to be refusing to hold the Executive to account, which I think that you will see in most instances ... [Interjections.] I did not even mention a department, but hon member Baartman mentioned the Health Department. [Interjections.] And actually for as an example in the Health Department there is an irregular expenditure that was incurred of over R3 million because incorrect bidding processes were followed, and a further R1.3 million ... [Interjections.], so – but that, for some reason, because you have got an act, you have got a situation where most members of the Provincial Legislature are supposed to hold the Executive to account but what do they do? They praise the Executive and I keep on telling them that, “You cannot praise the fishes for swimming.” [Laughter.] A fish must swim, you cannot praise the fish for swimming. [Applause.] They are doing the work that they were supposed to be doing, but you can see ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: But then the ANC [Inaudible.].

Mr L L MVIMBI: ... here that some members are actually singing praises for the Executive that they are supposed to be holding accountable. [Interjections.] Something is actually not right with some of the members of the Legislature. They should be holding them to account, not to incur irregular and unauthorised expenditure, but they are actually defending them; they are actually supporting them, Mr Speaker. It actually talks to the notion of this clean audit. [Interjections.] The Western Cape is known for bragging with its clean audit but in spite ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon members! [Interjections.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: ... of this clean audit we are still surrounded by poverty. Most of the departments have clean audits after clean audits. Go to Mitchells Plain, there is poverty there, but there is clean audit. Go to Khayelitsha, there is poverty there, but there is clean audit.

You can go anywhere in the province and there is still poverty in spite of all these clean audits that they are actually bragging about, and you have MPLs here that have the nerve to defend the Executive to account when they are supposed to be accounting. [Interjections.] Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you. [Interjections.] Order, hon members! Thank you, hon member Mvimbi. I now recognise the hon Minister.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I see the Chair of SCOPA is certainly more animated this afternoon than I have seen him in a long time. [Interjections.]

Mr Speaker, I would like to begin by associating myself with the comment made by the hon member Baartman and taking this opportunity to congratulate the hon Minister of Health on the clean audit ...

An HON MEMBER: It is impressive.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ... which, if I understand correctly, was not just the first clean audit of the Health Department in the Provincial Government, but was in fact the first clean audit of any Health Department ... [Interjections.]

Ms L M MASEKO: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ... in South Africa. [Applause.] [Interjections.]

Mr Speaker, I would like to associate myself with the point made ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ... by the hon Chairperson of SCOPA when he said the real objective should be to prevent irregular, unauthorised and of course fruitless and wasteful expenditure. And, of course, it is precisely for that reason that the Provincial Treasury has worked so hard to institute the package of measures which I outlined earlier: conducting assessments; quarterly engagements; Government support plans; forums for chief financial officers, for supply chain management and financial management, and accounting; and of course providing continuous analysis and guidance of regulations and instructions.

I would also like to associate myself with the second main point made by the Chair of SCOPA and that is to the extent that it is recognised and required, there must be action taken against officials, and I certainly associate myself with that point; but Mr Speaker, I think we need to put this debate and the points made by the hon Chair of SCOPA in perspective, and have a look and consider the performance of this Province when it comes to irregular, unauthorised and fruitless and wasteful expenditure, compared to other provinces in South Africa. [Interjections.]

Now Mr Speaker, if you take a look at the 2017/18 audit outcomes, what do we find? The Western Cape has the lowest level ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
... of irregular expenditure ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
... with the second best province in this case the Eastern Cape ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
... incurring ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: ... order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
... irregular expenditure twenty times higher.

The SPEAKER: Will you please take your seat, hon Minister. I recognise the Minister of Social Development.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hon Speaker ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members!

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: I think it is inappropriate. We cannot hear the speaker on the floor. You need to protect the speaker and ensure that we maintain the dignity and decorum of this House, please.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: As the former Speaker.
[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order. I recognise the hon Minister.
[Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Thank you, Mr Speaker. The hon members of the Opposition seem determined to censor the very good news that I was about to announce.

Let us take a look at the 2017/18 audit outcomes. The Western Cape had the lowest irregular expenditure of all the provinces. The second best province in this case, the Eastern Cape, incurred irregular expenditure 20 times higher than the Western Cape and Gauteng incurred irregular expenditure 150 times higher than the Western Cape. [Interjections.] KwaZulu Natal incurred irregular expenditure of nearly 200 times what we experienced in the Western Cape. But let me not stop ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
... there. What about ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Gauteng's fruitless and wasteful expenditure?

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: It was over 1,000 times higher than the Western Cape.

†Mnr R D MACKENZIE: Sjoe! Skande! [Tussenwerpsels.]
[Mr R D MACKENZIE: Phew! Disgrace! [Interjections.]]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: But at the end of the day, Mr Speaker, I think that what we need to do is to ensure that the package of measures that I have outlined earlier is in fact institutionalised over the next five years, and that we work hard over the next five years to ensure that the Western Cape remains the top performer when it comes to managing irregular, unauthorised and fruitless and wasteful expenditure in South Africa. Thank you. [Applause.] [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. Hon members, I know you probably have missed each other so much, but can we control the excitement so that it does not deter our role of holding the Executive to account? But equally that the Executive must feel free to express themselves and report on the Government programmes; is that okay?

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Yes.

The SPEAKER: We are in agreement? Thank you very much.

[Debate concluded.]

After-school Game Changer Programme

3. Ms N Makamba-Botya asked the Minister of Education:

(a) What are the benefits of the After-school Game Changer Programme and (b) how many townships schools benefit from this programme?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, Mr Speaker, and thank you, hon Makamba-Botya for the interpellation.

The Western Cape After-school's Programme is in fact managed by the Department of Culture Affairs and Sport, not Education, so I have received an answer from them, which I trust is in order.

In 2015 the Western Cape Provincial Cabinet identified After-school programmes as a key priority for impact.

DCAS was mandated to set up the programme office which was formerly the Game-Changer, build the After-school movement and coordinate a transversal programme which has been working to improve firstly the quality, secondly the coordination and thirdly the capacity building of After-school programmes and practitioners.

The other departments involved are WCED, Social Development, Department of the Premier, Community Safety, as well as the City of Cape Town and the NGO sector.

After-school programmes are evidenced to have an impact on both education and whole-child development, as they expose children to activities in academics, sport, arts and life skills.

The polls and other global studies have found that it is access to these activities, along with their home environments which give learners the advantage to be able to compete on the global stage.

After-school programmes help to close the opportunity gap and offer learners from under-resourced schools the opportunities and access that their more resourced peers do already get. These programmes are focused on learners from Grade R to 12 and take place each afternoon after the formal day finishes – the formal school day. They can take place on school premises or where children are able to access them, e.g. community halls, NGO sites, religious institutions and so on; and as also seen in a recent Harvard study where they found that criminal and risky behaviours are in fact reduced if After-school programmes are offered between the hours of three and 6 p.m., where, if they are not offered there, these behaviours increase.

The After-school programme office only targets interventions in no and low fee schools. Of the 1,048 no and low fee schools in the province, 568 report having some form of After-school programme running on their premises, either led by themselves or in partnership with a Government department or the NGO sector.

DCAS runs programmes at 350 of these schools through the MOD Programme, the Neighbourhood School Programme, Year Beyond and Scouts, and the Department of Social Development funds 13 partial aftercare centres that are based on school premises. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. I now recognise hon member Makamba-Botya.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, Mr Speaker, and thank you to the Minister.

Hon Minister, the After-school Game-Changer Programme is a very good initiative in that it aims to assist learners with various needs, including taking them off the streets where they would otherwise pick up bad habits such as alcohol abuse or the use of drugs. It is also aimed at making sure that learners have access to a choice of sports and recreation in schools, amongst other things. For that to happen schools must have sport facilities.

Can the Minister assure us or assure this House that the schools in townships and in rural areas have adequate sports facilities for this programme to work in this regard, and then on your website you have also indicated that you have a target, you have actually targeted about 112 children to be enrolled in this After Game-Changer Programme.

So is that the case? Because now we are ending at, it is almost the end of the year 2019, so could you shed some light on that? Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Makamba-Botya. I now recognise the hon member Botha.

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Minister, I note that there has been increases of learners with regards to the programme over the last four financial years, and I note that in the 2015/16 financial year 42,000 learners participated, and then year-on-year increased up until the 2018/19 financial year.

I want to know if there is an anticipated budget increase to have this programme rolled out to more schools or to strengthen the programme? And how has the discipline of learners that participate in this programme improved? And also if you can speak to the effect that it had on their school attendance; and then with regards to the programme now being between WCED, DCAS and DSD, is there in the Metro in the City of Cape Town and some NGOs that are also part of it, a plan to have this programme just in the Department of Education and not to partner? And who takes the lead responsibility for this programme? Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Botha. I now recognise hon member Sayed.

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Indeed this idea of an After-school Game-Changer is a very-very creative one and we welcome it. There are many-many benefits to it, especially for our learners in the vulnerable communities.

However, Mr Speaker, there are challenges with the implementation as the hon member Makamba-Botya also pointed out, for example in the Metro South Education District alone there are 55 high schools, five intermediate schools and 141 primary schools, yet the MOD programme is only run in 181 schools across the province.

This is not enough, Mr Speaker. More of these centres are needed, not only in township schools, but in farming communities where there are many challenges, including poor facilities and resource constraints.

Mr Speaker, yet another challenge is that since its inception the programme has struggled with having regular and consistent participation. To a certain extent this is caused by safety and security issues at our schools. School safety, which the hon MEC for Education and her Department refuses to prioritise, is a serious impediment to the success of the After-school Game-Changer.

While the MEC for Sports and Cultural Affairs is making every effort to make this Game-Changer Programme successful, we find that it is being undermined by the failure on the part of Education ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

Mr M K SAYED: ... to prioritise safety.

An HON MEMBER: Yes!

An HON MEMBER: Mmm.

Mr M K SAYED: Mr Speaker, while it is claimed that one of the benefits of the programme is the creation of employment opportunities, in practice this is not the case as the number of staff employed in the MOD Programme has decreased from 543 in 2016 to only 470 currently.

Mr Speaker, I however trust that the hon MEC for Cultural Affairs and Sport will also look into the integration of the MOD programme with the various sporting federations such as SAFA, for example. I thank you. [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Thank you, hon member Sayed. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The SPEAKER: Hon members order! [Interjections.] I now recognise hon member Christians. [Interjections.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I just disagree with the Minister if the Minister says that it is only run by DCAS. The briefing that we received by the district directors told us there is an After-school Game-Changer and DCAS were the MOD Centres. That is the briefing we received.

An HON MEMBER: Mmm, mmm.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Now that is why I disagree, and I would want to ask the Minister, they need to bring some synergy and bring the two together, because there is definitely two different programmes, and to bring them together so that one department takes the lead, because we know that in certain areas and as the hon member said, in certain areas it is very far for a child to walk to a MOD Centre, because of the dangers of areas.

So somehow – I did not bring the documentation now, but some of the district offices said that the budget is too small. So there is definitely a budget and they are running with the After-school – but that is separate to the MOD Centre.

So I am asking the Minister to look at combining the two that one department takes the lead and that we can roll out this programme even further. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Christians. I now recognise hon member Makamba-Botya.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Minister, I just want to pose this question: since the formation of the After-school Game-Changer, is there a significant impact that you can share with us towards the results at school level? And how many learners have actually opted out of this programme? And if there are any, what has the Department done in terms of assisting those learners, and what could be the common reasons for them to opt out of such a brilliant effort? And ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Ja?

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: ... has the After-school Game-Changer Programme been successful in minimising the dropouts of learners at schools? Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Makamba-Botya. I now recognise the Minister.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Hon member Makamba-Botya, thank you for acknowledging that it is a good initiative.

School sports facilities are not always there, as I am sure you are well aware. They are on our never-ending list of priorities, including all kinds of infrastructure, to ensure that we do upgrade them. Many schools have had good sports facilities like sporting fields, for example, but have not maintained them, and they are no longer in a fit state; which is greatly unfortunate, but they certainly are part of our infrastructure programme.

As far as the figures that you are looking for regarding how many targeted versus how many came; how many dropped out and so on. I am afraid you are going to have to ask my colleague who is taking responsibility, and it is falling, hon member Christians. I did not say they were the only one involved, but the department that is taking the lead is the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport. They sit with the office for the After-school Programme, even though there are other departments involved in the programmes – obviously Education being probably the main one.

Hon Botha, the same goes to your increases over the last four years. You will have to ask that to Minister Marais.

I have anecdotal evidence that discipline has improved with a number of the programmes, particularly the marching bands. Apparently that really has made a difference – but we have not had enough time really to do a proper study of issues like retention and so on, which I think still should be done in the future.

As far as hon member Sayed is concerned, the same story. Regarding infrastructure; yes, once again he is peddling the absolute untruth that we do not prioritise school safety, and once again refers to issues that happened outside school properties to try and make sure that the Education Department has to take responsibility for those, which we cannot do, because we have no mandate. [Interjections.]

That is why Premier Winde has prioritised ... [Interjections.]

Mr M K SAYED: Running away again.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ... safety around the entire province as a holistic issue which we are part of and completely agree with and support.

As usual running away, when National Government does not comply with their mandates on anything. [Interjections.]

As far as the number of staff employed ... [Interjections.] in MOD centres – sorry, Mr Speaker, can we all have a chance to make our inputs, if you do not mind? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

An HON MEMBER: There is a mic.

The SPEAKER: Please proceed, hon Minister.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you. As far as the number of staff in MOD Centres are concerned, that falls under DCAS, so I will leave that to my colleague, if you wish to direct an interpellation or a question to her.

Hon Christians, I have answered that about the synergy. It is DCAS that is taking responsibility. They are in charge of the entire programme, but obviously other departments have, DSD has their partial care programmes which fall under it, but they coordinate it there.

As far as safety to get to MOD centres is concerned, I agree with you completely and actually, hon member Botha, my ideal is for these programmes to take place as part of the extended school day. There is the provision in the PAM document for teachers to do after-school programmes, but given the excessively high class sizes that many of them are dealing with and poor communities, I have been reluctant to try and add additional duties onto them, but ultimately I do think that the school day should be longer. I think it will benefit the teachers also in the long run, and also the learners.

So as far as the impact of results is concerned, as I said we will have to, we have not done a formal study on that yet. I think it is a bit early still, but I do think in the next year or two, hon Marais, maybe we need to look at that as a combined effort. Thank you.

[Debate concluded.]

New questions to the Premier:

Brandvlei Dam feeder canal

1. Mr P Marran asked the Premier:

With reference to the amount of R20 million that was set aside for the raising of the wall of the Brandvlei Dam feeder canal that was announced in his State of the Province Address:

- (1) Whether any progress has been made in rolling out of the project; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what is the role of Provincial Government in the project?

The PREMIER: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, and also to the hon member Marran for the question. The reply is as follows:

1. As a feeder canal to the Brandvlei Dam, this is the property of the Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation. They subsequently indicated that they will cover the cost of the construction from their own maintenance budget. It was determined that the appropriate funding which is now included in their estimate of revenue and expenditure. It was not previously, but it is now; and then part 2.

When I was the Minister of Agriculture we introduced Project Khulisa which was a new bold approach to growing the economy and creating jobs, with agri-processing being one of the three sectors that this project focused on.

Although this opportunity of raising the wall of the Brandvlei feeder canal has been known for a couple of decades, one entity had to take the lead in the coordination of the project; a role which the Western Cape Department of Agriculture then took on.

The Brandvlei Dam or Brandvlei, is the second biggest dam in the Western Cape Province, and is an off-channel dam; in other words it is not built in a river, but this feeder canal can only fill the dam to 73% of capacity. By increasing the wall of the canal by just 30 centimetres over a 4 kilometre stretch at a cost of roughly R20 million, 33 million cubic metres of additional water can be stored; depending on a range of variables it is expected that this land will attract investment of up to R2,2 billion, which could lead to 8,000 on-farm and 6,500 secondary jobs.

Furthermore this project could unlock the transfer of R836 million worth of land to previously disadvantaged persons, which is 56% of the land reform target of the Breede Valley and Langeberg Municipalities.

It was clear that the project will require the cooperation between various organs of State, and so the Western Cape Department of Agriculture had to get the buy-in from 17 different State organisations or departments covering all three spheres of government, for the project to commence.

These organs of State formed the Brandvlei Project Steering Committee, and have completed the following:

- (a) A greater Brandvlei regional agricultural development framework to develop the most appropriate use of the additional water as well as the potential impact.
- (b) A research project on the hydraulics and fluvial morphology of the Holsloot/Brandvlei Dam diversion upgrade.
- (c) The assessment to determine whether an environmental impact assessment would be triggered if the height of the wall of the canal was to be increased.
- (d) A consultative process between current and new farmers, as well as relevant organs of State to reach consensus on key criteria for the allocation of the additional water from the Brandvlei Dam. However it is important to note that the allocation of water rights must take place in accordance with procedures and criteria established by the Department of Water Sanitation.
- (e) A pre-feasibility study of options to increase the yield of the greater Brandvlei Government Water Scheme in preparation for a potential phase 2 project; and lastly
- (f) Guidelines to facilitate the EIA's of individual farming projects, and as a result of the work of the Brandvlei Intergovernmental Steering Committee, all objections against the project were removed and funding has been obtained to commence with the construction of this project.

And perhaps just to add that of course this is a four year process of when I was responsible for that specific project, Project Khulisa, reporting to me in a six week cyclical process, and I must say it was one of the big frustrations. I mean you can understand, 17 different departments and organisations, and I think that is why when the President opened up the opportunity for Premiers to be part of the strategic planning process and had extended Cabinet, this was one of the issues that I raised there, and we very happily welcomed the Minister's announcement shortly thereafter that the Department would actually fund this and it actually would become a project to be started this month.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Premier. I recognise hon member Van der Westhuizen.

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Yes, thank you, Mr Speaker.

†Agbare Premier, die Brandvleidam is tog al baie, baie jare gelede gebou. Waarom dan nou eers hierdie potensiaal ontsluit? Wat het intussen gebeur dat 'n projek wat duidelik soveel voordeel kan inhou vir die Wes-Kaap, vir soveel jare vertraag moes word? Dankie.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[Hon Premier, the Brandvlei Dam was after all built many, many years ago. Why then only now unlocking this potential? What has happened in the meantime that a project that could clearly hold so much advantage for the Western Cape, had to be delayed for so many years? Thank you.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Premier.

†Die PREMIER: Baie dankie vir daardie vraag. Ek dink dit was 'n paar redes - nog nie reg nie?

[The PREMIER: Thank you for that question. I think it was because of a few reasons – not ready yet?]

The SPEAKER: Hon Premier, will you please take your seat?

Mr L L MVIMBI: There is no interpretation.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): The translation?

The PREMIER: In the interest of time ... [Interjections.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: There is no translation.

The SPEAKER: Sorry, Premier. The ... [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: In the interest of time, Mr Speaker, while they are repairing that ... [Interjections.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: No ... [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Thank you to the ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Alright. Hon Premier, will you please take your seat? Hon member Mvimbi.

Mr L L MVIMBI: I did not hear what the hon member was saying, because he was speaking in Afrikaans. I would like to hear, maybe I will also have a question after I have heard what he has actually said. It is my right to hear the language ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

Mr L L MVIMBI: ... that is my mother-tongue, ja. I do not think people should feel indifferent when I want an interpretation.

The SPEAKER: Thank you ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: All of you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon member Mvimbi. I would like the Table staff to address this quickly. Where is the glitch? Can someone respond to the translation problem? We are not going to proceed until this is resolved.

An HON MEMBER: This is an official language. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, the Serjeant-at-Arms has just gone out to investigate what may have ensued. So ... we will wait.

An HON MEMBER: Ja, he is back.

The SPEAKER: Is he back now?

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much. Has the translation been made available?

Mr L L MVIMBI: Not yet.

The SPEAKER: So you still want to hear? Now let me do the following, please bear with me, hon members, for the sake of procedure. I will recognise again hon member Van der Westhuizen.

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Thank you. Is the translation ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Please, proceed.

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: ... services on now?

The SPEAKER: Yes, hon member, it is back on.

†Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Baie dankie. Agbare Premier, die Brandvleidam is tog al dekades gelede voltooi, en hier is duidelik 'n projek met soveel potensiaal wat soveel waarde kan ontsluit, wat vir baie jare al beskikbaar was, of bekend was, waarom is dit so dat daardie vir soveel jare vertraag is en nou eers ... [Tussenwerpsel.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Thank you. Hon Premier, the Brandvlei Dam was after all built decades ago, and here is clearly a project with so much potential that can unlock so much value, that has been available for so many years, or was known to, why is it so that this has been delayed for so many years and only now ...[Interjection.]]

The SPEAKER: Alright. Again ... [Interjections.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: There is no translation. It is not happening.

The SPEAKER: Hon ... [Interjections.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: They say it is 6.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, translation for Afrikaans to English is channel number 2.

So press channel number 2, and then we can talk again. It is quiet now because no one is talking. Can I request the translators to say something?

We are fine now?

Mr L L MVIMBI: Can I explain, Mr Speaker?

The SPEAKER: Ja?

Mr L L MVIMBI: I was told that there is interpretation on channel 6. Then I listen on, it was not there. Then I listen on channel 6. When I listen on channel 6 it was interpreting, but the moment hon member Van ...

The SPEAKER: Van der Westhuizen.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon member Van der Westhuizen started speaking, it stopped. It stopped.

The SPEAKER: Okay.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Now I am told it is 2. Channel 2 is interpreting Afrikaans. I am listening there, it is Afrikaans.

The SPEAKER: Alright. Let us ... [Interjections.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: It is Afrikaans.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Mvimbi. The procedure – please take your seat, hon member Mvimbi. We do not have a crisis, hon member Mvimbi, but the issue is that, the procedure is that Afrikaans to English is channel number 2, and then isiXhosa to English is channel number 6, and then Afrikaans to isiXhosa is channel number 4.

Now from Afrikaans, which is first language, hon member Van der Westhuizen, that channel would be number 2. That is Afrikaans to English. Are we all in order now? Alright. May we please proceed. Hon member Van der Westhuizen.

†Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Baie dankie, mnr Speaker, en baie dankie vir u geduld ook, agb lede, en dat ek my taal kan praat.

Agb Premier, die Brandvleldam is dekades gelede al gebou en dit is baie duidelik dat hier nou al baie jare gelede geïdentifiseer is dat 'n relatief klein belegging van – nou in vandag se terme – R20 miljoen 'n baie groot potensiaal kan ontsluit en 'n baie groot belegging in ekonomiese groei tot gevolg kan hê. My vraag aan u is daarom waarom moes die Wes-Kaap soveel dekades wag voordat 'n projek van relatiewe klein aard en wat tog baie duidelik aan almal bekend was vir sy voordele, dat dit nou eers geïmplementeer word? Baie dankie, mnr Speaker.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Thank you, hon Speaker, and thank you for your patience as well, hon members, and that I can speak my language.

Hon Premier, the Brandvlei Dam was already built decades ago and it is very clear that many years ago it has already been identified that a relatively small investment of – now in today's terms – R20 million can unlock a very large potential and can have a very large investment in economic growth as a result. My question to you is therefore, why did the Western Cape have to wait for so many decades before a project of relatively small nature and that very clearly has been known to all for its advantages, that it is only being implemented now? Thank you, Mr Speaker.

†Die SPEAKER: Baie dankie, [The SPEAKER: Thank you,] †hon member Van der Westhuizen. I recognise the Premier.

†Die PREMIER: Baie dankie vir daardie vraag, of vir die opvolgvraag, en ek moet sê as die vraag nou kom, jy kan maar dink dat hierdie “net R20 miljoen” wat soveel hektaar oopmaak, ek dink in Engels was dit gesê vier jaar of vyf jaar terug, “This is a no brainer,” maar ek dink soos ek dink almal gehoor het in my antwoord, dit was nie maklik nie; dit is 'n komplekse proses.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[The PREMIER: Thank you for that question, or for the follow-up question, and I have to say when the question comes now, you can only think that this “only R20 million” that unlocks so many hectares, I think in English it was said four or five years ago, “This is a no brainer,” but I think, as I think everybody has heard in my reply, it has not been easy; it is a complex process.]

†I think that there were many objectors. There are 17 different organisations and departments, and it took four years before we even could get to a budgeting process or a time when someone would take it on.

†Maar ek dink nog steeds, jy weet, na hierdie proses is ek baie bly dat ons nou gekom het waar ons nou is, en veral as jy kyk na 5,000 hektaar besproeiing vir R20 miljoen, [But I still think, you know, after this process I am glad that we have come to where we are now, and especially if you look at 5,000 hectares irrigation for R20 million,] †and you think about the Clanwilliam Dam on billions for 9,000 hectares, I mean it is a no brainer.

†So definitief, maar ek dink dit is hoekom toe ek inkom in die portefeulje van Landbou, en ons moet kyk en sien waar kan ons groei kry in landbou en in die landbousektor, het ons onmiddellik gesien hierdie is iets wat ons nou moet op fokus, [So definitively, but I think that is why when I came into the portfolio of Agriculture, and we had to look and see where we could achieve growth in agriculture and the agricultural sector, we immediately saw that this is something that we now have to focus upon,] †and of course that is what that project was about. It is about saying how do we unlock this potential; and I really am happy that it is now unlocked.

We just need it and I will make sure that it happens, because I think, and as I indicated, in the big picture of things this is a huge opportunity for not a lot of money, compared to some of the other dam potentials; but maybe also it is not only the two dams that I have just spoken about. I think there are other opportunities for other irrigation systems and agriculture, and I think in the context of climate change, it is something that we really need to have a look at with urgency, and I know that the Department at the moment is looking at some of those other options as well. They probably fall in the same category.

Mr P MARRAN: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I am not going to play the blame game, Premier, because at your breakfast briefing and through our Leader of the Opposition we have said we are going to support you in terms of that. That is what we have said.

So we are not going to ask you a small amount for a very big investment and why it took the Western Cape Government 10 years to invest R20 million of their own money. So we are not going to ask that particular question. You understand? So if it is a small amount, why not?

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Is it a provincial competency?

The PREMIER: No.

Mr P MARRAN: Premier, 8,000 jobs – in fact 14,000 jobs will be unlocked with this particular project. In February this year you approved R20 million for this particular project. It is the total cost of this particular project, and we appreciate the fact that you are willing to put your money where your mouth is. If I can put it like that, but if I look at the presentation, Premier, I only see Brandvlei Dam and the total costing, even for a second phase, whilst in your own words there are other projects that can unlock many opportunities. Everyone agrees that the biggest creator of job opportunities will be agriculture.

In Witzenberg, for instance, the PALS Project, a similar request that can unlock almost 5,000 hectares of land; a similar amount of jobs. What happened to the R20 million? You do not have to spend it anymore on the Brandvlei Dam because it was approved for infrastructure. Is there a possibility, Premier, that those particular monies can be shifted, whether to – because there is a dam called – if I am not mistaken – Buffelsjags Dam, and you know when the dam was built the infrastructure for a second phase was built already into the amount that is there for a second phase, and it will cost more or less the same amount of money.

What is the possibility of shifting that particular money to those projects to unlock the same amount of hectares of land that also can create thousands of jobs, Premier?

The PREMIER: Thank you very much for that follow-up question and very skilfully put in the beginning to say, "We do not want to make politics of this." So I have got to be quite skilful in my answer, because I think the hon member does know that whether it is the Brandvlei Dam, whether it is the Buffeljags Dam, whether it is the Theewaterskloof Dam, whether it is the Clanwilliam Dam;

that none of those are provincial competencies, and in actual fact when we budget for them we put a risk on our own system, because the Auditor-General is going to say, "But why are you spending this money on a competency that does not actually belong to you?"

And that is why it took us, I mean I would have liked to have perhaps put that R20 million in for building that dam wall four years ago, to say, "Why do we not just do it?" But of course you cannot just do it, because there is risk. You got to have shown that there is a process and of course all of these dams sit with the National Department, and I can say to you now as in that previous follow-up question, and also interaction with the local authority on the Buffeljags Dam.

They are busy on that work at the moment as we speak on raising that wall, but not only raising that wall, actually looking at the viability of the second dam in that region, because I think as you know the river below the Buffeljags Dam has got some very deep ravines and our big problem is that the last few big dams that were built in the province are big in area, and the big problem at the moment with climate change is evaporation and the loss of water, and specifically we find that in the Theewaterskloof Dam, which is a big, wide dam, and we lose a big percentage to evaporation versus say the Steenbras Dam, which is deeper and obviously we do not lose that much water.

So I mean there is a couple of possibilities just in that region around Swellendam, but we are busy doing that work and we will again, exactly the same way as this, we obviously interact then with the National Department because this mandate does belong with them. And of course the question that you have asked around the budget, I do not have the exact detail with me because of course that was in the Agricultural Department budget; we will have to ask that question to the Minister of Agriculture, but I am pretty certain that when the National Department said, "Do not worry, we will budget for it," and in the process that we have just gone through now, where we are having to cut huge amounts of money out of the budget of this Government, because the taxation is just not there, that that money would have probably gone to something else more of a core mandate or perhaps even to the safety plan, but that exact detail we will have to see when we engage with the Department of Agriculture.

But I can assure you that – and I agree with you – as we can get more irrigation opportunities, it will definitely be to the advantage of creating proper future jobs in our region and we support that idea of yours one hundred percent.

†Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Baie dankie, agb Premier. U het nou verwys na die belangrikheid van water, die risiko van klimaatsverandering, ensomeer.

Nou – en ook dat ons baie water verloor as gevolg van verdamping, maar oor die algemeen lyk dit vir my word dit aanvaar dat die grootste verliese van water is as gevolg van die swak instandhouding van die verspreidingsnetwerke.

Hoe vergelyk die Wes-Kaap se verspreidingsnetwerke, soos deur munisipaliteite in stand gehou, met dié van die plaaslike owerhede in ander provinsies? En is daar enige aanduiding dat ons plaaslike owerhede die instandhouding van waterpype, ensomeer ernstig opneem? Dankie.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Thank you, hon Premier. You have now referred to the importance of water, the risk of climate change, and so forth.

Now – and also that we lose a lot of water because of evaporation, but in general it seems to me that it is accepted that the biggest losses of water are because of the poor maintenance of the distribution networks.

How does the Western Cape's distribution networks, as maintained by municipalities, compare to those of local authorities in other provinces? And is there any indication that our local authorities are taking the maintenance of water pipes, and so forth, seriously? Thank you.]

†Die PREMIER: Baie dankie vir daardie opvolgvraag. Dit is baie moeilik om sommer nou net uit my duim uit daardie syfers te suig, maar ek weet dat veral die Stad Kaapstad het baie hard gewerk om daardie stelsel, om hulle pypstelsel deur te gaan, en ek weet, as ek dink dit is omtrent 14 tot 17% is waar hulle nou sit, daar iewers, en ek weet dit is 'n baie goeie syfer as jy daarna kyk, in vergelyking met ander munisipaliteite oor die land, maar ook internasionaal is daardie syfer taamlik goed, maar jy is ek dink 'n honderd persent korrek, dit is nie net verdamping nie, dit is die hele stelsel waarna ons moet kyk.

Ek dink miskien 'n opvolg of om weer terug te kom na *hon member Marran*.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[The PREMIER: Thank you for that follow-up question. It is very difficult to just now suck those figures from my thumb, but I know that the City of Cape Town, especially, worked very hard to check their system, their pipe system, and I know, if I think it is about 14 to 17% where they are sitting now, there somewhere, and I know it is a very good figure if you look at it, compared to other municipalities across the country, but also internationally that figure is quite good, but you are a hundred percent correct, it is not only evaporation, it is the whole system we have to look at.

I think perhaps a follow-up or to get back to hon member Marran.] †I think about that system and it is not only the pipe system, it is the collection system as well, and so I remember at one stage, because of the drought we actually spent money again in the province which should have been at national on the clearing of the canal system. That was on the 24 rivers in the canal system into the Voëlvlei Dam. †Ons het daardie geld gespandeer om dit oop te maak, want hy – [We spent that money to open it up, because it -] the silt filled it up and the water was going directly past into the ocean instead of going into the dam, and so I remember taking out the Treasury and everybody going to have a look and they say, "If we do not do this urgently now we will not be able to put the water

in the dam,” and I know just that intervention gave the City of Cape Town something like 40 days’ worth of extra water just because of that one intervention, let alone agriculture.

And then of course I also think about the canals from the Clanwilliam Dam and the maintenance of those canals, and that is also under huge pressure, and of course it is a complex maintenance system where there is the infrastructure belonging to the National Department, but there is water user associations who pay a fee and that account builds up. It is generally never enough for the maintenance. Some of those canals are really old and deteriorate, and also the Department of Agriculture does budget and help those water authorities every now and again with maintenance, or in disaster times, and sometimes when those canals have burst we have had to move in very-very quickly.

We have put the money in for the pumps – because you obviously have to then stop the canal, and then you stop everything below and a number of municipalities also get their water from those canals.

So I cannot give you the exact details municipality by municipality, but it is something that we definitely work on and it is something we need to continue to work on, because it is about the whole water system: collection, storage and reticulation.

†Mnr P MARRAN: Mnr Speaker, dankie, miskien moet ek in Afrikaans praat.

Een van die *issues* wat genoem is was water *losses* en die *infrastructure*, maar ook die diefstal van water, en los daardie nou doelbewus uit, en as ons kyk na die Clanwilliam-omgewing byvoorbeeld, waar van die boere ge-*fine* was; hulle bou damme en hulle het nie die nodige toestemming gehad nie. As ons gaan kyk na die aksie, vanaf die Bergrivierdam na die Misverstanddam deur die rivier en hoeveel water wat vrygelaat is, en hoeveel water by die dam uitgekom het, hope is gesteel.

So daar is nie net sekere nie, maar daar is ’n hele klomp en van die boere is skuldig daaraan.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

Mr P MARRAN: Mr Speaker, thank you, perhaps I should speak in Afrikaans.

One of the issues that was mentioned was water losses and the infrastructure, but also water theft, and now leave that out on purpose, and if we look at the Clanwilliam region for example, where some of the farmers were fined; they built dams and they did not have the necessary approval. If we go and look at the action, from the Berg River Dam to the Misverstand Dam through the river and how much water was released, and how much water reached the dam, a lot was stolen.

So there are not only certain ones, but there are a whole lot and some of the farmers are guilty of that. Premier, you said that ... [Interjections.]

†n AGB LID: [Onhoorbaar.] mense doen nie hulle werk nie.
[An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] people are not doing their work.]

Mr P MARRAN: Ja. You said, Premier, that the issue of water is not your mandate, and I fully agree, but so is police not your mandate ...

An HON MEMBER: Correct.

Mr P MARRAN: ... and you found R1 billion ... [Interjections.]

Mr R D MACKENZIE: For safety and security.

Mr P MARRAN: ... for that particular project. Safety and security.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: For law enforcement.

Mr P MARRAN: Job opportunities is also safety and security. It gives you ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: You need to ask the question, hon member ... [Interjections.]

Mr P MARRAN: Yes, I will. It gives food security, it gives security to safety and many other issues. [Interjections.] Understand?

So when you have said, hon Premier, that you were willing to spend R20 million, even if it was not your mandate, then our understanding was that when it comes to those particular projects you are willing to spend your money.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Tell Kramer that, tell Kramer that.

Mr P MARRAN: You are willing to spend your money.

So the issue is, Mr Speaker, it is difficult to understand when you are responding by saying it is not your mandate. We agree, but it is you that is willing to spend your money on projects that are not your mandate. [Interjections.]

That is why we are asking are you willing to spend that money that was available for that particular infrastructure project on other projects, even if it is not your mandate? To make sure that there are job opportunities and other security issues? Thanks. [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: So thank you very much for that follow-up ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Premier.

The PREMIER: ... question, and the answer is an emphatic "yes".

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

†n AGB LID: Dankie.

[An HON MEMBER: Thank you.]

The PREMIER: I will spend – but you see obviously spending money on a non-core mandate is a choice and a difficult choice. [Interjections.] A very difficult choice, because for every Rand that we spend in this province on a non-core mandate, we have to take it away from Health and Education. [Interjections.]

†'n AGB LID: Die ANC mors met alles.

[An HON MEMBER: The ANC wastes with everything.]

The PREMIER: We have to take it away from other spaces.

So quite frankly right now I would love to be able to spend money on water, which is not our mandate. I would love to be able to spend money on energy, on electricity, which is not our mandate. Both of those are total failures and we have to step in.

Policing is horrendous; it is a massive failure and we all feel the pain of crime in this province, and we have to make a choice.

So I have got to make a choice between policing; between water; between energy; between all of these areas where there is failure in the system, and you have to make those choices.

So, and as I said in that answer, I made a choice around the R20 million because I believe in those jobs, and then I really-really-really welcome the National Minister stepping up and say, “Do not worry, we will cover that cost.”

Now I can take that money and go back and put it into children’s education – that was actually meant for that children’s education, and I can put it back into there, and those are the choices we have to make.

Right now I wish I could make a choice around energy, and of course we are in court at the moment to try and make that choice around energy, because Eskom is broken and not able to supply the energy that this country needs. That is why our debt is becoming so much more expensive, because we cannot even get that right, and so we have to borrow more and more money, and now we got into the space where we cannot borrow any more money, but we cannot provide the energy, and so the rating agencies downgrade us.

It becomes more and more difficult, but the answer is always “Yes”, because at the end of the day you have a responsibility. When you stand up in front of this bench, everybody in this House; or when you stand up in front of the judge when the front benches here have to swear allegiance to the Constitution, number one, but also to look after the mandate and look after the people of this province ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Hear-hear!

The PREMIER: ... you are faced with choices every single day, and I mean today of all days, and I am pretty certain someone might say something about it, but today of all days was a tough day, because I changed my arrangements this morning to go and visit another family of a policeman that was taken out.

I mean, these are the real tough things that we have to do, and my sincere condolences to their family, but it happens and so many families had that happen to them just today, and of course that is why we have to make these choices, and these are tough choices, they are not easy choices.

I wish we could have enough money to actually make choices on every single one of those areas and budget for them, but unfortunately we cannot and we will make those choice in the budget process. The Adjustments Budget will be coming soon, and we are also working at the moment on next year's budget. The first round completed; next year, early next year the next round completed, but maybe also in the Standing Committee, it is the right place to ask those questions as well – because I really believe that at the end of the day it is about jobs, as you say.

Jobs make the biggest difference in a family. A family without a job versus a family with a job is ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Create crimes.

The PREMIER: ... a massive difference. It reduces crime, it helps education, it reduces health burdens; it is a massive changer in any family when we can actually ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Do you hear, hon [Inaudible.].

The PREMIER: ... put jobs in place.

An HON MEMBER: Do you hear?

The PREMIER: So thank you very much, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Premier.

†Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Julle moet ophou mors. Ons is rommelstatus.

[Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: You must stop wasting money. We are junk status.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members ... [Interjections.]

†n AGB LID: Ekskuus?

[An HON MEMBER: Excuse me?]

†Mnr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Rommelstatus.

[Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Junk status.]

*Forest Village site: facilities for children***2. Mr M K Sayed asked the Premier:**

With reference to his announcement in the State of the Province Address that his Government was building much more than only new houses at the Forest Village site but also creating spaces where there will be gardens, grass and space for children to play and for families to enjoy:

What plans are there to ensure that the children do not only have space to play but can also get quality education in the area?

The PREMIER: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, and to the hon member for the question. The reply is as follows:

2. Provision is made for extensive landscaping and recreational facilities which include various parks and play equipment; walkways around the wetland and communal braai facilities, but over and above this a new high school, Apex High School, was recently built along Bobs Way, which is adjacent to the development, and a primary school is currently being constructed immediately behind the high school.

The Western Cape Government builds on average of six schools per year, but it must be noted that there is strain on the schools across the province due to large increases in learner numbers over the past few years.

This is due to increased retention rates and inward migration of learners who we welcome, but it does not help that the Education Department budgets are also decreasing and costs are increasing due to national cuts.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Hear-hear!

The PREMIER: In this current financial year we are spending over R1,7 billion towards infrastructure projects which includes new and replacement schools; upgrading and additions; and refurbishment and rehabilitation of our schools.

Maintenance of our existing schools also remains a priority with many of our poorer schools unable to keep up with maintenance and repairs; over R600 million will be allocated towards maintenance of schools.

Mr M K SAYED: Thank you very much to the Premier for the response, and we welcome the response, but can the Premier perhaps tell us what circumstances led to the primary school learners from Forest Village getting formal education from a temporary school situated at the back of the high school, when there were plans that were supposed to be in place for schooling? And what do the schools, why are the two schools not catering for various grades? Because we see that the high school admits learners basically up to Grade 10, and the primary school only up to Grade 3. Ja. Perhaps the Premier can just give us some clarity on that.

The PREMIER: Thank you very-very much for that follow-up. I cannot give you clarity on that, I mean I can assume; I can assume that because it is a new school it only takes in certain grades and grows as it goes, but, you know, that would be me just assuming something, and I do not think that that would be a good idea.

So I think for actual detail – I mean I have mentioned now the two schools; the primary and the high, but I think for actual detail that would need to be put to probably the Minister of Education.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. To the Premier, I just want to sneak this question to you on the very same subject.

You also spoke about creating affordable mixed-use residential developments, and you emphasised the proximity of the old Conradie Hospital Housing Development that has proximity to the CBD as an important step towards undoing apartheid spatial planning.

So I just want to find out what has the Government done to make sure that the City of Cape Town develops an inclusive housing policy in the proposed new developments such as the Vogue Development in the City Centre and the Harbour Arch? Just to mention a few. Thank you.

The PREMIER: Okay, I think I am going to say the same thing that I said to the hon member Sayed, but obviously that is a brand new question; I do not have those kinds of details on me now; I could give you a thumb suck, but I think if you want to know the exact detail on that, there are two Ministers that you would need to ask that question to. Obviously if you are talking about the Conradie Hospital site, we have thousands of units coming available there; probably even that has already been announced – it could be a Standing Committee visit to go and have a look, and of course that would be Minister Madikizela, but also along with Minister Simmers, and then the policy stuff, hon member Simmers, I think that probably would be a good idea to ask the Minister.

Mr M K SAYED: Mr Speaker, thank you very much, and I want to acknowledge the fact that the Premier, when he does not have the response ready he admits to that; he says, "Look, we must refer the matter to the MEC." We want to thank the Premier for that; that is leadership, Mr Speaker, but what I do want to ask though is that, and perhaps the Premier can actually ask the MEC to give him that particular information, given that it is a plan that the Premier spoke about in the State of the Province address.

He spoke about integrated human settlements, which we welcome. Perhaps he can ask the MEC what are the plans in place for the improvement of the capacity of those two schools that were mentioned, to cater for all grades? And when will it be implemented, what is the timeframe? Perhaps in the next Cabinet meeting he can ask and then revert to the House on that particular matter.

Also why are there no public schools in the area? I think that would be important to ask, because we are confident that if the Premier understands the problem, the Premier will be able to ensure that there are solutions, that the problem is rectified, because I want the Premier to agree or disagree that given the very-very positive plan but to a certain extent there was poor forecasting on the part of Human Settlements, Public Works and Education in the province. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon Premier please take your seat. I would like to request, hon members, that we use the opportunity for questions to ask questions but also to ensure that questions are not far from the original question. It also helps us to ensure that we do quality oversight over the Executive and equally when the question is being posed that we ask the question and do not treat it as an interpellation. I would just like the hon members to take note of that and thank you hon members. Hon Premier?

The PREMIER: Thank you very much. I noticed in the wording of the follow-up question from the hon Sayed, he said why are there no public schools? Well, in my original answer I spoke about two public schools that are being built because of this new development but the questions that are being asked are the right kind of questions. I know that myself, visiting the site, and of course it is not all completed yet, but visiting the site, you ask yourself the questions, not only about education, what about economic activity and what are the policies around how do you open a business, can you open a business in one of these homes that you have just been given?

Of course, some people have already opened businesses. I visited one lady who runs a catering business out of her home in Forest Village and of course these are issues that also get raised from the community themselves as they move in and take occupation and you start to identify the needs. The real question is about integrated planning and making sure that that integrated planning is giving you a holistic view of the change that is going to come about because of this Government investment and what happens around it and what other Government investments need to take place. I think it is something that we work very, very hard at, at making sure that we find those integrated investments – and I do not know if we always get it right – but we do work hard at it because I think in the past we have seen that you build a school but maybe it is far away from something else that was needed, or you build a sewerage plant but that has only got five years to go until you are going to have different developments.

We have got to make sure that we integrate our investment in a way that makes much more sense to make the biggest impact and difference to communities and where you invest in. So I think that is sort of the gist of the question and of course I do not need to ask the Minister, the Minister heard the question, but of course there needs to be a process if you want a formal answer to that question – we need to either just write it down, send me an email and we will pass it on.

But maybe the last point is, I think in both of these questions, the first question that I got today from the hon Pat Marran and of course, now this one as well. Both of these questions, I could have said hang on a second this is Human

Settlements or this is Education and sent them on, but I do not think that is the way to do it because obviously you also want to ask me my position on these issues. That is why I did not pass it on, I said well let me actually answer this question. But of course I have to go and get the detail and so that does create some complexities with getting to the nuts and bolts of the answer because I am sure that if you asked that question to the Ministers, they would rattle off the answers just like that, because these are excellent Ministers down here. [Laughter.] So you must not be scared of asking them a question either. Thank you.

Questions standing over from Thursday, 3 October 2019, as agreed to by the House:

Court Watching Brief Programme: successes

5. Mr M Kama asked the Minister of Community Safety:

How many cases involving violence against women and children were successfully resolved since 2004 because of the work of the officials of the Court Watching Brief Programme?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The reply is as follows:

5. In asking some of these questions, I would like the researchers used by members to do a bit of research so that they do not ask me stuff that I cannot answer. For instance, and I am saying to the hon Kama, that in 2004 we were not in existence, we were not in government, the ANC was in government and there was nothing called a Court Watching Brief in 2004. Now I am not sure whether it is a typing error on the hon member's side, it may be a typing error because we started in 2014 but we must also just proofread these type of questions to see whether there are typing errors because it changes the answer. So, hon Kama, I think you meant 2014.

Mr P MARRAN: Where were you Minister?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Probably with the ANC. [Interjections.] Not too long before I was here with the ANC. You are right, you are right.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: It is not too late to come back.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: No, no I am in a very happy space.

The programme of the Court Watching Brief was initiated by the Department of Community Safety in 2014 and I think that is what you meant. It began operating with only two staff members and started operating as a full component in 2016 with five staff members, which it still retains today.

The unit's purpose is to identify cases that were struck off the court roll, I think it is important to underline, due to alleged poor performance by the South African Police Services. During the last financial year, the unit reported a total of 1,198 serious cases to the Western Cape Provincial Commissioner of SAPS who is responsible for taking the necessary remedial action.

Of these cases, 635 fall within the category of serious violent crimes. We are however unable to distinguish which of these cases involved women and children because such information is not collected and it is not reflected on the charge sheet but also there is no category at this point for domestic violence cases. So that is the reason why we cannot make that distinction. And by the way this information we get from - no that is our case, that is our Department. Thank you.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. I am pleased that the Minister picked up that it was a typo but disappointed that he saw an opportunity to make fun, especially about such a question. Hon Speaker, I am asking this question because we have committed as a House to fight gender-based violence and use all avenues that we have. Now I want to check, is the Minister willing or in the response thereof, that we have committed ourselves, willing within the unit, to make sure that we have a strategy of prioritising cases that are struck off the court roll, and are there in this particular category – because as we have said, many people do not report because they think nothing will happen. They see perpetrators walking in the streets day in day out. Now what strategies are we looking at, putting in place to make sure that we address this challenge? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you, hon Kama. I was really not making fun. No, I am quite serious. You need to also ask the correct Minister the question. It requires a bit of research because you ask the wrong Minister questions like we had in the case earlier where she could not answer the question because she is not in charge of that particular programme. But I also just want to say, that is a very good question because the Department of Community Safety already hosts what is called a Domestic Violence Act Compliance Forum and on that forum we also have the South African Police Services, we have VISPOL.

We also have discipline management interventions and we have the Crime Registrar represented on that forum and we are specifically targeting those cases that affect women and children and so I think we will soon be able to report properly on those cases, but that is not necessarily linked to the Court Watching Brief.

That is the broad issue and what I am doing – yesterday we saw the arrest of a perpetrator, a person the police think was involved in the Hess case. We have now taken out a Court Watching Brief on that, we have already taken a Court Watching Brief out on a young woman, the young lady that was murdered in Claremont. So we are now starting to do Court Watching Briefs on gender-based violence because I think it is so serious. And I think it is also very, very important to note – remember the Court Watching Brief – in one of the answers you will see what exactly we do in a Court Watching Brief so I will speak to that in a later question.

But the point is we actually look at the docket, why is the DNA not here? Because many times the magistrate kicks out the case because of outstanding DNA evidence or results not coming back and I think the Court Watching Brief absolutely brings that to the attention. Magistrates and prosecutors are aware in a Court Watching Brief, because we try and make it very known, they are aware that there are some senior advocates sitting in court watching the case going on and so they do not play around, they take it far more seriously. But thank you for that question, for the seriousness around gender-based violence.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Speaker. I wanted to mention specifically the Jesse Hess case because I believe that the perpetrator was out on parole and then he killed her grandfather and then Jesse Hess and now he committed another crime. Hon Minister, this question was asked but for us, just to brief us, if we know of such cases, what do we do, how do we submit something to you or your office or whoever, to say listen we want this case to be placed on the Court Watching Brief? Thank you, hon Minister.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: I think that is a very, very important question. Now yesterday when the Minister of Social Development learnt about the arrest, she immediately – and what all her colleagues know, and I want to also suggest to the House, any member – she immediately obtained the CAS number of that case, and all we need is that, so forward them to us. I then forward it to advocate Gerber, who is a SC and immediately he makes work of it and every Minister and any member will tell you how seriously advocate Gerber takes that work.

But I think you make another important point and it is perhaps unrelated to the direct question of hon Kama, and that is the issue of parolees. We are going to do proper research on this issue. We are of the opinion that if we deal with this re-offending or any re-offender, specifically those ones who are given early parole, we will be able to more than halve the crime problem in the province. So we are going to do some research on it and then look at proper interaction with the Department of Correctional Services because we are seeing that communities need to be consulted on the issue of parolees. Remember the law makes provision for that. The Correctional Services Act says that the community and the victim must be consulted. Now many times the victim does not know, I think it is an easy process to get – and I know prisons are overcrowded. I also know communities have issues and I think when people are rehabilitated genuinely, I think one must give people a second chance – but when you are coming out to murder again – a very, very interesting stat that we always refer to also, is the Worcester area and the violence in the Avian Park. Now remember there two maximum prisons in Worcester, Brandvlei and Worcester itself and what happens when people leave on parole, they leave there with R160. They stay in the area of Worcester and they all go and look for their buddies from prison and that is why the violence, you can just see how it flares up.

So I think it is an important point that we need to monitor and make sure that that is dealt with and I am saying we want to work with Correctional Services, with all our national departments around those issues. Thank you, hon Christians. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, hon Speaker. I wonder if the Minister will recall his commitment to assessing how police stations are dealing with complaints of domestic violence and violence against women and children and whether his Department has made any progress in implementing that assessment?

Yesterday when I was in Mitchells Plain I spoke to a woman whose daughter had been raped several times by a member of her family. But the daughter is mute and so the police would not deal with her case because they said how can she explain what happened, even though as a mother, she was saying I am able to interpret what my daughter is saying. So here is an experience in Mitchells Plain, in our province, in a police station. So I think, hon Minister, it is really urgent that we get this assessment done of how women and complainants are being treated when they go to the police stations. Are we making progress with that? Thank you, hon Speaker.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you very much, hon Herron. I just spoke about the Domestic Violence Act Compliance Forum and that is precisely why it was established. I think what is important in what you are saying, I think we need, specifically in terms of people living with disabilities – and we had a case yesterday also, around a death situation, also at a police station – we need to really get to the sensitisation of police officers in general. I think that is a very specific case and we need to look at that and perhaps if you can send me some of those case details we can investigate.

But I think the systemic point we are making, is to look at whether police stations are properly dealing with domestic violence but also with gender-based violence in general, the broader kind of thing. But I want to give the House the assurance that we are going to move beyond just checking and ticking a box at the police stations but to actually look at substantive issues around some of those gender-based and domestic violence issues. So I thank you for that question.

National Insurance Health Bill

9. Ms F W Philander asked the Minister of Health:

(a) How will the proposed National Health Insurance Bill (NHI Bill) influence the current quality of healthcare in the province and (b) what will the financial implications of this Bill be for the provincial health budget?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you. The reply is as follows:

9. No, the National Health Insurance is a funding mechanism towards universal health coverage. So it is only about how to establish the National Health Insurance fund and also what are the duties and functions and its powers. So that is all it is, in terms of the Bill. So there is nothing that talks about the quality of care, there is nothing that talks about access and coverage. It is only about insurance. That is it. Thank you.

*New questions**Schools: learner-to-toilet ratio***3. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Education:**

- (1) How many schools in the province meet the minimum learner-to-toilet ratio;
- (2) whether she and her Department have measures in place to address the sanitation crisis at schools in the province; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Speaker. The reply is as follows:

3. The answer to part 1 is 1015 according to the latest conditional assessment by Public Works. The second part, the WCED has briefed the Department of Public Works to provide additional ablution facilities this financial year to 30, of a total of 174 schools found to have a shortage of ablution facilities.

The WCED has prioritised the list of schools needing additional facilities, according to greatest need and the ability of the governing body to resolve the issue using their own school funds. The Department has allocated R30 million for this work in the 2019/20 financial year. We have briefed the WCED management contractor to provide mobile ablutions to a further 15 schools. Meanwhile scheduled maintenance of ablution facilities is continuing at schools scheduled for maintenance during the current financial year.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Minister for that answer. I am just referring to what happened just a couple of months ago – where learners were sent home because of no sanitation and electricity at this one school. It was a school close to Mfuleni, Fairdale Primary School, where pupils were sent home because of a lack of those facilities. If the Minister can just answer, so we will not have a reoccurrence of what happened at this school, and secondly, are there schools where boys and girls use the same toilet? If there are any in the province? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: The issue with Fairdale School in Mfuleni, that was a rather complicated situation because there was a mobile school that was put up at the beginning of the year. Parents then refused to let the children go there, the community on the other side did not want people to move in there so there should still have been mobile facilities at the school. I understand there has been a delay by the City of Cape Town in providing services there, but now there are facilities there. So we also do rely very heavily on the school to ensure that they let us know immediately if there are no facilities at all because that is obviously unacceptable. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: I just want to question something.

The SPEAKER: There is the next question by hon member Makamba-Botya. You will follow after that question.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: The question was not answered, the second part of the question was not answered.

The SPEAKER: Alright. Sorry, hon member. Hon Minister?

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: I will just repeat it so that the Minister can just answer it. The second part was: are there toilets where girls and boys use the same toilet in the province?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: I honestly cannot answer that. I really cannot answer that off-hand. I can ask my Department if they are aware of that. I am not sure if we keep separate records of those kinds of issues. There certainly should not be.

The SPEAKER: Hon member, the hon Minister as much as she is trying, the question is totally different from the original question, but you are allowed to put that question to the Minister so that she goes and finds out and comes back to this Parliament. So at least we have that opportunity here so that she can come back to us. May I then request that we move from that question, we go to hon Makamba-Botya.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOYTA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Hon Minister, I just want to find out, do we still have any schools that still use pit toilets in the Western Cape, in rural areas and if there are any, what is the Department doing about that? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you. The answer is no we do not.

Taxi operation permits: George

4. Mr L L Mvimbi asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

Whether there is a moratorium or suspension in the allocation of permits for taxi operation in George and the surrounding areas for short and long distances; if so, (a) why, (b) when was it implemented and (c) what are the time frames for this moratorium or suspension?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. The reply is as follows:

4. In December 2009, the George Council took a decision not to support any new operating licence applications in George Municipality area. It should be noted that this decision was never formally communicated to the Western Cape Provincial Regulatory Entity or PRE. This meant that the lodging of applications could not be stopped by the PRE, however, the PRE still required, in terms of the law, to refer applications for public transport operating licences to municipalities for directions based on the integrated transport plan for any area or any municipality.

In disposing of applications for operating licences, the PRE is bound by the direction of the Municipality. The direction provided by the Municipality has been in line with the decision taken by the George Council. It was not clear initially whether the Council decision was applicable to all public transport services or only minibus taxi type services. At a special Council meeting on the 17 August last year, at which members of the PRE were present, the issue around the moratorium was clarified. It was resolved that the so-called late renewal taxi operating permits lodged as new applications, not to be regarded as new applications for the purpose of the moratorium dated 2 December 2009.

It was further resolved that a distinction be made between minibus type taxi services and other forms of public transport services. Therefore the moratorium adopted by the George Municipality is therefore only applicable to minibus taxi type services and not to other categories or types of transport services like scholar transport, charter bus, metered taxis etc.

This was confirmed in meetings with the Municipality. So it is therefore our understanding that a decision has subsequently been taken to conditionally lift the moratorium provided that a list of qualifying operators is submitted to the Section 79 Committee of the Municipality for ratification. This must be confirmed by the Municipality.

So in terms of Section 39 of the National Land Transport Act No. 5 of 2009, a municipality that is in the process of rationalising public transport services in its area may impose a moratorium on new operating licences if it is found, based on its ITP that there is a surplus of legally operated services by operators on that particular route.

The initial decision not to support new operating licence applications in the George area was taken in December 2009. The position was clarified at a special Council meeting on 17 August last year. It is our understanding that the moratorium has been lifted by the Municipality subject to certain expressed conditions which includes the ratification of qualifying operators by the Municipality's Section 79 Committee. I thank you, hon Speaker.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, hon Speaker. I think the Minister should really tell us what is going on in George. The moratorium may be lifted but as the Minister correctly says, the National Land Transport Act makes the local government or the municipality the planning authority. And if the planning authority refuses to support an application for an operating licence, then the PRE or the Provincial Regulating Entity should refuse the application.

Now we have a case in George, where a director of GoGeorge and a shareholder in the operating company, GoGeorge link, is an applicant for a minibus taxi operating licence. The Municipality writes to the Province to say, "We are refusing this application". Yet, Mr Heathcote, who is the Director, is granted a licence. So can the Minister explain to us how an individual, who is already under contract not to compete with the GoGeorge BRT system, managed to get an operating licence when the Municipality did not support it in the first place?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much for that question. I am not aware of such information. But it might be possible. Maybe member Herron can give me more information. It might be possible though that the member he is talking about, did apply for an operating licence from George and then it was rejected, but what might have happened and subsequent to that is that he might have just come directly to the PRE and applied for a charter licence, which is a common occurrence because you do not need to go via the Municipality to apply for a charter licence. But, if it is indeed a normal operating licence, then I would like to get that information, because I am not aware of that. Thank you very much, Mr Speaker.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. I am actually very surprised that the hon Minister is not aware of this, especially the matter that was raised by hon Brett Herron, in particular with that Director. Because apart from him having a permit, the question also is, how can he, being the Director of GoGeorge still have a permit and compete with other taxi operators?

This takes me to my next question, hon Speaker, which is why this moratorium is only on minibus taxis and those minibus taxis are those that are operating in George only? I would really like to know what is the real reasoning behind that moratorium being only in George because you know how complicated the issue of GoGeorge is. There is suspicion among taxi operators that the Provincial Government and the Municipality want to force the taxi operators into accepting GoGeorge because there are some taxi operators that want to compete. They said they have no problem in competing with GoGeorge but the Municipality and the Province are using their authority to suffocate those minibus taxis. Maybe it will be good if the hon Minister can just elaborate more as to why it applies only to minibus taxis that are operating in George and not in others?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I think it must be understood, hon Speaker, that in terms of the history of the George Integrated Transport Network System, or your GoGeorge as you might call it, is that after a number of negotiations with the taxi owners - because I will come to the point member Mvimbi is making now, because some of these are new entrants - way after the discussions and the decision were taken for the taxi operators to buy into the system, those taxi operators who bought into the system.

In fact there are two types of taxi operators that were part of the negotiations. There are those who bought into the system, who are now part of George Link, which is the company that is operating the GoGeorge buses. Those people are shareholders in GoGeorge and therefore they cannot again be issued with operating licences to compete with their company. That is the first thing. But there is a second group that was bought out, for example, that opted out, that did not want to be part of that particular company, but because the route – in terms of the agreement – is dedicated to GoGeorge, it is precisely for that reason there was a moratorium to make sure that the agreement that was reached between the taxi operators, in terms of those who are now part of George Link, because once that agreement was reached, it was a common understanding from all parties that no taxis would operate on the route where GoGeorge is operating.

But what happened, subsequent to that, is that there are new entrants, people who have entered the fray, who are now demanding operating licences. But I must also add some of the people who are shareholders in GoGeorge are also working with the people who came late, who are now demanding the operating licences, which poses a serious problem. If there was an agreement for the route to be dedicated to GoGeorge and people who were part of the negotiations which resulted in an agreement, you can understand then why there was this moratorium, particularly on that route.

But we have now an outstanding meeting with the National Minister and it is unfortunate it took us so long because of the unavailability from the National Minister's side. We had a number of discussions with those groups, member Mvimbi. We have an outstanding meeting in terms of making sure there is a follow-up to try and deal with those issues. Because when we engage the group, particularly from Uncedo, because the people who really are opposing the rollout of GoGeorge are those people who were never part of the initial agreement, who belong to a different organisation and some of the people who are shareholders saw an opportunity to jump onto this bandwagon so that they can double-dip. They are shareholders from George Link but they also want to operate on the same route. Now of course, you can understand why there is that challenge and the Municipality cannot issue operating licences in a situation like that.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Minister, I am glad that you raised the issue that part of the reason that they are not given licences is that they are not supposed to be competing with themselves. I just cannot understand how a director can be issued with a licence, and I am surprised that you do not know that director, because that is the main bone of contention, that while everybody cannot get permits, one of the directors of GoGeorge himself was able to get a permit in spite of the moratorium that is there. A moratorium is in place, other taxi operators are not allowed to have permits, but the Director of GoGeorge is given a permit? And he is actually contesting against himself. You seem not to find anything wrong with that. The taxi operators find it wrong. They cannot compete themselves but the Director can. Maybe it will be good if you could put some clarity on that?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I did not say that I do not find anything wrong with that. I think, as I said, I need to go back and get clarity because there are two possibilities as I said. The moratorium was lifted in August last year. I am not sure when the Director got this licence. But the second possibility, and it is the biggest challenge that we need to deal with, is the issue of charter licences. I am not sure what kind of permit the Director got. Because unlike the normal operating licence where you need to apply for that via the Municipality, when you want to apply for a charter licence whether it is for scholar transport, you go directly to the PRE and get it without going through the Municipality.

There is a difference and that is why if you look at the taxis that were impounded in Dunoon, a hundred per cent of those taxis did not have operating licences but all of them had charter licences.

There is abuse in the system where people are by-passing the local authorities when they do not get operating licences and go straight to the PRE to apply for charter licences. So that is what we need to get to the bottom of, but I will get clarity on the type of licence because if indeed the Director received a normal operating licence then it is a cause for concern, which is something that I need to get to the bottom of. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. That is the end of Questions. Please note that any questions that have not been answered will now fall off the Order Paper and you will have to resubmit them as this is the last sitting.

QUESTIONS TO THE PREMIER WITHOUT NOTICE

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Premier, you know the abuse of alcohol is a big problem in this province. Binge drinking among youth is the highest in the country. Alcohol abuse puts tremendous pressure on the healthcare system and also we have about 300 alcohol-related deaths per month in South Africa. I want to know Premier, how successful is the implementation of the Alcohol Harms Reduction Strategy pertaining to this. Thank you.

The PREMIER: Thank you very much for that question and I think you are absolutely correct. When we look at not only the murder rate and the harms that come to citizens through crime, when you link it to our hospital visits and hospital emergencies and you see how alcohol plays a prominent role, if you look at any of the policing reports, it is a major problem. I think this House is quite aware of the work that was done, many years ago, in putting the new alcohol legislation in place, number one. Then also in the last few years where we have had a focus on the Alcohol Harms Reduction and the game-changer that was in place and I think we have got a couple of wins, but we have not found the secret recipe.

You will see now that it is also part of a discussion we are having where Minister Fritz, as each Minister has a priority, a safety priority, but included in Minister Fritz's priority, not only the rollout of the Boots on the Ground, on the investigators, part of his priority is also about how we try to get to grips with, what are those interventions we can put in place to curb this problem. And it is a problem and I wish it was one of those simple solutions that we could find.

We engage with our universities and we have been in this process. We had areas that we focused on and we find reductions here and there and we found some successes, some of them linked to licencing, some of them linked to pricing, some of them linked to – you know on the ground, increasing the investigations, looking at the investigators. I said earlier condolences to the policeman that was shot today, Colonel Kay. I have fond memories of Colonel Kay, of walking the streets at night, going on these blitzes, the work that we did in creating the legislative environment.

These are difficult things and I do not know what those exact answers are. I know we have found some successes but we have nowhere started to really get to a real dent in this, so it carries on as one of his priorities, Minister Fritz, on looking at the different issues; we are looking at issues of pricing, licence pricing, you have got to look at issues of hours and availability and it is also complex because it is about a balance. If we think and we look back at history you have got to go and look where things have worked in the past or failed in the past and some countries have even had prohibitions, and what that does is that actually opens up illicit economies. We see that in the drug space all the time, how the illicit economy then get fuelled and we see the same thing in alcohol and liquor. It is about finding that balance between the number of licences, the hours that they trade in and the ability to police those licences and that is also a big issue. So you have got to have individuals who are prepared to go out there in the middle of the night.

The focus that we are putting in place now is much more citizen responsibility. How do we get the other side of the equation working because it cannot only be policing? It has got to be at a stage where the space owner and the citizens who are participating in alcohol in a space actually have 15 minutes to go before closing time, finish up, pack up and leave, that people do not over-indulge. But I mean these are very, very complex questions and obviously I would also like to say, any ideas and any help because we really need to tackle this. It is a major problem.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you for that, hon Premier. If the Premier can just enlighten us on the intergovernmental relations regarding municipalities because municipalities are now granting licences, extending the trading hours between six and eight in the evening, Saturdays and Sundays. So as a province we try to sort out the problem, but municipalities are giving licences. Just the one case, I mentioned it in our Portfolio Committee, they are asking to open a big bottle store on Sundays, next to a church. So it seems to me there is no synergy between the municipalities and the Province. So what are you going to do Premier, about those type of things in the Western Cape because that impacts on where you are gaining, the municipalities allowing liquor stores close to schools and churches?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you.

The PREMIER: Again, thank you for that and obviously this is a very, very complex environment. Your first point about trading on Sundays - obviously there is also part of the regulatory environment that allows municipalities to make decisions as well because their responsibility is not licences, the municipality are not giving the liquor licence but their responsibility is around zoning and making sure that zoning is in place.

Their other responsibility is hours of trade and deciding on hours of trade. Now, I remember when we were creating this piece of legislation, in those days I actually sat on that side of the House and I think it took us something like seven or eight years in the drafting of the legislation and then of course, I ended up on this side of the House and in this side of the House it was implementing that piece of legislation.

And I remember it is about a balance, because sometimes things that you think would have worked did not work and things that you said no this will never work, and I remember the trading on Sundays.

An example is Sedgefield. I remember in Sedgefield when licences were granted and trading happened on Sundays, suddenly you found the illegal operators could not trade or make a profit on a Sunday, so they closed and suddenly you had licenced operators operating according to the rules and the illegals closed down because they could not compete.

So to me that was really good news but then of course I saw again in Laingsburg where the trading hours were closed down they actually restricted the trading hours there, the trading hours were restricted to six o'clock. I think they did trade up till eight o'clock, they were restricted to six o'clock, they were closed on public holidays, they were closed on Sundays. All that happened was I remember the licenced operators sending me an email to say it is all very well restricting the hours of trade. I used to employ five people and I now employ three people because I have restricted my business hours and my trading times, but there is no policing so over the road, the illegal guy has now opened up, he has now increased his employment, he is employing people that used to work for me, but now they are illegal and they operate all hours of the day and night and on weekends and on Sundays, but there is no policing so how does that help the economy and these guys are illegal and I am trying to follow the rules. And so it is about finding these balances and that is not easy.

I think also with regard to trying to find a decision around uniformity and zoning; when we started the public hearings and the process of regulatory reform and bringing in the licences of the liquor authority, I also remember us as a province trying to say well we will take control of and make sure that we manage the hours and make sure that we will deal with the zoning. We had threats from local government who then said if you continue with it and do not remove it, we will actually go to the Constitutional Court because you are unconstitutional in this process. And I remember in that process, we actually had to change that legislation and so it is about finding that balance and making sure that people understand that licencing is a control measure and it does not help if you actually have rules over here for licencing and then you discard anybody else who is abusing the rules.

We have got to make sure it gets policed, whether it is provincial or even at a local government level and then perhaps it also about planning, and this is also a difficult conundrum because if you go and have a look at a GSI map of licenced outlets across the province, you will see that in actual fact, in densely populated poorer areas, the number of licences are greatly reduced to other areas that are perhaps advantaged areas, more business zoned like Long Street or the Waterfront versus economic zones in poorer areas.

And there is actually a disproportion and so how do you create and what is the right balance because people say that you must control how many licences should be allowed – well I do not know, I believe in the free market – and competition should be able to determine whether you open another one or not, but these are complex, this is difficult stuff, it is not easy because you are controlling a substance.

You are controlling a substance as in the first part of your initial question which affects our crimes rates, affects our hospitals and all I can say is it is very complex.

The Minister will be bringing back to this House a new round of legislative process so that we have can these conversations. I can tell you what I think and I know you asked in the last part of answering this question, you said there is an application for a licence next to a church and of course, there again, these are very difficult.

I will give you two examples. We initially said let us have a five hundred metre exclusionary zone around a church or a school, but there are many, many places in this province where you would then have to actually close down all the licenced restaurants in Long Street because of the number of mosques and churches just in Long Street, and if you put the 500 metres between all of them, then none of these restaurants would be able to have a licence.

I know in some of our small towns where their main streets are so short that it also would become a difficult conundrum in how to deal with that. I also remember that we made a decision and I remember being in that committee, I thought it was a great decision. We said no selling of alcohol anywhere near a filling station and we gave an exclusionary, because we said, you know drinking and driving really does not go well together. I remember somebody giving us the example in other countries where you can go to a vending machine at a filling station and actually get a beer from a vending machine. We said no this cannot be possible. And as soon as we did that, what we did it then means that an erf could not have, if it was within 500 metres of a filling station, a liquor licence. We had a huge conundrum because every single liquor licence at every single Waterfront establishment was now null and void because there is a filling station on the erf of the Waterfront. And so this shows you the unintended consequences, the difficulties that come with it.

But, again, I say to you, these are difficult things, but we are going to have an opportunity once again where our specialists and the drafters on this side of the House, are going to put their minds to it, and then they are going to make it available to all of you on this side of the House to go out to public comment to go and say what else should we be doing differently? So we can actually manage, through a liquor licencing regime, the pros and cons, an economy that employs 200 000 people in the liquor industry versus the harms that actually come within the system and these are very, very complex. I do not have all of the answers. I am sure Minister Fritz does not have all of the answers and I think in sketching this answer, even when I was on that side of the House or this side of the House, it is difficult, it is not easy, but we are going to be given that opportunity once again.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I see hon Herron.

Mr B HERRON: Thank you, hon Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Sorry, my apologies. I made a mistake, hon Herron. My apologies. It is hon member Christian's question. I got the two mixed up.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Premier. I mean you are honest to say it is a difficult question. I was just reminded of being in Vredendal again and that when I was walking there, people were saying †*Sondag is nasionale drinkdag*, [Sunday is national drink day,] you know and you just see the chaos happening and those type of things. That is why Premier, I do not know but maybe there can be some talks with municipalities and say listen, until we sort this thing out – I am just thinking about those now that are impacting churches because the pastor came to me, he said to me on Sundays I try to keep the people off alcohol and now they can go get alcohol right next to the church. So it is difficult because I got them off and now they will go back. So this is a problem. I am also worried about the extending of trading hours where municipalities give it, irrespective of where it is situated. So when they apply, you can do all the objections and when it comes to the end, you still lose the objection. So I just want to know from you Premier, will you speak at your forum with mayors or whoever it is, just to say listen we need to sort this out before we grant liquor licences, especially close to schools or churches or even mosques as the case may be? Thank you.

The PREMIER: The engagements that we are having with our municipalities have been specifically around the Safety Plan. What you are talking about links directly into safety in communities. But I want to actually go further. I have got in this question, saying you know it is affecting churches etc. and Government must put rules in place that will sort this out. Now the problem is that Government are going to put rules in place to sort this out but that is actually not going to be the solution, and I am going to link it back to the safety plan and that is why we have made the safety plan not actually about policing, it is about behavioural change.

It is about how do we get citizens to actually step up to the plate and we need to actually work together in this. This is about how we get the whole of society saying we have all got a role to play and when you see your brother or your sister stepping off the path, when you see them, we need to actually start saying, “Come”. Churches and mosques and community organisations have got a major part to play in partnership, as how we build this sustainable society going forward, where we see these things happening. We have got to be able to help each other and to build a whole of society approach to ask how do we reduce the harms that are happening in whichever guise they are.

But obviously in line with this question, it is around alcohol but of course, the same thing applies to drugs, the same things applies to so many other things in society, so absolutely we already have this discussion at a local government level at our PCF and our mayors’ forums and I will continue with it. I think also what is going to happen now with the implementation of a new piece of legislation or review of the legislation, it is also going to be the opportunity to come up with whether we allow competitiveness in the system around times or not? At the moment the way it is structured is municipalities should be saying that you have got until two o’clock in the morning as per the framework. If you want to go outside of the framework then it is a separate licence application.

I do not know if they are all following the application process correctly because you are right.

The idea of maybe going till four o'clock in the morning should be in an area that does not affect people. So for example, perhaps Long Street or an area where nightclubs are focused, but of course if it is in a residential area, well then it should not even be two o'clock. But the process does allow for municipalities to even bring that in to ten o'clock, or nine o'clock. I mean there are places who actually are managed that way. But I think you are correct as well that it is not managed properly and maybe that is also something that the Standing Committee can also look into – even before we get the legislation process that we actually go on some of these night time blitzes, walk with some of the inspectors so that you get to grips with what it is, so we can actually start writing it in that legislation and of course, as you say, engage with municipalities where that competency lies.

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Premier it is with regard to the First Thursday Initiative, how many people have been reached so far and what are the kind of enquiries that have been made and the nature of those enquiries?

The PREMIER: Thank you very much for that question. Well, if I have to think about the numbers, I remember the first 'First Thursday', it was about 800 various enquiries. Of course that is more than the number of meetings that take place. I looked at the last report and I am just trying to think – it is over 200 meetings that took place amongst the Executive and the public, sometimes it is 300. I think the last one was 291 if I remember correctly, looking at the report. But so you can say probably between 200 and 300 and there is probably, I do not know, may be up to a 1000 people involved on a First Thursday, taking their numbers and of course, we learn as we go because when I used to run the First Thursday before just out of my office, it was a much easier space in which to operate, we had much stronger control.

Now it is in an open public thoroughfare and we ask entrepreneurs to come along depending on the theme and some people just come to network and not necessarily meet anybody. But I think if I am correct it is between 200 and 300 meetings that take place. I notice some of my Ministers have shorter lists of meetings than others. [Laughter.] I mean that is what this is about, this is about openness, this is about saying to someone if you cannot get an appointment, come and see us.

You asked about the kinds of questions. I mean some of them are people coming with ideas and other times are people coming with problems. I mean I know that I have even dealt with HR issues where perhaps someone did not want to go and see a Minister, to say I have already exhausted that and now I am coming to see you and this is my problem which in a way is also good because you get a sort of different kind of oversight through the process and anything from business ideas, to HR, to safety and security, which has a lot of people coming now because of the safety plan, a lot of people coming with technologies and innovative ideas.

It really is across the board. Every single Minister has their desk there with officials and interestingly the City of Town came along to First Thursdays and last time they actually got a bigger desk and we have more people coming from the City.

Hayley, in my office, has already gone out and spoken to one municipality. So it was Overstrand on the last First Thursday. They ran an open Thursday in Overstrand and of course I cannot dictate to the municipalities but it would be very nice if every single municipality was open on a First Thursday until nine o'clock at night, open for any issue, anybody could come in with anything.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Botha, are you fine because time is up? Okay. Thank you very much. I am terribly sorry Hon Premier we are ending with those, that is the final time allocated to the Premier.

Questions and replies as received from departments

QUESTIONS

For written reply

Wards 61, 64, 69 and 71: schools

1. Ms M M Wenger asked the Minister of Education:

Whether her Department has plans to (a) refurbish or (b) expand any school in the area covered by the City of Cape Town's wards 61, 64, 69 and 71; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

1. The WCED does not plan to refurbish or expand any schools in these wards over the next MTEF, but have provided additional classrooms at Ocean View Secondary School and established a new mobile school in Ocean View called Jupiter Street Primary School in 2018/19.

In addition to this the WCED is planning the replacement of Ocean View LSEN School within a different area (Coniston) but this is not planned in the current MTEF and has identified the need to replace Kleinberg PS over the long term.

The WCED have also identified the need for a new primary school in Masiphumelele area, but have not been able to secure a suitable property for this purpose. No government owned land is available in the area that can be used for the development of a school. Again the development and timeframes of this project is also dependant on the availability of budget.

The following schools are identified to receive scheduled maintenance within the following MTEF: Fish Hoek PS, Marine PS, Ocean View HS, Ukhanyo PS and Westlake PS. The timeframes related to the implementation of these projects are also dependent upon the availability of budget over the MTEF period.

Westlake: housing

2. Ms M M Wenger asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

- (1) Whether his Department has plans to build additional housing in Westlake, Cape Town; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether his Department has plans to assist backyarders residing in Westlake, Cape Town; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

2. (1) The City of Cape Town has no planned projects for Westlake. However, new projects have been initiated in Retreat, Vrygrond, Pelican Park Phase 2 and Strandfontein. Qualifying beneficiaries from Westlake could possibly be assisted in the areas listed.

The City is currently conducting a detailed beneficiary analysis in order to quantify the housing need of the entire Sub council after which allocations can be determined for the proposed projects. This analysis is being done to ensure that applicants on the housing demand database is from the various areas with the greatest need in terms of age and disability.

- (2). Westlake backyarders who are on the City's waiting list may benefit from one of the above projects, depending on the outcome of the beneficiary analysis.

My Department has also launched an initiative known as the "Greater Retreat" project, which could possibly include the Westlake backyarders.

Department of Human Settlements: employee housing subsidies

3. Ms M M Wenger asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

- (1) Whether any employees from his Department rent homes from his Department in Sanddrift, Cape Town; if so, (a) how many, (b) what is the job level of each person and (c) what salary does each person earn;
- (2) whether any of these employees receive a housing subsidy from the Western Cape Government; if so, what is the amount of the subsidy?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

3. (1) (a) Nine (9)
 (b)
 (i) Six (6) are on Level 5.
 (ii) Two (2) are on Level 8.
 (iii) One (1) on Level 9
 (c)
 (i) Level 5 between R163 563.00 – R192 666.00 Per Annum.
 (ii) Level 8 scale between R299 709.00 – R353 043.00 Per Annum.
 (iii) Level 9 scale between R356 289.00 – R419 679.00 Per Annum.
 (iv) It is important to note that salary levels 8 and 9 rent at market value. The Rental Policy provides that at least 10% of each complex should be able to accommodate or rented out to any person who earns less than R30 000 per month.

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- (2) The current rental allowance for permanent employees is R900.00. The onus is on the employee to apply to the Government Employee Housing Scheme for the allowance after he / she has concluded the Rental Agreement with my department.

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For written reply

Emergency drought relief fund

1. Ms N Makamba-Botya asked the Minister of Agriculture:

- (1) What will the R50 million emergency drought relief fund be spent on;
- (2) whether the amount is sufficient to also assist with jobs lost by farm labourers in the Karoo; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

1. (1) The R50 million will be used to provide drought (fodder) support to farmers in extremely critical areas, namely Central Karoo, Little Karoo and parts of the Matzikama Municipality.
- (2) The draft National Disaster Strategy does not make provision for the support of agri workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the drought (or any other disaster). Agri worker jobs, however, are indirectly secured by the drought (fodder) support provided in extremely critical areas, including the Karoo, as this support ensures the continued operations of the affected farms and thus enable affected farmers to continue to maintain employment opportunities.

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