WEDNESDAY, 4 DECEMBER 2013

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

The House met at 10:00

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

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BUSINESS OF HOUSE

The SPEAKER: You may be seated. Order. I recognise the Chief Whip.

(Motion)

Me A ROSSOUW: Mnr die Speaker, ek stel die voorstel soos gedruk in my naam op die Ordelys:

That, notwithstanding Rule 204 (1), Questions to the Premier without notice shall be dealt with on the same day, namely Wednesday, 4 December 2013, as the discussion on the Premier's Vote in the Schedule to the Adjustments Appropriation Bill.

The SPEAKER: Are there any objections to the motion? No objections.

Agreed to.

QUESTIONS TO THE PREMIER WITHOUT NOTICE:

Mr P UYS: Thank you, Mr Speaker and the hon Premier. Hon Premier, my

question is do you or don't you and your executives support the Broad-Based

Black Economic Empowerment Act? [Interjections.] Yes, well you are not the

Premier. Let the Premier answer. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

An HON MEMBER: Why are you laughing at her? Is she a joke?

The PREMIER: We supported the broad framework contained in the Act but

when we saw the codes that had been released under the Act we realised that

it was just another trick to concentrate power in the hands of the Minister so

that he could re-enrich the ANC's cronies.

An HON MEMBER: Yo.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Mr Uys.

Mr P UYS: Thank you very much, hon Premier. That is a short answer

meaning you do not support the Act. Hon Premier, in this House you on 17 October supported the amendment bill and the National Assembly opposed it. Hon Premier, are you trying to mislead this House or the public? [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: The answer is no, Mr Speaker. The answer is no. We were prepared after discussions with Minister Rob Davies to give the government the benefit of the doubt that they wanted to move away from strict racial quotas and the re-empowerment of the already wealthy. Our spokespeople had had discussions with Minister Rob Davies and we were convinced that they in good faith were trying to move to the BBBEE proposals supported by the National Development Plan. We support those proposals. We support the National Development Plan, and after discussions with Minister Davies we believed that in good faith the national government was going to move towards that kind of framework, but of course after the Bill was passed in or voted on in the National Assembly, the codes were released early in October. When we saw the codes they enabled the re-enrichment of people who had already benefited from equity share transfers up to the value of R50 million to still be regarded as disempowered and disadvantaged. That is purely a crony enrichment scheme and obviously you cannot support that and the National Development Plan opposes that. So, the real scandal of this whole issue is that the ANC passes legislation and codes that expressly undermine the National Development Plan even though the National Development Plan has unanimously been accepted by all parties in Parliament.

An HON MEMBER: Phew!

An HON MEMBER: Skande!

An HON MEMBER: Jy jok man.

The SPEAKER: Last chance, hon mem Mr Uys.

Mr P UYS: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. Thank you, hon Premier.

Hon Premier, will you give this House the assurance that although the DA did

not support the Act, you as Premier and the executive, your executive here,

will 100% implement the Act in this province.

The PREMIER: Which Act? I do not know which Act the ...

Mr P UYS: Mr Speaker, it is a follow-up. It was ... [Interjections.] I am not

allowed to ask a different question ...

The PREMIER: ... The BBBEE Act.

The SPEAKER: Order, order.

The PREMIER: It was the BBBEE Act. Now it is not the Employment Equity

Act, it is the BBBEE Act, and those are two fundamentally different Acts.

The BBBEE Act empowers and enables a code of good practice which in fact

we have kept by and in fact have met very substantially in the awarding of

tenders and contracts. What we fundamentally oppose is the granting of

points for the re-enrichment of people who are already very wealthy and

cannot be described as impoverished or disadvantaged, and the entrenchment

of the ownership element that adds no value to job creation or to skills

development and undermines the equity equivalence of that process. We,

therefore, have a very clear position on this and we do have codes of good

practice. We support codes of good practice in principle. We believe that

they should be incentive driven and our procurement shows that we have

achieved very good outcomes as far as that is concerned, certainly better than

the ANC when they were in government.

Mr P UYS: So we implement the Act [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order. Hon mem Ms Hani, over to you.

Ms V HANI: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Can the hon Premier please inform this

legislature what she has done in the Western Cape Provincial Government

since the independent Auditor General identified wide-ranging regression in

the province and ... Interjections.] Regression, yes ... in the province and

overall stagnation [Interjections.] ...

The SPEAKER: Order. Hon Minister, order.

Ms V HANI: ... and overall stagnation in her leadership?

The PREMIER: Mr Speaker, there was no regression in the findings for this

province this year. Quite the opposite. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: You have the

wrong year.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Ms Hani.

Ms V HANI: [Interjections.] Mr Speaker, I will repeat again. Will she

improve her attendance in the legislature in trying to address the stagnation

in the leadership in this province?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Different question.

[Interjections.].

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

An HON MEMBER: It is not.

Ms V HANI: No. No.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order. Order. [Interjections.]. Hon

mem Mr Skwatsha. [Interjections.]. Minister Botha, order.

The PREMIER: As a recall and because I anticipated this question coming up I have all the statistics here with me, and in fact, out of 23 sittings I attended all except four and several of those were because I was attending things like the President's Co-ordinating Council and other issues relating to the work that I have to do in the national government. I looked over at the President's question time and the President missed 25% of his question time [Interjections.] and he only ... [Interjections.] he only, Mr Speaker ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Corruption is a full time job.

The PREMIER: Corruption is a full time job, Mr Speaker. The President missed 25% of his question time, but the truth is that while I have many question days, in fact I have 23 sittings day in the legislature and I missed four of those, the President has exactly four questions sessions during the whole year ... [Interjections.] ... four question sessions in the whole year and no questions without notice, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members. Hon mem Mr Uys. Hon members, order. Order. Hon mem Ms Hani, you will get your last chance. Order, sit down please. No, no, sit down. Take your seat please.

The PREMIER: Yes, let me compare apples with apples, let me compare

apples with apples, Mr Speaker. Let us compare this premiership with other

premierships. In Mpumalanga the Premier missed 68% of the sittings ...

[Interjections.] of the legislature ... [Interjection.] ... 68% of sittings of the

legislature [Interjections.]. In fact, we have more sitting days, we have 23

sitting days ...

Mr H P GEYER: That is right.

The PREMIER: ... which is the most of any parliamentary legislature in the

country ...

Mr H P GEYER: Viva!

Mr P UYS: You were only ...

The PREMIER: ... and out of the much reduced number of days the

Mpumalanga Premier missed 68% of the days, Limpopo 45% of the days,

North West 31% of the days and I can go on [Interjections.], I can go on, Mr

Speaker. So, if the hon mem Mr Skwatsha ...

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members. Order.

The PREMIER: ... hon mem Mr Skwatsha wants to compare apples with

apples, those are the 'vrot' apples in the ANC's barrel. [Interjections]

The SPEAKER: Order, last chance hon mem Ms Hani. Order.

Ms V HANI: Mr Speaker, due to her response it shows really that there is lack of leadership from her and ...

The SPEAKER: Order.

Ms V HANI: ... can she, the Premier indicate...

The SPEAKER: Order, order. Hon mem Ms Hani. These are questions to the Premier, not statements, and if you miss ... Order, order. [Interjections.]

Ms V HANI: This is my response.

The SPEAKER: What is your question? What is the question?

Ms V HANI: ... This is my question. Due to the response can the Premier indicate to the people ...

The SPEAKER: What is the question? [Interjections.] Take your seat.

Ms V HANI: This is the question. You have to stop and listen.

Mr P UYS: Give her a chance.

The SPEAKER: Then put your question.

Ms V HANI: Can the Premier indicate to the people ... [Interjections.] ... of this province when she will follow the advice of people like Moshoeshoe Monare that says she must leave quietly and please resign ... [Interjections.] ... because she cannot even answer the questions. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon members. Hon mem Mr Uys. [Interjections.]
Order, hon mem Mr Uys. Hon Premier, over to you.

The PREMIER: That is an entirely new question, Mr Speaker, but I am happy to respond to it as follows: I have learnt over many years that newspaper columnists and political commentators and editors are often quite far away from the truth and they are quite a distance from reality. I can also say that it is interesting when the editor of a newspaper that is on its way out, gives us advice on when to leave. That is the most interesting part of all. [Interjections.] But let me respond to this alleged regression. The Auditor General says in his official report for our audit outcomes in the 2012/13 year which is the year under review. He says there has been an overall improvement ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Mr Skwatsha, I did not allow you to speak and if you are going to carry on and undermine my authority, definitely ... Hon mem Mr Skwatsha, take your seat. You do not just jump up and speak in the House. I did not allow you to speak now. Take your seat. Take your seat, hon

mem Mr Skwatsha. Proceed, hon Premier.

The PREMIER: The Auditor General says, and we have not even held a press

conference on this, there has been an overall improvement in the provincial

audit outcomes, fifty per cent, 50 auditees. 50% of auditees achieved a clean

audit outcome and I want to tell you, Mr Speaker, 100% of our government

departments achieved an unqualified outcome, which is an extraordinary

outcome, including five that sustained their clean audit outcomes of the

previous year. If this is regression I do not know what progress is. Thank

you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Order. Hon mem Mr Haskin, over to you. [Interjections.]

Order Minister. Is it a point of order, hon mem Mr Skwatsha?

Mr M SKWATSHA: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Okay.

Mr M SKWATSHA: Mr Speaker, do you understand the meaning of the word

impartial?

The SPEAKER: Can you take your seat. This is not time for questions to the

Speaker. Take your seat. Hon mem Mr Haskin, over to you. Hon mem Mr

Wiley, over to you.

Mr M G E WILEY: Mr Speaker, the rules of this House are very clear about standing up on frivolous points of order. This is a frivolous point of order ...

The SPEAKER: Yes, now ...

Mr M G E WILEY: ... and on top it impugns the integrity of the Chair. I believe there is a motion of censorship ...

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon mem Mr Wiley. That is why I did not allow the hon mem Mr Skwatsha to carry on, because it is not a point of order at all. Hon mem Mr Haskin, over to you.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Thank you, hon Premier. Madam Premier, with regards to the Commission of Enquiry, what are the daily or monthly compensations fees that are being paid to advocate Pikoli and to retired judge Kate O'Regan on a daily or monthly basis whether the is sitting or not? Thank you.

The PREMIER: I am not in any way aware of people being paid on days the Commission is not sitting, but I do know that the money that has been allocated for the Khayelitsha Commission of Enquiry is R8,3 million, and we have a situation here where Mr Pikoli is paid at the rate of a junior advocate, junior counsel as I understand it, as indicated by Minister Radebe. The junior counsels are paid between R15,000 and R18,000 per day, while senior counsels are paid between R24,000 and R36,000 per day and so we have a

situation where advocate Pikoli has agreed to be paid on the level of a junior

counsel, so that is the level at which advocate Pikoli is being paid. Retired

judge O'Regan is not being paid anything at this stage, because she is still

awaiting reply to statutory permissions to serve on this Commission of

Enquiry so she cannot claim any remuneration until she has done that. Let

me also say that the Minister of Justice has told the National Assembly, Mr

Speaker, that President Zuma's personal lawyer Mr Michael Hulley has been

paid R8,8 million of taxpayers' money so far. [Interjections.].

The SPEAKER: Order. Hon mem Mr Haskin. Order.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Mr Speaker ...

The SPEAKER: Order hon members. Hon mem Ms Brown, order.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Thank you, Mr Speaker. In respect of the Premier's

answer may I then ask at what point will we get a finalisation of judge Kate

O'Regan's fees and will that be paid out of the R8,3 million that has been

allocated in this financial year for the Commission or will it be over and

above that?

The PREMIER: Well, we certainly do not know when national ministers or

other office bearers will ever answer their letters. That is part of the

challenge that we face in trying to get co-operative governance working, and

we certainly cannot answer when the Minister will reply to the request

regarding judge O'Regan. We are very grateful to her, in the event of not

having had a reply to that letter, for working as hard as she is on the

Commission in any event. So we cannot answer that question because we do

not know what the national minister is going to do.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Mr Ncedana, over to you. Chance not taken. Hon

mem Mr Walters.

Mr M C WALTERS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I want to know whether the

reported mismanagement and corruption at national level over the past 20

years has had any impact on the development of the Western Cape? Would

the Premier like to comment on that?

Mr P UYS: Only the Western Cape's corruption. [Interjections.].

The PREMIER: Mr Speaker, I think the areas where we have felt the most

impact are the areas ... [Interjections.] ... that we do not really control in

terms of our constitutional mandate. So we have a major problem of crime

and gangsterism ... [Interjections.].

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

The PREMIER: ... and drug trading and illegal shebeens ...

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Mr Skwatsha, order.

The PREMIER: We have a major problem of crime which is largely substance abuse based, gangsterism and other problems in the Western Cape, which only the police are in a position to control and monitor. We have major problems because of the effective collapse of the police hierarchy and instability in that process. That has had very serious implications and ramifications for the Western Cape, because we only have oversight powers. Of course, that has led to the national minister contesting our exercising our oversight powers at every single turn, which has made things extremely difficult. It has therefore taken us five years to be able to even get the ball rolling as far as effective oversight is concerned. I would say it has been a very serious challenge, together with the allegations that there is a lot of corruption in the police force and because we have really battled to get oversight mechanisms in place. Because of the resistance of the national minister we are unable to probe as we should probe allegations of corruption, for example in the SAPS. So that has been a huge problem.

The other problem has been the collapse really of public works. The collapse of public works has had extraordinary ramifications for the Western Cape. I think we saw it most clearly in for example Grabouw, the problems around the school. We have been asking for many years for the transfer of a piece of land to build a new school; we have not so much as had a reply to that request and that can be multiplied across all departments whether it is Health, whether it is Human Settlements, where we depend upon the efficient and appropriate functioning of national Public Works. Part of that is due to plain inefficiency. The other part is due to alleged corruption, where deals are

done that benefit certain people, and it is very difficult to disaggregate which

We have also had enormous problems, for example with

regenerating the fishing harbours, which can really be the economic engines

of many small towns in the Western Cape. That is because of the huge

resistance that we are getting both from Public Works and from the

Department of Agriculture of Forestry and Fisheries, which makes it

impossible for us to fulfil our mandate, even though, ironically, the mandate

for fishing harbours lies with local government.

So we have had enormous resistance to many developmental issues from the

national government, much arising from just inefficiency and sometimes

plain incompetence, but often intermeshed with profound allegations of

corruption.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Premier. Any follow-up, hon mem Walters?

Mr M C WALTERS: No, thank you.

The SPEAKER: We now proceed to the hon mem Ms Hartnick.

Thank you, Mr Speaker. Hon Premier, what have you Ms J L HARTNICK:

found most challenging during your term of office?

The PREMIER: Well there have been pleasant challenges and there have

been unpleasant challenges.

An HON MEMBER: ... DA led caucus. [Laughter.]

The PREMIER: I think one of the ...

An HON MEMBER: You are obsessed with colour. [Laughter.]

The PREMIER: I think one of the most pleasant challenges has been

transforming a manifesto into a plan and landing it in government, in the

structures of government and in the budget of government. That has been an

enormous challenge on which many of us have worked very much, with a lot

of excellent advice. I think we have succeeded in doing that and that has been

very fulfilling and very exciting, but it was an enormous challenge. I think

the challenge that has been most difficult is as I have said earlier, the

challenge of working with national government; it has been an enormous

challenge in many areas, and I do not think because there is a deliberate

sense of undermining cooperative governance; it is just that we do not get

replies to letters, things are not done on time, tenders are allowed to lapse at

critical moments; the red tape is absolutely impenetrable and it is very, very

complex just getting things functional.

The other major challenge I would say and the major depressing challenge is

to see how much of our budget we spend on things that could have been

prevented, especially with respect to the health budget. Conditions arising

from the choices people make in their lives: from smoking, from exercise,

unhealthy living, unsafe sex. Huge amounts, billions of rands are poured into

dealing with the consequence of individual choices that could have been

different and could have enabled us to release the money for conditions that

cannot be prevented. I am always amazed how people born with whatever

disabilities that so many of our young people are born with, are often pushed

to the margins of society and cannot get the treatment that they could get in

many other countries because we just do not have the budget to do it. It is

because we have not yet realised we have to get across to people in this

country that individual choices have social consequences, and making a

selfish choice for yourself can really detrimentally effect somebody else's

life. We have not reached that point in our country, which is a great, great

challenge. In fact, we put oil on the squeakiest wheel, which is often the

least needy wheel in terms of conditions that could not be prevented. So that

is one of the negative things, Mr Speaker.

Ms J L HARTNICK: Can I ask a small question? Yes? Thank you very

much.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Ms Hartnick.

Ms J L HARTNICK: A follow-up. What have you found to be the most

rewarding part of your job - challenges?

The PREMIER: Well, I must say that there are two things that I found very

particularly rewarding, Mr Speaker. The one is how we have gelled as a

government. I think that this cabinet is really a team and we form an

extraordinary team with the caucus as well. They do not shirk their oversight

duties, but there is no division or tension between the caucus and the

executive. We have built a really strong team which is a great, great plus and

it has brought a lot satisfaction. People have been very, very committed to

this team and all brought their part, no-one is protecting their silos... No-one

is protecting their turf. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order. Order. Hon members, order.

The PREMIER: It has also been very gratifying... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order!

The PREMIER: ... the extent to which we formed a team with the top

officials across the board who have really given of their all to seek to achieve

our objective of being the best run regional government in the world. We

accept that we have a way to go but we are making progress towards that goal

every day and that obviously is very fulfilling.

The other big, big thing I would single out is to see the turnaround in

disadvantaged schools, the gradual improvement in literacy and numeracy

results and particularly the reduction in a number of what we call under-

performing schools, especially those in Khayelitsha. It has been a very

gratifying thing to see and I certainly hope that the trend continues. Thank

you, Mr Speaker.

Mr P UYS: Just a point of order please.

The SPEAKER: Okay.

Mr P UYS: I just want to point out to you that in terms of the questions to

the Premier you changed the order. When the ANC previously asked to

change the order because one of our members are running late you disallowed

it. Now you change of the order of the DA and I want to just put that on

record.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. We will record that the hon mem Mr Uys ...

[Interjections.] Order, hon members, order. That is the end of questions to

the Premier. Hon members, order. We now proceed to Orders of the Day.

The Secretary will read the first Order of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Consideration of principle of Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation

Bill [B 11 - 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic Development and

Tourism).

The SPEAKER: I recognise the hon Minister Winde.

MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT The AND

TOURISM: Thank you very much. Mr Speaker, I rise to introduce or to start

this second reading debate, but the second reading debate does have a slight difference to our normal procedure where we are going to be having a second reading debate dealing with the politics of the adjustments and of course the individual adjustments at the same time. So obviously while the speakers will be raising the policy issues and policy differences, at the same time I am going to be asking the House to make sure that they are dealing with the actual adjustments and the numbers that we have to deal with so that at the end of this process we will move to voting on each and every vote across all departments for approval. I ask this House that we go through this process to support and approve the adjustments in this last and final year of this administration's term. Perhaps I just need to remind the House of what we are dealing with the adjustments, which forms a very, very small percentage of the whole. I think that it should become part of the yearly experience at adjustments time of this government that, number one, there has not been lots of extra money to divide up amongst up the departments, and number two, that there has not been huge changes or shifts between votes or between departments.

If you look at the percentage changes in the adjustments, they have all been very small amounts as opposed to what has happened in previous years. Let me perhaps just remind this House of the kind of money we are talking about in these adjustments. We are talking about R340.971 million, and that is the additional expenditure. Just to sum up: R69 million is for hospital revitalisation and infrastructure related issues; R19 million to the replacement of infrastructure from the flood damages from the previous year;

R86 million to the Provincial Regeneration Projects; R89 million to roads infrastructure; R54 million to property acquisition. There is R92.127 million that is provided for infrastructure related projects from the 2012/13 provincial roll-over and revenue over-collection, and just to divide that up – R4 million for refurbishing parliament; R9 million for social development facilities; R19 million for the acceleration of housing delivery; and R59 million for roads infrastructure.

There are also further allocations in 2012/13 made from provincial roll-over shifts between departments and contingency reserves for unforeseeable and unavoidable allocations. Obviously things change during the year - R40 million allocated for diverse education requirements. R42 million will be shifted for ICT services, including broadband connectivity and system enhancements. R8 million will be allocated - it is actually R8.348 million, with reference to the question earlier in the House to the Premier - will be allocated for the Khayelitsha Police Commission of Enquiry, and a further R3 million for a security strategy within the Department of Community Safety; R4 million for the green economy; R2.259 million for aerial fire fighting and R1.2 million for the African Nations Championships soccer tournament. In the main budget in 2013 we spoke about transversal projects. R252 million for things such as ICT Broadband Skills Development, the Green Economy, and the Regional Social Economic Development Programme was appropriated but held within the - vote three - Treasury until those plans came about. You would also have heard us in this process talking about how that money is going to be spent over the next three years, but also the R47 million of the special project funding that has now been allocated in the first year of the next three years, and how that money will be spent. So in context that is what we are going to be talking about in this debate, but obviously I am pretty certain that the speakers will also bring in policy changes, suggestions and comparisons. I look forward to this debate and I shall rise again when I need to answer. Thank you very much, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Mr von Brandis, over to you.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. As we debate the Adjustments Appropriation Bill I firstly want to make a reference to section 215 of the Constitution, which states and I read:

"National, provincial and municipal budgets and budgetary processes must promote transparency, accountability and the effective financial management of the economy, debt and the public sector."

Mr Speaker, it is said that nothing more clearly distinguishes a democracy from another system than it's observance of a rule of law. The DA's form of commitment to clean government and the constitution especially in matters of budgeting and expenditure is often absent in other political parties. In June of this calendar year the presidency released a monitoring and performance assessment tool, or MPAT, which gave this province the highest KPA score for financial management. The report states the Western Cape performed substantially better, substantially better than any other province in the area

of financial management. ANC led provinces such as Limpopo, where some departments have been under national administration since 2011, Gauteng, the North West and the Eastern Cape achieved less than 40% in compliance levels 3 and 4 in financial management. The Western Cape scored double that, double that, Mr Speaker, at 82% on these levels. As a DA led government we champion such results that stand as testaments to our commitment to clean, accountable, and most importantly, effective and lawful government.

Responsible government spends responsibly, which is what makes budgets so important. Budgets are one of government's primary tools in implementing economic policy. Looking at the findings presented by the Auditor General over the past financial year, they clearly show the massive financial management gulf between this and other provinces in South Africa. The Western Cape has reported the lowest wastage out of all nine provinces in this past financial year, which was furthermore an improvement on the previous financial year's findings. With the exception of one department over the past three years, the Western Cape government has incurred no unauthorised expenditure. ANC led provincial governments and related departments and agencies, however, incurred a staggering, an embarrassing figure of some R22.6 billion in irregular, unauthorised, fruitless and wasteful expenditure in the past financial year [Interjections.] R22.6 billion. Such gross financial waste in these provinces according to the auditor general has become the norm not the exception. Mr Speaker, in the Cape Times today business leader Johan Rupert said he was struck by how anyone can start a business in South Africa, given the increasing levels of red tape and

corruption, especially at local level. He added that the decline in the rule of

law and interference in the courts and judge appointments too was worrying.

[Interjections.] Rupert went further to say that the biggest insult is that the

ANC led national government does not appear concerned with what South

Africans think, whether it is business people or those that live in the

townships. A better life for all has been scrapped for a better life for some.

One of the critical factors which will frame the medium term budget policy

objectives, which include promoting economy growth, reducing

unemployment, poverty and improving health care and education, is

The Western Cape's commitment to governance and governance.

accountability is clearly distinguished in the MPAT report, where it too

ranked number 1 in the country. The province's plan to continue setting up

systems that will further improve governance is covered in the medium term

budget. With the strides the Western Cape has made over the past few years

I am confident that we can as Minister Winde said several times, become one

of the best run regional governments in the world.

Mr H P GEYER: Hear, hear!

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: The Western Cape under this administration is a

better Western Cape. An adjustments budget that we pass today will be an

investment towards a stronger provincial economy. Mr Speaker, I hereby

support the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill of 2013 and the

reports on votes 3, 10 and 12. I thank you.

Hon MEMBERS: Hear, hear!

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Ms Brown, over to you.

Ms L BROWN: Allow me, Mr Speaker, to start off commending Ace

Magashule, Premier of the Free State, on his achievements in terms of

education. This morning we heard and saw that more than 500 young people

from the Free State will become medical doctors, pilots, agriculturists etc.

The young people are on bursaries from the government, from SMMe's in the

area and from business in the communities. I am very proud of it. I am very

proud of that ANC government and I commend the New Age and Morning

Live for bringing the good news to us. The many young people who will be

graduating from matric will know that there is hope in the Free State.

The introduction of the medium term expenditure framework ... Mr Speaker,

are you going to rule when hon Minister Carlisle screams while I am

speaking?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I did not scream.

Ms L BROWN: Are you going to rule on that?

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Ms Brown, I do know my job. You may proceed.

[Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: The introduction of the medium term expenditure framework

in 1997 was aimed at improving the linkages between planning and budgets

and to ensure that there is certainty and predictability of service delivery to our communities. Although the ANC created a budget process with timelines to assess our priorities and within the funding envelope that would allocate resources that could make a difference in the lives of poor people living in the Western Cape who should be the primary beneficiaries of the state, the 2013/2014 main budget was formulated with the priorities of the DA government and funding has been provided for programmes and projects that are ready or almost ready for implementation through the transversal projects of Broadband, Green Economy, Skills Development and the Regional Socio Economy project. In fact, an amount of R252 million was placed in the Provincial Treasury vote for allocation in the 2013/14 adjusted budget. However, only an amount of R47.8 million of these funds has been allocated in the 2013/14 adjustments budget and the rest has been reallocated to the 2014 MTEF. These funds could have been used to alleviate the plight of the poor now, given the adverse economic environment and its effect on the unemployed and business as highlighted in the many glossy documents we see, are scheduled to be spent in the future. These are not intended for the poor. The mantra that the DA government spews forth is that 80% of the budget is spent on the poor, and this is one that we have to interrogate. That budget is spent on health and education and of course that is your and any government's statutory obligation. That is what you get your provincial equitable share for. It is not used for anything else and it is nationally driven. We should judge the DA government by what it spends its other money on, the 14% that is ... [Inaudible].

Where you can and do prioritise on the poor you do not spend it on service

delivery issues, Madam Premier [Interjections.]. We know that housing is in

a crisis in this province.

HON MEMBERS: Yes, yes.

Ms L BROWN: Educational infrastructure, maintenance is in a crisis ...

[Interjections.] Poor schools are in a crisis in this province. You do not

know because you have not been there. Healthcare to the poor, whether it is

G F Jooste or Hanover Park Clinic, is in a crisis, hon Minister Botha.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: You are living on happy island.

Ms L BROWN: You are spending R9 million on the Commission on the police

- just a fight with national, that is all. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

Ms L BROWN: You have outsourced your responsibility as the government of

the Western Cape. You should go and listen to the communities ...

[Interjections.] ... and help fix the problems in the communities. You do not

have to spend R9 million on getting others to fix it ...

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That is the biggest

rot!

Ms L BROWN: That is what governments do. Governments do it right here

and they do the work. Crime, Madam Premier, is everywhere. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

Ms L BROWN: Are you going to provide a commission for each community?

I think not. Now what I always wonder - is it political corruption to not get

the balance right of spending what is over in your budget after health and

education and you do not spend it on the most vulnerable amongst us, the

poor?

Mr M G E WILEY: Oh, come on!

Mr H P GEYER: When are you going to Nkandla?

Ms L BROWN: One of the government's priorities ... It is not about going to

visit Nkandla. You are so ... I hope you have a holiday up there and go and

visit Nkandla, then you can stop asking me about Nkandla. [Interjections.]

One of the government's priorities - not even your house is [Inaudible.]

[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Mr Geyer. Can you stop this running commentary

please.

Ms L BROWN: One of the government's priorities has been investment in the construction of infrastructure delivery, the broadband, Rhodes School, health and general government buildings. For this reason large amounts of funds have been put aside, and could anyone refresh my mind how much was rolled over in 2012, 2013 and the 2014 MTEFs tests? I assume it could be close to R6 billion or even more. Some of these projects have been delayed. Which one's were delayed, what did it cost and why? I should then repeat my statement that funds that could have been used to alleviate the plight of the poor now, given the adverse economic environment and its effect on the unemployed and business as highlighted in your many glossy documents have been scheduled to be spent in the future.

Who really benefits from investment into broadband? An excessive investment ... [Interjections.] ... or the holding of funds in special reserves ... [Interjections.] I assume it is going to be your party's investors and not the people who live on farms, work on farms, those unemployed young people, construction workers, the vulnerable seniors, who will benefit.

In education the budget adjustments are made to shift about R95,75 million of infrastructure funding to schools for maintenance. Will these schools be able to spend and communities get value for money? Could the shift of funding in such a matter not merely be a way of hiding an impending under expenditure on infrastructure delivery, a shift away from pre-service teacher bursaries, citing reasons of not receiving adequate applications, despite the fact that we are complaining about teacher quality? In all the documents the

province make statements that about 96% of what we spend is funded from national government via national transfers, equitable share and conditional grants. These funds are aimed at advancing national priorities yet there is poor performance on delivering the required infrastructure either through poorly designed supply chain processes or service delivery processes.

I also probably need to ask the location of poor performance in infrastructure delivery. Needless to say this would also be in more poor communities. You have based your election promises on delivery to these communities and I am sure you have most certainly broken their trust. Even though the DA has now discovered race and acknowledged the role apartheid played in underdeveloping poor African and coloured people, the poor are African and coloured and this budget is biased against it. So paying lip service to opportunities make no sense. You can fool some people some of the time but you will definitely be unable to fool all the people all of the time.

My request to the DA is, when you have additional money when you roll over to another year, you must consider the fact that this is a province where we have huge service delivery protests. This is a province where we have huge backlogs in housing.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Very genuine!

Ms L BROWN: This is a province where we have often only a small grouping of one race group succeeding in matric. This is a province where young

black kids never have opportunities ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

Ms L BROWN: ... and therefore, Mr Speaker, I am appealing that the money

spent should be spent on the poor. There is the problem where Hanover Park

Clinic will be closing down and moving further away from where people are

because of crime. Spend some of that R9 million in the community,

improving the quality of the people's lives in the community so that we do

not have crime infestation in the community. [Interjections.].

An HON MEMBER: Get your priest to do it.

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members, order.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: You cannot be the champion of the poor because of

corruption.

The SPEAKER: Order, hon mem Mr Von Brandis.

Ms L BROWN: Are you calling me corrupt?

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Ms Brown, you had your chance, please.

Ms L BROWN: Mr Speaker, I would like to you to rule. I sit down and he

speaks about the fact that we cannot deal with the poor because of corruption.

Is he calling me corrupt?

The SPEAKER: That is a question that I will have to pose to ... who ... who

are you referring to?

An HON MEMBERS: Hon mem Mr Von Brandis.

An HON MEMBER: Hon Minister Carlisle.

The SPEAKER: That is a question that I have to ask hon Minister Carlisle?

Order, hon members. Minister Carlisle, can you address the Chair please.

An HON MEMBER: No, it is not Carlisle.

An HON MEMBER: No, it is not him. He is innocent.

The SPEAKER: Oh! Hon mem Mr von Brandis. Okay. [Laughter.] Have you

said that, hon mem Mr von Brandis? Please address the Chair.

address the Chair, hon mem Mr von Brandis.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Mr Speaker, I did not call the hon mem Ms Brown

corrupt. All I said is that you cannot be a champion of the poor because of

corruption ...

The SPEAKER: Okay. Thank you. Take your seat. Take your seat, hon mem Mr Von Brandis. You did not refer to hon mem Ms Brown but you spoke of corruption. We allow that in this House. Hon mem Mr Wiley, over to you. Hon members, order. Over to you.

Mr M G E WILEY: Thank you, Mr Speaker. There are three types of people in the world: those that make things happen; those that talk about things happening; and like the hon member of the opposition, those who wonder what happened. [Laughter.] I would like to get back to the first, and that is those people who make things happen.

As far as this year is concerned in real terms it has been an extraordinary year for the Department of Community Safety. Not only did they receive numerous accolades and justifiable recognition but they, together with other departments of provincial standing, all under DA administration, together with the standing committee, significantly readjusted the boundaries of police oversight in this country. Financially the department again received a clean audit; this being the fourth year in a row that they have done so. They were also assessed as the third best department throughout South Africa, including national, provincial and parastatal organisations, by the MPAT presidential report. They have also received the remarkable distinction of being assessed as the number one provincial department in South Africa as far as service delivery is concerned, receiving the Batho Pele award for the best functioning department, awarded by the Department of Public Service Administration last month.

Last week at the Road Traffic Management Corporation Awards event held in Eastern Cape, the department won eight of the 14 awards on offer. These awards are given to ensure quality of road traffic services through safety, security, order, discipline and mobility. The awards won, and I will preface as much as I can, by the department were for, firstly the best traffic training centre, the Gene Louw Traffic College that we have been to visit. The college has positively contributed by ensuring applied competence is delivered through both formal and informal learning programmes to officials from provincial and local authorities and the South African Police Service, private testing stations from all over the country and international clients, including Botswana.

The best provincial authority in alcohol enforcement plan: the Western Cape had started a weekend alcohol blitz programme where 24 road blocks, 12 on a Friday and 12 on a Saturday evening were set up every single weekend of the year since 1 April 2010. The Western Cape Province has been awarded for being the only province in the country with such a programme. It is also the only province to have a 24 hour provincial traffic police. The best education and training development practitioner, Ms Tweedy, has proven a valuable asset to the Gene Louw Training College with her contributions to the training environment in the meticulous, professional and competent execution of her duties in the interest of the learners speaks volumes. The most promising new facilitator: Mr Cabe Pfeifer was recently appointed as the training practitioner at Gene Louw College in the driver training programme at community projects. The most innovative idea: Mr Abe Bernardo, for the

upgrading at Gene Louw College. Mr Barnardo developed different concepts for a new image to add to the existing upgrade. Going the extra mile award went to three different individuals, Mr van Oord, Mr Karelse from Somerset West and Mr J P Viviers from Beaufort West.

But it was in other areas that this department has also excelled by taking the lead and facilitating crime fighting initiatives. Many of these are now bearing fruit. The long awaited Community Safety Act was passed by this House following two years of research. Already several aspects of this Act are being implemented albeit in trial areas. This includes the EPP Project whereby direct observation interaction with the police at station level is maintained on a regular basis in terms of the Police Act. This has been complimented by the watching briefs that are tracking cases in the criminal justice process to ensure that victims' rights are preserved.

This part appropriation further emphasises the strides that this administration has taken to protect the citizens of this province. An amount of R5.6 million has been transferred to supplement the Khayelitsha Commission of Enquiry. This has been delayed for a year now due to the inexplicable and misguided interference by the Minister of Police, who apparently is not interested in why the residents of Khayelitsha who fall into the same economic group in many respects, are so upset about policing in the area and why vigilantes have brutally murdered dozens of people in the last year alone. The Minister, not satisfied with the High Court ruling against him, then went to the constitutional court. Even a first year law student would have pointed out to

him that the Premier may appoint a group commission but despite this he persisted in frustrating the tormented residents of Khayelitsha, further adding to their suffering and probably having a direct effect on their lack of safety. How many lives have been lost due to this political game being played by ANC politicians?

Similarly there is the money being transferred, R2.19 million, to pay for the safety of children in Manenberg during the gang violence earlier this year. Not content with the open warfare in the streets and on school premises, the Minister of Police refused to call in the support of the army or even form a gang unit, this while gang units were being formed in other provinces by the national commissioner. It was left up to the province and the city to safeguard schools and the community. Scores of Metro police had to be seconded full-time to the area, as were many security guards.

In addition, the city added two significant manpower multipliers to its armoury, namely the School Resource Programme and the Community Patrol Reservists. The first sees qualified Metro police officers allocated to gang infested areas. The pilot project had proved extraordinary successful. The second project which will significantly bolster the ability and confidence of neighbourhood watches will see trained units of police reservists deployed within communities. Already 400 people have volunteered for this programme, and this part appropriation allocates R430 000 towards neighbourhood watch trailers. However, these extraordinary tasks have taken their toll and volunteer programmes are being affected within the department,

and a funding shortage in this small department means officials will have to double up in tasks to get the work load done.

All these proactive and dynamic initiatives must be seen in the light of the two significant crises facing the primary agency tasked with fighting crime in this province and the country, namely SAPS. By admission they have stated that they are under strength and their numbers are due to decline further. Reservist utilisation is at an all-time low, 20% of what they were a few years Although the moratorium on recruitment has been lifted, there is no clear strategy to re-implement it. The other more ominous crisis is that crime is up in virtually every category, with apparently the exception of reported sexual crimes. SAPS has not indicated any significant counter strategy to date but this apparent lack of concern by police top brass and their political masters is not unique. For almost two years now the standing committee has been fighting to get a formal annual report from the provincial commissioner's office. It took threats and unique persuasion, including the summonsing of the national commissioner to this Chamber to get a commitment to fulfil what is simply a legal obligation. I am pleased to say that as of last week, the SAPS annual report for the Western Cape is now in our possession and will be formally interrogated by the standing committee and the provincial police commissioner at the end of January. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Fritz, over to you.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Mr Speaker, this being the

last sitting of the House for 2013, it is an opportune occasion to reflect on gains made by the DA led government in the Western Cape. The truth is that despite the ANC's narrative that tried to paint the DA as a governing party bent on preserving and spending only on the privileged white class, the evidence shows that we have made unprecedented gains in improving the lives of all the people of the province, but especially the poor and disadvantaged. Glancing at the figures and allocations in the adjustments budget, they show that the overwhelming proportion of social development funding has been allocated to projects and programmes that assist the poor of this province. The Finance and Fiscal Commission also confirms that the Western Cape Department of Social Development transfers the greater proportion of its budget to the NGO sector than any other Social Development department in the country.

The 2013/14 adjustments budget for the Department of Social Development increases by R9.642 million from a total budget of R1.577 billion to R1.587 billion. The increase of R9.642 million is from the previous financial year roll-over and revenue retention and is primarily earmarked for infrastructure projects and upgrading of child and youth care centres. Although my department is experiencing significant budget pressure specifically in the areas of child and youth care services, it was able to reprioritise and conduct shifts within its budgets to ensure that we continue to provide the necessary funding and support to those communities that need it most.

I also want to add that the reprioritisation process includes the

implementation of a number of austerity measures, including the curbing of travelling subsistence costs and cutting departmental expense on catering events and advertising. The funds identified through the reprioritisation will be utilised primarily: one, for the expansion of the child and youth care capacity, particularly to accommodate sentenced youth and level three children referred to our care from the courts; two, covering the cost of higher than expected numbers of awaiting trial youth referred to our department; and lastly, increasing the capacity at Hanover Drug Rehabilitation Centre by appointing more staff. We have seen through the debates this morning that those are the areas primarily where the youth and the poor are affected.

There is still much to be done and there is room for improvement on many levels, but it should be clear from our budget priorities that the claims so often made by the ANC and its allies that the DA favours the rich is simply not borne out by the evidence. Increasingly we find that the only way that the ANC can counter monumental gains made by the DA in this province and in all the municipalities we control across the country, is through misinformation and dirty tricks. ANC leaders like Ramaphosa, Gigaba and Fransman have been telling the public that the DA will bring back apartheid. Is it not amazing how easily the so-called party of liberation now resorts to the same gevaar-tactics of the apartheid regime? The ANC's dirty tricks campaign stretches to a number of so-called sites of struggle. My own department, Mr Speaker, the Department of Social Development and myself as Minister, have been a target of the strategy through the dissemination of anonymous pamphlets and open letters to the media containing blatantly false

allegations. These feeble attempts reflect the resistance to the governance

system that we as a party promote and the issues that we are introducing in

our department to ensure accountability, transparency and improve service

delivery to the poor and vulnerable.

The progress that we have made has been acknowledged by the Auditor

General, but it seems to be making some interest groups very, very

uncomfortable. We also note the ignorant comments made by the hon mem

Ms Hani and other ANC members of this House regarding the Chrysalis

programme. They did not bother to take up my invitation to attend the

Chrysalis graduation last Saturday, which was a phenomenal success. If they

did they would have seen for themselves how hollow their criticisms are.

[Interjections.]

Ms V HANI: You did not invite us.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: I invited you in the House. I

invited you. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members, order.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

Mr Speaker, 179...

[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER:

Hon members, hon mem Ms Hani order. Order, hon

member.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: 179 young women and their families were present for the important milestone, but it is not in the interest of the ANC to acknowledge this, particularly given the fact that under the watch of the ANC Chrysalis almost collapsed. We came to revive it and bring it back to life for the poor of this province. Mr Speaker, the biggest threat to the democratic health of this country lies within the ANC and the so-called alliance. The institutional corruption and I want to emphasise, the constitutional corruption, the disdain for Chapter Nine institution such as the public protector, the abuse of public services to placate the unions and reward cronies, the manipulation of people via the race-card and save Jacob Zuma from jail campaign, all of these are signs and signals that the ANC cannot be trusted with the future of this province and with the future of this country.

Mr Speaker, in spite of the ANC's ungovernability campaign, we will continue to work and deliver the programmes aimed at improving the lives of the poor people of this province. The allocations of the adjustments budget with its focus on much needed upgrading of our child and youth care centres bears testimony to it.

One of the issues that we never speak to in this House is the legacy of ANC rule in this province. Yesterday I had the opportunity to visit Kalkfontein where a matriculant committed suicide on Sunday evening, and when I

walked and drove through that area, I graphically saw poverty through the ANC's governance – 20 years of misinformation and misrule.

I had the honour and the opportunity to see our school in that area. The new school became a haven and oasis of hope in that area. I want to say people thank the DA government for coming and for giving their children hope. We will continue to do the best and work hard for the poor in this province. Amen. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: ACDP. Order, hon members. ACDP, over to you, hon mem Mr Haskin. Order, hon members.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Thank you. Mr Speaker, in terms of provincial treasury, the ACDP is in support of the special project fund that has been created for funding transversal projects such as ICT Broadband Services, Skills Development, the Green Economy and Regional Socio-economic Development Programmes. We are particularly pleased that these funds are only accessible to departments subject to the costing and planned detailed roll-out of prioritisation and how it is going to be implemented.

But the ACDP is concerned that the MTEF allocation of R204 million announced in the speech, is less than the R244 million that has been shifted to other votes in this adjustments process. We are concerned that this represents a reducing of the programme's intention over the MTEF. Two further concerns are that we are unsure why special projects funds include

ICT services and broadband initiatives within departments when funds are also being transferred from provincial treasury to DotP CEI for that purpose. So why funds are being shifted from PT to DotP and PT to other departments for the same purpose is unclear. It would seem that this is unnecessarily shifting funds between departments. DCAS themselves will have to either subsequently shift their funds to DotP CEI or indicate that they are not in support of CEI's work.

The special project fund spent 34% to date, which is a mild increase of 8% over last year, but this is only due to rising personnel costs. Specifically, it is not due to increased compliance with provincial treasury's very valid criteria or the improved roll-out of the projects within these departments. So we are concerned with regards to that as well.

What we are concerned about as the ACDP overall, Mr Speaker, is that there is little to no mention of the improved contingency plans for Eskom's rolling blackouts which we are hearing more and more about, and in this respect Scopa in our annual reporting sessions noted that although high-risk areas are being audited in a three-year cycle, there is little to no focus on emerging risks and what departments are doing about this. In this adjustments process there is no mention of emerging risks.

Vote 2: The Western Cape provincial parliament refers to the lack of communication between the implementing agent and the client department and stakeholders. This is not new. Instead it is repeatedly raised by the

Department of Health, but is dismissed by the Department of Transport and Public Works. This is another concern that Scopa has and Scopa has resolved to call a joint standing committee meeting with the Education Department, Department of Health and Transport and Public Works to get to the bottom of what is going on with the service level agreements between these departments.

The ACDP remains in support of the Khayelitsha Commission of Enquiry, but we are concerned regarding the escalating costs. The department reports that in 2013 it spent R3.9 million and that in 13/14 year to date it has already spent R3.2 million. This adjustment adds another R8.3 million, so in our calculations this is R11.5 million that is being spent on the Commission of Enquiry. Once all is said and done it appears that this Commission is going to cost over R15 million, and this excludes, or does it, a question to the Minister, the roll-over of R2.6 million of 12/13 and the contingency reserve for the Commission of Enquiry of R5.6 million.

Although the terms of the Commission are narrow, the community's complaints are of great concern to the ADCP – three in particular. The first is that insufficient visible policing in the community continues to exist, but we believe in this respect that the Department of Community Safety can react and report to us on that. The second is that there is a routine violation of the rights of residents of Khayelitsha, and the third is the high impact of high crime rates on residents including children and people who are vulnerable to discrimination, and that the discrimination continues, notwithstanding the

Commission's work.

Finally, the ACDP is concerned that in terms of the Department of Community Safety's plans, motorcyclist deaths have increased from 12/13 to the current year, yet there has been no mention in the annual performance plan of this... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Order. Please finish, hon mem Mr Haskin.

Mr G C R HASKIN: No mention in the strategy and no mention in the adjustments of what the department is going do to reduce motorcycle deaths on the roads in the Western Cape. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon mem Mr Haskin. Hon mem Mr Geyer, over to you.

Mr H P GEYER: Thank you. Mr Speaker, with regard to Vote 2: Provincial Parliament, the DA is satisfied that the adjusted amount of R654 000 will be utilised in the best interest of this institution, taking into account the requirements of its members. Then on a more general note, we are nearing the end of 2013 which virtually brings us to the brink of our term. In fact, the end of a period where the provincial parliament has done exceptionally well if we consider the latest annual report tabled in this House.

With regard to HR it is gladdening to note that most of the vacant posts,

especially those of committee co-ordinators have been filled. What is more, we are fortunate to have a group of dedicated officials who take pride in their work and deliver work of a very high standard. I must compliment them on a job well done. On the other hand, Mr Speaker, members are grateful for the opportunity this parliament has afforded them to do further study in order to equip them with the necessary skills needed to perform their work in the best manner.

The investment made enabling members to train through Palama is an investment where we should reap the fruits in future. We as members want to express our gratitude afforded us by the Speaker.

However, there were many other challenges of which the present construction work on the legislature would surely be considered as the biggest hampering factor. Fortunately the construction work is steadily drawing to a close and the members returning to this parliament after the 2014 elections will find themselves in a better working environment as such. We are thus anxiously awaiting the completion of the new entrance to this building early next year, which will enhance the access area underneath the arches. Ensuring the safety of members, in an environment where a parliament and a legislature are combined in one building, will not always be ideal. Yet Mr Speaker, with good planning I am convinced that a solution can be found for this unique situation we are faced with.

Mr M OZINSKY: That is not what hon mem Mr Wiley said in Scopa.

[Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order. Order, hon mem Mr Ozinsky.

Mr H P GEYER: This unique situation certainly calls for specialised

services and therefore the contracting of a security consultant who can assess

and advise parliamentary staff on the security issues of this precinct is an

urgent requirement. However, if access on the fourth, fifth and sixth floors

could be blocked off at the lift foyers with glass access doors as recently has

been done at the entrance in 15 Wale Street, it would greatly enhance

unwanted thoroughfare through these sensitive areas.

Today we live in a computerised electronic age with the world at our

fingertips, yet in this House we are saddled with furniture which has great

historic and cultural value but does not meet the modern demand. How do we

overcome this? By replacing this little inkpot with an electrical device in

which we can afford members the opportunity to change batteries or plug in

their computers and iPads during these long sessions we are here. This small

adaption, Mr Speaker, will prevent members virtually making a handstand to

access the electronic fitting underneath our benches. I see this as a win-win

situation where we do not do injustice to the rich cultural legacy of this

institution.

Mr M OZINSKY: What have you been doing under the bench?

Mr H P GEYER: However, in doing so we accommodate the computerised

electronic age of today. It is gladdening to hear that parliament is

considering plans to enlarge office space in this building in order to

accommodate the needs of better functioning of this parliament.

referring to projects such as larger and better equipped committee rooms with

modern flat screens. It is clear that the present facilities... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon mem Mr Ozinsky. Hon mem Mr Ozinsky, order.

You may proceed, hon mem Mr Geyer.

Mr H P GEYER: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Ultimately the enlargement of

this Chamber also seems unavoidable for the near future and planning thereof

also needs to be addressed timeously. We appreciate the fact that this matter

is receiving attention... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Mr Geyer. Please finish your sentence, your time

has expired.

Mr H P GEYER: Thank you. Albeit in a preliminary stage. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

An HON MEMBER: It cannot work. It will not work.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Ms Beerwinkel, over to you.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Thank you. Mr Speaker, every citizen in this province has reasonable expectations of what it wants its government to deliver on. These basic expectations are enshrined in our constitution, which is informed by the Freedom Charter. Some of these expectations include that their children can attend a school where they get good quality education; that they live in a safe and secure environment; that they have easy access to healthcare facilities; that they can have sustainable employment and decent shelter and if they live in the rural areas, the assurance that they also would experience growth and development in their areas. So, Mr Speaker, what did this government do ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That was the case in 2009 was it not?

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Because on paper, they put in front of us during the main appropriation, great plans and targets to which they committed funds via the Equitable Share and Conditional Grants Division of the national Treasury. Now today, we are confronted by that fork in the road moment where the DA had to take a good hard honest look at which of these promises they have achieved, whether they have asked themselves where they can improve, but most importantly, based on the realities and the dissatisfaction in our communities, what they should reprioritise and how they should change direction. This DA government knows just the right catch phrases and popular sound bites to utter to sell themselves, but let us unpack what

really happened to date and why we today are faced with an adjustments budget that looks like this and what it says about how this DA government cares for our citizens. [Interjections.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Speaker the adjustments facts and figures speak for themselves.

An HON MEMBER: Very well.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Based on the escalation of service delivery protests, the demand for decent living conditions, the increasing number of unemployed youth and the widening gap between rich and poor, let us evaluate some of these departments and their change direction strategy and give them a progress report as it is that time of the year anyway even though it is not for a full year's work.

So let us start with Treasury then. This is the one department that wears many hats. Some of them are to distribute the provincial equitable share, conditional grants, to manage spending, to put policies in place, to ensure financial discipline, and to assist municipal budgets, but this time round Treasury themselves have dropped the ball. Treasury took it upon themselves to park in their main appropriation for this financial year, not spread across the outer years, this financial year, the amount of R252 million for transversal projects, not approved but in the hope that the different departments would comply with their request for project plans and proposals

to utilise those funds.

Mr Speaker, we warned them. We even went as far as suggesting that they were creating a slush fund, which they tried to defend, and now it is time for us to say we told you so. Because the proof is there. The departments did not comply. Treasury then realised that they would not be able to spend the full amount and so they hoped against all odds that other departments might have been overzealous in their planning and need more funds. This would then afford them the opportunities to shift that under-spend to be utilised in this financial year and in that way maintain a balanced provincial budget. The result - Treasury had to cut its budget by half to accommodate the shifts. Yet the MEC earlier says that the shifts in the departments this time round were not significant - half is very bad. When last did you see that happen, Mr Speaker? This was a perfect opportunity for the DA government to have said here we have funds, R204 million at our disposal, let us shift it to those departments that are responsible for and attend to the basic needs that our frustrated communities are clamouring for. No, instead they buy property and develop skills in other departments and concentrate on broadband initiatives that in the medium term will only benefit big business, and we know that is the DA's constituency. These issues do not even remotely show a care for the marginalised. I am sorry Treasury, as much as I normally see the good in what you do, this time round I am giving you a disappointing D. You should have known better. [Interjections.]

Let us move to the chest-beater of education - MEC Grant and his

department. Can I please be protected, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Order, hon Minister Carlisle.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Speaker, is this not the same MEC who not so long ago boasted about the many schools that he would build? His recent jig and jive was about the no-fees schools in quintiles four and five that he was going to put in place. Now just a little history: a no-fees school does not generate funds from school fees paid by parents, but by the learner allocation from the department. Now if this really was a sincere initiative by the DA, why did MEC Grant not allocate those funds to this specific cause at the time of the main appropriation – why now? Because those same schools have always been poor and in the same wrong quintile. Clearly this is an election gimmick. What he did not tell those who fell for this flimsy propaganda, is that the funds came from those very new schools he was boasting about, at least 20 of them, where the projects are now put on hold and the funds diverted to fund these... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: What did he put on hold?

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: No-fees schools, the Premier's pet project and other lesser deliverables to the tune of a R145 million taken from the infrastructure budget of schools. It also writes off R13 million of unrecoverable debt – imagine what could have been done with that amount of

money and roll-overs of – they also roll-over funds for nutrition and HIV projects due to supposed invoices that did not come in on time. So let us unpack this little election publicity stunt. Mr Speaker, once a school has accepted to become a no-fees school, the department cannot further down the line decline to fund them. The committed infrastructure projects also need to continue, but what assurance does this MEC have that the allocation from national next year will cover the funds for those no-fees schools and the committed capital projects that were stopped? So MEC Grant and his department, again you have failed the learners and the parents in this province in more ways than one.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That is not true!

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: What about the numerous court battles? The proof is here, Mr Speaker, in this book. Numerous court battles and the learner transport debacle to name but a few. You have created expectations, but you have been very frugal with the truth. So to you an F for failure.

Then, Mr Speaker, MEC Winde and his departments. MEC... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: They can get a Z.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: While your vision and your facilitation may be in the right place... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Is that for Zuma?

The SPEAKER: Order.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Your department has let you down. Let us take the Economic Development department. This department, Mr Speaker, needs to facilitate economic growth, encourage tourism, not only here in the heart of the city for the rich overseas visitors but open up the wealth of experience of this province and its cultures to all. The complaints of the residents of Bo-Kaap and in the townships are a case in point. It needs to facilitate and create an enabling environment for easier processes to do business, increase work opportunities, cut red tape, market trade opportunities and develop skills. Yet, the budget cuts in this department come out of those very programmes that are supposed to facilitate those issues.

This downturn in economic development has also taken its toll in human cost as is the case with Wesgro. Let us stop for a minute at Wesgro. This human cost is evident in the fact that almost on a monthly basis people are leaving Wesgro for reasons like redundancy, downsizing, retrenchments and things like that, and who are they? Mostly the ex-staff of CTRU – Cape Town Routes Unlimited. This is also the very entity who took over the functions and responsibility of CTRU even before proper legislation was in place and gave us the assurance that these staff would be accommodated. Now they are even funded with extra money because of repeated requests to host functions and events. Seriously, how did they plan the original budget?

The SPEAKER: Order hon mem Ms Beerwinkel, your time has expired.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: My last sentence, Mr Speaker. In short, the R20 million that the Economic Development department is adjusting downwards should have been an increase... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon mem Ms Beerwinkel. Thank you very much.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... to be able to carry out their core functions.

The SPEAKER: We now proceed to the next speaker. I recognise the hon mem Mr Walters. Over to you.

Mr M C WALTERS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The Standing Committee on Agriculture and Development Planning recommends the approval and acceptance by the House of the additional appropriation budgets of the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning.

The Department of Agriculture stands out as the department eminently worthy of emulation by all other departments at national level and in other provinces. Identified for the third year in succession as the top department in South Africa, the Western Cape Department of Agriculture is what a department in the public service should be; delivering services to meet the

Its maintenance and expansion of the Elsenburg College of Agriculture to meet the training in management and skill needs of all sectors of agriculture in the Western Cape, stands in stark contrast to the failures of previously esteemed colleges in the ANC governed provinces. Glen in the Free State, Potchefstroom Agricultural College in North West, Fort Cox in Middelburg in the Eastern Cape and Cedara in Kwazulu-Natal are only shadows of their former selves. Elsenburg is also the origin of many export industries of the Western Cape, with the faculty of agriculture at the University of Stellenbosch, the agricultural council research institutes and others having their origins in the research and learning and teaching divisions of the Elsenburg complex. It is unfortunate that in needy provinces the inefficient, corrupt and exploitative rule of the ANC has allowed those institutes which should drive agricultural and rural development to fall into ineffectiveness and disuse.

In the field of land reform, effective management combined with share equity schemes have set the scene for the rest of South Africa. Billions of rands will be wasted nationally on recapitalisation of failed schemes exacerbated and administered by the same cadre infested structures. The DA has developed an effective template of success in the form of the Western Cape Department of Agriculture. In the past, stakeholders have said that in many cases the interest of the poor in the Western Cape would be better served if certain essential functions, ostensibly to be addressed by the national Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, be devolved down to

provincial level, in this case the Western Cape. These functions include phytosanitary controls, vaccine production and meeting trade agreement deadlines to seal potential export markets in which the ANC has failed. The constant changing of Fisheries policies, the incompetent management of Fisheries harbours and non-functional patrol vessels represent huge fruitless expenditures and failed services to impoverished communities. Under efficient provincial management regimes, a far more effective suite of services promoting job creation and prosperity would be put in place.

The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning's comprehensive suite of support services to municipalities is driven by its mission to ensure an environment for human development which is environmentally sustainable while supporting responsible economic development. In this pursuit we must congratulate Minister Anton Bredell for his great dedication. Air quality, renewable energy, coastal management, promotion of rational spatial development frameworks, estuary management and aquaculture are only some of the functions that the department and its entity promote in transversal co-operation with other departments. Let the communities of the Western Cape, as diverse as they are, be the advancing face of a new South Africa where the evil ANC forces of corruption and selfaggrandizement are banished to the political landfills of the country. Let us not be destructed... [Interjections.] Let us not be destructed by manipulated pseudo farm worker strikes, planned and funded through the dishonest deployment of state funds or so-called service delivery demonstrations by ANC activists led by ANC office-holders. [Interjection.] It is obvious that

in other provinces former ANC voters are spontaneously protesting the

dishonesties and inefficiencies of the ANC. It is not for want of

dissatisfaction that service protests in other provinces with Bekkersdal as a

prime example, have reached a crescendo far, far exceeding the ANC

manipulated protests in the Western Cape. Indeed, Gauteng and other ANC

ruled provinces have emerged as major service protest areas where poor

communities are spontaneously expressing their rejection of the feeble

excuses... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon mem Mr Walters.

Mr M C WALTERS: ... offered by ANC politicians for the lack of dedication

to the improvement of life in poor communities. I thank you.

The SPEAKER:

Order. Thank you, hon mem Mr Walters. Hon Minister

Botha, order. Hon Minister Plato, over to you.

The SPEAKER: Minister Plato over to you.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Speaker, thank you very

much. The Department of Community Safety had many successes over the

last couple of months and thank you hon mem Mr Wiley for highlighting

some. We reach out to thousands of youth across the Western Cape in a major

attempt to give them hope but also to provide them with opportunities.

A major highlight is my relationship with some FET Colleges. They went with us to many rural areas, many towns to talk to the youth to further their studies concentrating on school dropouts, the gangster youth, and those involved with drugs but also the vulnerable and the poor and I am pleased to report to this House today that hundreds of youth registered with the colleges to study and they still study today. What a highlight!

Our theme during the reaching out programmes was "education is the key to empowerment." In doing so, they stay away from crime and gangsterism and drugs. Mr Speaker, the Chrysalis Academy have done just as well this year. We have made sure that vulnerable youth and the poor make use of the opportunity to change their lives for the good. The last passing-out parade was on Saturday and to see the tears of joy of so many parents and family members - many have said their daughters went to the programme broken, but returned home a new person. That is exactly what we must do for the disadvantaged and the vulnerable out there. Where we can do more for them we will just have to. A huge number of them received learnerships and others provided with a job opportunity at various businesses. Many doors opened for those youth - another big highlight. Again this initiative keeps them away from crime and gangsterism.

Another highlight with our policing needs and priority meetings: we held 25 consultative sessions across the province. The main idea was to bring CPFs, neighbourhood watches and the broader community and police closer together. These sessions were a huge success. Our EPWP initiative, through

that initiative we managed to place many youth at various state departments

and obtain valuable opportunities for them. On-the-job-training is one

highlight. This initiative is once again aimed at the vulnerable and the

disadvantaged and the poor.

I want to use this opportunity, Mr Speaker, to say to all the community safety

staff out there, thank you so, so much for your hard work. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: The accolades we received over

the last couple of months, show we try our best to do something right for the

communities of the Western Cape. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Mr Magaxa, over to you.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Mr Speaker, the DA led Western Cape Government has

characterised this past year with constant marginalisation of the poor black

majority. That is fact. [Interjections.] The DA refuses ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: But in other years

we did not? Only this year.

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Carlisle, order.

Mr K E MAGAXA: ... to grasp and internalise the fact that apartheid marginalised blacks in general and Africans in particular. [Interjections.]

Mr R B LENTIT: What about the coloureds?

Mr K E MAGAXA: This is racism.

Mr R B LENTIT: No coloured people in your view ...[Inaudible.]

[Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: And the DA does not see anything wrong with it. It does not even have that lesson. [Interjections.]

Mr R LENTIT: No coloured people are your concern? The coloureds were heard in other provinces [Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: It is because you do not even know what coloured means.

Ms L BROWN: So what do you think I am?

Mr K E MAGAXA: Mr Speaker, the DA led ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: There are too many ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

Mr K E MAGAXA: To the DA black people and Africans in particular belong

to Transkei and Ciskei [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I may be stupid

but [Inaudible.] [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Carlisle, order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: The Premier refers to our people as refugees from the

Eastern Cape.

An HON MEMBER: Sorry, not in [Inaudible.] [Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: Recently, the DA City of Cape Town Ward 46 Councillor,

Junaid Hoosain, took the hon Premier Zille's refugee racism to a more vulgar

level.

'n AGB LID: Ag, Vader!

An HON MEMBER: Nkandla!

Mr K E MAGAXA: Hoosain had the audacity to tell a black security guard

that "darkies do not belong in Robertson but in the Eastern Cape."

An HON MEMBER: And the DA did nothing. [Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: And that is the lesson that they got from their Premier.

[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon Minister Carlisle.

Mr K E MAGAXA: We need to ask the DA one simple question; in the whole

three, four, five years of their term if there was any one MEC who ever went

and fetched a memorandum from the protestors, even one? [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: It is me, me!

Mr K E MAGAXA: And if they want to do their comparisons they must

compare with the National Parliament and how many Ministers went to that

gate to fetch their memorandums. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Nkandla! There are many [Inaudible.] [Interjection.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: That is a reflection of disrespect of our people. Mr

Speaker, the ANC's position on transformation is in stark contrast with DA

racism. At our 53rd national conference in Mangaung we resolved that the

main content of the ANC's National Democratic Revolution remains

liberation of Africans in particular.

Mr H P GEYER: You wish!

Mr K E MAGAXA: And blacks in general from political and socio-economic

bondage. This means uplifting the quality of life of all South African

especially the poor and the majority whom are Africans and female.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: You hide behind [Inaudible.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: At the same time it has the effect of liberating the white

community from the false ideology of racist supremacy and insecurity

attached to oppressing others. I know we are late in educating you on that

other side. You are already damaged. [Interjections.] Hon Helen Zille's DA

only entertains puppet blacks [Interjections.] like MEC Madikizela who

represents Matanzimas and Sebes [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: Zille's approach to blacks is that they must be absolutely

loyal and obedient to her; she only recognises an African when he is obedient

to her.

Mr H P GEYER: That is your assumption. [Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: In Zille's view blacks are inferior and she thinks she

knows best what mechanism can empower black people. [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon member Mr Magaxa. It is hon Zille or hon Premier.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Thank you. Thank you, Mr Speaker. Hon Helen Zille. This is why hon Zille has had consistent problems with DA MP Masizole Mnqasela and now with Lindiwe Mazibuko. For hon Zille these Africans who develop some sense of political consciousness after their deployment in Parliament need to be demoted and replaced by the Madikizelas of this day. Hon Helen Zille's latest African puppet, praise singer is Zakhele Mbhele these days who is employed as the Western Cape Premier's spokesperson. This puppet abuses his position as a civil servant to promote the DA, defend hon Zille, the DA leader, and attack ANC leaders such as hon mem Ms Brown, hon mem Mr Uys, Marius Fransman and Jeremy Cronin from a party-political standpoint. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Magaxa. Take your seat please.

Me A ROSSOUW: Mnr die Speaker, ek net hy moet nader bly aan die begrotingsdebat as wat hy op die oomblik doen. [Tussenwerpsels.] Hy maak nou persoonlike aanvalle [Tussenwerpsels.] wat ons nie kan verdedig nie.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Sit down. That is not a point of order. That is disruption.

The SPEAKER: Yes.

Ms L BROWN: Mr Speaker, the agreement in the programming authority was that it is an open debate. It is an open political debate. The Chief Whip of the

House does not remember that.

The SPEAKER: Okay, thank you. [Interjections.] Order, hon members.

[Interjections.] Hon members, thank you.

Mr K E MAGAXA: He does this through his pathetic letters to

newspapers ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Is it a point ...? [Interjection.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: ... where he consistently insults the leaders of the ANC.

For now he is a nice Seuntjie Tom for the racist DA, but Mbhele must be

warned that if he begins to raise issues around transformation he will be

forced to attend a DA black caucus braai at the residence of Mazibuko.

[Interjections.] Affirmative action, employment equity and broad-based black

economic empowerment are programmes of the ANC-led government aimed at

radically redressing the effects of colonialism of a special type. Instead of

building on the ANC's definite transformation trend when it governed this

province the DA has turned back the clock in the province which annually

produces numerous coloured and African graduates.

Mr H P GEYER: Tell us about Nathi.

Mr K E MAGAXA: The ANC does not speak in parables when it comes to

transformation about supporting targets and not quotas. We are not caught up

in the quagmire of the previously advantaged who cannot come to terms with

the reality of the majority of the country. The DA's white South Africans will

have to accept affirmative action and redressing policies for the foreseeable

future. Unlike the DA, we have not fashioned a policy on the rebound. You

either choose to affirm and redress the past and you do not. A middle way 20

years into our democracy simply is not an option.

Mr Speaker, as the ANC we believe that transformation and equity are not

restricted to jobs and business transactions and the creation of a black elite.

Improvement of people's living conditions and services rendered to them is

central to our ANC transformation agenda as we saw when the ANC governed

this province. Unfortunately, MEC Minister Madikizela's department has

marginalised the poor black majority through his refusal to build proper

houses and provide decent sanitation.

Ms L BROWN: Yes.

Mr K E MAGAXA: This year's adjustment estimate make no provision for

meeting the failed housing delivery target but money shifted from housing

development to administration and conferences. That is all that they are

doing. [Interjections.]

Mr H P GEYER: Tell us about ... [Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: When probed as to why they told us that their priority is not to build houses. Mr Speaker, sadly ... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That is national [Inaudible.] ANC policy.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Hon Minister Madikizela and hon Zille expect 53-year old Nosakho Sigwelo to continue living with her seven children in her shack in Khayelitsha Site C. There are gaps between the corrugated roof sheeting and the wall where sand blows in and there is a hole in the roof which leaks when it rains. Nosakho says that the first thing she does when waking up in the morning is to clean the undignified porta-potty because it leaves the House with a stench. She says it spills and she needs to wipe the spilled faeces with newspapers as the porta-potty is not collected regularly by the City. Nosakho is being treated for TB as a result of these appalling living conditions. The 53-year old mother says she will march to legislature with her porta-potty and sit on it and ask the Premier how she will feel if she has to use that porta-potty. In Barcelona six to eight families are using one toilet.

Mr Speaker, if you visit the clinic in Barcelona you will see a lot of people are TB patients as a result of dirty toilets and porta-potties. In winter it is even worse where the toilets are wet and roads are flooded. This is the living

reality. This is the living reality of people such as Matsidiso Mtana who has

two 20-litre buckets outside her two-room-shack in Europe. She is pregnant

and forced to fill these buckets with water because the communal toilet is too

far for her. The Premier must come out of her ivory tower and answer the

cries of the people and even attend to the protestors and not leave it to the

ANC people. [Interjections.]

Poor communities like these are also denied proper healthcare. Instead of

allocating funds to improve the situation, MEC Botha's department plays

around with numbers and shifts R350 000 to the department of the Premier

and then brings the amount back for a morbidity study. The budget estimate

also cut the funding for community healthcare centres and hospital transport.

[Interjections.]

The DA must learn that quality healthcare is beyond just big and beautiful

buildings. We are not interested in your buildings - beautiful work of the

buildings. [Interjections.] All that we want is our people to be helped.

Quality healthcare to the poor of this province means that sufficient staff

must be provided at those beautiful buildings. At the new Mitchells Plain

Hospital families who lost loved ones have lodged grievances with the

hospital management saying it might be a beautiful hospital, but the service

does not live up to the surroundings. [Time expired.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Magaxa your time has expired.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That is wonderful

news.

Mr K E MAGAXA: That is what you always do to me.

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon Minister Madikizela, over to you.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you very much.

Mr Speaker, we welcome the adjustment budget by Minister Winde. Before I

come to my prepared speech I just want to address a few comments that were

made by both hon members Ms Brown and Mr Magaxa. You see, we are used

to this ANC rhetoric because they are populist and we all know that. You

know you make a lot of examples of the people who are living in Barcelona

in Khayelitsha as if the situation of those people started four years ago when

this Government took over. You were in power here. Let me remind you, and

... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: No, no no. You were in power

here prior to 2009 and you did nothing to help those people. [Interjections.]

Now secondly ... [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: That is not true.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Secondly, what you need to

understand as well is that - because clearly you do not understand the

housing code. You do not understand even your own policy. This department

is not just about building top structures and you must get that through your

head. We have 16 programmes within the housing code and we are required to

provide services across those programmes and I think you must learn and

understand that. So we do acknowledge the plight of many people who are

living in informal settlements, Mr Speaker, and I think I must be upfront on

that one. Again I am not sure where the hon member Mr Magaxa lives

because he is talking about the fact that not one of us ever attended and

accepted a memorandum of the people who are coming from informal

settlements. Well, I have done that more than once.

Mr P UYS: Where?

Mr K E MAGAXA: Where?

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: For example, recently

...[Interjection.]

Ms L BROWN: In which region of the country?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: No, no. Let me respond on

that, Mr Speaker. Recently, on 30 September I am the one who accepted a

memorandum from the people.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Where? Where?

The SPEAKER: Order! Order!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: 7 Wale Street.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Where?

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Magaxa order!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: At number 7 Wale Street. I

accepted a memorandum from the people who were [Interjections.] from the

people who were demonstrating ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: You are wrong [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: .. from the people who were

demonstrating. Now I accepted a memorandum from the people who were

demonstrating and I have been communicating with them and there are

records of those communications between myself and those people as to what

is it that they need to do so that we can have a meeting that we had a couple

of days ago. So you see, Mr Speaker, it is not true to say that none of us as

MECs has ever accepted a memorandum from the people who are living - but

of course, the ANC has found a perfect opportunity to try and win back this

province by making this popular statement and pretending to care for the

poor. Let me tell you what the ANC has done. The ANC has been dotting the

landscape across the country chasing numbers at the expense of quality. Now

those houses are falling apart. [Interjections.] Now let me tell you, let me

make these examples. [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Magaxa.

Mr K E MAGAXA: We are saying ... [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Let me make these examples.

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Madikizela, order. Hon member Mr Magaxa!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Now to illustrate my point,

Mr Speaker, for example as I am talking to you now there is a project in

Umlazi in eThekwini where the development - where the houses are falling

apart. I just want to give you a perfect picture of what the ANC has been

doing over the last 17 years or so. [Interjections.] Now there is another

project in Sweetwater in Tjakastad in Port Elizabeth and there is another

project in Lekwa, Gavin Mbeki and Victor Khanye Municipalities in

Mpumalanga. In the Eastern Cape, for example, a couple of days ago,

hundreds of houses - I am coming to that. Hundreds of houses are being

demolished near Mthatha, and will have to be rebuilt because of the shoddy

workmanship by this ANC government that claim to care for the poor.

[Interjections.]

Hon MEMBERS: Skande! Skande! [Tussenwerpsels.]

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Now ... [Interjections.]

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Useless!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Now, according to the report

that was presented to the Portfolio Committee, the National Portfolio

Committee last year in 2012, this country needs about R60 billion to rebuild,

in fact to demolish and rebuild houses that were built by this ANC

government that claim to care for the poor. [Interjections.]

Now in the last two financial years in this province I had to spend almost

R22 million, R22 million on rectification and the extent of the problem is

still to be fully known. [Interjections.] This is the legacy of the ANC in the

provision of housing over the last 17 years which brings the three million

figure of houses delivered into serious doubt, into serious doubt. If the ANC

is boasting about the three million figure that it has built over the last 17

years or so then I am not sure whether you are considering the number of

houses that are being demolished as we speak. We are not even sure how

many houses the ANC delivered before 2009 and I will tell you why; there

was no physical verification of all the houses delivered on the ground so

what used to happen is that the ANC used to take the budget spend and divide

it with subsidy cost per house and the figure was then reported.

[Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: That is a joke. [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: Prove it, prove it!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: So that is - no it is not a - that

is what used to happen.

Mr M OZINSKY: That is a joke [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon members! Order, hon member

Mr Ozinsky. Order.

An HON MEMBER: Skande!

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Skande!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Now, as we see from the

billboard example - I mean you saw for example the figures that were

disputed by a number of people in the billboards that the ANC is busy now

advertising for the elections. It is exactly the same thing that you see here.

They are boasting about a number that cannot be verified and judging from

the figures on those billboards it clearly shows that this ANC cannot be

trusted.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: They are dishonest.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Yes, Mr Speaker, it is true

that this department has missed its targets. Now, in terms of the Auditor

General's requirement we could not report on the houses that were under

construction because again we must differentiate here. The fact that we did

not meet our target does not mean that houses were not being built

[Interjections.] [Laughter.] It is just that those houses could not be ...

[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Ozinsky.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: No, because he does not know

what I am talking about. That is why he is laughing.

An HON MEMBER: No, he is fine.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: It does not mean that those

houses were not being built.

Mr M OZINSKY: The ANC went to all of the houses. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: It is just that those houses

could not be reported as completed, because in terms of the requirement you

can only report on houses that are completed, but it does not mean that those

houses were not being built. Now so I hope you get that. Therefore it must be

noted ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Mr Speaker, then it must be

noted that all the houses that were promised have been built and were

completed and allocated to people whom it were intended for and I think we

must make that clear distinction. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky order!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Now, Mr Speaker, in order to

ensure that we do not make the same mistake as the ANC and waste money on

poor quality delivery we are now making sure that all the houses built in the

Western Cape using Government funds are registered with the National

Housing Builders Regulation Council or NHBRC. This year we have enrolled

all our 159 projects with NHBRC. Through NHBRC registration - which was

not the case in the past, by the way - through NHBRC registration

beneficiaries can be confident that they are receiving quality houses that will

not fall down as we have seen in a number of areas. Now in the rush to deliver it was not only building quality that was disregarded by this ANC government but also the rights of beneficiaries to be legal land owners.

Now according to an urban landmark report in 2011 processes were not followed correctly and an estimated 35% of all subsidised houses delivered across South Africa since 1994 have not received title deeds and over one million have been deprived the full rights. Over one million people, Mr Speaker, have been deprived the full rights of property ownership by this government because of this obsession of building substandard houses and chasing numbers so that they can then say to people "we are delivering."

In the Western Cape alone a study in 2011 showed that around 36% of subsidy beneficiaries or 86 391 people since 1994 ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Madikizela, your time has expired.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Really?! ...[Laughter.] had not received their title deeds, Mr Speaker. [Time expired.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much, hon Minister Madikizela. Order! Hon member Mr Visser over to you.

Mnr J J VISSER: Baie dankie, Mnr die Speaker. Ons het basies aan die einde van 'n era gekom mnr die Speaker en aangesien hierdie die laaste tussentydse

begroting vir die termyn sal wees het ek gedink dit is goed om so 'n bietjie oorsig te gee oor hoe die departemente gevaar het in hierdie periode in terme van hoe hulle begroot het en hierdie begrotings bestuur het en so aan.

Die gemiddelde besteding van die verskillende departemente deur die periode vanaf 2009/2010 boekjaar tot die 2013/2014 boekjaar was rondom 45.4% vir die halfjaar, wat eintlik 'n baie goeie besteding is vir die helfte van die jaar. Die DA regering het doelgerig die begroting bestee om uitvoering aan die beplanning te gee. Dit dui daarop dat die DA nog altyd ernstig was daaroor dat die beplanning doelgerig moet wees om menslike kapitaal uit te bou en te vestig deur waarde toe te voeg tot die regering se taak om armoede te verlig, en aangesien die ANC se verwysingsraamwerk net Kaapstad is, kom ons kyk 'n bietjie na wat die Stad Kaapstad gedoen het, en ek gaan nou so 'n bietjie in Engels aanhaal:

The City of Cape Town, through their Extended Public Works Programme, created 37 000 new work opportunities and that is from 228 projects.

Hulle het WiFi 'hotspots' opgestel in Mitchells Plein en Khayelitsha waar arm mense toegang het tot die internet.

More people now receive free services as the city has lowered the monthly income threshold to R3 000. A higher number of people have access to sanitation services according to the census 2011. [Interjections.] The number of toilets in informal settlements increased by 278% since the DA came into

power in 2006 [Interjections.] Budget for services to informal settlements

increased from R249 million in 2006 to R1 billion in 2013. [Interjections.]

Eskom regards Cape Town as the only metro with adequate electrification

planning for informal settlements, the only metro. In the 2012/2013 financial

year the city spent a record R5.78 billion that is 92.9% of its budget and it is

regarded as the best run metro since 2006, eight consecutive years.

Mr M OZINSKY: The ANC was in power.

Mr P UYS: Since 2006.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order.

Mnr J J VISSER: Mnr die Speaker hulle sê statistiek is geduldig maar as

hierdie statistiek nie vir hulself spreek nie dan weet ek nie rêrig wat die ANC

gaan oortuig dat daar rêrig besig is iets om te gebeur in die Stad Kaapstad

nie. As ons kyk na die verskuiwing van geld oor die afgelope tyd, en die agb

Minister Winde het reeds daarna verwys, daar is baie min geld wat elke jaar

regtig geskuif word. Dit dui op die doelgerigtheid en die gepaardgaande

akkuraatheid van beplanning en begroting. Dit is dus nie 'n wonder dat die

Wes-Kaapse DA regering gereeld meer as vyf departemente onder die top tien

departemente in Suid-Afrika het nie.

Hierdie departemente moet almal hulle jaarverslae indien aan die Ouditeur-

generaal so kom ons kyk 'n bietjie wat het gebeur. 24 provinsiale

departemente het hierdie spertye om hulle jaarverslae in te dien gemis in die

afgelope boekjaar terwyl in die Wes-Kaap al 14 departemente hulle

jaarverslae betyds ingedien het.

Mr M OZINSKY: But not last year! [Interjections.]

Mnr J J VISSER: Die afgelope begrotingsjaar toe die Ouditeur-generaal die

oudits gedoen het. So ons kan ook kyk na die ander provinsies.

According to the reply the worst performing provincial departments were in

KwaZulu Natal, 11, and the North-West 13. In the North-West not a single

annual report has been tabled from the 13 departments. [Interjections.]

Mnr E J VON BRANDIS: Skande! Skande! [Tussenwerpsels.]

Mr J J VISSER: In KwaZulu Natal only five were tabled.

'n AGBARE LID: Joe! Dis 'disgusting'.

Mr J J VISSER: And so it goes on.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Zuma Specials.

Mnr J J VISSER: Toe ek vanoggend hier na die Parlement toe gery het, mnr

die Speaker het ek op die R44 gery. Die agb Minister Carlisle en sy

departement het so pas hierdie pad oorgeteer en ek het onder die indruk gekom van die uitstekende diens wat 'n mens kry van ons departemente in die Wes-Kaap. Hierdie week is aangekondig dat die Wes-Kaap sewe uit die tien beste munisipaliteite in die land gegenereer het. Dit getuig van die doelgerigtheid van Minister Bredell en sy departement om hierdie doelwit te kon bereik.

Die SPEAKER: Orde! Agb lid mnr Visser u tyd is om, baie dankie.

Mnr J J VISSER: Dankie, net so 'n laaste sin. [Tussenwerpsels.] Tien van die munisipaliteite het 'n ongekwalifiseerde oudit gekry vir die laaste oudit jaar. Dankie. [Tyd verstreke.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Mr Visser. We now proceed to the next speaker, hon member Ms Hartnick over to you.

Ms J L HARTNICK: Mr Speaker, the DA welcomes the budget appropriations for 2013. We welcome it because we understand the necessity of having an open opportunity society for all, not only a select few. We understand that especially in the socio-economic climate in which South Africa finds itself governments ought to facilitate growth, social cohesion, economic development and create a space in which the people can live lives they value. With this said I commend the Western Cape government for doing more with less, which is not the case for the rest of the country. In other provinces their government is doing less with more. The DA welcomes the approximately

R49 million appropriated to the Department of the Premier. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon members!

Ms J L HARTNICK: The majority of this allocation will be used to further develop and expand programme 4, the centre for E-innovation, which indeed creates more opportunities for the people of the Western Cape. It is heartening that the Department of the Premier recognises that many poor and marginalised communities suffer from economic exclusion due to geographic and historic isolation, low levels of IT knowledge and skills, the lack of economic development and infrastructure in the areas and the lack of information on job opportunities. It is also reassuring to note that these issues are being redressed through Cape Access as it provides access to IT which includes fully equipped E-community centres at facilities available after hours and on Saturdays.

IC Training is also made available which offers basic ICT skills such as internet browsing, e-mailing and Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint competency. Access to the internet is also offered and is free for 45 minutes per day. Communicating with local and Provincial Government, SARS and banks is made possible through the electronic transacting facilities. The DA commends the department on their innovative methods in creating and open-opportunity society for all and encourages them to continue enabling optimal service delivery by providing strategic direction and innovative information and communication technologies in the Western Cape. Mr Speaker, as the

great Nelson Mandela once said, education is the most powerful weapon

which you can use to change the world.

Before I welcome the budget appropriation for the Western Cape Education

Department, I sincerely commend Minister Grant for his leadership in

redressing and making significant changes to a department which was in

shambles pre-2009. The Western Cape Education Department has indeed

made great strides in facilitating and providing quality education for the

people of the Western Cape. This is why the DA welcomes the approximately

R66 million appropriated to the budget of the Department of Education. We

understand that it is mostly needed for service delivery to schools, so as to

ensure that education starts from day one in 2014. We understand that the

Department of Education and the Western Cape government as a whole feel it

pivotal that children receive all their textbooks and learning materials in a

timeous manner which enhances quality education. [Interjections.]

Mr M SKWATSHA: Except in Khayelitsha. [Inaudible.]

Ms J L HARTNICK: Mr Speaker, it is clear that Limpopo and the Eastern

Cape do not share the same sentiments about the education of their children.

[Interjections.]

Mr M SKWATSHA: [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order, hon mem Mr Skwatsha!

Ms J L HARTNICK: And I do not think they realise... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Skwatsha, order.

Ms J L HARTNICK: That is to the detriment of the child. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: That is the last warning for you.

Ms J L HARTNICK: And his or her opportunity to live a life they can value.

[Interjections.] I commend the Western Cape Education Department for

creating and maintaining freedom learners can use. There was not one ANC

member present in the Standing Committee on Education meeting to discuss

the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill for 2013 [Interjections.] It

simply shows how serious they take education in the province and how far

they will go to ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon member Mr Skwatsha.

Ms J L HARTNICK: ... to score political points. Shameful! Mr Speaker, the

ANC shows how serious they are about service delivery to the people of the

Western Cape.

The SPEAKER: Is it a point of order hon mem Mr Skwatsha? Is it a point of

order?

Mr M SKWATSHA: Yes.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Yes, hon

Mr Speaker.

Mr M SKWATSHA: Yes, hon Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: What is the point hon member Mr Skwatsha? [Interjections.]

Take your seat hon member Mr Skwatsha. If you are not sure about the point

of order - what is the point of order? [Interjections.]

Mr M SKWATSHA: No. The hon Minister of Health is misleading the House.

The SPEAKER: No-no-no, take your seat. That is not a point of order hon

mem Mr Skwatsha. Over to you hon mem Ms Hartnick. Proceed.

Ms J L HARTNICK: Mr Speaker, the ANC shows how serious they are about

service delivery to the people of the Western Cape through fulfilling their

mandate as members of the Provincial Parliament. Absence from meetings is

clearly indicative of this. Social Development is one of the most important

portfolios for social cohesion in the Western Cape, yet the honourable ANC

member for Social Development was not only late for the meeting to discuss

the budget adjustments but absent from the venue for most of the meeting.

The DA values your input. We encourage your constructive input to redress issues impeding on social development for the people of the Western Cape in order to facilitate a self-reliant society through ensuring the provision of a comprehensive network of social development services that enables and empowers the poor, the vulnerable and those with special needs. The DA acknowledges that the Western Cape Department of Health undertakes to provide equitable access to quality health services to the people of the Western Cape and beyond. They also proactively have measures in place to decrease the burden of disease and have evidently increased wellness in the province. Can the other provinces say the same? Highly unlikely and again that is to the detriment of the people using public health facilities. This said, the DA welcomes the budget appropriation of R155 000 852 (One hundred fifty-five million eight-hundred-and-fifty-two rand) for health in the Western Cape as it will indeed continue to redress the burden of disease and will enhance service delivery in the public health sector. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Ms Hartnick. I recognise the hon member Mr Ozinsky.

Mr M OZINSKY: Mr Speaker, everyone knows there is a huge difference between what the DA and its leadership say in public and what actually happens. One of the most bizarre examples of this is quoted in the Cape Times today where the Hon Premier defends the appointment by MEC Plato of a close friend in his department and [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: She has been appointed. What is wrong with [Inaudible.]

Mr M OZINSKY: Like she is doing now. She says what is wrong with the

appointment but the very same person was referred to by her party in Court

papers as follows: "Her lies and half truths shows she lacks the integrity to

which the DA aspires..."

An HON MEMBER: Ag, come-on!

Mr M OZINSKY: Now the hon Premier thinks such a person should work for

this hon MEC's department? [Interjections.] That is the hypocrisy that we are

well used to from that hat-wearing Premier over there [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: No!

Mr M OZINSKY: And we see it in the annual [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: We see it in the annual reports. They talk all the time

about jobs for pals. They just spoke about it now.

An HON MEMBER: Ag come on!

Mr M OZINSKY: The hon Minister Fritz told Scopa that the appointment of

Mr Richardson as the HOD was a political appointment; that he was not

qualified for the post; he messed up the post; he lied to the department and

then he was not taken to a disciplinary hearing. He was just shifted to the hon

Premier's department [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: And the Premier [Inaudible.]

Mr M OZINSKY: And he is still being paid at taxpayers' expense today

[Interjections.] That is the hypocrisy we are talking about. We see it also

with housing delivery after four years of being attacked about statistics,

suddenly the MEC now finds new facts about what happened six years ago.

Why did he not raise them last year? Why did he not raise them the year

before? He knows that what he is saying is not the reality on the ground.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr M OZINSKY: Let's look at the issue of corruption and by the way let me

say one of the hon members said there had been no unauthorised expenditure

for years in the administration. Very funny, because this House a few weeks

ago just authorised hundreds and hundreds of million rands of unauthorised

expenditure spent under the hon Minister Botha. [Interjections.]

I mean that is the hypocrisy that we are talking about. [Interjections.] Take

the stadium, I have asked over and over [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Carried over from

the ANC!

Mr M OZINSKY: In committee meetings to the Premier and her staff about

corruption in awarding of the stadium tender and the fact that the stadium

was the most expensive stadium built in the country. The answer was it has to

do with the geology but we now know that that is not the answer. The answer

was collusive tendering and that is what I want to talk to you about today -

collusive tendering in the CTICC which is taking place under the watch of

this government and there has been no action taken about it [Interjections.]

and this is referred to in the annual reports of last year and this year which

went before the House, for instance it is reported by the AG that the

accounting officer dispensed with the competitive bid process and that same

accounting officer in the press last week and one of the members of the board

defended it and said there was nothing wrong with the processes but there

was - they dispensed with the competitive bid process and this had to do with

the appointment of architects and let me tell you what happened there.

The architect - an award was made to Stauch Vorster Architects and also

VDMMMA. Stauch Vorster who was awarded the final contract drew up the

bid specifications.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: They did not.

Mr M OZINSKY: They did. They were directly involved in that and your

department has admitted that. The convention centre has admitted it but they

drew up the bid specifications and then they were appointed to that very

tender. Not only that a key member of the consortium Anja van der Merwe

from VDMMMA is married to Dirk Elsinger, the former CEO of the

Convention Centre who is currently the MD of Convention Industry

Consultants, which is currently employed today. His company is still

employed by the CTICC as a consulting company by the company that

manages the CTICC. Now talk about collusive tendering! One of the directors

who is meant to oversee this process, his wife, is involved in the architecture

company that gets a bid where there was no tender process followed and/or -

sorry - where there was not a proper tender process followed and which also

drew up the terms of that bid. Was it because these people are white that

there is no talk about corruption?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Oh come on!

Mr M OZINSKY: Is it because they are part of an old boys' network that that

Government has taken no action about [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order Order hon members!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That is not.

Mr M OZINSKY: Because of all these factors that the hon Minister Carlisle

gets up here continually and says there is no corruption in this Government

when he knows all these facts that I have put here before the House and he

has taken no action about it. No wonder he goes on all the time about saying

there is no corruption. [Interjections.] That is the smokescreen he is creating

to hide the corruption of the old boys' network that exists around here

[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Minister order! Minister order!

Mr M OZINSKY: And if you do not believe me ask him why he has appointed

his HOD as the chair of the board of the Convention Centre because the HOD

- the HOD is [Interjections.] Sorry, the chair of the board is meant to be an

independent person.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: You are crazy.

Mr M OZINSKY: But we appoint a state official in order to control and

manipulate these processes.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Ag come on!

[Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY:

Rather independent than bringing an person

[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Skwatsha order!

Mr M OZINSKY: To chair the board [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: And that has happened in the last few weeks.

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Hon member Mr Ozinsky order.

Mr M OZINSKY: Let me continue with [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Ozinsky, hon minister, after the hon

member Mr Ozinsky I just look at my speaker's list, you are the next one and

can you then clear all these questions, can you respond to the question there

please. [Interjections.] Over to you. Order.

Mr M OZINSKY: No, your time is being added. [Interjections.] Let me

continue, Mr Jan van den Bosch who is the executive vice-president of

Amsterdam RAI, the company that Mr Elsinger works for and he is the

managing director of, Mr van den Bosch sat on the evaluation committee for

that very tender.

An HON MEMBER: Jo!

Mr M OZINSKY: Tell me there was no collusion; there was no corruption!

[Interjections.] Mr Boraine and Mr Tofey in the last week have been making statements saying that a strict process was followed. Yes, this is a strict process, the strict process to ensure that only one company could win that tender strictly enforced by the Government against all laws and odds and it is [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Skwatsha this is the House please. Do not clap hands here.

Mr M OZINSKY: This is a case of very severe maladministration and members will remember that a few weeks ago you authorised against with the ANC voting against the sale of more land, sorry, the planning permission for some of the land involved in these issues. Yes, now remember that this land has been bought by the City at double the price that it was first valued for in 2007. [Interjections.] It has been bought by the City and when that process was brought to the council, the council was not told that there is a servitude on that land. That was hidden by the officials from the council. It was not in the council documents and as a result the council paid double the value for land that it cannot use for the purpose that it was bought for. [Interjections.]

Also let me say that this Government continues to cover up these things together with the City, for instance there are two audits, forensic audit reports in the City. The City refuses to make available to people who have requested those audit reports. We will be asking for all the agreements and contracts between Naspers, the City, the Province and the CTICC to be made

public including the secret agreements.

We will be asking why hon Minister Plato when he was Mayor of Cape Town

went on a trip to China which was sponsored by Naspers.

An HON MEMBER: Joe! [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: And remember it is the City that is buying this land from

Naspers. [Interjections.] We want to know what was discussed on that trip

and why that could not be discussed in Cape Town, why they had to go to

China to discuss that. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Skwatsha order.

Mr M OZINSKY: Further he knows that no disciplinary action has been

taken around these steps. [Interjections.] We note also that the board claims

that no corruption or collusion by any staff member and individual involved

in the tender process or by any of the bidders was found. We have concluded

that this is what the board members say: "We have concluded that there are

not sufficient grounds to overturn the tender award. In reaching our

conclusion we took into account the pertinent legal financial social economic

implications, the public interest and the legal advice we received."

Now this is very interesting because the whole step was illegal but they

justify it. [Interjections.] Secondly when it comes to the public interest why

were these issues not directly raised by the Government and the Government

has not said that it disagrees with it. All that they have done is taken the new

head of department [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Ozinsky your time has expired.

Mr M OZINSKY: Of Minister Carlisle and made him the chair of this board.

[Time expired.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you honourable. Thank you hon member Mr Ozinsky.

[Interjections.] Order! Order! [Interjection.] Over to you Minister Carlisle.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you. I think

if we want to take this debate and look at it [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Skwatsha. That is the last time to request

you to really stop this running comment in this House.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: To put this whole

debate in context is to just take what the hon member Mr Ozinsky has said. I

am just going to take four aspects here. What he has done is present a picture

here of massive collusion, corruption [Interjection.]

Mr M OZINSKY: Of course, I agree [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Everything under

the sun. Let's just take four of his alleged facts.

An HON MEMBER: It is all what he said [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Just four of these

alleged facts. He said my HOD has been appointed the head of the board.

That is not true. It is not true. Fact number 1 is wrong.

Mr M OZINSKY: Who is going to [Inaudible.] Who is [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Now I am not

going to say that the hon member Mr Ozinsky lied but I am going to tell you

he gave the wrong information to the House.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Misleading the House yes.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Perhaps he did not

know it.

Mr M OZINSKY: Who is going to [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: You are wrong.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: He is not my

HOD.

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky you had your chance. Listen now.

Order!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: He is not my

HOD. So he says, now he tries to say let me fix this fact that I gave you that

is not a fact. It is an untruth, you say.

Mr M OZINSKY: He is an official in the department [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: No, no you said

the HOD.

An HON MEMBER: On a point of order. [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: You know this [Inaudible.] happens all the time.

Mr M SKWATSHA: Is the Minister allowed to point at a member?

The SPEAKER: Order! Take your seat hon [Interjections.]

Mr M SKWATSHA: I am asking a question.

The SPEAKER: Take your seat. I will [Interjections.]

Mr M SKWATSHA: It is a point of order.

The SPEAKER: Take your seat. I have to respond to you to your question.

Please address the Chair hon Minister. Thank you very much. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you. I will

not point at the hon member Mr Skwatsha. He says, he suggests that in fact

the land purchased in this whole scheme went at double the value it should

have. He does not know; he has not bothered to research that, in fact the

Public Protector enquired into this and published her findings to say that the

price of that land was perfectly in order. It was market value. So you see here

you get these accusations and fact after fact is wrong. [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: But you know what [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: He says there was

no tender process. He says there was no tender process. He said there was no

tender process. [Interjections.]

Mr M SKWATSHA: Mr Speaker, on a point of order.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I hope I am getting

[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: What is the point hon member Mr Skwatsha?

Mr M SKWATSHA: The Minister is defying you. He is pointing at the man.

The SPEAKER: I will make that point if there is any ruling.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: He says there was no tender process.

The SPEAKER: Minister, address the Chair please.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: He says there was no tender process but then afterwards he talks about the tender award. How could there be a tender award when there was no tender process?

Mr M OZINSKY: There was not a proper tender process!

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky. I have warned you several times.

[Interjections.]

Mr H P GEYER: Gooi hom uit! [Tussenwerpsels.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order hon members order, I have warned you several

times and you hon member Mr Skwatsha and that is the last time.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: The hon member Mr Ozinsky comes with a whole story and it just falls to pieces when it is opposed to the facts, but one thing I will tell you, there have been - let me call them - irregularities with the tender. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky, can you please leave this House?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I am saying to you.

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Hon members we cannot allow this.

[Interjections.] Hon member Mr Ozinsky please. [Interjections.]

Hon member Mr Ozinsky please leave this House. [Interjections.] Leave this House hon member Mr Ozinsky.

Die MINISTER VAN GESONDHEID: Laat hy gaan. Laat hy gaan man.

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky [Interjection.]

Ms L BROWN: Hon Mr Speaker [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Before you address me, hon. [Interjections.] Hon, hon there

is a ruling. [Interjections.] leave this House please. Leave this House.

[Interjections.] Take your seat. Leave this House hon member Mr Ozinsky.

An HON MEMBER: No! No!

The SPEAKER: Hon, hon leader of the opposition, Ms Brown, order!

[Interjections.] Order! Leave this House. [Interjections.] Leave the chamber

please hon member Mr Ozinsky. Leave this chamber please.

An HON MEMBER: No! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky leave the chamber. [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: It is not my speaking turn. The DA spoke and [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Leave the chamber, Hon member Mr Ozinsky.

Ms L BROWN: Mr Speaker I was speaking and the DA [Inaudible.] and you

did not put Minister Carlisle out! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon. [Interjections.] Hon member Mr Ozinsky leave

the Chamber.

An HON MEMBER: No!

Ms L BROWN: He was not told to do that. Just sit [Interjections.]

'n AGBARE LID: Ek dink ons moet iemand bel.

Ms L BROWN: Or we all go.

An HON MEMBER: Mr Speaker [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Uh-uh, take your seat. Take your seat hon member. There is an order on the table. Please I am not going to allow any member now. There is a ruling. [Interjection.] Hon member Mr Skwatsha take your seat.

Mr M SKWATSHA: Can I address you?

The SPEAKER: After the ruling - no-no-no not now. [Interjection.]

Ms L BROWN: There is no [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Take your seat. There is a ruling that I have made. Hon member Mr Ozinsky leave this House. [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: It is actually nonsense. Mr Speaker you do not rule on a DA-issue. [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Leave the House hon. [Interjections.] Can we...

[Interjections.] Can I, hon members, can I suggest a break of five minutes and please leave the House hon member Mr Ozinsky. [Interjections - shouting in background]

Business suspended at 12:23 and resumed at 12:40.

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much. You may be seated. Hon members, there is a ruling that the hon member Mr Ozinsky, you must leave the chamber. [Interjections.] No, not now.

Ms L BROWN: We cannot address you?

The SPEAKER: No not now. [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: This is outside of the procedure, please [Interjection]

The SPEAKER: There is a process to be followed if you are not [Interjection.]

Ms L BROWN: Mr Speaker, remember [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: If you are not happy about the Speaker ruling there is a process that you need to follow and I think you are supposed to know that - the process. [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: We are so [Inaudible.] over five years of your rulings. What is it?

An HON MEMBER: No I am just saying.

The SPEAKER: Please leave the Chamber. Where is the Sergeant at Arms? Can you please assist me?

Mr M SKWATSHA: On what now?

Mr P UYS: On what now?

An HON MEMBER: What? What?

An HON MEMBER: Give him the mace.

Ms L BROWN: Bring the mace. You should carry him out with the mace. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Are you coming to lunch? [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: What are you paying for the lunch?

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much hon members. Hon Minister Carlisle you may proceed.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Can I just ask Mr Speaker how long I have? I have kind of lost track a little bit. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: How long do you have? You still have six minutes.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you, thank you, and I was dealing with the hon member Mr Ozinsky's allegations with regard to the CTICC and the fact is that the CTICC has been subject in what what we are seeking to do with the CTICC is to double its size. The CTICC is the biggest single generator of new jobs or has been since it was established. It has been a huge success and this year had its most successful year ever. It is run by a professional and passionate and enthusiastic staff starting with Mr Tofey and going down from there. It is one of the gems of Cape Town. We need to care for it. We need to look after it and in regard to this suggested problem of the appointment of architects there has been a forensic audit into that and the key point of the forensic audit Mr Speaker, is that there is no suggestion of corruption, of favouritism or anything of that nature. There is nothing to be ashamed of in there.

It is so that there are certain irregularities, but those are not dishonest irregularities and they certainly do not constitute grounds for trying to cancel the procedure which I am not sure we can do. I think only a court can do that and I am sure that my colleague will also want to add a few things on that.

Yes, it is a pity that the ANC is no longer here, because I have actually grown weary of the debate that we have here. The simple facts of the matter are this, that every member of basically the front bench of the ANC knows that except for a period of about six months towards the end of the ANC's tenure that the ANC rule here in the province for the five years previous to that was atrocious, it was disgraceful. It was dishonest. It was corrupt and most of all it was damaging to the poor because it was the money of the poor that was stolen. It was the money of the poor that was stolen and the grounds for saying that with confidence aside from the fact that I was in opposition here and I saw much of what happened, was it was this very front bench that rose up against that evil in the ANC and stood up and that is the point, so how now can they not look at this administration which I have to say in this my first and only term in power, I have to say is something I am very proud to being part of and associated with. Everything is there to say that it has been a huge success.

Now that is not to say Mr Speaker that it does not have a long, long way to go, of course it does. In being a huge success that does not say that there are many people who are poor and far too many are unemployed and far too many who do not have the kind of housing that they ought to have; that the public transport system is still very, very far from perfect and that various other things particularly policing, which is to some extent out of our control, as it were, leaves a great deal to be desired but putting that aside, if we just take four areas which is education, health, mobility and the economy, if we just take those four areas and we just see the difference that is being made, the

hon members of the ANC and particularly my colleague over the way here who has an interesting kind of relationship that seems to say there are only black people in South Africa, there is nobody else, and all of those black people are poor including the ones who drive Ferraris and live in Constantia, but he will have to admit that five years ago in many of the schools in Khayelitsha up to 25% of the staff were not present on a Friday or a Monday. He would have to admit that. He would have to admit that many of the children in Grade 7 and 8 could not read, were not numerate. He would have to admit that in fact the ANC's Government, the ANC's Government, their relationship was with Cosatu and Cosatu's relationship was with the teaching staff and in that whole process the children, the school children of this problem had been excluded. They would have to admit those things and they would have to admit there has been an overwhelming change. They would have to admit that there was a huge under-delivery of infrastructure under the ANC and how could there not be when R500 million was unaccounted for each year, Sir, so that we have trebled the infrastructural spend per year that existed under the ANC and we will almost double that again by the end of the MTF. So the whole argument of the poor and the poorest of the poor ... well for close to 20 years Mitchells Plain has been my constituency and portions of Mitchells Plain, into Khayelitsha and into Samora Machel on the other side, and I want to tell you that in the last perhaps seven odd years at the council level, in the last four, five years at a provincial level, I have seen a huge, huge change in what has happened in the investment into Khayelitsha and into Mitchells Plain, but more than that what is the thinking and the working behind that. I have watched in a portion of Mitchells Plain, I have

watched a project that is in fact [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Renovated over 3

000 flat units, Sir, and that has been a remarkable achievement so it is an

administration I am very proud to belong to [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: And I would hope

for the ANC it would be something for them to follow [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon Minister Carlisle. I recognise the hon

Minister Winde.

'n AGBARE LID: Hoor-hoor!

MINISTER OF FINANCE. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

TOURISM: Thank you very much Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker this is loads of

notes that I have got for replying to this debate. It is a pity that I do not have

the ANC across the board to reply to but I sincerely hope that they are

listening so that they can hear what we have to say. But I rise to and first of

all thank all of those who have taken part in this debate and everybody who

has been on the speakers list, despite the ANC walking out who have had

their chance to have their say, and I will endeavour to go through everybody's speeches and just come back with any of the questions that they have answered to, and perhaps make one or two other statements as this is a political debate. But also as I said earlier it brings it together at the end on the adjustments that need to be made within this Province.

First of all to the Hon member Mr Von Brandis. You know he mentioned the MPATs, he mentioned unauthorised expenditure nationally of R 22.6 billion. He mentioned the economy but I think aside from that I want to just thank him very much for the role that he plays as the chair of this committee. Not only this but also in the role that he plays within the budget process, but then of course also the committees, and we have to deal with a couple of votes and in this instance votes 3, 10, 12 in the adjustment process; but thank you very much for the way in which you chair the committee; the oversight role that you play and of course the role that you play in the legislature and in leading the process around the committees.

The hon leader of the opposition Ms Brown in her absence started off by talking about the Free State, and of course so then I must come in and answer on that and this Free State that she talks about. Quite interesting that this Free State under the leadership of their Premier who has the nickname of "Telephone Premier" and who is being investigated by the National Treasury at the moment because of supply chain management, and maybe just to say to this House that he has allegedly moved the whole supply chain office in that province into the Premier's office. [Interjections.]

Now I mean if that is true, well then you do not need to go any further, but perhaps one other statistic on that province is the noting that the unemployment rate is sitting at 41.2% [Interjections.]. But other than that she spent quite a lot of time talking about - and I must notice that across this debate - the money that has been held in treasury for the special projects. I will just now get to answering some of the others on the kind of percentage that that money makes up. But it is a very small amount of money in the overall budget of this province, first of all, and second of all you hear a lot of comments through this debate talking about this money, and why this money is put aside and then what it is doing for the poor.

Well quite frankly, first of all I think as far as putting money aside for special projects I think this is a really good way of managing money well because I promise you without proper plans for this money, if it is transferred into a department, when we get to adjustments time if they do not have their plans together what do they have to do? They have to then bring an adjustment to that special project money and spend it on something else and at least when this money is ring-fenced for those specific special projects, they are for those projects and they will only get given that money if those projects are going to be delivered on; and then what difference are those projects going to make to the people of this province, and whether it is money that is set aside in this process that is going to ICT within the broadband framework for systems within Government, that is to make us more efficient. That is to make us able to deliver better but also at the same

time have a look at where that money goes.

Broadband - what is broadband there to do? It is an initiative of this province to specifically move to an inclusive economy because broadband is being rolled out by the kilometre across our country but it ties up the main centres of economy, so the CBD to the Sandton region. There is fibre running across our country but there is no fibre and no broadband connectivity to Mitchells Plain, to Khayelitsha, to the people of Saldanha where we are going to be rolling out the IDZ. [Interjections.]

This is about inclusive economies and this is how broadband is going to be making a difference to the people of this province so there is part of one of these projects. Skills - and we look at where money goes to skills, exactly the same thing. It is where people do not have the skills to get into the economy. It is about opportunities and about broadening those opportunities and an inclusive economy.

The green economy - let's spend a bit of time on the green economy, also where this kind of money is going and let's have a look at how the green economy is going to make an impact and a difference to the lives of the people that live in Atlantis, a place that has been forgotten, a place with high unemployment rate, a place with high dependency on substances and alcohol. The green economy is going to bring hope; it is going to bring opportunity to the people of Atlantis, the people of this province and the people of this country. And then the last point within that space of the budget is the RCEP

projects. Following on the huge success of the VPUU and what that project has done, nearly a billion rand are now being spent in the middle of Khayelitsha over time, making a huge difference to poor people giving them an opportunity, creating an inclusive economy and allowing people within the space that they live to live a life that they value. This is now being replicated through this project and we have only put seed money in place where it is going to be going into planning, into five other areas across this province.

Another one within the City, but you are going to look at other municipalities now being able to replicate this massive success and this success that makes a difference to ordinary people's lives in this province, giving them those kind of opportunities. So quite frankly that is where this money is going and so I notice the comment that is being made, but I can assure you that this money is ring-fenced for a specific purpose and we will make sure along with the good people in Treasury that it goes to that specific purpose, and that is why it is being done that way.

The hon member Mr Wiley, thank you very much for your contribution, specifically focusing on the policing which is in your portfolio, and again you know whether it is linked to the previous comments under the hon Leader of the Opposition, Ms Brown, where is our money being spent. Here is another R8 million that is being spent on a commission of enquiry that is coming from a need from the people in Khayelitsha who are saying: "Guys there is a problem here," who are without safety and security. Money is being put aside and hopefully at the end of this process - and if you think about the

money that is being spent and the crime rate and the kind of pressure that communities are put under, it is actually not a lot of money - we are going to be able to find and track a path forward that is going to change the lives of the people in specifically Khayelitsha and the surrounds; but we can learn from those lessons and replicate that across the province. It is going to be really money well spent making a difference to the people of this province.

To the hon Minister Fritz, can I first of all start by saying, you know, I have written here: "The champion of youth at risk." Minister, you and your programmes that you've put in place really do make a difference and I have said in this House before and I will say it again, what really jumped at me the last time that I visited the Chrysalis project was how big employers in this province are actually making young people who come through that project their first choice of someone to enter into a job opportunity. A massive company based in this province says to us: "We prefer young people who were young people at risk, we prefer those young people coming in and we actually make that our choice of a first person we want to employ if they have come through that programme." Now if that is not a success I do not know what is. That really is creating opportunity for young people in our province and so well done on that.

I have got a whole lot of other points that are raised here, but I think they get covered further on. I think - yes, I will deliver those. Maybe one other point, you actually said and you mentioned to the other side of the House that you invited them to come to the Chrysalis project specifically and nobody pitched

up to that project and I think that happens more and more often. I remember when I went to the opening of the Mitchells Plain Hospital it was not even just the space; there were actually members' names on the chairs because you had RSVP'd that you were going to come and the Opposition unfortunately were very conspicuous by their absence, because the names of the members on this side of the House were actually on those empty seats. You know, we talk about oversight, that really is the first point of call, but the second point is that you do not have to be invited to any of these spaces within this Government. These members can go at any time to Chrysalis as the hon member Ms Hani was speaking at that time, but they can go at any time and have a look at any project at any space that this Government is responsible for and at any time can they go and exercise their role in oversight. But I promise you, go and have a look and see whether they have been, you will find it will be a round zero - no visits whatsoever.

I move on then to the hon member Mr Haskin. Thank you very much for your contribution. You again also spoke about those special projects and I think I have under the hon leader of the opposition Ms Brown's space spoken on it. You also mentioned Eskom and perhaps this is where I must say a few things. In those special projects and under the green economy you would have seen some money moving to Dedat, R 4 million moving to the Economic Development Department. Some of that money is being spent on a job that an official within that department – an outstanding official called Professor Jim Petrie – is working on. We actually enticed him back from Australia to come and work for us - a specialist when it comes to energy and specifically

looking at this province. The documentation and the study that he's done into the gas space in our province is amazing. That study and that document I have handed personally from Minister Pravin Gordhan to Minister Gigaba and to all of the Ministers involved at a national level; I have personally taken it to each and every one of them, because in that document we really start to talk about the shift that we need away from nuclear, and it is interesting to see the announcement that nuclear is being shifted out, and I think that is really good news. We need to shift away from expensive nuclear to costeffective gas. Gas coming into our economy in this province, we are already ready with two gas turbines, one in Mossel Bay and one in Atlantis, we can convert them very, very quickly, from at the moment nearly R 9.00 a kilowatt hour running on diesel to around about 90 cents to a rand a kilowatt hour running on gas. It is a no-brainer. We need to make this move and that is the kind of money in those special projects in the green economy. That is the kind of money that is being appropriated for this kind of work that is really going to help us and we are working quite closely with Eskom in that space. But as I say, in this province we are pushing very hard on gas renewables and the green economy but then what are we up against on the other side of the equation - and then of course now we do not have the ANC to listen to this part – are the delays in Medupi, the extra costs in Medupi, an increase of cost by R 14 billion so far.

An HON MEMBER: Unbelievable!

The MINISTER FINANCE. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF

TOURISM: With that R14 billion we could have already established those gas plants in this province...

An HON MEMBER: Unbelievable!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ... Supplying much cheaper electricity into our systems and this is where we have just contrasted the one against the other.

You also spoke about the commission of enquiry, the costs, and again as I said earlier, obviously every rand that gets spent in this province we have to be concerned about. We have to make sure that we get value for every single rand that we spend but as I said I do agree that R 8 million is R 8 million. We need to make sure we get value out of it for those specific people who suffer every single day in this province due to crime that is really tough. I look at the R 8 million going to this enquiry, and I think there is an allegation that we are investigating at the moment, on the R 3 million that Oudtshoorn Municipality have paid to their single legal advisor thus far in all these cases that they have lost in court around trying to hold onto power illegally. R 3 million to one lawyer, so I am pretty certain that Scopa is going to have to deal with that very soon and we will make sure that once we have answers through our investigations at Treasury that we will hand that over.

Then the hon member Mr Geyer, thank you for your contribution speaking primarily about the legislature, some of the money that has been spent here, but perhaps this is where - and another member also spoke about it oversight happens. This is where the job of democracy needs to really come
down to letting the people of this province understand that democracy
happens here. It was raised I think by the hon member Mr Visser, if you think
about the processes that we have just gone through, the annual report
processes, and you have a look at a reply given in National Parliament, the
worst performing provincial departments were in KwaZulu Natal, eleven
departments have not given their annual reports to the legislature. KwaZulu
Natal, where the majority of Ministers that are National Cabinet come from
that province.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: And Nkandla. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: I mean, where is the pride in your own province that you come from to make sure that your province is working well, and then so it goes on to 13 in the North-West and even in the Free State reports are not handed in, where according to the hon Leader of the Opposition, Ms Brown, amazing things are happening.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Please be considerate, you are dealing with Nkandla.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Of course I have not spoken about Nkandla. The next thing is

what the hon member Ms Beerwinkel spoke about, the R 250 million in the transversal projects and she again asked the question why. I think I have answered that - good governance, but again the focus on this space is about spending money efficiently in this overall budget of adjustment, in the overall budget in all, and we are looking at less than half a percent of our budget that sits in this space. So we spend a lot of time focussing on where half a percent is being spent, where I promise you Treasury is really exercising their oversight and making sure it goes to the right space. We need to also be looking a little bit wider and so that is probably my words to her. She also spoke about no-fee schools, 216 no-fee schools at the moment receiving money. This is savings which is not from CAPEX and so again let us have a look at how the money is being spent and where it is being spent. Is it being spent in the interest of the six million people that live in this province, and again I say yes.

She then went on to talk about marks and gave this department, this Treasury a "D". Well, quite frankly I do not agree with the "D" but if that is her benchmark well, then so be it. I would just ask her the question - now she is not here to answer - these other areas that I have just spoken about, by providing oversight in those provinces, looking at expenditure in those other provinces, if we compare apples with apples and if a "D" was given to Treasury in this province, what would that mean to Limpopo or Mpumalanga if she applied her same rules? I just ask that question. [Interjections.]

Again she spoke about the economy. She spoke about skills, red tape enabling

environment - those are all exactly the things that we are doing and perhaps I

must just then at this stage use this opportunity to once again thank British

Airways for the confidence that they have shown in this economy.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The **MINISTER** OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

TOURISM: British Airways announced yesterday that they are bringing three

extra flights into this region. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Unbelievable!

MINISTER FINANCE, ECONOMIC The OF **DEVELOPMENT** AND

TOURISM: Three extra flights, but they are not bringing it in, in the middle

of our summer season, they are starting in May next year, the start of our

winter season. Why are they doing that? They are doing that because of the

economy. They can see what is happening in oil and gas. They can see what

is happening in our Convention Centre and I will get to that just now - the

doubling of our Convention Centre, the 40 conventions already booked until

2019.

The PREMIER: And on SAA.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND

TOURISM: They can see what is happening there. They can see the economy

in this region is moving forward and businesses only make decisions based on economic hard facts. They make decisions based on what is happening and what they can see, and they have made this decision in the winter time and so really I do thank them. I heard a little interjection now about SAA. I still do not understand it, but [Interjection.]

The PREMIER: I do.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: SAA moved out of this market. It was very good in a summer market. Virgin moved in, put in extra thousands, 7 000 extra seats into that market. BA steps in as well and takes over, so that if you make a political decision that is a crazy political decision, I promise you we in this province will take that gap. We will create the opportunity that allows the private sector to come in and pull into that space.

Then the hon member Mr Walters, thank you very much for your contribution, focussing again on agriculture. You made mention of the devolution of the responsibility in Fishing and Forestry and this has been spoken about a lot. It makes so much sense that coastal provinces actually have control of the economy within their coastal provinces. Why should a national province or even Free State, as was mentioned by the honourable Leader of the Opposition Ms Brown, have anything to do with fisheries and quota systems and harbours, etcetera, and I echo what you have said, but it was quite interesting. You heard from hon member Mr Ozinsky in an

interjection "no ways, it will never happen." He says, his words were: "Not a chance." So I wanted to ask the hon member Mr Ozinsky or get a statement to

say whether he is obviously very, very happy with the Minister Tina Joemat-

Petterson who is controlling this at the moment, and everything from

harbours to patrol vessels to quotas are a total disaster and effecting

[Interjections.]

The PREMIER: [Inaudible.] she has got that [Inaudible.]

OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT The MINISTER AND

TOURISM: For the people of this province, again it is about broadening

opportunity and in this space on that side of the House it is about closing

those kinds of opportunities.

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] the fishing quotas.

The MINISTER FINANCE, **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** OF AND

TOURISM: If we go to the hon Minister Plato, thank you very much. You

again also spoke about Chrysalis which I have spoken about. Perhaps I must

also take this opportunity to thank you very much. The Minister and I went

along and were involved with the South African Police in a process of

destroying thousands of litres of confiscated illegal alcohol from the illegal

alcohol trade. It was actually quite amazing to see the volume of alcohol that

is confiscated and you see this volume being poured down the drain. But it is

the perfect opportunity to give that message again to those trading illegally

in liquor, and specially moving into this season, just as we are talking about how we take opportunities away from people, we have got to not abuse alcohol because that does exactly the same thing. It takes opportunities away from people in this province; it is a major focus and on which we will continue to focus. Thank you very much, and also for your point of thanking all the security people in this province at whichever space that they play. As we move into our Festive Season this is the time when we also need to be doubly vigilant so that we can start making differences and better and more differences in the people of this province's lives.

To the Hon member Mr Magaxa I wanted to say, he started off by saying the DA is a racist party and then 99% of his speech was racist.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: 99% of all speeches!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: But perhaps I will not go any further than that, except at the end of his speech he did start to move over into a couple of spaces around budget and delivery and he started to speak a little bit about hospitals. Perhaps at this point I may mention the Mitchells Plain Hospital, unbelievable space offering, offering services to 450 000 people in this province, offering a service right in the middle of a space where people did not have the opportunity that they have got now. This follows on Khayelitsha Hospital and a number of other health facility upgrades and new upgrades in our province. Perhaps this is where we must contrast it again. Under this administration we

have got, as I said, a number of replenished, revamped and new hospital

spaces in this province which are world-world class. Let us have a look at the

hospital that is promised - I must just see where it is. There is a hospital

promised / commissioned, two world class hospitals that we have delivered,

Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain as opposed to a hospital to open - which was

scheduled to open in 2008 in Soweto, the Jabulani Hospital. It was scheduled

to open in 2008. Still today it is not open.

The PREMIER: No.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Yes, but they are busy with it.

MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC The **DEVELOPMENT** AND

TOURISM: They are still busy with it.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Do not be unreasonable.

ECONOMIC The MINISTER OF FINANCE, DEVELOPMENT AND

TOURISM: It has still not opened.

An HON MEMBER: 2008?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND

TOURISM: In 2008 it was scheduled for opening.

The PREMIER: No!

MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT The TOURISM: Mr Speaker I move on to the hon Minister Madikizela and the comment that he made around R 60 billion to be spent on rebuilding houses that we have already built in this country, and if I think about that I think about vandalism. I think about how much money has to be re-spent over and over again in this country. I think about that last march into the City and how the private sector traders were having their livelihood ripped to pieces. We really have to think about how we deliver, first of all quality on budget on time the first time, because to spend it again is sacrilege and then of course we need to look after what we have and we need to make sure we do that. He mentioned again this case of can we trust the information that is put out there. Can we trust the details that are put out there and that reminded me again, and the Minister also spoke about those billboards, about specifically sanitation service delivery. There is a discrepancy which is being put on a broadband by a political party and what our census says on sanitation delivery, there is a shortfall of 11.7 million receiving those services and so we say it, but in actual fact the poorer people sitting outside there in our communities are actually hearing that they get the services but they do not have the services, so we need to make sure we give the correct information.

Then Mr Speaker I move on to the hon member Mr Visser, I think I have mentioned already, and he mentioned a whole lot of stats, specifically the 278% increase in toilets in informal settlements in the City of Cape Town

since 2006. I think infrastructure spend is sitting at 92.9% of capital. These are all really good things. The A/G reports, he spoke about ten, I think he said ten in Local Government. We still need to clarify whether it is either 10 or 11, but those 10 or 11 are clean Local Government. There are another 16 unqualified Local Government audit reports in this province that really show that in the work that both Treasury and the Department of Local Government under Minister Bredell in the C-grow and M-grow processes do, you can see the difference. In the work that this province is doing you can see the difference and you can see the difference in independent reporting, so thank you very much for that.

I then Mr Speaker move on to the hon member Ms Hartnick and I think what she said, "the ANC does less with more" really, really stood out. I think that was what really sort of said, let us have a look at how we deliver on both sides. That made me think of the Handbook and this Government saving in excess of R 100 million from when we first came into Government and saying: "There is our handbook, that is how we are going to hire cars differently; that is how we are going to stay in hotels differently; that is how we are going to fly differently; that is how we are going to behave differently as the leadership within Government, as the executive within Government", and already saved more than a R 100 million in this province. And then you have a look at what the AG says about wasted money at R 30.8 billion across this country, and you try and have a look from one to the other, doing more or wasting more. Of course then that is not talking about how much more the ANC does manage to spend specifically at certain national key points.

I then move on to the hon member Mr Ozinsky. I am not going to say too much more about it except he stood up and started off by saying something about "this province", because it was said that we do not have much in unauthorised expenditure across this province, and he said - his words were: "Hundreds and hundreds of millions of rands every single year in this province in unauthorised expenditure."

Well, last year's unauthorised expenditure was not hundreds and hundreds of millions of rands as the hon member Mr Ozinsky said. It was 0.436% of the budget. In Health it was R 53.74 million. We debated it in this House. Not one cent of it was wasted. Unauthorised expenditure is when you budget in the beginning of the year. You have pressures during the year and you need to spend and you have to rectify it later, and if there was a rand misspent then obviously that would be fruitless and wasteful, but not hundreds and hundreds of millions of rands. So the question begs then when he stands up to make these kind of statements, just as when you put on a broadband, this is what the percentage service delivery is and the census proves you wrong, or when you stand up and say hundreds and hundreds of millions of rands and in actual fact that is untrue. Then you start talking, I think the hon Minister Carlisle, he went on and on about the CTICC.

The hon Minister Carlisle has spoken much about it, I will not repeat those, but the CTICC has had a full investigation by the Public Protector. That investigation came out and it said on the land issue there is not a problem

around market value. In actual fact if you looked at the values of the markets, if you wanted to, it was a million here or a million there on a R 100 million and a R 104 million and R 120 million which are the different parcels of land in the private sector that were being sold and being measured against this piece of state land purchased, so the Public Protector found nothing there.

What the Public Protector did say was: "Please go back and have a look at the process", and that is what the hon Minister Carlisle spoke about. Then it went back to the City and they spent a long time going into very serious depth on the process. That report was then handed to the board. The board then have to deal with that report, then it is the City's process and they have to take responsibility for that. That is how boards run. That is what they have to do. They have taken responsibility. They have had two separate legal opinions and they have then made decisions on each of those points as raised from that process coming out of the City of Cape Town. They have then made decisions based on sound legal advice and made decisions on each of those aspects, and they have all have consequences so there will be processes that follow through, whether it be a disciplinary process; whether it be a decision-making process and then they have to answer to that process. But as the hon Minister Carlisle says: "No corruption, not from the public protector's office, not from the City's oversight space, no corruption. Go and have a look at one or two of these processes", but at the end of the day we have also to judge this space on what they are delivering, and I have just spoken about the BEA decision. It is based on what comes out of the CTICC. They have just finished a clean audit. They have just finished putting up their annual report and their AGM

and if you have a look at those results it is one of the top performing

convention centres in the world right through a recession process, and the

board has to take full responsibility of all of those processes.

Then lastly the hon Minister Carlisle, thank you very much for the part that

you have played. The CTICC I think you have addressed. You made a

comment about your first and only term in Government and that you were

very proud of your department, and I can say as well from the role that we

play at Treasury having a look at the interaction with the Auditor General

and thinking about what you have done with that department and that team

that you have built up and where you have taken it, what you had inherited to

where it is sitting today, that is unbelievable and you can feel very proud, not

only of your department but of yourself as well.

Mr H P GEYER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER FINANCE, **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** OF AND

TOURISM: And with that, looking at the spending, you have taken the

department with not increasing the size of it, and trebled your expenditure in

infrastructure spend. This is exactly where we need to be going for delivering

and creating opportunity for society, for the public out there, for delivering

on infrastructure so that the economy can become an inclusive economy and

change lives of all of the people that live in this province, and that is what

the focus of this Government is. That is what the focus of this budget is. This

budget, whether it is the overall budget or the adjustments budget, is there to

actually make a difference to all the people's lives in this province to give them opportunity and to create an inclusive economy that moves us to that vision "One Cape 2014". That is where we want to be, and this budget is aligning that process of where we are going to and that space that we want to become the best run Regional Government. We will only be able to stand up and say we are anywhere near that when we get to what those One Cape 2040 streams are saying to us. That is where we want to go to, and it is this budget, this adjustments budget and this team that has taken us and set us on that path. They have taken the vision, created the space where we are now moving into action and that action is happening and the results are there from that action, and we have mentioned it through this debate. From whatever measurement you can take across this country, those measurements are showing that this foundation has been created solidly, the budget is there and it is moving in that right space that will create this province that every one of us has bought into through that vision. And with that Mr Speaker, can I end off by saying again thank you very much to Treasury for the role that they have played in this adjustments process and overall. We will obviously get back early next year to the budget again but in the adjustment making sure that we run the finances of this province perfectly. I say that it is not always - you cannot always be perfect, but I tell you what, this team really works day and night to make sure that the money runs alongside the policy platforms and the vision and the work that this Government has got to do to make that difference for every single person in this province, and with that Mr Speaker, I thank you.

Die MINISTER VAN GESONDHEID: Hoor-hoor!

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon Minister Winde. That concludes the debate on

the consideration of the principle of the bill. Are there any objections to the

approval of the principle of the bill?

An HON MEMBER: No.

The SPEAKER: No, agreed to. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I think the secretary must still read the bill, thank

you.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Consideration of principle of Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation

Bill [B 11 - 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic Development and

Tourism).

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Before we carry on can I just make a comment

about the debate we have just had on the principle of the bill. The practice

has developed over the last couple of years that this debate on the principle

or the second is regarded as fully fledged and wide ranging political debate

on the same basis as the main appropriate bill.

Technically - I am stressing - technically, the scope in this debate should be

limited to the reasons for the increases or decreases or the reasons for the

adjustments. Perhaps this is something that the next Parliament can consider

again to rectify. We are going far too wide in the Adjustments Appropriation

Bill. Thanks.

The secretary will read the second order.

2. Consideration of Votes and Schedules - Western Cape Adjustments

Appropriation Bill [B 11 - 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic

Development and Tourism).

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The parties will now be given an opportunity.

Those who wish to make use of it to make declarations of vote on the

individual votes as we progress. As I say it is not obligatory but parties can

indicate to me whether they wish to make a declaration.

I put vote 1, Department of the Premier, the DA.

Ms J L HARTNICK: I support the Bill.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Support. The ACDP.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Mr Deputy Speaker may I make a declaration that covers

all of the votes?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: You may if you wish, you may do so.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Then I do not have to jump up and down four times.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, that is fine.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Mr Deputy Speaker the process of scrutinising the adjustment appropriations, as we know it is very rushed. It is at the end of the year. There is very little time allowed in the process. Most of our Standing Committees only had an hour to discuss these adjustments, which is understandable so it is not something that the ACDP wants to complain about, but what it does do is it inhibits our ability to get into the detail of the adjustment appropriations. Some of the committees discussed and made important decisions in a very short space of time, five, ten minutes and the meeting was over, and one wonders how much value there was in that process of discussing the adjustment appropriations of a particular department in five or ten minutes. Here now in the debate that was just held, four minutes for us to raise our concerns and to express our support in various aspects of adjustment appropriations is not enough and even in this declaration we will not be able to make all of our - to raise all of our issues in a way that would explain our support or not support for the adjustment appropriations. So notwithstanding that the ACDP are not going to withhold our support for the adjustment appropriations, we are also not going to be in a position to express our undivided support for all the appropriations, so we are reserving

our support, but we are not voting against the appropriations. Thank you

Mr Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Any other parties, ID or COPE? The

ID?

Mr R LENTIT: The ID supports.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, COPE.

Ms J A VAN ZYL: COPE supports.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I then put vote 1, Department of the

Premier, no objections?

An HON MEMBER: No.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Agreed to. I put vote number 2, Provincial

Parliament is there support? You need not get up to say support, I am asking

for people to do the declarations of vote, material declarations of vote. If

there is nothing, then I will put the question. No objection? Agreed to.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Agreed to. I put vote number 3, Provincial

Treasury, any declarations?

An HON MEMBER: No.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No objection. Agreed to.

I put vote number 4, Community Safety, any declarations of vote? In that case, no objections, agreed to.

I put vote number 5, Education? No declarations of vote? No objections? Agreed to.

I put vote number 6, Health. No objections? Agreed to.

I put vote number 7, Social Development. No objections? Agreed to.

I put vote number 8, Human Settlements. No objections? Agreed to.

I put vote number 9, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning. No objections? Agreed to.

I put vote number 10, Transport and Public Works. No objections? Agreed to.

I put vote number 11, Agriculture. No objections? Agreed to.

I put vote number 12, Economic Development and Tourism. No objections?

Agreed to.

I put vote number 13, Cultural Affairs and Sport. No objections? Agreed to.

I put vote number 14, Local Government. Is there a declaration of vote? Hon member Mr Visser.

Mnr J J VISSER: Dankie Mnr Adjunkspeaker. Gun my net die geleentheid. Ek wil graag dankie sê vir die Staande Komitee wat die jaar saamgewerk het. My Staande Komitee het hierdie aanpassing goedgekeur so ons aanvaar dit so. Baie dankie.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I then just put the vote. No objection? Agreed to. That is vote number 14.

That completes the decisions of the votes. I now put the schedule. Are there any objections to the schedule being agreed to? No objection. Agreed to.

I put clauses 1 to 3 of the Bill. No objections? Agreed to.

I put the title. No objections? Agreed to.

The Secretary will read the third order of the day.

3. Finalisation of the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 11- 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism).

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There is no speaker's list. I put the question - no objection to the finalisation of the Bill? No objection? Agreed to. The Bill will be sent to the Premier for assent. The Secretary will read the fourth order of the day.

4. Consideration and finalisation of the Western Cape Membership of the Western Cape Economic Development Partnership Bill [B 8 - 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism).

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I see the Minister of Finance.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Thank you very much Mr Deputy Speaker. Mr Deputy Speaker I rise to perhaps just mention a few points and in support and ask that this House supports this piece of legislation. You know we in the previous debate spoke about good governance and how we spend our money and we have set up an organisation called the Economic Development Partnership. From the province's point of view the EDP is a mechanism to give practical effect to the slogan "better together", in other words the EDP provides a platform through which the whole of society approach can be organised to address issues of inclusive and resilient growth and to better connect and align markets, plans and institutions, and Mr Deputy Speaker the EDP is based on

the notion that Government on its own cannot address all socio-economic challenges in our society, especially the persistent issues of poverty, inequality and unemployment and so this Economic Development Partnership has been set up and what we are doing now is we actually have a number of organisations that we fund like special purpose vehicles etcetera, but in this space we are saying let us pass a piece of legislation that actually puts it into a legislative space so when we spend money on this organisation it officially and properly gives us that representation within that organisation. Perhaps just for this House just to highlight some of the activities that this organisation has undertaken over the last while. It is I think most prominently the fair process, following the unrest in our agricultural space and it is a very, very key important part of our economy and the role that they have played.

The One Cape Data is a project where we have to bring both private sector and public sector data together and we are already running internally our dashboards on it and we will launch that early next year so that businesses and private sector individuals and governments have got one space where they can pull data to make educated decisions. Looking at building the regional innovation system, we know we are innovative. How do we pull that together so that we can actually go to the market in a far stronger way, a far more competitive way in the innovation space, telling the common regional business story? We know we are pretty good at certain things but how do we bring it together under the economy and tell that business story, so that we have far more investments like those ones that I was talking about?

Earlier looking at partnership exchanges, we have developed partnership

exchanges within the country and internationally and looking at a few

research projects to name one, the Zero Hunger Economic Inclusion and Food

Economy in the Western Cape and then interaction specifically with the

National Planning Commission, and I think that really has brought it all

together in a good way. So if I can then with that say to this House I do trust

that we are going to pass this piece of legislation. It really just formalises the

relationship and the process of where we spend money in this space. Thank

you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I see the hon member Mr Haskin.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Mr Deputy Speaker the ACDP rises in support of this

Bill. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you hon member Mr Von Brandis.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Mr Deputy Speaker the Standing Committee of

Economic Development considered the Western Cape

Membership of the Western Cape Economic Development Partnership Bill and

referred it to this House in terms of Standing Rule 71 and we supported the

Bill without amendments on the 15th of November. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you hon. Minister Winde reply?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Thank you very much Mr Deputy Speaker. I am not going to spend too much time on it other than to say thank you very much to the Committee for dealing with this piece of legislation and to all the political parties for their support in this piece of legislation. It is good news for us, good news for the economy and I think it actually shows this legislature support for the work and the process that they are busy doing there. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. That concludes the debate on this Order. Are there any objections to the finalisation of the Bill? No objections? Agreed to. The Secretary will read the Bill.

Western Cape Membership of the Western Cape Economic Development

Partnership Bill [B 8 - 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic

Development and Tourism).

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Bill will now be sent to the Premier for assent. Before we conclude I have two rulings which I wanted to give in the presence of certain members but seeing that we are busy with our last sitting here I am going to proceed giving the rulings in any case for guidance at least when we start the year fresh that we know where we are standing, and if there is a need for a withdrawal of something that will be done at the next sitting.

During debate on 21 November hon member Mr Ncedana used the words or used words to the effect that "certain people hated black people." These words in the translated form were "the way you hate a black person."

A point of order was then raised by the hon member Ms Rossouw that the remark was levelled at members across the floor of the House and should therefore be ruled unparliamentary. That remark being levelled at a member of the House, it certainly would be unparliamentary.

The Deputy Speaker then enquired from the hon member Mr Ncedana whether his remark was indeed aimed at members of the House. He denied that it was and said it referred to the Democratic Alliance in general and as an honourable member his word was accepted and he was not required to withdraw it. That is the standard practice and we have always applied it that way and we will continue to do so but members also have a duty not to abuse the privilege of freedom of speech in this House by making statements which they themselves suspect could be unparliamentary just to score political points.

If one reads the Hansard the deduction could very well be that his reference was indeed levelled at members across the floor and not to the political party in general as he later explained. However as indicated above I have accepted his word as an hon member that he did not refer to specific members of the House and that closes this particular matter.

Hon member Ms Rossouw also enquired whether the word "hate" as used by the Hon member Mr Ncedana was parliamentary. Although it is a very strong word to describe relations between racial groups, its use in that context should be discouraged since it adds nothing to the good order and decorum of the House, it cannot be ruled unparliamentary in its general use. As indicated if used in relation to members of the House it would be unparliamentary. That disposes of the first one.

The second one relates also to an incident on the same day on 21 November.

The hon member Mr Wiley made a statement to the House and he said *inter alia*: "Robert McBride is a convicted terrorist."

The honourable leader of the opposition Ms Brown later interjected: "The real terrorists are sitting on the other side of the House", which could be a reference to members of this House. The Chair was then requested to rule on the remark. I indicated at the time I would do so after considering the full Hansard. I have now had the opportunity to do so. At the time I allowed the honourable leader of the opposition Ms Brown to address the chair and she made the point that people such as Mr McBride fought in "an honourable war from our side" as part of the "liberation movement". She also said: "Maybe where the hon member Mr Wiley has found himself in the SADF and so forth that was an honourable war."

The hon member Mr Wiley then pointed out that Mr McBride was found guilty in a court of law. The gist of the argument of the honourable leader of

the opposition Ms Brown seems to be that a person who fought in "an

honourable war" in either a liberation movement or the SADF pre-1994 may

not necessarily be regarded a terrorist today.

That is a different point of argument and my ruling is not about that. The

word "terrorist" has a very specific meaning. The South African Concise

Oxford Dictionary defines it as "a person who uses violence and intimidation

in the pursuit of political aims."

This is not the kind of behaviour that can be associated with members of the

House who are all honourable members. What is at stake here is therefore not

the word "terrorist" in isolation but its use to describe members as such.

Therefore describing fellow members as terrorists is certainly not

parliamentary. The honourable leader of the opposition Ms Brown will be

asked at the next sitting to explain what she meant by that and if necessary

she will be requested to withdraw the word if it refers to members.

Thank you. That disposes of that.

Mr J J VISSER: Sorry Mr Deputy Speaker can I address you on this?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Not on my ruling; on the rulings or in general?

Mr J J VISSER: On one of the rulings.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am not allowing it, if you want to say something

quickly but in general, but on the ruling specifically. Are you done? Hon

Minister Carlisle.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Well I just did not

feel it was appropriate to discuss this with some of the members not here,

seeing it affected both sides.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay fine.

An HON MEMBER: Exactly, exactly!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Can we then proceed? Order! As is our

tradition I will now afford representatives of parties an opportunity to

address the House on the occasion of the end of the year and the end of the

session. Will COPE, is COPE taking the opportunity? Thank you.

Me J A VAN ZYL: Dankie mnr Adjunkspeaker. Namens COPE wil ons net vir

elke departement, elke staatsamptenaar wat hierdie jaar baie hard gewerk het

om 'n sukses te maak van die jaar om die mense daar buite te dien, 'n

Geseënde Kersfees toewens en 'n baie Voorspoedige Nuwejaar en ook so aan

die DA, ek is nie vandag hier om julle skoene te 'polish' nie, maar daar is nie

'n regering in die wêreld wat nie foute maak nie. Dankie vir dit wat julle

gedoen het hierdie jaar. Daar is werklik 'n verskil en ek dink die ANC ly nog

bietjie aan geboorteskok met die opkoms van die Wes-Kaap wat duidelik

ligjare vooruit is teenoor die res van die land. Baie dankie. [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Die OD.

Mr R B LENTIT: Mr Speaker I wish all members of this House well over the Festive Season. We must keep in mind that during this happy period there are always tragedies on our roads. It does not matter what awareness and preventative measures the Western Cape Government put in place and I hope that our Government's effort in this period will keep all road users safe, also alcohol related violence, domestic violence and gang related violence causes unnecessary backlogs at our already overburdened emergency unit at all our health facilities. Let us keep our emergency staff in our prayers over this Festive Season as it is them that have to be on duty 24/7 a day to deal with the causes of dangerous human behaviour while we enjoy family time and rest. Enjoy your family. God bless!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you the ID. The ACDP.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. The ACDP wants to wish all members of this Government and of the Legislature and all staff a peaceful Christmas and holiday season and a successful 2014. I want to thank everybody for the hard work that it has taken to get this legislature to be a very productive one in 2013. 2014 is going to be a challenging year politically, economically, socially for families, civil society organisations and individuals and also there is an election and I want to use this

opportunity to appeal to all political parties for a mature and sustainable electioneering. It is not socially or politically sustainable to sow racial division in the time of an election to destabilise communities or the economy or any sector of the economy, to threaten violence or to use coercion as a tool to garner political support, because these actions further undermine what little racial and social unity there is in the Western Cape. It negatively affects our economy thus inhibiting our development trajectory and it further damages the already negative view that the public has of political parties, politicians and the general political processes that we want all South Africans in the Western Cape to become part of. So we are appealing to all political parties to engage in sustainable and mature electioneering in 2014. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Die DA. Agb Minister Botha.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Mr Deputy Speaker thank you very much for the opportunity to bring this message. I want to take the opportunity to thank all members of the House, even in their absence for their involvement in the past year and for what they have contributed. It is also important to recognise those behind the scenes and those are the officials, the secretaries, the media people, the researchers and specifically also parliamentary staff so I want to say thank you on behalf of this House for them.

A special thanks to the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker and their staff for your contributions during the past year. We cannot go without recognising and saying or conveyance of our gratitude to the committee Chairpersons and committee members. You have done again a wonderful task in your committees and I want to thank you on behalf of the House for that.

I need to acknowledge the functioning and successes of the Cabinet. I thank every member of Cabinet for your hard work through the year. It has been again a very pleasant experience. Thank you to our departments and the administration as a whole. You have ensured that we are outperforming all other provinces in South Africa.

We specifically in this time want to think of the nurses, the paramedics, the police, the traffic staff and all those who will be working while most of us will be resting, and who will keep our people safe and protect them and help them when they need help.

I believe I speak on behalf of all when I thank the Premier Ms Helen Zille for her leadership through the past year. Premier, Hon Premier, your vision, leadership and guidance had a positive effect not only on your colleagues but on the broad population of our province. Through economic development, through agriculture, through arts, culture and sport, through social development, through education, through health, through every aspect of our Government it has a positive effect on our population. Thank you very much. Your name will be engraved in the history of our country not only for your activism to liberate South Africa from apartheid to a democracy but also for liberating South Africa from a bad Government to a clean Government.

This is also a time which I think we should use to think and reflect and to do

self-evaluation and the big question I think as a politician to ask ourselves is

in this era and this past year what have we contributed to make South Africa

a better place through the means that were available for us to do so. I think

that by doing that that should determine your objectives for the new year and

I want to invite every member of this House even in the absence of our

Opposition to really do that self-reflection to be able to determine your

contribution that you want to make in the year ahead.

Lastly may you all have a blessed and a peaceful recess and Festive Season.

Enjoy the time with your family and your loved ones and return safely for the

last stretch in 2014. Be moderate and responsible in your celebrations. Thank

you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you Minister Botha. Before we adjourn may

I just remind honourable members, those who are here but also those who

perhaps may not be here, that the Speaker is hosting a lunch immediately

after the adjournment in the dining room. We all are most welcome there.

'n AGBARE LID: Mooi!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. That concludes the business of the day.

The House is adjourned.

The House adjourned at 13:45