
THURSDAY, 1 AUGUST 2013

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

The House met at 14:15.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

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The SPEAKER: Before we go to the interpellations I will call on the Deputy Speaker to give guidance about last week's sitting. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you members. As the Speaker has indicated I would like to give some guidance about monitoring matters relating to last week's sitting which I hope will help members in future.

During the debate on 25 July there were various references to parties in this House which certainly did not uphold the dignity and decorum of the House. I refer to the repeated reference by the hon Tingwe to the 'Dagga Alliance', and the 'Dagga Alliance' led government referenced by the hon member Mr Magaxa to the DA as an organisation of drug alliance, as well as the Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sports' reference to the ANC as the African National Corruption.

I indicated at the time that these references were not unparliamentary and were used to

make political points and that remains so. However, as the legislature and as public representatives of the people of our province we do have a duty to uphold the dignity and good order of our legislature, and the continued use of these types of derogatory references certainly will not assist us in doing that. May I therefore appeal to members and particularly also to the whips to keep this in mind at all times. The Chair certainly has the discretion to rule such references out of order should they persist.

Let me also give guidance on a further matter. Often members accuse one another of “not speaking the truth” or they say “that is untrue” or they say “this is an untruth” or “that is false” or “the member is misleading the House”, and then members turn to the Chair to rule that unparliamentary. Such statements per se are not unparliamentary. Only when those statements are accompanied by intent do they become unparliamentary, for example if you were to say you are not speaking the truth and you know it or that is a deliberate untruth or that is a blatant untruth or if you say he is deliberately misleading the House. However, to accuse a member of lying or of being a liar would be outright unparliamentary. In other words, a clear distinction is drawn between words such as untruth, not true, false etc. on the one hand, which are parliamentary provided no intent is added, and liar and lying on the other hand, which are unparliamentary. Of course there may be more varied and creative ways of conveying a message that a statement is untrue or a lie which often make it difficult for the Chair to rule on but generally the distinction which I explained above will apply.

In the last sitting there was also the topic of a point of order raised by the hon member

Mr Ozinsky in relation to a statement made by the Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport when the Minister, referring to the hon member Ms Tingwe, said “she was not speaking the truth”. That statement is therefore not unparliamentary as I have just explained. Had the Minister added intent or accused her of lying that would have made in unparliamentary. Let me also point out that it is not a valid point of order to allege that a member is misleading the House. Those points should be dealt with politically, that is, it should be countered in debate by way of a motion, by way of a statement or whatever. I hope that will assist members in future.

Thank you. We now come to the Order Paper for the day. I see the hon Chief Whip.

Ms A ROSSOUW : Mr Speaker, I move that notwithstanding Rule 198 precedence be given to the Orders of the Day.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Is there any objection to the motion that precedence be given to the Orders of the Day? No objection.

Agreed to.

We then come to the first Order. The secretary will read the first Order.

The SECRETARY: Finalisation of the *Western Cape Investment and Trade Promotion Agency Amendment Bill* [B1 – 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism).

The MINISTER OF FINANCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. I rise to speak on this amendment bill. This is an amendment bill on the *Western Cape Investment and Trade Promotion Agency Act of 1996*, which changes the powers and functions of the Western Cape Investment and Trade Promotion Agency and contains technical amendments around the processes of the board and the appointment of the board. At the same time it dis-establishes the destination marketing organisation, it repeals the Western Cape Tourism Act of 2004 and provides for matters incidental thereto.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the boards of both of the agencies or the organisations in this process. I think what is happening here is that we have got to bring in or consolidate the market facing front of this government and of this province. I would also like to thank those officials who spent a long time putting this amendment process together. It was a process that had to be managed and I thank them for that. I also thank the standing committee for dealing with the process so expeditiously so that we can actually move on to allowing this newly created or added extra work for Wesgro to really flow smoothly. I think it is already evident in the growth in international investment coming into the region and foreign direct investment, the number of foreign direct investors coming in, the percentage that they deal of the foreign direct investment, as well as the growth in the tourism numbers. I think it is already bearing fruit. Thank you very much.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. I am on record since the outset of this process to incorporate Cape Town Roots Unlimited, the tourism body that steered tourism in the Province into Wesgro. I am not supporting it at all. CTRU

as a body in its own right was extremely successful in both the management of the board and the business of tourism in the province. They successfully marketed and put the Western Cape on the map both nationally and internationally. Their annual audited reports are a reflection of their impeccable financial management. Wesgro on the other hand did not have such a clean record in terms of their audited reports which have been debated ad nauseam in this House and in Scopa. On the pretext of a holistic approach and to eradicate duplication of duty and mandate this process was started. Mr Deputy Speaker, why would two different entities, governed by two separate Acts, have duplication in their mandate for so long? The unfortunate thing for CTRU though was that the Western Cape Tourism Act of 2004 did not allow for the incorporation of Wesgro. The Wesgro Act however allowed for CTRU to be incorporated. This is the loophole that MEC Winde and the Department of Economic Development and Tourism used to close down a perfectly functioning entity.

Further, this amendment bill intends to amend the constitution of the board, allows the MEC to intervene in the appointment of the chairperson and the rights the chairperson on the board, and amends the terms of office of board members. It adds a whole new tourism promotion destination marketing duty and it allows Wesgro to accept donations for tourism and events. It amends the qualification and function of the CEO to include tourism. It dis-establishes the destination marketing organisation established in terms of the Western Cape Tourism Act of 2004. It also repeals the Western Cape Tourism Act of 2004. If this amendment bill were to be applied to the letter then all of CTRU staff and assets and liabilities would become the responsibility of Wesgro. This was unfortunately not the case. Not all staff were taken over. My concern is how those who were brave enough to accept the merger and move to

Wesgro were incorporated into the bigger structure. At what level are their competencies being utilised? Do they have the freedom of movement, involvement, contribution and are there sustainable growth opportunities for them? Does Wesgro really have the infrastructure and the manpower to be able to do justice to this new mandate? I am not convinced and therefore we will not support this Bill.

Mr G C R HASKIN: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. The ACDP rises in support of the board principles of this step. We will just however ask that the relevant board that is dis-established and the annual report of this dis-established board for the relevant financial years still appear in front of Scopa in the annual reporting process. Not only in the October/ November 2013 process but also in the 2014 process so that we do not have a repeat of a previous incidence where a board was closed down and the members of the board were not available to Scopa so that Scopa could exercise oversight. So if the Minister can give us that undertaking please then I think we would all be very pleased. Thank you very much, Mr Deputy Speaker.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Mr Deputy Speaker, the *Western Cape Investment on Trade Promotion Agency Amendment Bill* was introduced to the standing committee on Finance, Economic Development and Tourism on 8 May 2013. This was followed up by a public hearing on 12 June 2013 in the Chamber and another public hearing in George on 21 June 2013.

On 21 June 2013 the committee adopted the bill as a whole. No objections were raised. It was the opinion of the committee that the legislation is desirable to amend the Western Cape Investment and Trade Promotion Agency Act so as to extend the

powers and functions of the agency and the powers and duties of directors of the board and the chief executive officer and to include tourism promotion. Further aims were to delete certain obsolete definitions and provisions relating to the members of the agency and to amend the constitution of the board. A very important amendment to this Bill is the dis-establishment of the destination marketing organisation and to repeal the Western Cape Tourism Act of 2004. The DA supports this Bill.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Thank you very much, Mr Deputy Speaker. I think first of all to the hon member Ms Beerwinkel, I do not know if I should be saving her here or not but she has said and been consistent in not actually agreeing with this process. However, I was quite shocked to hear that the chairperson did not disagree with her in the committee process. I mean you should have been consistent in carrying that through, but that aside, that is your job. You are oversight and you need to be concerned in some of these spaces. I ask you to go out and talk to the regions because obviously the concern is whether we are getting ample coverage on tourism and our tourism spend in conjunction with marketing not being lost. I understand that concern but I say to you, go out into the regions and ask them whether they are better off or not. I will tell you right now that you will find consistently across the regions that they will all say that they are better off today than they were then.

I also want to say that this was a process of the board leadership actually taking control in part of this discussion and the board leadership played a prominent role. That takes me to the hon member Mr Haskin's point on making sure that we follow through with all the correct reporting and that the full process is open to scrutiny by

Scopa. I absolutely support you in that. We have to make sure that the audit processes are completed, that that specific board remains the board that has to stand responsible for all of those actions. They have given me that undertaking and of course you also, as Scopa, have the power to subpoena them but I would imagine that they would come and attend any oversight process that you would ask them to. I was with the board as they were winding down their last responsibilities, thanking them all for the role that they played in the process leading up to this change. They were definitely very proactive in this process and in actual fact a number of the CTRU board members are still very much involved in the process now with Wesgro. Can I also thank the chairperson for steering this through the legislative process and the public participation process. We are in a space now where we can stop worrying about the legislation and now worry about the delivery which is really the most important thing. We have to make sure that we grow our economy, that we create the jobs and make the change for the people in this province. Thank you very much.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: That concludes the debate on this Order. Are there any objections to the finalisation of this bill? No objection?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Is there an objection?

An HON MEMBER : The ANC is not agreeing to it.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: There is an objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are you objecting to it?

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The objection of the ANC is recorded. Please next time the whips must just rise and record the objection. I have asked for that. It will be recorded.

Agreed to (ANC dissenting).

The Secretary will read the Bill.

The SECRETARY: *The Western Cape Investment and Trade Promotion Agency Amendment Bill.*

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The bill will now be sent to the Premier for assent. The Secretary will read the second order.

The SECRETARY: Finalisation of the *Western Cape Seventeenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill* [B3 – 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism).

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: As there is no list of speakers, are there any objections to the finalisation of this Bill?

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Just a declaration, Mr Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, please.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Thank you. Mr Deputy Speaker, on paper this is merely a technical amendment to ensure flexibility of tenure of board members, and also to amend the Act so that annual licence and investigation fees can be prescribed by regulation as opposed to an Act. The concern, Mr Deputy Speaker, is that if the law allows for an appointment of a board member for four years why are members appointed for lesser terms to start off with? Is this new process not being utilised in order to further the agenda of ensuring that board members who are loyal to the DA and its interests carry out your instructions? [Interjections.]

If the excuse is that the legal process to advertise and reappoint takes too much time are there any legal impediments for the MC to start the process earlier then? If there is none then the agenda is essentially to maintain the current support of members and to legislate for inefficiency. We do not have a problem with the amendment nonetheless.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any further declarations? No.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS : Mr Deputy Speaker, I can just say that this Bill went before the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Development and Tourism on 8 May. Public hearings were held in Cape Town on 12 June and the purpose was described there as well as providing for fees to be prescribed by regulation, which are very important, which give more flexibility to the department and the Minister. This was agreed to by the committee with no objections on 12 June 2013. The DA supports this bill.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any further declarations? Is there any objection to the Bill being agreed to and finalised? No objection.

Agreed to.

The Secretary will read the bill.

The SECRETARY: *Western Cape Seventeenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill*.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Secretary will read the third Order of the Day.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of principle of the *Western Cape Eighteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill* [B4 – 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism).

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER: As there is no list of speakers I now put the principle of the Bill and the schedule. Any objections?

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: It is not an objection, Mr Deputy Speaker. It is just a declaration.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: A declaration. I will allow that.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, it is common knowledge that the

exclusivity rights or licence of four casinos has lapsed. The only remaining one is Worcester run by Tsogo Sun which will expire in May 2016. This has resulted in a loss of revenue for the provincial revenue fund. In order to ensure that the income stream to the provincial revenue fund continues the decision has been made not to reinstate the exclusivity right as yet but rather to increase the tax band by two percent flat rate in six different tax bands. Anticipated revenue for the province should amount to approximately R25 million per annum. These funds would be used to ensure that the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board is self-sustainable and can do its work, but mostly to make up for loss of income due to the expiry of exclusivity periods.

The question that we ask, however, is whether the loss to the provincial revenue fund could not have been strengthened earlier by a gradual increase to the taxable income of casinos. We await with interest the decision on exclusivity rights and how the province is going to deal with the closing down of, or relocation of new casinos as this is a hotly debated source of income for casino operators. We do not have any objection to this.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any further declarations?

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Mr Deputy Speaker, the bill was introduced to the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Development and Tourism on 15 May 2013. A public hearing was held in Cape Town on 12 June 2013. The purpose of this bill is to increase the revenue to ensure that the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board remains self-sustainable in order to continue to effectively regulate the gambling and

racine industry.

Presentations were made by the casino operators Tsogo Sun and Sun International on 21 June 2013. The committee adopted the bill as a whole with no objection. The DA supports this bill. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Any further declarations? I will then put the principle. No objection?

Agreed to.

Now, for the finalisation of the bill. I see the Chief Whip.

Ms A ROSSOUW: Mr Deputy Speaker, I move that notwithstanding Rule 161(3) of the Standing Rules, the House proceeds with the finalisation of the *Western Cape Eighteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill* today.

MR DEPUTY SPEAKER: No objections?

Agreed to.

Are there any objections that the bill be finalised? No objections.

Agreed to.

The Secretary will read the bill.

The SECRETARY: *Western Cape Eighteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill*

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The bill will be sent to the Premier for assent. The Secretary will read the fourth order.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of the Report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Development on the *Tourism Bill* [B 44D – 2012] (NCOP). Ratification of final mandate. (See Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, p)

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. The Legislature received the report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Development on the *Tourism Bill*, conferring authority on the Western Cape delegation in the NCOP to not support this bill with amendments. This mandate has been sent to the NCOP.

Are there any objections to the ratification of the conferment of authority on the Western Cape delegation in the NCOP not to support the bill? There is an objection. Is it a declaration?

Ms C BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, my chairperson and I are at each other today.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member?

An HON MEMBER: It is interesting.

Ms C BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, it is rather disingenuous for the DA to vote against this bill that aims to eradicate the fragmentation of the tourism industry across the country. The bill also seeks to govern the development and promotion of sustainable tourism, put in place a national tourism sector strategy norms and standards, codes of good practice, a tourism grading system, a tourism and tourist protection system and the regulation of tourist guides. It also provides for the appointment of provincial registrars of tourist guides with a whole host of duties.

It also speaks to the appointment of a board and CEO to provide for matters relating to meetings, funding, financial accountability and the remuneration of members. The bill allows for the national minister to assign an oversight function to a body of his choice subject to the Public Finance Management Act.

The bill does not infringe on the provincial competency to legislate on tourism matters. Bearing in mind that we have already spoken about the Wesgro amendment bill, there are no conflicts with the Wesgro amendment bill.

Mr Deputy Speaker, in spite of the good intention of this legislation, the DA now decides to vote against it. The reason given is for minor technicalities, which in essence, do not affect the main purpose and intent of the bill, thereby forgetting the bigger picture. This bill is yet to appear before national parliament for ratification. That means that there is still an open window for concerns to be raised and comment

to be made by their very own members in that House. Based on the above intent of this bill, we the ANC, therefore support it.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Mr Deputy Speaker, the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Development and Tourism, having considered the *Tourism Bill*, recommended that the House confers on the Western Cape delegation in the NCOP the authority not to support the bill.

According to the committee report – and I beg the members to read this report, it is two pages long - the committee makes several proposed amendments to this bill for consideration by the NCOP Select Committee. Even though the national Department of Tourism suggested that the NCOP Select Committee consider our proposed amendments, the NCOP Select Committee rejected these proposals without giving any reasons for the decision.

Further, it does appear that the bill to be voted on does not appear in every respect to be the version in fact agreed on by the NCOP Select Committee. Now, how can we support this? Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there further declarations of vote? I then put the question; is there any objection that we agree to this? There is an objection?

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Agreed to (ANC dissenting).

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: It will be recorded. That brings us then to the end of the Orders of the Day. We revert to the interpellations and questions. The Speaker will take over from here.

INTERPELLATIONS:

Interpellation standing over from Thursday, 25 July 2013, as agreed to by the House:

Pollution: Fish factory in Hout Bay

3. Mr M Ncedana asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

What is his department doing about the high levels of pollution caused by a fish factory in Hout Bay?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The fish factory referred to, Oceana Brands, is in possession of an atmospheric emission licence for animal matter processing which was issued in terms of the National Environmental Management Air Quality Act, Act 39 of 2004. The licencing of the fishmeal factory forms part of the Atmospheric Pollution Prevention Act, Act 45 of 1965, and the Air Quality Act transition process, and was informed by all spheres of government. As such, this comprehensive atmospheric emission licence stipulates strict conditions that must be complied with in order for the fish factory to continue with its operations. These

include, amongst others, an odour management plan to identify and control emission sources with the aim of reducing the impact of odours on the surrounding community and the maintenance of a complaints register.

It is important to note that the plant has been in existence for more than 40 years and is a registered ... [Inaudible.] ... trade with the City of Cape Town. The plant operates on best practices and is the leading fishmeal plant in South Africa in terms of odour abatement technology.

Since 2008 the following improvements to the plant were undertaken by the fish factory concerned:

Extraction ducts were installed to collect odour emissions from the processing plant and direct these emissions for incineration in the boiler combustion chamber or directly to the liquid chemical scrubbing unit. The three fish storage pits were completely closed and the refrigeration system, which circulates cold air at a temperature of five degrees, was installed in 2010.

The conveyance system, which transports fish to the fish cookers, was upgraded in 2011 which further ensures that maximum vapour is directed to the odour scrubbing unit. The new, bigger and highly efficient sea water scrubber was installed and commissioned in 2012. This higher capacity scrubber allows for more contact time between the vapours and sea water in order to scrub out the condensable vapour.

The old existing sea water scrubber was converted to a second chemical scrubbing

tank. This increases capacity and contact time with the oxidised agent, which aids with odour removal and inhibits bacterial growth. Thank you.

Mr M NCEDANA: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. We have raised this issue a number of times because we are hoping that the government can get to the bottom of it with the residents of Hout Bay. The community of Hout Bay has been consistently complaining about the Oceana fish factory due to the smell that comes from that factory.

I now hear that the Minister is talking about the equipment that is used there being probably more than 40 years old, but at the same time saying the equipment is functioning effectively, if I understand well. However, the issue is that there has been a complaint from that particular community about the smell and in particular, the business community recently. They are saying that over the weekend and public holidays it is difficult to be outside and enjoy the air coming purely from the sea, the fresh air so to speak, because of the smell that comes from that factory. I think the department should investigate this specific issue so that if there are such complaints, such complaints are deal with. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Just to explain to the hon member Mr Ncedana that the factory is more than 40 years old and the reason I mentioned that is because we see it more and more with these factories, as a result of bad planning, that residential areas are allowed to encroach on them. It is then that you experience all these kinds of problems. However, the equipment they use is new

equipment. That is why we enforce it, we inspect them, we show them norms and standards that they must adhere to. The factories currently do whatever is possible to upgrade their technology so that they can deal with the odours and so forth.

Also during 2012, the fish factory concerned employed an independent consultant to look at the H₂S emissions emitted from this plant. At present there are no legal standards or threshold levels for H₂S and this is problematic. So, the Department of Environmental Affairs has commenced an ... [Inaudible.] ... limit of five milligram per cubic metre for a fishmeal processing factory. We measure them on a regular basis, and the highest levels currently recorded for our own data, was 0.23 milligrams per cubic metre at the cooker, and below 0.17 milligrams per cubic metre at the scrubber and the boiler. Currently we are monitoring and trying our best to work with factories. It is not the only factory in the province. There are a couple more factories that we monitor and that is why it is important that we do invest in the right equipment so that we as a province can monitor them and then interact with them so that in the long run, if the factories do not work with us, we can make out a legal case to challenge them.

Mr M G E WILEY: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, and to the Minister for illustrating that his department is on top of this so-called pollution debate. However, I think the real pollution of Hout Bay harbour is not being discussed. If you read the 19 July *Sentinel* newspaper, and I quote:

“The last tenant is preparing to leave the rotting carcass, the Hout Bay harbour’s white elephant, the ill-fated fish factory of Chantal [Inaudible.]

with the future of the mammoth building still unknown. The Industrial Development Corporation took over the administration of this building and we have been stuck in the situation where we never know where we are from one day to the next, says the last tenant. We are the last tenants and the building is falling apart.”

This building cost, just some five or six years ago, was some R20 million, built by the IDC as a favour to an ANC member. In light of the above ... [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: On a point of order.

The SPEAKER: Order.

Mr M OZINSKY: I want to ask the relevance of this because the fish factory referred to is not the factory that the hon member Mr Wiley is referring to ...

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: and secondly ...

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: ... that factory is closed ...

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: ... so it is not even polluting ... What is he talking about?

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky, take your seat please. I will decide about the relevance of the statement. Thank you. Order! Order! Hon member Mr Ozinsky, order!

Mr M G E WILEY: Mr Speaker, the Question Paper does not refer to a specific fish factory, it talks about pollution at a fish factory.

Mr M OZINSKY: [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon member Mr Ozinsky, order!

Mr M G E WILEY: In light of the above, we must not forget that the IDC is a financial institution and has failed dismally in the upkeep of the building, and that R3.5 million will be required just to get it back into working order. But that is not the worst of it. The real worst of it is – I have made a couple of speeches in this House relating to the trawlers lying at the bottom of the harbour governed by the National Department of Public Works and also Marine and Coastal Management ...
[Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: What is the relevance of that ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky, order!

Mr M G E WILEY: My first speech to this House was about five trawlers lying at the bottom of the ocean. Then there were six. There are now nine trawlers with their loads of oil and diesel lying at the bottom of the harbour, and the answer of Fisheries is that they sent notices to the owners that the ...[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Wiley, please finish your statement.

Mr M G E WILEY: ... must be removed.

The SPEAKER: You may finish your last sentence.

Mr M G E WILEY: Thank you very much.

Mr SPEAKER: Order, hon members. Hon member Mr Ozinsky, order! Hon member Ms Mbalo, over to you.

Ms B G MBALO: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The matter of pollution control has been discussed in this Chamber on various occasions and we do not see light at the end of the tunnel. What is the MEC actually doing to ensure proper control and enforcement as there are too many complaints of pollution when it comes to our waterways, rivers, estuaries and harbours. It does not help to make a case for this ... [Inaudible.] ... and that function. We need to see a comprehensive plan with an integrated approach, especially to know what the protocol is when there are intergovernmental responsibilities with another sphere of government.

The MEC must show us exactly where his Green Scorpions take control and what is given to the Green Scorpions. What is the role of pollution control in this? Coastal Management must also be clearly defined and plugged into this approach. This MEC also leads local government and should co-ordinate the role of all municipalities in an effort to get a better grip on the problem.

There are many more fish plants along our coast line. Can the MEC give us an indication of precisely what role his department plays in respect of planning permissions, EIA's and other processes in ensuring that best practices are adhered to? We need to know what the general standards are and how this legislature can plug into that to play its oversight role to the fullest. Thank you.

Mr M NCEDANA: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. It is said that three crewmen eventually died due to toxins from one of the factories. It is said they died within 45 to 60 minutes after entering the factory. The issue of interest here is that there is a complaint from the community and our plea is that the MEC ... Part of the complaint is that they have not been able to get a precise answer from the government.

Now, I understand the MEC is saying that he has a team working on it. Our request is that the MEC make an effort to talk to the residents of Hout Bay on these issues of concern and how they can be addressed. I think that is the most important aspect of it.

Without drawing politics into it because that is mad, I see no DA member, no COPE member and no ANC member. It affects that community and that is the issue that we

would like, as the Congress of the People, to see the government responding to. Perhaps today there will be no time to say what you are going to do but we would appreciate getting some steps just to listen to them. If there is no way we can resolve the matter then they must be informed of that specific issue.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, Mr Speaker. We are very serious in the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning about the constitutional rights of the people of this province to clean air and clean water. We have got various programs running. We have got river cleaning programs running, but this is not the question today. The Green Scorpions are doing wonderful work and obviously we would like to expand that kind of work. There are huge legal issues that we need to sort out, but they clamp down on illegal dumping, on refuse sites, on sewerage plants that pollute our rivers, and so it is a big field. We really are busy doing that so that we can adhere to the constitutional rights of the people.

On the fish factory, due to the concerns that exist with regard to the exposure of the surrounding communities to the high levels of pollution, my department has commissioned an ambient air quality monitoring station at the Sentinel Primary School in Hout Bay. This station is equipped with instruments to monitor the air quality in the area. The results of our monitoring efforts will be published in the monthly report and in the Annual State of Air Quality Management Report that my department compiles. The first monthly report for the stations can be expected in October 2013 and from then on, we will on a monthly basis publish this report, and that will lead to constructive debate on these issues. We must realise that there are

also members in the community who just want the factory gone so that they can have a better view. It must be based on facts. We will keep on measuring and that is why it is so important that the system that we are busy building ... We as a province currently have nine monitoring stations. We must remember at the end of the day, these actions will end up in court actions and we must be able to build a record so that we can defend our case. Currently we are going to up this to 12 and I think the City of Cape Town has 13 air monitoring stations. So that is what we are currently busy doing and as soon as we have all the facts in a row we will be more than willing to interact with the community. Thank you Mr Speaker.

New interpellation:

Support of international partners: municipal programme implementation

1. Mr J J Visser asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

What are the programmes that have been or will be implemented in municipalities in the Western Cape through the support of international partners?

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Dankie, mnr die Speaker. Die Departement van Plaaslike Regering het 'n vennootskap met internasionale skenkers aangeaan, naamlike GIZ en die Hans Seidel Stigting, om tegniese ondersteuning te bied aan 'n aantal munisipliteite in die Wes-Kaap. Die aard van hierdie tegniese ondersteuning gebied deur GIZ vir die afgelope jaar sluit die volgende in:

Weskus-distrikmunisipaliteit:

'n Diensverskaffer is aangestel om 'n gereedheidsoudit uit te voer ten einde die vlak van gereedheid in die distrik te bepaal om gereelde gedeelte dienste te implementeer. Dit is iets wat al groter gaan raak en ek dink dit is iets waar ons as 'n provinsie weer eens 'n voorbeeld kan wees. Tegnieese ondersteuning met die ontwikkeling van 'n gedeelde diens-model en tegnieese ondersteuning met die ontwikkeling van 'n inter-munisipale samewerkingsmodel deur hierdie vennootskap in the Weskus-distrikmunisipaliteit het die volgende sukses behaal:

'n Risikobestuurder is aangestel en 'n funksionele risikobestuur gedeelte diens is operasioneel. Vier van ons B-munisipaliteite in the Weskusdistrik het reeds 'n Memorandum van Ooreenkoms geteken naamlik, Matsikama, Bergrivier, Swartland en Cederberg.

Dan in die Sentraal Karoo-distrikmunisipaliteit: Tegnieese ondersteuning is voorsien om te help met die ontwikkeling van 'n gedeelde dienste-model vir sakebedrywighe, strategiese en regsdiens. Bykommende ondersteuning is ook verleen met die implementering van 'n interne oudit gedeelde diens vir die distrik.

In Eden-distrikmunisipaliteit is 'n diensverskaffer aangestel om 'n gedeelde diens status-oudit uit te voer. Die status-oudit verskaf aan Edendistrik 'n duidelike aanduiding van hoe om verder voort te gaan met die implementering van gedeelde dienste. Dit is een van die distrikte waarmee ons so 'n bietjie gesukkel het en hulle is

besig om ook nou uit die grond uit op te staan.

Die aanduidings is dat GIZ sal voortgaan om steun te verleen aan munisipaliteite in die provinsie gedurende die 2014 finansiële jaar met die ondersteuning en implementering van 'n aantal projekte. Hulle sluit in:

Die Weskusdistrik met ondersteuning vir die verspreiding van plaaslike ekonomiese ontwikkelingsprojekte.

Dan is daar raadslidopleiding. Die Hans Seidel Stigting, in vennootskap met die Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, het ... [Onhoorbaar.] ... raadslidopleiding gebied aan raadslede in die Wes-Kaap. Opleiding: Fase 2-opleiding bestaan uit nege geakkrediteerde modules en ons het ongeveer 1 481 raadslede daardeur bereik.

Wetstoepassingsbeamptes is opgelei. Opleiding vir wetstoepassingsbeamptes is ook aangebied en 78 munisipale amptenare in die provinsie is daardeur geraak. Goeie bestuursprojekte in terme van ... [Tussenwerpsels.] [Tyd verstreke.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, your time has expired. Thank you. Hon member Mr Visser over to you.

Mnr J J VISSER: Dankie, mnr die Speaker. Ek dink dit is algemene kennis dat munisipaliteite onder finansiële druk verkeer. Plaaslike regering is die plek waar die basiese dienste gelewer moet word, maar met elke woongebied wat ons daarstel vir mense wat nie kan betaal vir hulle dienste nie, sit ons net nog groter finansiële druk op

munisipaliteite. Munisipaliteite het dus definitief hulp nodig as dit kom by finansies om hierdie dienste te kan lewer.

Die beskikbare fondse van die provinsiale regerings en ook die nasionale regering is maar beperk en baie dienste waarvoor hierdie eerste twee vlakke van die regering verantwoordelik is, kan dan ook nie behoorlike finansier word nie. Dit is belangrike dienste en omdat dit belangrike dienste is, sal die munisipaliteit maar ... [Onhoorbaar.] ... daarvoor want die gemeenskap wil hierdie diens hê. Hulle wil hê die regering moet dit vir hulle lewer. Maar aan die ander kant sal die Ouditeur-generaal dan munisipaliteite in die ouditverslae 'n bietjie bykom oor hierdie 'unfunded mandates' wat hulle finansier en waarvoor hulle nie eintlik begrotings beskikbaar moet stel nie.

Daar moet ekstra fondse iewers gevind word, en dit is baie goed om te hoor dat van hierdie Duitse politieke instellings bereid is om ons te help. Ek weet dat daar omtrent ses van hulle is. Ek weet waar die ander twee hulle geld belê, maar daar is nog twee van hierdie politieke instellings wat ook genader kan word om fondse beskikbaar te stel. Dan is daar ook verskeie organisasies in Noorweë, die sogenaamde NORAD instellings, wat ook fondse beskikbaar kan maak.

Omdat munisipaliteite so klem lê op basiese dienste, skeep hulle ander goed af soos infrastruktuur en veral belangrike infrastruktuur soos rioolwerke. Die verskaffing van behuising, en dis meer word ook afgeskep, en munisipaliteite bestee nie genoeg geld aan hierdie sort infrastruktuur nie.

The SPEAKER: Hon Beerwinkel.

An HON MEMBER: It is the wrong name.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: It is Bredell.

The SPEAKER: Okay. Thank you, Minister over to you.

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Mnr die Speaker, die agb lid is reg dat munisipaliteite se diensrekeninge onder geweldige druk verkeer. Ons kyk na verskillende modelle en ons is gedurig in gesprek met ons munisipaliteite. Ons het verskillende forums met die munisipale bestuurders sowel as met al ons burgermeesters, en ek dink ons is dit eens dat ons sekere uitdagings in die munisipaliteite ondervind.

In die algemeen vaar ons munisipaliteite baie goed met hulle kernfunksies in die provinsie en daarop kan ons baie trots wees, maar munisipaliteite sal ook graag, omdat hulle besef hulle dien hulle gemeenskape, baie beter wil doen en hulself tot die volgende vlak van dienslewering wil verhef.

Indien hulle dit wil doen, sal hulle moet kyk na hulle inkomstestrome. Ons is besig met verskillende projekte. Eerstens, om vas te stel of munisipaliteite hulle regmatige inkomste kry uit dienste, is ons tans besig met twee ondersoeke In een munisipaliteite het ons met skok agtergekom dat die stelsels verouderd is en nie op datum gehou word

nie, en daarom verloor hulle eintlik 'n geweldige groot gedeelte van hulle inkomste. Ons praat van iets soos R27 miljoen oor 12 maande, en dit is a medium kapasiteit munisipaliteit. Ons is dus besig om te kyk na hierdie modelle en dit gaan maar daaroor om 'n regmatige inkomstestelsel te kry.

Die bou van infrastruktuur is natuurlik 'n geweldige uitgawe en dit moet verskaf word sodat jy die res van die besigheid kan intrek. Ons kyk ook na hoe ons saam met die tesourie en die wetgewer in die wetgewende raamwerk, kan debatteer en hopelik met oplossings vorendag kan kom sodat ons byvoorbeeld ook geld uit die privaatsektor kan trek om infrastruktuur in ons munisipaliteite te bou. Baie dankie.

Mnr P UYS: Mnr die Speaker, internasionale ondersteuning is baie belangrik. Ek dink die LUR het dit beklemtoon. GIZ speel 'n belangrike rol en ook die Hans Seidel Stigting. Wat agb lid mnr Visser beklemtoon het, is dat daar na internasionale befondsing gekyk moet word. Ek dink dit is verkeerd. Ek dink die LUR het baie duidelik beklemtoon dat ons eers moet kyk wat intern gebeur, wat die nasionale, provinsiale en plaaslike fondse is en dit dan met internasionale fondse aanvul, maar dit kan definitief nie die primêre bron vorm nie.

Ek dink een tekortkoming is ons sleutelprestasieareas wat miskien in plek gestel moet word, veral omdat hulle nie die geld aan die LUR se departement oordra nie. Die beheer daaroor is nie altyd effektief en doeltreffend nie. GIZ het vanjaar 'n nuwe ondersteunersprogram deur die nasionale departement geloods en ons verwelkom dit. Wat ons nie verwelkom nie, mnr die Speaker, is waar 'n lid soos die agb lid mnr Visser oorsee gaan en dan individueel probeer munisipaliteite te nader vir geld. Dis verkeerd.

Dit moet deur die struktuur van regering, deur die LUR, plaasvind en nie deur homself nie. Ons is bewus daarvan dat toe hy nou in Duitsland was hy munisipaliteit genader het. Dis ook nie opsigself 'n probleem nie, maar moenie die munisipaliteit nader en sê jy wil geld vir Drakenstein hê, maar moenie die geld vir Stellenbosch gee nie. Dit is verkeerd en daarvoor is korrekte koördinasie nodig deur die LUR, deur die strukture, sodat munisipaliteite waar die behoefte is die geld doeltreffend kan aanwend. Ek dink daardie twee fondse is in hierdie stadium effektief en ek dink dit word goed bedryf. Hoekom die vraag gevra word, weet ek nie. Ons het 'n volledige voorlegging aan die staande komitee oor altwee gekry. Dankie.

Mnr J J VISSER: Daar is 'n baie goeie Afrikaanse spreekwoord wat sê dat as 'n mens nie rêrig weet wat aangaan nie dan het jy die kat aan sy dinges beet. Die agb lid mnr Uys moet maar saam oorsee gaan en sal dan weet, saam meelewend wees om te weet wat rêrig daar gebeur. Ek sou graag meer wou weet van die opleiding wat gegee word waarvan die agb Minister gepraat het. Hy het verwys na een spesifieke tipe opleiding maar as hy ons net 'n bietjie meer kan toelig rondom die hele spektrum van opleiding wat beskikbaar is dan sal dit goed wees. Hy het ook verwys na ooreenkomste wat geteken moet word en dat daar al munisipaliteite is wat hierdie ooreenkomste geteken het en dan ander wat dit nou nog nie geteken het nie. As die agb Minister miskien net vir ons kan sê wat die proses is wat hulle volg om hierdie ooreenkomste geteken te kry, watter rol sy departement speel as 'n fasiliteerder of so aan om dit geteken te kry, sal dit goed wees.

Dan praat hy van gedeelte dienste en dit is nou dienste wat dan nou tussen distriksmunisipaliteite en ander munisipaliteite gedeel word. Miskien kan hy ook net

vir ons sê na watter tipe dienste hy verwys. Met betrekking tot die verslag wat opgestel moet word, wanneer sal hierdie verslag beskikbaar wees sodat die staande komitee 'n bietjie meer insae daarin kan hê? Dankie.

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Mnr die Speaker, ja daar is baie vrae gevra. Ek kon nie bybly met al die vrae nie. Ek dink ons almal is op dieselfde bladsy dat ons die kapasiteit in munisipaliteite moet bou en ons moet hulle ondersteun.

Die regte proses is jy doen 'n voorlegging aan 'n maatskappy en dan kry jy op grond van jou voorlegging die nodige fondse. Dan moet jy dit bestuur, en natuurlik moet ons ons lae-kapasiteit munisipaliteite baie noukeurig help en moniteer en ondersteun, want hulle sit gewoonlik nie met die begrotings om ingenieurs eenvoudig net in te kontrakkeer of aan te stel nie, so dit is belangrik. Wat die opleiding betref wat ons gedoen het, die nege modules waarop ons baie trots kan wees in die provinsie, kan ek kortliks dalk vir u 'n paar van hulle opnoem, want ek het dit toevallig by my. Prosedurereëls, die optrede by vergaderings van 'n munisipale raad is een module. Die ander module is die rol van 'n raadslid met verkryging, iets wat in 'n stadium groot, groot probleme veroorsaak het. Ander modules is oorsig in plaaslike regering; delegasies en magte van plaaslike regering; die grondwetlike mandaat van plaaslike regering; die wetgewing wat besluite en besluitneming in plaaslike regering reël; 'n gedragskode vir raadslede; prosedures vir dissiplinêre verhore en ondersoeke; die rolle en verantwoordelikhede van munisipale rade in terme van die Munisipale Finansiële Bestuurswet; en die rol van die speaker en die burgemeester in plaaslike regering.

Ek dink deur af te sluit, wat vir my baie belangrik is, is dat ons in 'n stadium in die groef verval het waar almal met munisipaliteite oorsee wou geskakel het. Ons is baie sterk besig om munisipaliteite te motiveer om mekaar te ondersteun. 'n Munisipaliteit wat 'n skoon oudit gekry het, sal nou na 'n ander munisipaliteit toe gaan en hulle sal saam om 'n tafel sit en kyk hoe hulle hul stelsels kan deel en hulle kennis kan deel sodat die ander munisipaliteit dan ook 'n skoon oudit kan kry. Dis die projekte waarmee ons besig is en ek wil afsluit deur te sê ons munisipaliteite in die Wes-Kaap doen goed. Dankie.

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon Minister Mr Bredell. That is the end of the interpellations, but before we then move forward, hon members it is my honour to welcome the Speaker of the National Assembly of Quebec in Canada.

An HON MEMBER: Alright!

The SPEAKER: President Chagnon, and his wife Silvie.

An HON MEMBER: Hello Silvie. [Applause!]

The SPEAKER: I hope that you will enjoy your stay in the beautiful City of Cape Town and you are also welcome in the Western Cape Provincial Parliament. Thank you very much. Hon members, we now proceed to questions.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

Questions standing over from Thursday, 25 July 2013, as agreed to by the House:

Kannaland Municipality: Charges against council member

***3. Mr P Uys asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

What are the findings in the charge against a certain council member of the Kannaland Municipality, whose name has been furnished to the Minister's department for the purpose of his reply?

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Baie dankie, mnr die Speaker. Dankie aan die agb lid mnr Uys vir die vraag. Die antwoord is soos volg:

3. Die munisipale raad van Kannaland-munisipaliteit het my in ooreenstemming met artikel 14(6) van die Gedragskode vir Raadslede versoek om raadslid A Rossouw te verwyder.

Na oorweging van al die toepaslike inligting insluitend die volledige transkripsie van die verrigtinge was ek van mening dat die raadslid nie 'n bepaling van die gedragskode oortree het nie. Gevolglik het ek nie aan die versoek om die raadslid te verwyder toegegee nie.

Swellendam Municipality: Turnaround strategy

***4. Mr P Uys asked the Minister of Local government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

What progress has been made with the turnaround strategy in the Swellendam Municipality?

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Dankie aan die agb lid mnr Uys vir die vraag. mnr die Speaker. Die antwoord is soos volg:

4. My departement het 'n aanvang geneem met die implementering van die plaaslike regeringsomgeestategie in die Swellendam-munisipaliteit. Nietemin as gevolg van die onstabiliteit op beide administrasie en politieke vlakke in die Swellendam-munisipaliteit was die program uitgestel. Die aanstelling van die waarnemende munisipale bestuurder het 'n vlak van onstabiliteit in die administrasie gesetel wat die herinstelling van die plaaslike omgeestategie meegebring het. As die eerste stap van konstruktiewe ondersteuning het my departement en die provinsiale tesourie gedetailleerde finansiële en bestuursassesserings onderneem om die huidige status en funksionaliteit van die munisipaliteit te bepaal. Die uitkomste van hierdie proses is aan die raad en die senior bestuurspan voorgelê waar die onderskeie verslae en aanbevelings aanvaar is. Hierdie verslae sal dien as 'n basis vir die hersiende omgeestategie en sal dien as 'n gids vir die toepaslike belanghebbendes op gebiede waar verdere steun benodig word.

Sommige van die kritiese areas geïdentifiseer in die aanslag sluit die volgende in: die vul van kritieke vakatures in die munisipaliteit; die organisatoriese hersiening en ontwerp; die hersien van beleidsrigting en verordeninge; die

organisasoriese veranderingsbestuur; die verkryging van befondsing vir die uitbrei van 'n afvalwaterfasiliteit omdat verdere ontwikkeling hierop berus; ontwikkeling van 'n langtermyn infrastruktuurplan; waterbewaring en waterbehoeftebestuur.

Om vorentoe te beweeg het Swellendam-munisipaliteit met die departement van plaaslike regering en die provinsiale tesourie sowel as ander sektor departemente verantwoordelikheid aanvaar vir die implementering en die uitrol en monitering van 'n omgeestategie. Maandelikse bestuurskomiteevergaderings sal gehou word om die suksesvolle implementering van die omgeestategie vir Swellendam-munisipaliteit te bestuur.

Hierdie departement bly toegewyd tot steunverlening aan die Swellendam-munisipaliteit en die suksesvolle implementering van hul munisipale omgeestategie. Dankie.

Mnr P UYS: Baie dankie, mnr die Speaker, en dankie vir die antwoord van die LUR. Ek dink daar is vordering gemaak, ook met die aanstelling van mnr Paulse. Kan ek net die vraag vra oor die onlangse aanstelling, en dit is die volgende netelige punt en dit is die ingenieur mnr Badenhorst. Daar is 'n beswaar by u ingedien en die ondersteuning van mnr Riël Hugo, die konsultant, is ook nie hiervoor verkry nie. Hoe hanteer u dit en het u reeds 'n besluit in hierdie verband geneem?

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Ons het nog nie 'n besluit geneem in dié verband

nie. Ons is besig om die besware te ondersoek. Wat ek vir u wil sê, is dat die eerste groot probleem was dat mnr Paulse nie daar aangestel is nie. Mnr Africa is nou tydelik daar aangestel. Mnr Paulse is terug in die departement. Hy werk nou met mnr Africa saam.

Dan is die volgende probleem die hoof finansiële beampte, wat natuurlik 'n kritieke pos was. Daardie pos moet nou gevul word, want die vulling van kritieke poste is vir ons baie belangrik. Dan is daar ook die emosies binne die raad wat ons moet bestuur. Ons probeer om dit sover moontlik te doen. In hierdie stadium voldoen hulle aan die kritieke dienslewingsaspekte wat ons onkant gevang het. Waterwese het skielik laat weet dat die afkondiging van die fondse in DORA hulle nie meer gaan uitbetaal nie, die R17 miljoen, en dit het ons redelik teruggesit. Ons moet baie dringend kyk hoe ons daardie waterafvalwerke aan die gang kan hou want die kontrakteur is op die perseel, en as hy moet onttrek, is dit R3 miljoen per dag en hulle het nie daardie soort geld nie; anders gaan dit R3 miljoen kos om hom weer te hervestig. Daar is dus 'n paar uitdagings, maar ek is tevrede dat daar 'n baie bekwame span is wat baie nou met die munisipaliteit werk om hulle deur te trek deur die moeilike tyd. Dankie.

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Uys.

Mnr P UYS: Baie dankie, mnr die Speaker. Is mnr Dana Du Plessis daar aangestel of is daar nog geen finale besluit geneem nie? As ek u reg verstaan het, het u gesê u gaan binnekort 'n besluit oor mnr Badenhorst neem; as u dit miskien net kan bevestig.

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN

ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Mnr die Speaker, die agb lid mnr Uys weet dat hierdie goed redelik ingewikkeld is omdat daar regsgevolge kan wees. Ek wil my dus nie aan 'n tydraamwerk bind nie. Ons moet regverdig wees, maar ons werk met die inligting en sodra ons gereed is, sal ons 'n besluit neem. Die goed kan nie te lank uitgestel word nie. Hoe gouer ons stabiliteit daar kry, hoe gouer ons mense vestig om dan die munisipaliteit tot 2016 vorentoe te neem, hoe beter vir dienslewering en vir die gemeenskap van Swellendam.

Mnr P UYS: Kan ek die LUR vra - dankie vir die antwoord - met betrekking tot die hofsaak wat vandag voor die hof gedien het in die hooggeregshof en wat Maandag voortgesit word, het u departement enige bydrae tot hierdie hooggeregshofsaak gemaak? Het u enige ondersteuning wat u vir enige iemand gee in dié verband?

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN

ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Nee, mnr die Speaker.

Vision 2030 of Oudtshoorn: Long-term planning frameworks

***9. Mr M C Walters asked the Minister of Local government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

Whether his department is in favour of long-term planning frameworks like the Vision 2030 of Oudtshoorn; if not, why not; if so, what can be done by his department with a view to promoting (a) the development of such frameworks and (b) the acceptance of such frameworks by the whole community?

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Dankie, mnr die Speaker. Dankie aan die agb lid mnr Walters vir die vraag. Die antwoord is soos volg:

9. Ja, die departement is ten gunste van langtermyn beplanningsraamwerke. Dit is ons standpunt dat 'n langtermyn visie soos byvoorbeeld die Vision 2030 van Oudtshoorn in die ruimtelike ontwikkelingsraamwerk, die ROR van die munisipaliteit behoort opgeneem te word. Die ROR is die kernkomponent van 'n geïntegreerde ontwikkelingsplan, die GOP, en is 'n wetlike vereiste waaraan die munisipaliteit moet voldoen. Die GOP moet beide 'n vyf jaar korttermyn fokus asook 'n langer termyn twintig jaar plus fokus hê. Die korttermyn fokus het ten doel om die verwantskap tussen die GOP en die ROR te fasiliteer, terwyl die langtermyn fokus wat 'n langtermyn ruimtelike visie insluit, leiding verskaf vanuit 'n ingenieurs en infrastruktuur perspektief. Langtermyn beplanning is nodig om ingenieursdienste te beplan en te verseker dat toepaslike dienste in die korrekte ligging verskaf word.

Die departement is aktief besig om die opstel van die ROR deur middel van ... [Onhoorbaar.] ... omgewingsontwikkeling ondersteuningsprogramme te bevorder. Hierdie programme het ten doel om met die munisipaliteite saam te werk om hul ROR op te stel. Die finansiering vir die program word verskaf deur die Departement van Ontwikkelingsake en Ontwikkelingsbeplanning. Tot op hede het die departement met agtien munisipaliteite in die Wes-Kaap saamgewerk in die opstel van hul ROR'e. Die departement op sy eie kan nie verseker dat sulke raamwerke deur die hele gemeenskap aanvaar word nie. Wat

die departement wel kan doen, is om aan munisipaliteite leiding te verskaf oor publieke deelnameprosesse wat gevolg kan word in die opstel van 'n ROR.

Onder ideale omstandighede sal hierdie publieke deelnameprosesse sover moontlik plaasvind tesame met die opstel van die GOP van die munisipaliteite. Uiteindelik is dit die munisipaliteit se verantwoordelikheid om die hele gemeenskap sover te kry om 'n visie te aanvaar. Dankie, mnr die Speaker.

Job Opportunities/Creation: Extended Public Works Programme (EPWP) Western Cape

***12. Mr M C Walters asked the Minister of Agriculture:**

- (1) How many of the 54 000 new jobs created by the national Minister of Agriculture in agriculture, were created in the Western Cape;
- (2) Whether the job opportunities referred to above are sustainable; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?
- (3) Whether such job opportunities were created under the Extended Public Works Programme (EPWP) and are of a temporary nature; if so, what are the latest available figures on the creation and abolition of permanent jobs in agriculture in the Western Cape?

Die MINISTER VAN LANDBOU: Baie dankie, mnr die Speaker. Die antwoord is soos volg:

12. Die vraag gaan oor werksgeleenthede. Ek dink die Minister verwys na 'n opname

wat sê dat daar 53 446 werksgeleenthede in die landbou geskep is vanaf 2012 tot 2013. Dit is egter nie twee volledige boekjare nie en die landbou se indiensneming is baie seisoenaal, maar volgens hierdie syfer wat die Minister verskaf het, is 31 685 werksgeleenthede in die Oos-Kaap geskep; 26 692 in die Vrystaat en was daar blykbaar werksverliese van 3 300 in die Wes-Kaap, 3 200 in die Noord-Kaap en 2 911 in Limpopo.

As 'n mens egter na 'n beter syfer kyk en jy kyk oor drie jaar van 2011 tot 2013 en volledige jare, dan is daar 16 316 werksgeleenthede per kwartaal in Suid-Afrika geskep waarvan Limpopo 5 900 het; die Wes-Kaap 3 800, Mpumalanga 3 100, en die Oos-Kaap 2 100. Die Noord-Kaap het 417 per kwartaal verloor, KwaZulu Natal 155 en die Noordwes Provinsie 57 werksgeleenthede per kwartaal.

Die program Volhoubare Hulpbronbestuur het vir ons befonds in 2012 / 2013. Ons het die befondsing gebruik om 'n omheiningsprojek in Beaufort-Wes te befonds waar ons mense opgelei het in die maak van jakkalswerende omheinings. Ons het ook vir Landcare befonds met die uithaal van uitheemse plantegroei, veral in die Bergrivier-gebied. Met hierdie projekte het ons 55 732 persoonsdae werk geskep en dit staan gelyk aan 242 permanente werksgeleenthede. Dankie, mnr die Speaker.

New questions:

Mpetha Square / Freedom Square: Water and sewage connections

1. Mr A M Figlan asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

Whether there are any homes in (a) Mpetha Square and (b) Freedom Square without water and sewage connections; if so, (i) how many and (ii) when will water and sewage connections be installed?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The reply is as follows:

1. To both questions (a) and (b), yes, there are 58 units in Mpetha Square and 67 in Freedom Square. The City of Cape Town was made aware of connection challenges prior to the vandalism which took place in Mpetha Square in December 2011.

To address the matter my department worked closely with councillors, standing committee members and the City of Cape Town whereupon it was agreed that my department rectified both Mpetha and Freedom Square by reissuing the subsidy based on a bill of quantities for each unit and completed them during phase 4. Construction recommenced this month and will be completed in December 2013.

Due to the fact that beneficiaries in the abovementioned areas are not occupying the sites an agreement was reached with the City of Cape Town and ward councillors that beneficiaries would be allowed to occupy their sites to safeguard the material and avoid vandalism. The water and sewer connections would be installed during construction of phase 4. Thank you.

Unemployment Rate: Job creation in the Western Cape

2. Mr E J von Brandis asked the Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism:

(a) What was the unemployment rate in the Western Cape as at the latest specified date for which figures are available, (b) how does this figure compare with the national unemployment rate and (c) what is the provincial government of the Western Cape doing to stimulate job creation in the province?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:

Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. Thank you to the hon member Mr Von Brandis for the question. The reply is as follows:

2. According to Statistics South Africa, their labour force survey, the Western Cape's 2013 first quarter official unemployment rate was 23.3%. This is 1.9% lower than the national rate of 25.2% over the same period. The Department of Economic Development & Tourism is the lead department for the provincial Strategic Objective 1, which is to create opportunities for growth and jobs. Talking about specifically the programmes, the integrated economic development services focus from the department which focuses on SMME development to start and grow SMMEs and facilitate their access to markets. Therefore enterprise development is taking place, and that which I have brought to the House before, the twenty walk-in centres which are there to help start up new businesses, to formalise existing businesses and to offer non-financial

support to growing and developing existing businesses. There is economic empowerment that focuses through various areas like our procurement promotion to SMMEs, the economic empowerment through the National Empowerment Fund and other funds available but also through partnerships like the NEF and ED Fund here in the province, one of few created in South Africa, our own Provincial Growth Fund and various other facilitations and funds. The programme will also trade in sector development which actually looks at creating space through foreign direct investment, promoting trade of existing companies outwardly and of course the workforce development, which ranges from work and skills programmes to artisans programmes to various programmes from the skills forum and interaction between firms, businesses and various role players in society bringing those partnerships together and identifying those skills. With regard to the work and skills programme I am very glad to report that yesterday we received the first transfer of R4,5 million to the province to expand that programme across the province.

Stimulation of growth and creation of jobs: Legislative constraints

3. Mr E J von Brandis asked the Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism:

(a) What are the top three legislative constraints to the stimulation of growth and creation of jobs in the Western Cape and (b) how are these constraints being addressed by his department?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:

Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. The reply is as follows:

3. The top legislative constraints at the moment are, firstly, the lack of legislative mandate to address national red tape issues. Perhaps I will start there with the regulatory impact assessments. This has been something that we have been speaking about for a long time in South Africa right back from President Mbeki's days. I must say that on the RIA within the province we have already established this programme. It has already been taken to cabinet and now we are in the process of devising this tool to be used. But it is something that we need to use across the country because if we do not really understand the impacts of regulation we do not really understand the cost and the negative consequences for business.

Secondly, the lack of incentives for businesses around policy issues, the finalisation of industrial development zones and our legislation around creating these specific spaces in our geography that will create jobs and attract further investment through incentives.

Then perhaps just to use this opportunity to say that I welcomed yesterday's finality and the publishing of the incentives policy from the City of Cape Town, which is about to start. I will give you one example: in Atlantis the businesses that are creating jobs and sustaining a number of jobs are not getting electricity increases, so there is already a space where we come in and understand the pressures that are put on these companies. We do not want to lose these companies. We do not want these companies to downsize and where we can offer

those kinds of incentives we will. Then of course I think one major area we need to look at is informal training. I do not think we know enough about it. We are busy with a study in the department. We are also looking at areas how regulatory space really inhibits companies from growth and where we have rules and regulations that hold companies down below certain sizes. In other words, if there is no incentive to grow a company beyond 50 staff members because of the kind of regulation that you have in place, you have to look at that. We need to really make sure that we remove those blockages so the incentive is there for growth and job creation.

Ms T N BEVU: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Just to ask Minister Winde, how long is the study of informal trading going to take?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: I am not busy with it at the moment, but I would imagine it should be finished within the next month or two. Perhaps the next time we interact with the department we can actually to see if we can put it on the table. I will also say to them that we need to actually bring it to this House as soon as it is complete.

Cape Town International Convention Centre: Local government

Municipal Finance Management Act 2003

4. Ms T N Bevu asked the Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism:

Whether the Cape Town International Convention Centre complies with the

Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act No 56 of 2003), in respect of the appointment of service providers; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:

Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. The reply is as follows:

4. The Cape Town International Convention Centre is a registered state owned company and a municipality entity. It is obliged to comply with the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003, (Act No 56 of 2003), so in other words then the rest of the question falls away. It is actually a municipal entity.

Ms T N BEVU: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, and thank you to Minister Winde. I am sure the Minister does not approve of the apparent disregard of the MFMA that the City has seemingly elected to adopt in their shady approach to the appointment of in-house venue technical services in January/February 2013 to assist in providing audiovisual services when another company AV Alliance had been appointed in May 2011 to April 2014. I do not know if you are aware of this case. I know that it went to the High Court.

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order! Just a question, sorry hon member Ms Bevu.

[Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Mr Speaker, I am not aware ... [interjections.]

The SPEAKER: It is question time now.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ...
to reply to that; if you give me the details I will reply.

The SPEAKER: Okay. Do you have any follow-up question, hon member Ms Bevu?

Ms T N BEVU: Maybe I need to give Minister Winde the details because ...
[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: No-no. Not now. A question now [Interjections.] It is question time
now.

An HON MEMBER: That is a question.

Ms T N BEVU: Okay, Minister Winde, are you aware that AV Alliance Eastern
Acoustics took the convention centre to the High Court for the appointment of in-
house venue technical services to provide services in the CTICC when they had
already appointed AV Alliance? Are you aware of that?

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Ms Bevu.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Thank you. As I said before no, I am not. If you give me the details I will have a look

at it and request from that entity so that we can ... [Interjections.] ... so the answer is no.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister Winde. We now move to the next question. Hon Chief Whip, I do not see the hon Minister Grant in the house. Can you address me?

Ms A ROSSOUW: Mr Speaker, Minister Grant is at a Minmec meeting and he contacted the members. He contacted the members. His question is on the Question Paper and it will stand over.

Question number 5 standing over.

*Cape Town International Convention Centre 2: Financial amount set aside / City of
Cape Town contribution*

6. Ms L Brown asked the Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism:

(a) What amount has been set aside to finance the Cape Town International Convention Centre 2 (CTICC2) and (b) what amount had been contributed by the City of Cape Town to CTICC2 as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. The reply is as follows:

6. (a) The City of Cape Town have committed a maximum of R550 million towards the CTICC2 development costs and an additional R150 million towards the purchase of land parcels; this is by the City required for the CTICC2. The Western Cape government have committed a maximum of R170 million towards CTICC2 development costs;
- (b) Neither the City of Cape Town nor the Western Cape government have made any capital contributions to Convenco for the CTICC expansion project as at the current date. In terms of the funds appropriated through the council and the cabinet resolution respectively the City has already however contributed or concluded the purchase of the portion of land erf 246 from Naspers required for the CTICC expansion of R106 million excluding escalation and transfer fees.

Mr P UYS: Mr Speaker, can I just ask did your department budget for this amount and when will the R170 million be made available?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:

Yes. Mr Speaker, you will remember that we first spoke about this two years ago and then in this last budget we spoke about it. It has always been budgeted for as far as the province has been concerned. It is in our budget documents and it is for the outer years. We have always said we are a partner in it with the City of Cape Town but the City have budgeted the major portion and obviously once the processes that they are going through at the moment are completed their money will flow first. Ours will flow

second.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Mr Speaker, if I can ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Oh is it a follow-up?

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Yes, indeed so.

The SPEAKER: Over to you, hon member Mr Von Brandis.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Mr Speaker, thank you very much. I just want to ask the Minister. Minister Winde, gaan dit 'n impak hê op die aandeelhouing van die provinsie ten opsigte van hierdie toekenning wat u gaan maak? [Tussenwerpsels.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Obviously when we first went into this we said well, we are not going to have a difference to our shareholding, but at the end of the day, you know, we are not too fussy whether it is 26% or 25% or 24%. At the end of the day this is an investment in an infrastructure project which really in the past, if you have a look at the first round of investment into the CTICC, is not really about dividends coming back. It is about, you know, we don't sort of really quibble about our shareholding with regard to voting rights or anything. It is really about investing and we just hold a share. It is really about investing into infrastructure that creates economic growth.

Diagnostic facilities emergency treatment: Rural areas in the Western Cape

7. Mr R B Lentit asked the Minister of Health:

What is the status of diagnostic facilities in rural areas in the Western Cape to respond to emergency treatment?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The reply is as follows

7. The emergency centres and hospitals in the rural districts are well equipped to deal with emergency cases arriving at the hospitals. This is the comprehensive management of patients which would include diagnostics. There are standards with regard to the equipment needed in emergency centres. Hospitals in general are fully equipped with a host of diagnostic tools in new or renovated emergency centres and diagnostics are also assessed through the picture archiving and communication system PACS that conveys x-rays electronically for specialist diagnosis by tertiary hospitals and in doing so diagnose illnesses quicker.

Several hospitals in the rural areas ECs have undergone renovations and some received new centres such as Ceres, Worcester, Paarl, Knysna, Caledon and Hermanus and so therefore we have ample equipment available.

Emergency blue lights: Definition used for warranting the use of

8. Mr M Skwatsha asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

What is the definition used by him and his department for an emergency warranting the use of blue lights when very important persons (VIPs) are transported?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you, Mr Speaker, and thank you also to the absent hon member Mr Skwatsha who asked about the use of blue lights for VIPs. The reply is as follows:

8. He asked what the definition is of “emergency”. The term “emergency” is not used in the draft regulations and for this reason there is no need to define it. The draft regulations refer to an imminent identified threat regarding the safety or life of the office bearer or VIP as well as a threat to the property of the office bearer or VIP. Whether a threat as previously described exists is a matter of fact and will depend on the circumstances.

Mr P UYS: When will these regulations be promulgated?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I think, hon member Mr Uys, in about the next ten days. Something like that. All the processes have been gone through.

Mr P UYS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Who will be responsible for the implementation of this and how will it work in a practical way?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That is two questions, both new but I am happy to deal with them, Mr Speaker.

Basically we are satisfied that there are certain cases where there is always a potential

threat or risk and that would be a head of state, our head of state, our deputy head of state or visiting heads of state. For the rest we cannot see any circumstances in which blue light brigades would be necessary. There are others but not a VIP, such as ambulances, fire-engines, the transport of prisoners or awaiting trial prisoners from the jails to the courts and back again. We see those as important and the normal law enforcement people who deal with situations that do not fall into those categories. I just want to say; in fact we have had very, very few incidences of the abuse of blue lights over the last few years.

Mr P UYS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The question is still how will you implement it? Blue lights normally move fast. Will you stop them or what will you do? Will you chase the blue lights?

ጎ ጎ AGB LID: ጎ ጎ Spietkop mag nie ... [Onhoorbaar.]

Mnr P UYS: Nee, hy is nie ጎ ጎ spietkop nie.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: The blue lights will chase the blue lights. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon members [Interjections.] Order! Order, hon members. Order! Hon member Mr Uys, order! Minister Madikizela, over to you.

***9. Ms J L Hartnick asked the Minister of Human Settlements:**

What criteria are taken into account by his department when RDP houses are acquired or allocated?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, and the hon member Ms Hartnick for asking the question. The reply is as follows:

9. The initial housing court set out the criteria that needs to be followed by all the provinces, and the criteria for a person in order to qualify for a house is as follows:

- (a) A person must be in a possession of a green bar-coded ID, which means he must be a South African citizen;
- (b) A person must be old enough in terms of the law and Constitution which is 18 years or older;
- (c) The person must be a first time beneficiary which means it must been a person who has never benefited from the State before.
- (d) The person must have dependents;
- (e) The person must not earn more than R3 500 in terms of income.

Part two of the question, the Western Cape Department of Human Settlements also developed a beneficiary selection framework to assist municipalities with development of their respective beneficiary selection policy. This is based on the National Housing Code eligibility criteria with slight variations and states that municipalities' selection policies must make provision for the following groups:

farm residents; elderly persons; permanently disabled persons.

Municipalities should align their selection policies to the provincial beneficiary selection framework, but they will possess the discretion to emphasise or de-emphasise certain criteria depending on their circumstances. Thank you very much, Mr Speaker.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Is it true Minister Madikizela that you violated all those criteria that have been designed by the national ... ? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Minister Madikizela. Order!

An HON MEMBER: No, it is not a new question.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: It is not true, Mr Speaker. That is untrue.

An HON MEMBER: Hon member Mr Magaxa.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Is it not true that some of the houses are not currently unoccupied because you have interfered with the designed criteria and you have also confirmed here that you have ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: ... that you have prioritised older people ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon, the question? [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: He is asking the question.

Mr K E MAGAXA: This is the question!

The SPEAKER: No Order! Hon members [Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: This is a question that I am asking.

The SPEAKER: Can you pose a question, hon member Mr Magaxa?

Mr K E MAGAXA: This is the question that I am asking.

The SPEAKER: What is the question? [Interjections.] What? Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: This is the question!

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon members!

Mr K E MAGAXA: Mr Speaker! [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: What is the question? Pose it to the Minister. What is the question?

Mr K E MAGAXA: Are you not assisting by not listening to the question, Mr Speaker? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: The question to the Minister?

Mr K E MAGAXA: I am asking the Minister. I am asking you, Minister Madikizela, is it not true that you have violated some of those criteria designed by the national code and some of the houses that are still unoccupied is because you interfered by prioritising older people against young people, and also used the delivery of those houses ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: ... in order to ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That is the third question.

The SPEAKER: Order, hon! Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: ... in order to impose DA ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Magaxa.

Mr K E MAGAXA: ... identified people against people who do not belong to the DA.

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Magaxa, order!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: But the ANC can do that!

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

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Mr Speaker, it is true that I have intervened to make sure that the allocation ... [Interjections.] Just listen! ... to make sure that the allocation of the houses adheres to the criteria that is set out in the national housing code. So in instances where proper processes and procedures are violating the national housing code I do intervene. So it is true, and if you were listening to the answer very carefully, hon member Mr Magaxa, it also says that there is a provision in the national housing code for elderly people to be prioritised, and that was contained in the answers I gave. So I do intervene to ensure that we adhere to the national housing code.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Are you using that to impose DA people in those houses against people who do not belong to the DA? [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: That is insane, Mr Speaker!

Mr K E MAGAXA: Are you using these ... [Interjections.] MEC, are you using the delivery of houses to score points for the DA?

The SPEAKER: Thank you. One question at a time. [Interjections.] [Laughter] Order!

The SPEAKER: Minister, order! Minister Madikizela.

Mr M OZINSKY: I will answer honestly.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Mr Speaker I do find this question, you know, quite ridiculous.

An HON MEMBER: Answer the question!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: If the member has any proof that my intervention ... [Interjections.] ... if the member has any proof that my intervention seeks to prioritise members of my party he must bring that proof to the fore.

Mr M OZINSKY: What? Are you going to put them out their houses.

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

Mr M OZINSKY: You do!

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky, order! Order, hon. Minister Botha, is it on a point of order?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Mr Speaker, may I address you?

The SPEAKER: Yes please.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: I want to ask you to please consult Hansard and the recordings to see whether it is parliamentary for members to not respond when you call them to order. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: I accept that. Order! [Interjections.] Hon Minister Botha. Is it a follow-up, hon member Ms Hartnick? Over to you.

Ms J L HARTNICK: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Minister Madikizela, I would like to know will there be any consequences if people qualify for a house and they do not move in within a certain timeframe?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Let me answer this question in two ways, hon member Ms Hartnick. We do know that in some instances people are given houses or are allocated houses, and that they rent these houses to others and then live elsewhere. In terms of the policy there is a provision in terms of the pre-emptive clause which prevent people from renting or selling their houses before they are 80 years old. The policy states very clearly that even if people do decide to sell, they must approach the government first. In instances where we get information that there are people who were given houses but do not reside in those houses, we have for example visited those houses like in the project in Mamas where we got that information. I must also add, hon member, that that pre-emptive right clause came into existence in 2002, which means with all the houses that were built before then

there was no policy provision for the department or government to intervene. That simply means that there is nothing that the department or the State can do in a situation where before the establishment of the pre-emptive right clause people then sold or rented their houses.

Question number 10 to Minister of Education standing over)

The SPEAKER: And the last question, Minister Carlisle, over to you. That is question number 11.

York Park George: Purchase of

***11. Mr P Uys asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:**

Whether his department bought York Park in George; if so, (a) at what cost, (b) for what purpose and (c) from whom?

The MINISTER TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you, Mr Speaker, and thank you to hon member Mr Uys. The reply is as follows:

11. The question is whether the department bought York Park in George, if so at what cost and for what purpose and from whom. The reply is yes.

(a) The Department of Transport and Public Works acquired the York Park building at an amount of R83 220 000 including VAT.

(b) The York Park building was acquired in line with the departmental policy of shifting from rented to owned office accommodation and in order to centralise services in the George region. The acquisition allows for significant saving on rental expenditure into perpetuity and will also enable the department to apply the modernised standards and norms to space utilisation resulting in further savings and efficiency;

(c) The York Park building was acquired from Growth Point Properties Limited.

I will also be addressing York Park in the main debate later.

Mr P UYS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The valuation of that property was R44 million plus the sites. Why did your department pay as you said R83 million, and I am referring to the latest, this year's George valuation?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Yes, I do not know what the George valuation was. There were two sworn valuations done. One was lower than this purchase price and that took us into a process of arbitration and this purchase price then emerged from that process of arbitration. Let me say to the hon member that to build a building like that and to acquire land like that, and the hon member will be aware that there are two very large parking lots outside of York Park, which we have also acquired as part of that transaction. So the potential future growth is huge, but to do over would cost us between R200 million and R220 million. Let me also say to the hon member and I am very pleased about this, that not only does it acquire for

us a provincial head office as it were or a regional office in George in a very prominent position close to the municipality so the services are available to people in the same area, it also means that over the next seven years where the current rentals with their increases would have amounted to R160 million it means that we will have recovered the price of the building twice in seven years.

Mr P UYS: Mr Speaker, thank you very much. This building of course is top of the range in George and did you consider any alternatives or other alternatives in George apart from that specific building because there is no need to buy it in the middle of the CBD itself as you did?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Yes. That is an interesting debate, Mr Speaker. Obviously we looked at a lot of things. There are no other similar buildings in George that were available or could be available to us of that size because bear in mind we are going to, when the leases expire, we are going to bring in the other departments that are elsewhere in George, into that building. We looked at the possibility of building. We looked at the possibility of using the land that we have further down in York Street, where the shadow is and so on but the fact is that they would still have cost us of the order of R165 million to R170 million. So it really was not an option compared to this. This is a very good acquisition for the province.

Mr P UYS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Can I just ask which departments are going to be relocated there?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I know that the Eden

branch of the PRE is going to be moved there. I think it is some areas of health, and one or two of education are going to move down from, I think it is Rensburg Hof down to York, once the leases have expired.

Questions to the Premier without notice

Mr M NCEDANA: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. Madam Premier, do you still remember the answer to the question posed to you by the hon member Ms Bevu when she was asking about the termination of the STPs - social transformation programmes - if I am correct?

The PREMIER: No I do not remember the exact question, Mr Speaker.

Mr M NCEDANA: Madam Premier, can you tell me what the reasons for the termination of the STP contract were?

The PREMIER: This was a while back, Mr Speaker, and I would hate to leave out material reasons or say anything that might not be based in the full explanation and motivation that has been given to this House, but if I can perhaps summarise. It was that it was spending a lot of money and not getting much added value.

Mr M NCEDANA: Madam Premier, what is the current status with regards to the litigation that has been taking place between your department and the STP personnel whose contracts were terminated? What are the outcomes to date?

The PREMIER: Mr Speaker, I will ask for a briefing on the outcomes. Again this is a legal matter. I do not want to speculate or say anything that turns out not to be absolutely accurate, because I have not been briefed for a while on these matters. Certainly, if the hon member would like to put a question in writing I would be happy to get all the details for him.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Madam Premier, why have you not fired MEC Madikizela... [Interjections.] [Laughter.] ...despite the fact ... [Interjections.] ...despite the fact that he is unable to fill unoccupied houses in the province, consistently failing to meet housing delivery targets and has lowered those targets since he took over from 2009? Why would you keep him so long? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members! [Interjections.] Order! Order! Premier, over to you.

The PREMIER: Mr Speaker, I know the ANC and hon member Mr Magaxa feel particularly concerned about the hon Minister Madikizela being on this side of the House because he used to be on that side of the House in the local government ... [Interjections.] ... in the local government and he was one of their most effective public representatives, which is obviously why he left them because he could not get anything done on the basis of merit and performance in the ANC.

Ms M TINGWE: Oh please! [Inaudible.]

The PREMIER: If there is any reason at all that we may have not met our targets it is

because the ANC is determined to prevent us from doing so.

Ms L BROWN: Nonsense.

The PREMIER: That is why one project after another is disrupted ... [Interjections.] ... from Delft to Boys Town and everything in between; Joe Slovo, every single project ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Hon member, hon member Ms Hani, order.

The PREMIER: ... every single project is disrupted sometimes for months and weeks.

The SPEAKER: Listen please! [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: ... sometimes for months and weeks and, Mr Speaker, the issue with the targets has got to do with the fact that money for subsidies that was previously solely spent on top structures is now divided between a whole range of subsidy options giving people five or six opportunities ranging from CRUs to hostel upgrades to the FLISP programme to site and service, to top structures and a range of other things that disperses the subsidy that was previously spent only on top structures amongst a range of different options. To only count top structures and compare top structures now with top structures then, is to completely distort the delivery of the various housing options that are delivered under the new national government policy and which Minister Madikizela has applied very effectively in this province, including in situ upgrading. Every single time we are working to upgrade informal settlements

or undertake any other initiative the ANC makes sure that they seek to make it ungovernable. Recently when we were doing our TRA in Hangberg which is an excellent initiative done with community participation, what happened then was that the contractors started to be stoned again to prevent us from reaching the deadlines on the targets. So the ANC must stop trying to make this province ungovernable and must stop trying to prevent the DA from delivering to the poor. The tragedy is that the ANC would rather that the poor continue to suffer than that the DA deliver to them for their political motives. Thank you Mr Speaker.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Hon Premier, are you not firing MEC Madikizela because of your relationship with him which entails you recruiting him to the City of Cape Town and later to the DA from UDM, not from the ANC, packaging him as your blue eyed boy?

An HON MEMBER: Blue eyed! [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Are you jealous?

The SPEAKER: Order!

Ms M TINGWE: Jealous of whom? [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members!

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: A blue wave ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members! Order! [Interjections.] Premier, over to you.
[Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Mr Speaker, I have recruited many, many people of various shades of hair, eye and other physical attributes; of various religions, of various cultures and of various languages to the Democratic Alliance, but once they have had experience of what it is like in the ANC it is not very difficult to recruit them.

An HON MEMBER: No.

The PREMIER: And I think in the next round of elections the ANC is about to get some major surprises as to who we have recruited from them.

An HON MEMBER: It gets easier by the day.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Hon Premier, are you not firing the MEC Madikizela because the DA does not consider housing to be a priority area as it affects only the poor black majority in this province?

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

The PREMIER: You know, Mr Speaker, this is shameless.

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Carlisle, order!

The PREMIER: This is a shameless playing of the race card because the ANC has nothing else left; nothing else left and it is completely shameless ... [Interjections.] We had to spend tens of millions of rands in this province rectifying the horrific workmanship that the ANC put in when they were chasing numbers and really undercutting and selling short poor people in this province. The quality of the workmanship of the houses built by the ANC was so disastrous that we had to spend tens of millions in rectifying houses that should have been built properly in the first place and would have released a lot of money for us to build further ... [Interjections.] The interesting thing is if we take a look at what happened in Atlantis, in Witsand, where in fact the tender surprisingly went to one of the ANC's cronies associated with a former ANC councillor and what happened, the houses literally fell down and we had to spend millions fixing the consequences of the ANC's tender system for cronies and friends. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Hands off, Mr Magaxa!

Ms C LABUSCHAGNE: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Premier, what is the implication countrywide of the judgement on school closures that was handed down on 31 July in the Western Cape High Court?

The PREMIER: Mr Speaker, I do not want to reflect on the judgement because it would clearly be inappropriate for a politician to cast any aspersions on the court. Nevertheless, the countrywide implications are profound because between 2009 and 2011 over 650 schools were closed countrywide of which 31 were in the Western Cape. Now we can minus 17 from that because in the Western Cape 45 schools, if my

memory serves me correctly, were built. But if you look for example in a province such as the Northwest or the Free State, scores of schools were closed down and perhaps two or four schools were built. Now that really - those statistics point to the lack of consistency and the lack of integrity in the application of this policy. There has to be legal certainty and the law has to be applied in the same way in all the provinces, otherwise you get arbitrary closure of schools like we have seen in many provinces, while you have well motivated closures of schools with files and files of documentation that are overruled in the Western Cape. That creates an impression that the law is arbitrarily being applied. That creates very serious inconsistency and politically it shows up the extraordinary hypocrisy of the ANC ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: And of the judge ... [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: They got Magnus de Jongh, who is a long-time ANC activist, and the assistance of Marius Fransman to drive this campaign. It was clearly a political campaign. Meanwhile all over the rest of the country schools are being closed down hand over fist by the hundred ... [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: But they promise to ... [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: ...and there is absolute silence about that.

An HON MEMBER: No processes!

The PREMIER: Thank you very much.

Mr M OZINSKY: Prove it. It showed in court that ... [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member, take your seat! Take your seat! [Interjections.]
Take your seat hon member. Order hon members! Order! Hon member Ms Labuschagne, over to you.

Ms C LABUSCHAGNE: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Premier, to your knowledge have Sadtu and all the other role players raised the same argument in other provinces that school closures, or transformations as the ANC calls it nowadays, of 658 schools were anti-poor?

Mr M OZINSKY: The judge dealt with that. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members!

The PREMIER: Let me just ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky, order.

The PREMIER: In fact the hon member Mr Ozinsky is quite wrong. The judge did not deal with that issue and in fact he should go and read the majority judgement and the dissenting judgement and he might develop a different view of the matter, but nevertheless.

Mr M OZINSKY: That is the reported majority ... [Inaudible.]

The PREMIER: Let me say this, the hon member Ms Labuschagne is right that about over 650 schools have been closed in two years around the rest of the country in provinces which hardly built any. In the Western Cape we built more than double the number of schools we closed. The only time when in the Western Cape more schools were closed than were built was when the ANC was in office in the Western Cape.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The PREMIER: Mr Speaker, schools are closing down in the Eastern Cape because parents are voting with their feet. The quality in some schools is so appalling that they end up having just a handful of pupils and then whether they are physically collapsing and in many instances they are actually not physically collapsing, but they have educationally collapsed, parents take their children out and the MEC closes the school, and I can assure you with nothing like the due process that is followed in the Western Cape. Yes, people have complained and yes, they have protested but they have been totally ignored and we will be sure that they do not get ignored nationally.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The PREMIER: The critical issue here is how do you manage the size and shape of the system? There are demographic shifts. You have a certain amount of budget. You have to use it to the very best result that you can for the most children. Now we have been told that we have to keep a school for seven children open. We have to look at

the implications of that for not only the Western Cape but for the rest of the country, and it implies that the hundreds of schools that have been closed in the Eastern Cape when they have run dry because they have collapsed educationally or infrastructurally, were in fact not taken according to due process.

An HON MEMBER: And then they are coming here. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Isn't that what they do?

The SPEAKER: Order! [Interjections.] Order! The last chance, hon member Ms Labuschagne; are you covered? Are you fine? Thank you. Hon member Mr Haskin is not in the House, okay. Hon member Mr Von Brandis, over to you.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Mr Speaker, thank you. Hon Premier, what is your comment on Minister Nathi Mthethwa's claim that DA criticism of police inefficiencies encourages the killing of police officers?

The PREMIER: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. Everyone recognises it for the cheap political shot that it is. You know, I was reading the newspaper a couple of weeks ago around the date of President Mandela's birthday, that the MEC in KwaZulu Natal, MEC Willies Mchunu, was saying that there has been a sudden spike, an unexplained and sudden spike in the murders of policemen in KwaZulu Natal. I have not heard Minister Mthethwa blaming the government of the province for that.

Mr M OZINSKY: Because they do not attack the ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Ah, come on!

The PREMIER: Obviously ... [Interjections.] ... obviously the killing of any single policeman or any single person is one too many, and no one can ever justify or try to explain the horrific murders of policemen. We have condemned that and we will do that every day as we do condemn every single murder. The issue here is this: our role ... [Interjections.] ... our role in policing is oversight. We have seen the need for oversight again and again. If Minister Mthethwa was really interested in quality policing for the people and to lower crime and to increase accountability, Mr Mthethwa would help us with our job of oversight. Instead he chooses to try and block us at every turn. We have not turned it into a political fight. We are going through the legal processes to determine exactly what oversight means. In fact if you compare the criticisms of the police by any person or party in the Western Cape they pale in significance against the national and international criticisms of the police at Marikana and of the way the police in the East Rand tied a person to the back of a vehicle and drove him to his death. That elicited massive, massive criticism of the police and I do not see any connection between that criticism and the alleged murder of policemen. In fact again, if you look at the statistics you will find that more than three times the number of policemen were murdered in Gauteng compared to the Western Cape and almost three times as many policeman as were murdered in the Western Cape were murdered in KwaZulu Natal, and double the number in the Eastern Cape. So why is the Minister selectively picking on the Western Cape? Well, I ask a rhetorical question. We all know exactly why and if the national Minister would step back and allow us to do the job we are supposed to do, in partnership with him, according to the

principles of cooperative governance, if he would be so kind as to answer some letters that we send him now and again, we could make a lot of progress in cooperative governance towards better policing and towards protecting our wonderful policemen and women who deserve nothing less.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Premier, does the ANC's ungovernability campaign in the Western Cape have a negative impact on the police?

The PREMIER: Well yes, undoubtedly, Mr Speaker. The ANC's ungovernability campaign with Andile Lili and Loyiso Nkohl and Khaya Yozi and various other prominent members of the ANC sought to close down a highway and they did, with 38 people; 38 people closed down a major highway. Now the police have to be diverted. Instead of investigating crime they have to go and do that and every single day you find protestors spurred on by the ANC Youth League and others seeking to make the lives of policemen impossible because they are trying to make the City ungovernable. The policemen and women in the main are seeking to protect the City and to protect its citizens very particularly from the anarchy that the ANC is trying to sow here. My great plea to the Minister has been to free the police to do the job they are supposed to do. They are supposed to be investigating crimes, gathering evidence, presenting them to the prosecution authority who can then make a decision as to whether to prosecute or not, and if prosecution happens the evidence is good enough to hold up in court. Instead of freeing the police to do that they are running around trying to deal with ANC people trying to make this province ungovernable. This has an incredible demoralising affect, Mr Speaker, on the police; an incredible demoralising affect. That is why we keep on asking Minister Mthethwa to enable the army to come in just to

have peacekeeping operations in places where the gangs are running riot ... [Interjections.] ... and so that the police can investigate and gather evidence. Minister Mthethwa is prepared to have the army going to all sorts of places but not in the Western Cape. Then we all know what Jackie Selebi did; and we all know what Jackie Selebi did, he scrapped the drug and gang units to defend his friend Agliotti because the drug and gang units were being so effective that they were getting to the root of the problem. So what the national Minister does, he scraps the most effective crime fighting mechanism in the police and effectively condones an ungovernability campaign run by his own party and then blames us for the consequences.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The PREMIER: I think it is sick, Mr Speaker, and it has absolutely nothing to do with cooperative governance, but we have deliberately avoided political fights over community safety and of crime and we are going quietly through the court procedures to determine what our constitutional rights are and to implement those constitutional rights. The best thing that the police could do to increase the morale of policemen and make them feel better about themselves is to appoint police ministers who uphold the dignity of the police. We all remember Bheki Cele and what happened to him as the Police Commissioner and we all know exactly the sorry saga of Jackie Selebi and many other people. Today I hear that in fact, Commissioner ... [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: What is wrong with ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky, if you carry on - Order!

The PREMIER: Commissioner Mzwandile Petros has resigned ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! If you carry on undermining - Order! If you carry on undermining my authority then definitely I will request you to leave this Chamber; if you carry on doing that you will leave this Chamber. [Interjections.] Hon Premier, you may continue.

The PREMIER: I am finished, Mr Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Before we proceed with statements the Speaker had acceded to a request by the hon member Mr Ozinsky in terms of Rule 63(2) to allow a personal explanation. May I just point out that the rule allows the member to make a statement of no longer than three minutes and there will be no debate afterwards.

STATEMENT BY MEMBER IN TERMS OF RULE 63(2)

Mr M OZINSKY: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. Last week in the House I unequivocally rejected the allegations made in affidavits that have been distributed by hon MEC Plato to various parties including the press that alleged that myself, Deputy Minister Fransman and General Veary are involved in gun and drug running.

On Tuesday the provincial director of public prosecutions released a statement saying that: "The public protector had referred certain allegations to the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation that she had received from Minister Plato, the MEC for

Community Safety in the Western Cape government. The DPCI then conducted the enquiry and referred the file to DPP. The source of the allegations is a witness who lacks credibility and whose version is unable to be corroborated in any respect. The DPP considers that the enquiry contains insufficient evidence to suggest that he should take any further steps and he has declined to do so.”

I am glad to be vindicated in this matter. However, I remain concerned about the role of the MEC in this matter. My concerns are:

1. The MEC has told the House and the press that he received the affidavits by registered post. When did he receive it and did he see the affidavit before that date? [Interjections.] Did the MEC - no he has accused me in these affidavits. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: No!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: Did the MEC play a role in creating these affidavits? Has the MEC met with the signatory of these affidavits ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Hon, Order! Order! Hon member Mr Ozinsky, just give me one second. Is that a point of order?

Me A ROSSOUW: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, die punt wat - agb lid Mnr Ozinsky is

besig met 'n aanval op die Minister en is van die punt af. Ons kan dit nie so hanteer nie. [Tussenwerpsels.]

'n AGB LID: Hy misbruik dit nou vir ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The member has been given the opportunity to make a statement, to make a personal explanation in terms of Rule 63(2), and I am prepared to allow him.

Ms M TINGWE: Yes!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: If the member goes too far and it becomes a personal attack on another member of this House, certainly he would overstep the mark. Please continue. [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: It is not a personal attack. I am dealing with the issues that the MEC has raised in the House and in other places, directly. [Interjections.]

- (2) What steps did MEC Plato take to verify the allegations and the person making them before he distributed them to various forces? Did he know that the source is as DPP says “a witness who lacks credibility”?
- (3) What was the role of the Premier and the provincial cabinet in this matter? Has the Premier and the provincial cabinet in this matter ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Since when did they investigate the charge?

Mr M OZINSKY: ... when did the cabinet discuss these matters with the MEC and do they approve of his actions?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Are you fighting for survival?

Mr M OZINSKY: Were any other MECs involved?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Are you fighting for survival?

Mr M OZINSKY: (4) What was your role in this?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Are you fighting for survival of the ANC?

Mr M OZINSKY: What was your role in this? What was the effect of these actions by the MEC on fighting crime in the province? For an MEC to make a false attack on a senior police officer such as General Veary can only undermine the confidence of the people in the police.

(5) What is the link between the MEC, the provincial government with the Projects Abroad Human Rights Office?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Minister Plato, is that a question?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Speaker I want to bring to your attention that the information provided by the hon member Mr Ozinsky is incorrect. Let me say; he says ... [Interjections.] ... my information, Mr Speaker, I want to put to the House ...

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: It is not my information. It is the information in an affidavit by a member of the public ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order! Minister Plato.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Speaker, maybe just one other last point.

An HON MEMBER: No! [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order! Mr Plato.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Speaker, it is important!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr Plato, Minister Plato, order. [Interjections.] Order! I have indicated beforehand that this is a personal explanation ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: ... and there is no opportunity for reply, and I am applying the rules here. If there are political points to be taken afterwards, then certainly we fight it politically, but I must allow the hon member to continue and ask the member please not to accuse members personally in this House of certain things because that could be unparliamentary.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Mr Speaker, may I address you?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes sure.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: You have given the hon member an opportunity for his personal explanation. He used it for a personal attack on the member. [Interjections.] He has already done that and I ask you to please rule that what he has done is not applicable.

An HON MEMBER: No. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I will look at that. Can I ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: And it is out of order, yes.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Can I just point to the specific wording in the rule: "The member must confine himself or herself strictly to the vindication of his or her own conduct and may not speak for longer than three minutes". So if the member

confines himself to that I would say he is within order, but please try not to be personal or too personal against members on that side. [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: Mr Deputy Speaker, I have not made any personal attack. I have asked a number of questions which relate to the experience I have had to suffer because that MEC has released false affidavits about me, and these are key questions. [Interjections.] That is how I vindicate myself. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: What is the link between the MEC and the provincial government ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Deputy Speaker, ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Just one second. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Deputy Speaker, the point is I receive affidavits every day. It is not my information. I pass it on. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order!

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: It is exactly what I have done in this case.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Minister Plato. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: And we need to understand that. They try to give the impression ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Minister Plato, order!

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ...that the information is mine. It is not my information! [Interjections.]

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

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Shut up! You shut your mouth!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Shut up! [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Minister Plato ... [Interjections.] Minister Plato, order! [Interjections.] Order! Minister Plato, you are going too far now. You must withdraw the words “shut up” please.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Deputy Speaker, I withdraw the words.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you and can I again say that if you want to counter the statements made by the hon member Mr Ozinsky there are other avenues to do that. You may make interjections but you cannot simply jump up and have another speech here. We cannot allow that. Hon member Mr Ozinsky, your time has almost expired. Please finish off.

Mr M OZINSKY: My last point:

(5) What action will Premier Zille take against MEC Plato now that these allegations have been shown to be false?

An HON MEMBER: They have not been ... [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: Given the damage ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Can you keep quiet?

Mr M OZINSKY: ... that has been done to crime fighting in the province? This should be done immediately and he should be dismissed.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Why do you not you say what you said to me on the phone?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Order!

The PREMIER: Mr Deputy Speaker, ... [Interjections.]

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

Mr M OZINSKY: Because you were ... [Inaudible]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Premier, I see you.

Mr M OZINSKY: Yes! You did.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Ozinsky, please allow the Premier.
There is a point of order.

The PREMIER: Mr Deputy Speaker, seeing that the hon member Mr Ozinsky abused his point of explanation ... [Interjections.] ... in order to attack other members of this House and to pose questions I am now proposing to you that I have three minutes to reply.

An HON MEMBER: No, no, you cannot.

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

The PREMIER: He asked me what I am going to do and I want to reply.
[Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Premier, I did not hear the last part, you are proposing?

The PREMIER: He asked me a direct question and I propose that because he abused his time on a point of personal explanation as an attack, as an opportunity for a speech and as an opportunity to ask questions, I would like three minutes to answer that.

An HON MEMBER: No! No! A statement.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Premier, unfortunately I cannot accede to that. The rules do not allow me the opportunity to do that. The Speaker allowed the opportunity in terms of Rule 63 which very specifically limits the member to three minutes and states further that there cannot be any further debate. [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Well, may I say, Mr Deputy Speaker, your ruling ... [Interjections.] ... your ruling has opened the door for massive abuse of statements of personal explanation and I will now ask for a statement of personal ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order!

The PREMIER: I will now ask for a statement of personal explanation, and I will deal with every one of these abuses at a time where he cannot be questioned and there is no right of reply in debate. A point of personal explanation is precisely something that must not be contentious ... [Interjections.] ... and must not require debate to get to the truth. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Premier.

The PREMIER: And I have a major objection to that.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, the point is taken. I am not going to allow a big debate on this.

Mr P UYS: No, no, just a point of order. I want you to rule on what the Premier said. She accused you as a presiding officer ... [Interjections.]

Ms M TINGWE: Yes.

Mr P UYS: ...and your ruling of not opening it up an abuse. I want you to rule on that.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! My ruling is that I am stopping the debate on this thing now. If the Premier is unhappy with my ruling then we can certainly take it to a further venue and discuss it there.

An HON MEMBER: Amandla!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am simply ... [Interjections.] Please take your seat, Sir. I am simply applying the rules and if there are further requests for personal explanations each one will have to be considered on its merit. [Interjections.] This is the only way that I can deal with it at the moment. [Interjections.] Is that a point of

order?

Mr M NCEDANA: On points of order. It is so difficult in sittings these days. They used to be very clear. However, this is my point of order. This issue, it seems as if it is a very hot issue. Mr Deputy Speaker, can you make this issue a subject for debate in the next sitting? [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! [Interjections.] Order, please! The Speaker does not determine the subjects for debate but if the whips were to decide then certainly it can happen. That disposes of this topic. We now proceed to statements by parties.

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Ms C LABUSCHAGNE (DA): Mr Deputy Speaker, on 8 August we celebrate National Women's Day. It is a time where we acknowledge and commemorate the sacrifices made by the women of this country in the fight for a free and democratic society. South Africa is certainly a less gendered society than it was previously, but it is also one that is certainly more riddled with paradoxes.

In the 2012 Social Watch's Gender Equity Index South Africa ranked fairly well, sharing the spot with developed states such as the Netherlands, Belgium and Switzerland. Yet when we look at the violence both physical and verbal that is inflicted upon women in this country an entirely different picture is portrayed. What continues to puzzle me about this paradox is the one that takes place in our politics.

The ruling party continues to see itself as the principle voice on women's rights, yet it continues to prove otherwise. These so called "political leaders" who could otherwise use the platforms and positions they have to champion gender equality, use it to ridicule and defame for cheap political points. Simply put these paradoxical practices only add to the spiral of challenges that women face in their professional and personal lives.

Zwelinzima Vavi, as leader of COSATU, and the allegations against him prove just that.

It is a shame that the ruling party and its partners have allowed such behaviour and rhetoric to undermine our constitution and the fight for equality. Mr Deputy Speaker, if the ruling party were so serious about championing women they would not allow such political paradoxes to persist. The question that remains is: are the ANC so desperate that they are willing to trade their principles to stay in power?

Mr Deputy Speaker, we all know that answer! Thank you.

Ms V HANI (ANC): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. This DA led Western Cape provincial government has betrayed the women of South Africa and their plight for equality and restoration of their dignity.

Premier Helen Zille could not find one woman good enough to be given the chance in a leadership position in her cabinet - a chance she got as a woman! As we stand here

at the start of Women's month the DA has yet to inform this legislature what it intends to do if anything, to promote awareness of women and their issues.

This year we celebrate a centenary of working together towards sustainable women empowerment and gender equity. It goes beyond the 9 August 1956 anti-pass law march to the Union Buildings 58 years ago. It goes beyond the 1913 Native Land Act. It goes beyond women's access to land. It goes beyond alleviating the suffering of women on the basis of gender, colour and class.

What is this DA led provincial government doing to advance women in the economy and especially assistance in rural areas with access to basic services, enterprise development and rural industries?

We thank the ANC led national government who acknowledged the role of especially coloured women who played a significant role in the UDF and liberation struggle. We also commend Jacob Zuma who honoured ... [Interjections.] ... our President, who honoured ... [Interjections.] - listen! ...who honoured our women [Interjections.]

Ms A ROSSOUW: On a point of order! A point of order!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. Order!

Ms A ROSSOUW: A point of order, Mr Deputy Speaker. Is it parliamentary to call the President "Jacob Zuma" and not call him President? [Interjections.]

Ms V HANI: I said “Our President”.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Please continue. Please continue. [Interjections.]

Ms V HANI: I said Jacob Zuma, our President. I said that. [Interjections.] Let me repeat!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Ms Hani, your time has almost expired. Just finish off.

Ms V HANI: We also commend President Jacob Zuma who honoured our women by naming the four production machines at the government printers for the new smart card ID after the four women who presented the 1956 anti-pass petition to the apartheid government, namely Sophie De Bruyn, Helen Joseph, Rahima Moosa and Lillian Ngoyi.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Ms V HANI: The DA in this province disregards the plight of women and the ANC has no other choice but to protest this injustice.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Ms Hani, your time has expired now.

Ms V HANI: Malibongwe amaKhosikazi! [Time expired.]

Me A ROSSOUW (DA): Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, Suid-Afrika het verskeie potensiële, eksklusiewe handelsmerkprodukte wat eie is aan die onderskeie streke van ons land en sy mense soos byvoorbeeld rooibos, karoo-lam en hoodia, om net maar 'n paar te noem. Dit sal jammer wees as die Suid-Afrikaanse identiteit en eksklusiwiteit van 'n handelsmerk aan 'n ander land afgestaan moet word net omdat nodige wetgewing nie in Suid-Afrika bestaan om hierdie produkte te beskerm nie.

Die Suid-Afrikaanse Rooibostee handelsmerke wat plaaslik langs mekaar op die rak staan kompeteer baie goed. Dit is dus nie 'n behoefte vir die eksklusiewe plaaslike gebruik van rooibos nie, maar sedert 2012 het twee Franse maatskappye aansoek gedoen vir die gebruik van die naam "rooibos". Omdat die aansoek die moontlike eksklusiewe gebruik van "rooibos" mag insluit, moes Suid-Afrika beswaar daarteen aanteken.

Die eerste buitelandse aanslag op rooibos is reeds in 2000 geloods. Suid-Afrika beskik steeds na 13 jaar nie oor gepaste wetgewing om die produk geografies as 'n aanduiding of dorp of streek in die land te registreer nie en markte soos die Europese unie sal slegs 'n geografiese aanduiding erken as dit in die land van oorsprong as sulks geregistreer is.

Die moontlike verlies van die rooibos handelsmerk se eksklusiwiteit en ander soortgelyke produkte kan tot verlaagte produksie en gevolglike werksverliese in die gemeenskap lei met 'n negatiewe impak op die groei van die betrokke omgewing.

As Suid-Afrika toenemend op die wêreldmarkte wil meeding, sal daar aan

internasionale wetgewing voldoen moet word om die nodige beskerming aan die plaaslike produkte te verleen. Hierdie wetgewing raak alle eg Suid-Afrikaanse produkte en is nie net op rooibos van toepassing nie. Die Demokratiese Alliansie in die Wes-Kaap versoek dus die Departement van Handel en Nywerheid om sonder verdere versuim die nodige wetgewing te implementeer wat internasionale erkenning en beskerming aan Suid-Afrikaanse produkte van oorsprong en plekname sal verleen en hulle so teen uitbuiting sal beskerm. Ek dank u.

Mr M NCEDANA (COPE): Thank you very much, Mr Deputy Speaker. I am standing here wondering how the women who marched in 1956 for better life in South Africa, equality in South Africa, must feel if they were to see the people of the Western Cape in particular from Khayelitsha, Crossroads, Nyanga, relieving themselves along the N2?

Yeyiphi into engcono, bafanele bathini xaningabahoyanga ngoluhlobo? Isidima somntu omyama sokuthi ukuze sibuye khuphakame umntu omnyama ame alwelwe isidima sakhe, mna ndiyayixhasa into yokubana bayigalele ipoty potyana kwezi moto zenu xaningabakheli iithoylet imali ninayo, ngoba endaweni yokuba batshise la Library iphaya eHarare batshise zonke izinto ezikoyo ezenzelwe ukuhlala bhetele babonakalise umsindowabo kwaba bantu baba voteleyo into yokubana mamaphucule ubomi babo.

Ms M TINGWE (ANC): Enkosi Sekela Somlomo. What a terrible mess the DA has created for itself with the arbitrary closure of poor black schools in the Western Cape. DA and MEC Grant, in absentia, is sad today because Michael Arendse who is in

Grade 2 in Lavis Drive can walk safely from home to school today. You are sad today because the learners and parents will not have to change school uniforms and spend money that they do not have. You are sad today because the court of law has reaffirmed educators and general staff workers employments.

The arrogant DA continues to peddle its sorry excuse that it wants the best for our children; an argument that failed in three expensive court cases where the DA used millions of rands of taxpayers money to fight the very same taxpayers; money that could have been put to better use!

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: [Inaudible.] ... Nkandla ...

Ms M TINGWE: It could have been used to keep more children in school, Mr Von Brandis, as this is the province with the highest number of children of school going age not in school. [Interjections.]

The DA under its national leader Madam Premier Helen Zille is stripped by the High Court findings that left the runaway MEC Donald Grant and his spokeswoman Bronagh Casey with no credibility. The decision to close these schools that affected thousands of lives was found to be a process that has no predetermined standards or tests against which to measure any particular school.

No meaningful engagement was undertaken that could be called real or genuine consultation. Budgetary considerations played a bigger role than the interests of children.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, the last sentence.

Ms M TINGWE: Congratulations to all who worked so hard for this victory! Voters must take note of the trickeries invented by the DA. [Time expired.]

Mnr J J VISSER (DA): Dankie, mnr die Adjunkspeaker. Ons nasionale grondwet is die oppergesag van ons land en wetlike sisteme is daargestel op grond van ons grondwet se voorskrifte. Die nasionale regering moet toesien dat hierdie voorskrifte gevolg word en toegepas word. Wanneer 'n saak in die hof geplaas word vir 'n uitspraak dan is hierdie selfde regering se lede dan die persone wat eenvoudig hierdie uitsprake ignoreer. In stede daarvan dat die regerende party sy lede tot orde roep, ondersteun hulle hul lede in hierdie wettelose houding.

Nou dit is so dat die hof 'n uitspraak gemaak het teen die agb Minister, maar die agb Minister het nog nie voortgegaan en die hof verontagsaam nie. Dit is sy reg om hierdie saak in die hof te toets.

Dit is egter baie duidelik dat die ANC nie aan die wetlike stelsel glo nie en ook nie demokrasie voorstaan nie. Demokrasie beteken dat jy jou onderwerp aan die besluit wat die meerderheid neem, of jy daarvan hou of nie. Kom ons kyk na 'n paar voorbeelde. Die een is Oudshoorn waar die hof by twee geleenthede die ANC burgemeester opdrag gegee het om die munisipale bestuurder wat onbevoeg was vir sy pos se dienste te beëindig en hy dit eenvoudig geïgnoreer het.

Tlokwe is 'n ander voorbeeld. Die hof beslis dat die prosedures wat gevolg is om die mosie van wantroue in te dien reg hanteer was en steeds weier die ANC om hulle kantore te ontruim en gehoor te gee aan hierdie bevel. Die ANC-lede wat riool rondstrooi, ten spyte van die feit dat hulle op parool uit is hou hulle aan om dit te doen, wel wetende dat dit teen die wet is. Deur hierdie optrede word programme van die plaaslike regerings erg ontwrig.

Nou ek wil nie eers verwys na Cederberg se burgemeester en die munisipale bestuurder se houding teenoor die wet en hoe hulle dit ondermyn nie. Die munisipale bestuurder het blykbaar vir die valke 'n e-pos gestuur en gesê hulle moet hulle ondersoek daar stop. Kan jy die arrogansie glo?

Die Noord-Kaap herontplooi sy lede wat van bedrog aangekla word. Hulle word slegs na ander afdelings van dieselfde wetgewer geskuif. Die wet is die wet en uitsprake deur die howe moet eerbiedig word, wie ook al die persoon is wat deur die wet aangespreek word. Ek dank u.

Mr R B LENTIT (ID): Mr Deputy Speaker, August is a significant month in the sense that we celebrate the role that women play in the day-to-day functioning of our communities. Like many other provinces in our country a large fraction of women in the Western Cape are affected by poverty, unemployment and social injustice. It is therefore important that while all of our people have gained political freedom far too little has been done for the emancipation of our mothers and sisters.

This is where the Western Cape government has stepped out of the shadow cast by this

predicament and under the direction of Premier Zille has made great strides and placed all the efforts to create employment and empowerment initiatives. Among others, Mr Deputy Speaker, the new growth path and job creation job fund from which women benefit is such an initiative. These successful economic and development drives of our government are designed to increase job opportunities for the people of our province.

It will also undoubtedly create a platform for women to rise above their circumstances and expand and develop the combined skills of our labour force, and that will be achieved because this is the product of working better together. The empowerment of women should be an ongoing process that we as leaders should drive in our communities and our constituencies. May I further take this opportunity to wish all the female members and staff of this institution a blessed women's month. I thank you.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS (DA): Mr Deputy Speaker, businesses continue to experience the challenges of a weak economy, over-regulation, crime and the shortage of skilled workers. The Grant Thornton International Business Report of 2013 highlights the commercial and economic challenges of businesses.

Looking at some of the key results of this report: 42% of businesses in this report cited red tape as a constraint on business; 58% of business operations have been affected by poor service delivery. Furthermore, three in every five respondents reported that their employees or immediate family have experienced threats to their personal safety.

Mr Deputy Speaker, what this report highlights is that creating a pro-business

environment requires a holistic approach, and the national response to this leaves us thunderstruck. Corruption has left our national government without any vision.

On the other hand the Western Cape continues to take a hard look at streamlining the regulatory environment in which our businesses operate. The Red Tape to Red Carpet Project by the Department of Economic Development, Finance and Tourism continues to impress and address the hurdles in our regulatory frameworks. Just recently the red tape reduction unit aided a small company in attaining a pro forma letter from the Department of Labour. The company had been awaiting for said letter for over three months. The red tape unit managed to secure the letter in just three days, saving the company from losing out on a R12 million tender.

Mr Deputy Speaker, this House has previously discussed the topic of over-regulation in business. The risk and constraints on businesses and our entrepreneurs in this country are very real.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please finish off.

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: The DA wishes to congratulate the Minister of Finance for his relentless drive to create a friendly business environment. [Time expired.]

Mr K E MAGAXA (ANC): Mr Deputy Speaker, what a terrible mess this DA government finds itself in under the leadership of its national leader Helen Zille. The latest DA own goal that exploded like a homemade bomb in the face of Zille and her arrogant stooges is the false and fabricated allegations against the ANC Western Cape

leader Marius Fransman and others. The DA has been actively manufacturing various plots in the backrooms to taint the ANC in desperate attempts to cling to power in the Western Cape, but what did the prosecuting authority do with the so called evidence? It declined to take steps on the allegations made by the MEC Plato. Instead of discharging his duties in a province ravaged by police killings this MEC had been peddling various bits of far-fetched information as fact to many reporters to entice them to rubbish the ANC leadership. In a frantic attempt he handed over made up documents to the public protector, not to the police.

After an investigation the public prosecutor found no evidence and declined to take any steps. The most revealing is that it was found the source of the allegation lacks credibility and its version could not be corroborated in any respect.

This damning finding also speaks volumes of the DA and its leaders who dally with hardened criminals and side with criminals instead of the law abiding or innocent victims of those murderers, drug dealers and gangsters.

An HON MEMBER: Are you talking about Selebi?

Mr K E MAGAXA: The drug friendly DA and especially its leader Helen Zille is accountable for this atrocity. The voters must take note of the trickeries invented by the DA. The DA remains a party of lies, deception, smoke and mirrors.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Great speech!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. The ACDP is not here, then the DA again.
[Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: You are also wrong there.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: [Inaudible.]
... taken up his seat over there.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Please continue.

Mr M OZINSKY: You are also ... [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: To carry on his good
work of three years ago.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Minister Carlisle, allow the hon member Mr Walters to
continue.

Mr M C WALTERS (DA): Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. The irrational statement
by the National Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries that nothing is being
done for the Western Cape farm workers by the Hon Minister of Agriculture, Gerrit
Van Rensburg, and threatening intervention, adds to her sorry portfolio.

This epitome of ANC political insight ignores the fact that the Western Cape is the
only province with a dedicated farm worker programme, negates the acceptance by

Minister Nkwinti of our rural development framework as a template for other provinces, as well as the department's twelve point plan which specifically targets the needs of farm workers.

In October 2012 she gave R4,1 million to minor role players and trade unions with less than 3% farm worker support to engineer a series of violent protests by bussed-in demonstrators and seasonal farm workers. These protests during the fruit harvesting season were directed solely at the destabilisation of the Western Cape. This Minister with great fanfare in 2011 showed a giant publicity cheque of R15 million for the creation of an abalone hatchery with the capacity of 6 million juveniles in the Gansbaai harbour to a grateful fishing community. Recently the Minister awarded this facility to Arniston in Agulhas, an ANC municipality. Is the change of mind a pre-election political ploy?

Fishing quota fiascos abound. Her neglect of the maintenance and wreck-removal in Western Cape fishing harbours borders on criminality. Poaching and fishing monitoring and policing vessels remain unseaworthy in dry docks alongside research vessels. These inactions have far-reaching economic impacts on the fishing industry and communities of the province.

Phyto-sanitary failures impact on agriculture, like and foot-and-mouth disease, has cost the South African red meat industry far in excess of R4 billion.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order member, your time has almost expired. Just finish off.

Mr M C WALTERS: This ANC cadre's opportunism is aimed only at currying short-term favour with possible ANC voters who will be sorely disillusioned afterwards.

Thank you. [Time expired.]

MOTIONS WITH NOTICE

Mr M G E WILEY: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the ability and responsibility of crime investigation in all the spheres of government and in the public domain.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Notice is taken. Hon member Mr Magaxa.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the DA's huge shifting of focus towards the actions of sanitation protestors whilst ignoring the sanitation crisis in the Western Cape.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Notice is taken. Hon member Mr Visser.

Mnr J J VISSER: Dankie, mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek gee kennis dat ek sal voorstel:

Dat die Huis die impak van die Wes-Kaapse regering se ondersteuning aan die provinsies se onderskeie munisipaliteite bespreek.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Kennis word geneem. Are there further? Hon member Ms Gopie?

Ms D GOPIE: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discuss the relationship between the Western Cape government and gang leaders.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice is taken. Hon member Ms Mballo.

MS B G MBALO: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the provincial government's failure and lack of progress in addressing farm worker issues.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Notice is taken. Are there any further? Agb lid mnr Uys.

Mr P UYS: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the closing down of debate in the City of Cape Town by the DA.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice is taken. Are there any further? Nothing, for the last time?

An HON MEMBER: Hopefully not!

MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Mr M G E WILEY: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House expresses its deepest sympathy to the families of the three police officers who were brutally murdered in the province this last week. Constable Lungisa Depha of Harare SAPS was shot while on duty on 28 July; Sergeant Landile Samuel Yengo of Khayelitsha SAPS was shot while departing for work on 28 July. Sergeant Bafundi Mdlalo of Philippi East SAPS was shot at his home on 29 July;

That the House be requested to rise for a moment of silence as a mark of respect for these fallen officers, also mindful that the total number of officers murdered in the Western Cape during July was seven members.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to. Will we all rise for a second please?

[Moment of silence, members standing.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I thank you. Are there any further? Hon member Ms Gopie.

Ms D D GOPIE: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its condolences to the family, friends and comrades of ANC Women's League member and community worker Norma Lottering who was killed in gang crossfire in Elsies River.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Any objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Any further? Agb lid Mnr Visser.

Mnr J J VISSER: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek stel sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat die Huis die dorp Paarl sal ondersteun in 'n poging om vir die dorp van die jaar toekenning mee te ding en hul sterkte toewens met hierdie poging.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Enige beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennis?

'n AGB LID: Ja. Ja.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Is daar 'n beswaar? Dit sal op die Ordelys gedruk word.

'n AGB LID: Ons gaan mos nou nie net een dorp steun nie.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Ms Hani.

'n AGB LID: In die Wes-Kaap. In die Wes-Kaap.

Ms V HANI: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its condolences to the family and friends of Moses

Makhwenkwa who was killed in a shack fire in Khayelitsha which left eight people homeless.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Any objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Agb lid Me Labuschagne.

Me C LABUSCHAGNE: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek stel sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat die Huis die Hoërskool D F Malan gelukwens met die prestasie om vir die tweede agtereenvolgende jaar in die Universiteit van Cambridge se Prestige Publikasie “The Guide to Excellence” opgeneem te word. Vir hierdie uitgawe het Cambridge, tans ’n top universiteit in die wêreld, honderd skole regoor die wêreld geïdentifiseer met uitnemende onderwyspraktyke.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Dankie. Geen beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennis? Geen beswaar teen die voorstel self?

Goedgekeur.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I see the Hon member Ms Tingwe.

Ms M TINGWE: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its condolences to the family and friends of the ten year old Ayanda Mfenku who was killed by a bull in Philippi East.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Any objection to the motion without notice?

No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Geyer.

Mnr H P GEYER: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek stel sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat die Huis sy diepe medelye betoon aan Jan Le Fleur se familie, vriende, medewerkers, en die bestuur van die Du Toit-groep, Crispy Farming en die plaas Coshla. Mnr Le Fleur is Dinsdag tydens 'n fratsongeluk op die plaas oorlede. Mnr Le Fleur het as produksiebestuurder van die Du Toit-groep die afgelope vier jaar ook as opkomende boer die plaas Coshla behartig. Vanjaar was die eerste jaar wat die bome vrugte gedra het. In 2012 is Le Fleur benoem as die Sagtevrugteraad se nuwe toetreder tot die industrie waarna hy saam met die Wes-Kaapse Minister Gerhard Van Rensburg na Europa gereis het. Dit was vir hom 'n uitdaging om die vrugtebedryf se opkomende en klein boere te verenig en sodoende mee te ding aan die strawwe ekonomies gedrewe oorsese markte.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Enige beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennis? Geen beswaar teen die voorstel self?

Goedgekeur.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Agb me Prins, ag, agb lid me Witbooi.

MS J WITBOOI: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House expresses its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of 23 year old Wendell Daniels who was shot dead near his home in Ravensmead.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Lentit.

Mr R B LENTIT: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the work of the Sunflower Foundation during August, the month of bone marrow donations and leukaemia awareness.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Any objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Ms Mbalu.

Ms B G MBALO: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House condemns the ongoing rapes and murders of gay and lesbian people in the Western Cape making it the province with the highest amount of homophobic attacks.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Agb lid me Labuschagne.

Me C LABUSCHAGNE: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek stel sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat die Huis erkenning gee aan die effektiewe poging van skole om die afwesigheidsyfer van leerders te verminder. Dankie en waardering aan die Minister, die departement skoolhoofde, onderwysers, leerders en ouers wat bygedra het om die afwesigheidsyfer van 7.7% in 2009 tot 4.1% in 2013 te verminder.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Dankie. Geen beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennis? Geen beswaar teen die voorstel self?

Goedgekeur.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Agb lid mnr Geyer.

Mnr H P GEYER: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek stel sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat die Huis Annette Combrink gelukwens met die aanwysing deur die hof as regmatige burgemeester van die Tlokwe-munisipaliteit. Sy is op 2 Julie vir die tweede keer sedert November 2012 as die nuwe burgemeester aangewys nadat 14 ANC-raadslede die voormalige en korrupte burgemeester Maphetle ontsetel het. Die Wes-Kaap wens haar alle sterkte toe.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Enige beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennis? Daar is beswaar. Dit sal op die Ordelys gedruk word.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I see the hon member Ms Beerwinkel.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House acknowledges and congratulates Ashley Uys ...

Mr Deputy Speaker, Ashley Uys is in the House today. I would like him to stand.

An HON MEMBER: Hear, hear!

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... a member of my constituency, a biotechnologist and founder of Medical Diagnostech. He has also discovered and patented the following inexpensive test kits which are distributed internationally: malaria test kits, HIV test kits, pregnancy test kits and his latest an app for a cell phone to test for drugs which I will address later. All of this was done with own finance and contracts of trust with

suppliers. We congratulate Ashley. [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Any objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself? Congratulations, Mr Uys.

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The next one, hon member Ms Labuschagne.

Me C LABUSCHAGNE: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek stel sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat die Huis die leerder wat deelneem aan die Palama-Nagraadse Studie by die Universiteit van die Witwatersrand ondersteun en die Capetonian span gelukwens met hul eerstespan taak-oorwinning.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Enige beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennis? Geen beswaar teen die voorstel self?

Goedgekeur.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Ms Gopie.

Ms D D GOPIE: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the firm stands taken by ANC Deputy President Cyril Ramaphosa against gangs and drugs during his engagement with communities in Mitchells Plain.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Any objection to the motion without notice? Any objection

to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Wiley.

Mr M G E WILEY: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Schean Marais, 13 of Seekoeivlei who won a gold medal in the heavyweight kumite division at the World Karate Federation Youth World Cup held in Corfu, Greece during July. He is the first South Africa to achieve this particular distinction at these championships.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Ms Hani.

Ms V HANI: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that today we celebrate the National Day against Child Labour under the theme “A future without child labour” and condemns all forms of abuse involving child labour especially on our farms.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Any objection to the motion without notice? No

objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Wiley, are you ready to go?

Mr M G E WILEY: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House acknowledges the exceptional contribution being made by Mr Peter Cole in his effort to train and mould top-class athletes. Mr Cole, a businessman and former champion sportsman himself, coaches athletes in various disciplines and his recent successes include: providing 11 flat-water canoe paddlers to the national squad to participate in the World Marathon Championships in Denmark in September; training five of the athletes to participate in the inaugural Surfski World Championships in Portugal in July where three of them won world titles; and helping Fish Hoek Surf Lifesaving to its fourth consecutive national championship title.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Any objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Magaxa.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcome the Director of Public Prosecutions' dismissal of an

allegation forwarded by MEC Dan Plato alleging that senior ANC members were involved in criminal activity.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Any objection to the motion without notice?

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There is an objection. It will be printed on the Order Paper.
[Interjections.] Order! Hon member Ms N Magwaza.

Ms N P MAGWAZA: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates the newly appointed CEO of Groote Schuur hospital Dr Bhavna Patel on her appointment.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I take it there is no objection to the motion without notice?
No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any further? Agb lid me Witbooi.

Ms J WITBOOI: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House express its sympathy with MEC Ivan Meyer for being made the DA's premier candidate for the Western Cape and therefore being forced to remain in the shadow of Helen Zille.

An HON MEMBER: Amandla!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! I see hands going up. Is there objection? [Interjections.] There is an objection to that motion. It will be printed in the Order Paper. [Interjections.] Order! Order! Are there any further? [Interjections.] Are there any further, for the last time? Hon member Ms Tingwe.

Ms M TINGWE: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

Ukuba lendlu ithumele amazwi ovelwano kubantwana nosapholakwa sisiPumla Ngcongca-Mgobozi, a community builder, selfless parent to many children of Langa. May her soul rest in peace.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Any objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION*Infrastructure investment and development in the Western Cape*

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Let me open this debate by referring to Minister Winde's 2013 budget speech, where he stated:

“The surest way to drive economic activity is to invest in infrastructure.”

Since the days of Adam Smith economists have viewed infrastructure as crucial to growing and sustaining economies. We know that addressing our countries infrastructure development needs must be accelerated if we are to achieve measurable economic growth. This is what we are doing in the Western Cape, we are getting ahead of the development needs curve. We know that well designed infrastructure maximizes the production and consumption of goods and services. This is where infrastructure and economic growth meet. Having said this, it was only logical that the infrastructure budget of the provinces 2013 MTF be increased by R2 billion.

Mr Speaker, the Department of Transport and Public Works states that its mission is to develop and maintain appropriate infrastructure and related services for sustainable economic development. The George Integrated Public Transport Network is one such one infrastructure project that the department has helped to develop. After years of planning and development the project is on track and is ready for the first stage implementation expected in January/February of 2014. The department is currently concluding negotiations with taxi operators and have until the final signing expected

in October 2013 agreed to it in an “in principle compensation agreement”.

Mr Speaker, this network can boast that it is the only non-metro public transport system of its kind in the country. The network also falls in line with the aims as set out in the National Land Transport Act. George is an emerging regional economic node with population growth twice the national average, remembering that the Western Cape is not exempt from increasing urbanisation. Infrastructure needs must adapt to the changes in the movement of goods and people. This is why the GIPT Network has been welcomed by the public because it responds to the demands of these changes. The network will enable those living in and around the George area to access goods and services that otherwise would have been either costly or time consuming. The GIPTN will provide those beyond George centre better access to schools, medical services as well as offering other social benefits. Through the lowering of transport costs, increased access to opportunities, and lower commuting times, the GIPTN will facilitate more affective economic activity in the region.

Mr Speaker, looking at what has been done, it is clear that the department continues to fulfil its mandate through its dedication to safe and effective transportation and accelerated infrastructure delivery. I thank you.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Speaker, the president of the ANC the hon Jacob Zuma, when launching the national government’s campaign of building the infrastructure nationwide to boost the level of our economy and job opportunities, said the following, and I quote:

“The massive investment in infrastructure must include more than just power

stations, railway lines, dams and roads. It must industrialise the country, generate skills and boost much needed jobs. Projects should focus on health and basic education infrastructure, information and communication technology, technology itself and regional integration.”

This directive is entrenched in the NDP. Now, however, if I showed you a map and I plotted where and how the DA has implemented the above directive with funds entrusted to it by the national government, what picture would you see?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: A very good one. Very good.

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon Minister Carlisle. Order.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: A picture of un-integrated skewed planning and development across the province, as was depicted in the presentation across municipalities of the infrastructure that was done. In spite of the great plans that are laid and boasted about, you will sometimes find that projects are delayed causing increase in budget ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: In what department?

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon Minister Carlisle. Order. Order.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: In your department, MEC ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: No, no. You tell me
[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon Minister Carlisle. Order. Order.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... in budget because of incorrect allocation tenders and not doing proper background checks, municipal infrastructure grant not spent or utilised for other purposes, and the major infrastructure and development project centred around the CBD of the metro. Housing gets built without integrated sustainable community facilities like libraries, schools, and clinics, which are not erected simultaneously. [Interjections.] Transport infrastructure is unsafe but upgrading like the BRT happens in areas that do not need it. What happened to the plans to upgrade Klipfontein Corridor so that the poor areas have sustainable transport networks?
[Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Your ANC ...[Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon Minister Carlisle. Order. Order.

An HON MEMBER: Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Speaker, one is reminded of the collusion of big construction companies in the building of stadiums. Who benefited? [Interjections.]
Why is there silence on the part of the DA political leadership on these issues and in

the city of late? Mike Marsden now needs to be the fall guy and answer all the questions. In the DA's excitement to score political mileage, the hospital in Mitchells Plain was built without the necessary rezoning and planning approvals. Again, who benefited? [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: The community.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Yet we earlier heard how laws have to be adhered to. The workforce that ensures the capital gains of the already rich minority are not afforded the infrastructure that they need to live a decent life.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: That is not true.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Why are ANC councillors in the city taken to disciplinary hearings [Interjections.] for legitimately questioning the voracity of the DA's budget and its spending on the poor and infrastructure? [Interjections.]

Mnr H P GEYER: Want hulle is onbeskof. [Gelag.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Speaker, recently ... [Interjections.]

Ms M TINGWE: That is the real response. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Speaker, recently in a DA Ward in Wallacedene the lack of infrastructure and the untenable conditions that people live under had to result in people marching to the municipal offices to hand over a memorandum to be heard. Of late in Stellenbosch more than R800 000 is taken from the housing budget to put up a small monument for former President Mandela. If you really want to honour Tata Mandela, DA, build houses for the poor and put in proper infrastructure to improve their lives. [Interjections.]

Mr Speaker, I now want to change gear for a little. Earlier on I spoke about Ashley Uys. This young entrepreneur has won many awards, a number of them, amongst others the Innovation Award from the ANC Deputy President Cyril Ramaphosa to the value of million, has passed all the accreditation tests, employs 20 people, and has invented tests as stated in my motion. His latest is an application for a cell phone camera which by taking a photo of someone's eyes can tell whether that person is under the influence of drugs. French and Australian government representatives fly to this country to procure Ashley's services for malaria test kits. We need this, Africa needs this, the world needs this. So what is the problem?

An HON MEMBER: The government, ANC government.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: The problem lies in the fact that every component, except the outer casing and packaging, of these specific kits needs to be imported mostly from the USA at a huge cost depending on the rand dollar rate. Why does the Department of Economic Development not assist in encouraging other companies to manufacture and

supply the needs of this entrepreneur? We need to ensure that techno parks address the needs of people like Ashley. That is what industrialisation and job opportunity and investment mean. Just imagine how many more people could be employed. Worse, Mr Speaker, and through you to MEC Botha, Ashley Uys is even further thwarted in his efforts to create jobs and grow the infrastructure of this company because tenders that the MEC Mr Botha put out for medical supplies are sometimes put out with a preferred brand name included in the tender. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: [Inaudible.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Who are these pharmaceutical companies? I suggest that MEC Botha does a check on ... [Interjections]

An HON MEMBER: That is a national ...

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Give me an example.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... the tenders put out by Cape Medical Supplies. I have a copy in my hand right here.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Well give me an example. You send it over, send it over.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Right here. Finally, why is the honouring of people like Ashley kept as a DA secret event because the standing committee certainly has not

been informed about it? This infrastructurally and economically divided Western Cape will continue until and unless sustainable and integrated spending and implementation becomes a priority. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon member. Hon member Mr Haskin. Chance not taken. Hon Minister Botha over to you, hon Minister Botha.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Mr Speaker, thank you very much for the opportunity. Some governments have no impact during their life span; some governments have some impact during their life span. Today's discussion offers me the opportunity to present what the DA government has achieved over the past four years in the Western Cape and what we will also achieve in the next term in the Western Cape. In this government's period we are making the largest investment in infrastructure ever in the history of the Western Cape.

h AGB LID: Mooi.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Following the commissioning of the Khayelitsha Hospital last year we are now commissioning the new Mitchells Plain Hospital, and a state of the art Health Centre for the people of Dunoon is rising as we speak. I am proud to say that we are making history in redressing the imbalances of our past in a tangible way through much better service delivery. This is not merely a process of the construction of new facilities and the upgrade of old facilities, but redressing the imbalances of the past.

Ms M TINGWE: Says who?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: It means areas that were disadvantaged have now been capacitated to at least move forwards from a no-base benchmark to a benchmark where all people have access through similar facilities and opportunities. I would be able to start with the impressive numbers and statistics to demonstrate how we progressed since 2009 when we took over from the ANC to date, but I will start with the Mitchells Plain Hospital.

The hospital was not on the cards in 2009 when the DA government was elected to govern this province, but our cabinet recognised the needs of the people of Mitchells Plain and we found innovative ways to finance the R550 million state of the art hospital, constructed in a nature reserve, meeting all the environmental requirements and challenges of the modern era. With my colleague Minister Carlisle we hosted an open day at the new hospital some weeks ago and Premier Helen Zille will officially open this new facility during mid-November. I assure you that every hon member in this House will also be invited for that function. Today Mitchells Plain Hospital is a monument and we leave a legacy for the people of Mitchells Plain to quality health services comparable with the best in the world within easy travelling distance. The Mitchells Plain Hospital compares to the best you can find in public health care anywhere.

The art work was done by a local artist, the security, the medical equipment and monitoring systems are state of the art and all produced through strict procurement processes to ensure the maximum empowerment for local entrepreneurs.

In the previous term under the ANC governance, 101 projects were undertaken of which they could not complete 35. In this government we are currently working on 164 capital projects or have undertaken so many projects, 164, which then also excludes the projects envisaged and not yet handed over to public works for formal planning processes but which are in process with us. So there are actually many more. It is actually not only these amounts or these numbers that speak the truth. It is actually the monetary value to this which is so significant, Mr Speaker. Our expenditure exceeded R2,7 billion. Compare this to the R1,1 billion in the ANC terms. It means that we invested 236% more in four years than what they did in five years. It is more than double. The above also reflects the increased capacity from public works to be able to spend more money on health infrastructure and the utilisation of health care facilities due to the increased accessibility that escalated over the last four years. We are currently envisaging planning and constructing more than R12 billion worth of capital projects for the next ten years. We have completed 70 primary health care facilities in our term. I cannot mention them all. The lists are simply too long. We have currently under construction Delft, Philippi, Delft Symphony, Hermanus, Rawsonville and Table View, CHC's and clinics.

We have twelve EMSs - that is emergency services projects completed already. We have a number of them under construction, Robertson, Heidelberg, just to think of two. We have eight district hospitals projects inclusive of new upgrades, additions and refurbishments. During this era it was Khayelitsha, Mitchells Plain, Vredendal, Riversdale, Caledon and Beaufort West. Emergency centres that have been completed recently are also Swellendam, Eerste River, Riversdale, George, Worcester and Paarl.

Emergency centres currently under construction are Tygerberg, Karl Bremer and Knysna Hospital. There are thirteen regional and specialised hospital projects of which the most important are Paarl, Malmesbury, Green Point, Harry Comay, Stikland, Lentegour and Worcester. There are too many to mention. Specialised hospitals: the George Hospital psychiatric ward is currently under construction; the Harry Comay TB Hospital is currently under construction; and 21 central hospital projects of which the most important that have been undertaken in Groote Schuur, Red Cross and Tygerberg. Ten other facilities were also constructed: the nursing college in Mitchells Plain; office accommodation at the Paarl Hospital forensic section, Swartland Hospital and many others.

In the past four years at Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital we constructed a new operating theatre complex, a family resource centre at the hospital, a burns unit; a Ward D1, a Ward B1, a Ward B2, surgical skills training centre, an institute of child health on the third floor; a centre of childhood infectious diseases, a much accelerated expenditure and implementation than during the previous term in conjunction with the Hospital Trust.

I must also reflect on the failed projects that were carried over from the ANC when we took over. In June 2011 we had to cancel the contract with the contractor for Worcester Hospital due to non-delivery, and this contract was awarded during the ANC governance. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order. Hon Minister Botha, please finish.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Can I conclude?

The SPEAKER: Yes please.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Our approach is to have modern facilities to redress the imbalances of the past according to the geographical representation of our patients and in this process we are currently looking for alternatives to alleviate service pressures.

Mr R B LENTIT (ID): Mr Speaker, giving back to the poor is one of the most important tasks adopted by the Western Cape government. The Minister of Transport and Public Works, Minister Robin Carlisle, and the Minister of Health, Theuns Botha, have over the past four years embarked on a process on constructing and upgrading health facilities in this province with specific focus on less fortunate areas. The DA government has lived up to its promise in embracing the challenge of transforming the Western Cape to standards that outweigh that of the poor national standards.

Mr Speaker, by the end of May last year 54 of the maintenance projects which were in retention had been completed on time and within budget and that is for the Department of Health. Upgrading maintenance including new projects was listed by the Department of Health and provincial public works in the APPs. To date since the DA took over, 70 of these projects were planned and reached practical completion. May I highlight that these projects far outweighed any upgrades in this province prior to 2009 when the DA took control. These upgrades are a certainty that more employment will be generated for our people, especially our medical and construction fraternity. I

look forward to the end product of all upgrades and construction projects.

May it further be acknowledged that the Western Cape government has had the foresight and made provision for facilities specifically dedicated to the growing or expanding need for psychiatric evaluation and monitoring, to the extent where Minister Botha has placed his confidence in the readiness and capability of our mental health care facilities to monitor and observe Shrien Dewani should he be extradited to South Africa.

In addition to this a new psychiatric unit in the Paarl Hospital is but one of the projects aiding mental well-being. The progress, planning, execution and constant monitoring portrayed during the course of these projects is a clear indication that the interlinked departments of the Western Cape government works better together to achieve the goals set in the departments' strategic objectives. I thank you.

Ms T N BEVU (COPE): Thank you, Mr Speaker. The province's infrastructural budget was increased from R3,3 billion to R5,5 billion over the medium term expenditure framework. This was expected to create 100 000 jobs in the medium term through public works. Has that happened?

MEC Mr Winde said the provincial budget of about R44 billion would for the most part prioritise five areas, improving competitiveness, stimulating employment opportunities, improving access and quality of social services, improving the performance of government, and partnership for regional and social economic development. Yet disadvantaged areas like townships and rural areas are still

excluded. Provincial equitable share transfers from national government to the province increased by about R7 billion over the 2013 medium term expenditure framework. We wait with bated breath to hear what has been done with this money.

The Department of Human Settlements received an allocation of R2,15 billion. It has deliberately been set up to fail. Why? Because its concerns are more in the poor areas the DA government do not care anything about. This department has a huge backlog that it has admitted we will never be able to meet in the near future. In fact it is almost as if the will to solve the housing issue has totally gone from the DA government.

Likewise each year during her opening speech the Premier promises investment and development on the infrastructure of the province like we have never seen before and each year the bulk of this investment is postponed to the following year, leaving us with only one conclusion, namely that the promise for bulk infrastructure especially in the disadvantaged areas is just an illusionary growth. It has been said many times before that infrastructure development will speed up economic growth and generate jobs through projects. If you stop and notice where these projects are you will discover for instance the Founders Garden Artscape project. The DA government is forcing yet another pink elephant as to what this area should be used for; city gap housing development as propagated by people like Andrew Borraine, the appointed chairperson of EDP.

Basically the DA wants to keep the City centre a ghost area after hours and weekends, fit only for tourists. Meantime the already existing infrastructure around the city is not maximized, just to fulfil the racist agenda of keeping the riff-raff out, the citizens,

most of whom happen to be black. The other talk about development is in the precinct of the Somerset Hospital precinct. We are not against this development but believe it is being prioritised only because it services the needs of the affluent.

The project that has taken root is a road network improvement project to support the Saldanha Industrial development zone initiative. This we suspect is because it is in partnership with the national government. We have also been promised a project to provide broadband internet access to every citizen, school and government facility in the province, with Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain as pilots, but sadly nothing has materialised besides promises year-on-year. We are merely told the goal is to include 70% of government facilities and every school by 2014. 2014 will also come and go.

As far as economic growth and job creation is concerned ... [Interjections.] ... we have been given the EDP with much fanfare, but hardly anyone seems to know what it does or who it is composed of with the exception of DA members. We are told all stakeholders in the province would come together to develop and help implement a shared agenda for economic growth development, but has the disadvantaged areas like townships and rural representatives been included in this? The answer is a resounding no.

The steering committee of the EDP for instance is composed only of people from prominent business communities and DA government, none from the informal sector or prominent communities of our city like Mitchells Plain and Khayelitsha. Even the building of infrastructure in the Western Cape targets the affluent. We have not even talked about roads, transport amenities, health institutions, school etc. We do not see

any improvement in all these things that we are promised. Thank you.

Ms C LABUSCHAGNE (DA): Thank you, Mr Speaker. No one can deny the importance that education plays in economic development. When we invest in schools infrastructure we invest in more than just classrooms, desks and computers. We are investing in the future economic factors of the country. In government we often talk about creating an enabling environment but to create an enabling environment which favours economic growth plans, policies and people are needed. More importantly you need the right plans, the right policies and the right people to carry out the tasks needed. The Western Cape would not be where it is today if it did not follow this formula.

Drawing on some of the research done by the World Bank on economic growth and education, it is understood that growing economies rely on complementary institutions. The Western Cape Education Department continues to strive to create a better and more functional learning environment, therefore 47 new schools were built in a four year period as opposed to the ANC's 36 schools in a five year period. By the end of this five year term 63 new schools would have been built by this government.

As set out in the State of the Province speech, a new infrastructure plan was launched for the 2013/14 to 2015/16 period, which will see the completion of 26 new schools and 46 replacement schools, as well as 124 Grade R classrooms that will also be built. Infrastructure also needs to be effectively maintained.

The provision for continued maintenance of infrastructure historically has been

inadequate. Implementing a pro-active approach to addressing school wear and tear as opposed to a re-active one is an innovative approach from government in addressing general infrastructure upkeep. As part of the new infrastructure plan, maintenance expenditure will increase from 17% to 40%, which is why the province has embarked on a life cycle maintenance programme of R20 million which will extend the lifetime of infrastructure and mitigate systemic damage. Scheduled maintenance for the 2013/14 financial year has been budgeted for at R92,7 million. The department is also ensuring that provision has been made for schools so that they are functional and fit for the beginning of the new academic year. Attention in this programme will be to ensure that water, electricity and sanitation infrastructure is in working order. Two schools in Saldanha and eight in Khayelitsha are but some of the schools that have received such scheduled maintenance. 420 schools have been identified to receive maintenance and refurbishment over the next three years.

Mr Speaker, in the area of information and communication technology this administration has identified the need to expand broadband connectivity in the province. The role of broadband in today's age and the benefits of its expansion is underpinning the economy's progress and has never been greater. Where South Africa usually ranked 80th in the world for average internet connectivity speed the necessity for a coordinated programme was urgent.

In this year's State of the Province speech, the Premier stated that the broadband project was on track. By next year 70% of the provincial government buildings, rural libraries and schools will be connected to affordable high speed broadband. It is exciting to see all the possibilities that technology can bring to education. The

Western Cape Education Department in its strategic objectives has outlined the greater use of technology to deliver a quality curriculum into the classroom. The roll out of broadband and related hardware is in line with the department's vision of shifting from traditional school efforts of teaching and learning to E-teaching, E-learning and virtual learning environments. Thank you.

Ms M TINGWE (ANC): Enkosi Somlomo. I am not surprised, Mr Speaker, that the hon member Mr von Brandis brought this debate today. I think the main purpose of this debate is to boast with what the DA government has done for the minority of this province [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: For the minority?

Ms M TINGWE: And the hon member Mr von Brandis did not disappoint me ... [Interjections.]

Ms M TINGWE: He made reference to George, the leafy ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon members.

Ms M TINGWE: ... green areas in George - I like that one. It is even more interesting that today MEC Mr Botha claims Khayelitsha, Mitchells Plain Hospital that they have done and ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Exactly.

Ms M TINGWE: That is exactly what they have done to claim the Green Point Stadium. When they were sitting on this side of the table they were opposing those developments but today they just like keeping score. I really ... honourable people ... [Interjections.] Under the DA there is a lot of money for public spaces but little for people. Like in Cape Town where in Bellville R45 million is spent on a park used as a toilet for people's dogs, but this DA led city cannot supply people with adequate sanitation and proper toilets, not "porta-potty" plastic toilets with fancy lids.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: [Inaudible.] ... toilet.

The SPEAKER: Order. Hon Minister Carlisle, your chance is coming. You are the next speaker, please wait. Order.

Ms M TINGWE: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Know your Da. This park is in Bellville and it is called Danie Uys or Jack Muller. Go and check it for yourself. We did surveys and observations there. It is used mostly by dogs, whilst the City of Cape Town treats people like animals. This government of the DA brags here about the replacement of schools. Replacing what? The closed schools or merely building new schools? What about much needed facilities like libraries, labs, computer labs and science laboratories?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: We have done that already.

Ms M TINGWE: You do not care about that. No, you must go and see the ... [Inaudible.] we have seen during our oversight visits. The DA still has to top the ANC. There were more than 50 schools built in a short time ... [Interjections.]

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: Ag!

Ms M TINGWE: Yes, you can say “ag” hon member Mr Von Brandis. The DA track record of building houses for the poor is very bad. Even with a reduced target it still cannot meet its own aims and the dignity of the people has been reduced to this. This is what they call infrastructure development.

An HON MEMBER: The [Inaudible.] house.

Ms M TINGWE: In Stellenbosch, it has taken almost a million rand from housing to build a statue in the posh CBD. That money could have been put to the use of the poor. As can be seen, the DA is robbing the poor.

An HON MEMBER: You disapprove of a statue for Mr Mandela?

Ms M TINGWE: The DA has millions to fight court cases and fund commissions of the mayor, but always tells one about financial constraints when the poor needs investments. The DA swayed money away from housing to refurbish rental stock like flats in Cape Town. The CTICC gets millions.

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Carlisle. I am worried. It seems that you are not going to get your chance if ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: I am just worried about that. [Interjections.] Proceed, hon member Ms Tingwe.

Ms M TINGWE: ... are procured way above the market value but the poor do not get the necessary attention. Existing infrastructure gets too busy; really it is to create jobs and keep maintenance up. The DA is so disconnected from people and their needs. That is why it pays more attention to the affluent and their needs. The CBD is spruced up and no or little infrastructure is brought to where the need is, where the workforce are. For example robots and I love the hon Minister Carlisle because when he is talking, go and check these things and I want you to go. I am calling you to go and check these things.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Calling me?

Ms M TINGWE: Yes. Robots and the street lights from Khayelitsha and to New Way and Spine Roads and from Mandalay to N2 are not working and have not been working for a very long time. It is very dark in those areas. It is very dark to drive in those areas but five kilometres away from those areas on your way to the airport area there are bright lights as if it is daytime. Is this done to impress tourist or visitors to this city of ours? Even where it executes ANC initiatives like the new Mitchells Plain

Hospital it could not even get the planning or bill regime right. You prefer to put pavements in our locations to the settlement of backyard dwellers or people on the housing list or proper settlement for people living in Barcelona. Even the fire and subsequent losses at that brand new facility raised questions as it seems that not all things were done according to the code and permissions. Where great facilities were erected at the hospital in Khayelitsha it was badly run. Most provincial buildings are improperly and poorly kept, while maintenance is not a priority. It is clear that cosmetic changes are very high on the list, like the facelift of provincial buildings. There are no real improvements seen on the inside. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order. Your time has expired hon member Ms Tingwe.

Ms M TINGWE: Can I just finish the sentence?

The SPEAKER: Yes you may.

Ms M TINGWE: I thank you. Where needed the DA suppresses .. [Inaudible.] but where the DA is ... [Inaudible] we see all kinds of fiscal dubbing on non ... [Inaudible.] No expense is then spared.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Malema is coming for you!

The SPEAKER: Minister Carlisle, this is your chance. Hon Ms Tingwe, listen now.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. It is interesting the fascination the ANC has with “poo” and now I have heard everything. A R45 million doggy toilet in a park! You know, is that in South Africa? Is that - are you ... [Interjections.] ...

Ms M TINGWE: Yes!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I know nothing of that but what I do know is this: as much as the ANC neglected the poor when they were in power they are not interested in people who do something for the poor when they are not in power.

That does not change them. We have heard the facts on health. Let us remind ourselves about the facts on schools. In the last four years of ANC control R630 million was spent on educational infrastructure. In the next four years under the DA R1,720 million was spent on education, an increase of 173%, for the poor; not for the minority, for the poor.

Mr P UYS: That is in national government.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I know. She does not want to hear those facts because they do not care about the poor, so they do not want to hear about the poor being looked after. They want to milk the poor politically. That is what they are interested in. They must keep the poor poor, so that they can exploit them. That is their thing. In the next three years we will spend R 3,3 billion. So it is

interesting to look at it. Under the ANC we averaged R175 million a year on schools, but in the seven years to the end of the MTF we will spend R700 million per year on schools. And the question you have to ask yourselves is what happened to that money under the ANC? And let me say this that under the ANC government when they produced things like the disaster at the college of nursing in Athlone, like the disaster of the admissions wing at Valkenberg, it is the same staff who are today producing these amazing infrastructural achievements. All that has happened is that the MECs have changed.

Mr M OZINSKY: But you said those staff were ANC appointees?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I never said that and I do not care. I do not care whether they are ANC or communist, whatever they are, they are doing an amazing job, an amazing job.

The SPEAKER: Order. Order. Order, hon members.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: But it was not done under the ANC. That is for sure. On roads, Mr Speaker, we will spend R7,8 million over the MTF, far from the comment that there is no maintenance. The only remaining poor road, surfaced road, the R399 Porterville to Piketberg to Velddrift is being done. Rehabilitation is starting now. But let me talk a little bit about accommodation. The hon member Ms Tingwe also spoke about maintenance. She said they do not maintain. Well I will tell you when we took over the big building here great chunks were falling off it. We have now spent R200 million not just to fix it up, just the outside, but to fix

everything in it. Yes. ... [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: The toilets do not work.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: The toilets do not work. You see they are back on their favourite subject. The toilets do not work. ... [Interjections.] [Laughter.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members. Order.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Let me say, Mr Speaker, that I would not expect anything else from them. [Interjections.]

Mr SPEAKER: Order hon members. Order!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: We will spend ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: They are all flushed!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Yes, they are all flushed! We will spend R495 million over the MTF. I want the hon member Ms Tingwe to listen to this, R495 million over the MTF has already started and we will modernise all seven of the major buildings here. Just think what the effect of that will be. When I say “modernise”, we have already done it with three floors. One at 9 Dorp Street, two

over here. What I mean by that is that we will make sure that the energy usage, the greening aspects, the carbon footprint and the space and electricity used by each member of staff is reduced, in most cases by 50%. We are currently starting a project now to look at the feasibility and financial modelling and procuring of photo-voltaic cells for all of our buildings. We have obtained R5 million from the US Trade and Development Agency and that will lead to a situation that the major buildings will eventually be taken completely off the grid. [Laughter,] I do not know why he laughs.

Mr M OZINSKY: Our failure is what your infrastructure causes.

The SPEAKER: Order. Hon Member Mr Ozinsky, hon members, order.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Let me make it clear that what we are doing is that we are going to move to a situation, and we are already on our way there, ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Proceed hon Minister Carlisle.

An HON MEMBER: He wants to leave.

The SPEAKER: No, no.

Mr M OZINSKY: He has asked me to ask him a question so I am taking him up ...

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Carlisle, proceed.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I am sorry. The policy we have is the acquisition of the exciting lease buildings. That was part of the question you asked me. The next phase and then the development of new buildings on existing property, and we are busy with 13 Dorp Street. We have already had the request for qualifications. We are moving now. We have selected four bidders and we are moving now. The request for proposal, the PPP is done and dusted. The building will provide us with 22 000 square meters and will take up the whole of education who are currently in about three buildings. It will over the period of the lease cost us R2 billion, which is a major saving on what it would cost us to remain in leased premises, and at the end of that period obviously it returns to us at no cost at all.

'n AGB LID: O, is dit, aarde! [Tussenwerpsels.] [Gelag.]

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

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I seldom get that kind of response, so it is pleasure. [Laughter.] [Interjections.] Let me just say in terms of their criticisms about the CBD that the CBD is our bank. From the CBD and some other places we will have generated an income of R2 billion per annum by 2020. Let me just take you through some of the things that are happening. The top yard up here has been cleared and the government garage moved to Maitland. That will offer us 200 thousand bulk square meters.

The SPEAKER: Order.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: If I can just finish, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Finish please, hon Minister Carlisle.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Helen Bowden Nurses Home and the Prestwich will all go out for expression of interest at the end of this year.

Mr M OZINSKY: You see the context of this country is two nations. One nation which lives in absolute poverty where the roads have potholes every day and, sewerage is in the streets. I suggest you go to Khayelitsha and Philippi to see what I am talking about. [Interjections.] The other part is where the DA is investing, in the city centre, in Blaauwberg, and let us never forget the IRT which this hon Minister, together with the city decided, should not go to the South-East and poor parts of the city, but should go to Blaauwberg. The reason they decided that is they were scared as hon Minister Carlisle has told us. They were scared of the taxi associations, so as a result of that the people of Mitchells Plain and Khayelitsha do not have a proper transport system. The hon Premier likes to say that that transport system goes to Atlantis. Go look at the bus map for the IRT. There is no Atlantis on that map ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon members!

Mr M OZINSKY: The map that is published by the city does not even have Atlantis on it, but she comes here and says ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Minister! Order hon members! Hon Minister Carlisle, Minister, order!

Mr M OZINSKY: The second problem is that it is difficult to trust anything the DA says on infrastructure.

An HON MEMBER: Ah, come on.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Coming from you!

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr M OZINSKY: For instance, they told us that the Mitchells Plain Hospital would be finished in December last year.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

An HON MEMBER: Yes, they did so.

Mr M OZINSKY: They did. They told Scopa, and your department was present when they told Scopa. The hospital is still not open.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: It is open.

Mr M OZINSKY: No it is not. It is going to be open next month and if it was open it is only in the last month or two that it has been opened. [Interjections.] They were unable to manage that massive project ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Hon Minister Carlisle! Order! Order! [Interjections.]
Minister Carlisle. Minister, that is the last chance to warn you.

Mr M OZINSKY: They were unable, given all the criticisms and all the issues raised by the Auditor General, raised by the Heath Department about public works, to manage that project in time ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: We managed.

An HON MEMBER: Come on, they did.

Mr M OZINSKY: And it was not in time. Your department ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes, it was.

The SPEAKER: Your department ... you said in December when the fire took place ... [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: They said it would be ready by March.

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr von Brandis, order!

An HON MEMBER: They must go out.

Mr M OZINSKY: I do not know why they do not get put out, Mr Speaker. Let us keep on going on about this issue. Hon Minister Carlisle when he was in opposition opposed the road from Agulhas to Gansbaai. Now he is building it.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr M OZINSKY: Yes, a direct contradiction. Let us look at DA policy. The DA policy supports toll roads. Now suddenly these leaders of the DA oppose their own policy and they oppose toll roads ... [Interjections.] ... despite the massive economic benefits that the toll roads will bring to the province, for instance research ... [Interjections.]

Hon MEMBERS: No. No.

Mr M OZINSKY: Mr Speaker I cannot go on like this. Really this is unfair.

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

An HON MEMBER: He was given extra time.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Mr Speaker

The SPEAKER: Is it a point of order? Take your seat please hon Minister Carlisle.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: I want to know if the member will take a question on toll roads?

Hon MEMBERS: No! No!

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: On toll roads. He is a brave man!

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon member, order!

Mr M OZINSKY: You are the one who should answer questions about the hospital.

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Botha please take your seat. Thank you. Continue, hon member Mr Ozinsky. [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: And I suggest these MECs again look at the research that has been done by the University of Cape Town, which shows that the cost of not building the road is R17 billion more than of building the road. R17 billion to the economy will be lost if you do not build the toll road.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: What about the e-toll in Gauteng? Do you support

that?

The SPEAKER: Order! Hon Minister.

Mr M OZINSKY: Let me come for instance again to the infrastructure the ANC has developed. The ANC was central in building the Convention Centre, but this department of the hon Minister Winde comes to Scopa ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: ...and tells us ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Carlisle. Order! Please, you may leave the House please.

Mr M OZINSKY: Thank you.

Whereupon the Hon Minister Carlisle left the Chamber.

The SPEAKER: Please, thank you. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: He is unruly. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Over to you.

Mr M OZINSKY: I am glad he is gone. This is the MEC that is meant to deal with infrastructure and this is the way he deals with oversight and debate on the issue of infrastructure. [Interjections.] In fact there will be more infrastructure development if he stays out of this House than if he comes to the House. [Interjections.]

To get back to the CTICC. For some reason which they cannot explain this government has devalued the CTICC by R130 million and they cannot explain to us how it has lost that value under their stewardship when in fact they have been building additions and paying more for that structure.

An HON MEMBER: In order to bring down rates.

Mr M OZINSKY: That is what the Hon Minister Winde's department brought to Scopa. Let us look also at the issues that have been raised by other DA members, for instance, the hon Minister Carlisle says all this expenditure is on the poor. The hon Premier has repeated that in the past. She says to the press 70% of the expenditure in the province is on the poor ... [Interjections.] Well that is defeated simply by the fact - that is also told to us by the hon Minister Winde's department - that 80% of the budget is spent on salaries. I can tell you ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Of the poor.

Mr M OZINSKY: ... that 70% - no it is not on the poor. It is your salaries. [Interjections.] It is the civil servants' salaries and they are not members of the poor. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr M OZINSKY: So when it comes to infrastructure development this province is completely reliant on national money. There is nothing which they generate themselves to put into infrastructure development. [Interjections.] Absolutely nothing!

An HON MEMBER: We get less back than we put in.

The SPEAKER: Order! Order hon members!

Mr M OZINSKY: The fact is that this province is actually lagging behind in the kind of infrastructure development it should have. Go to KZN! Go to Gauteng ... [Interjections.] ... and look at the real development that has been put in those places and not only in the city centres ... [Interjections.] throughout the provinces! This province ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Minister Botha, you are too loud.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Okay.

An HON MEMBER: Thank you.

Mr M OZINSKY: The province can talk about schools. As I have raised in the House, at Grassy Park High School they are currently replacing prefab buildings with new

prefab buildings.

An HON MEMBER: That is nice!

Mr M OZINSKY: That is what they are doing in the schools and when they come here they do not tell us where they put in prefabs, but they still tell us that they are still building in the richest province in the country, the province with the most resources, with the most best qualified staff, not because of anything they did but because this province has historically had that and they inherited that from the ANC. It was like that with the ANC. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr M OZINSKY: With all those advantages they cannot build a new school at Grassy Park High School ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: They are messing up our work. [Interjections.]

Mr M OZINSKY: They put a prefab school there ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order hon members, order! Hon member Mr von Brandis, cool down.

Mr M OZINSKY: And we know from Scopa, the Hon Minister Botha's department is fighting every day with transport and public works. [Interjections.] The HOD has

pleaded with Scopa to help intervene so that we can get public works in with the programme. When he was forced to, he told us, he did not agree with the agreement between the two departments.

An HON MEMBER: He is not here to vouch for that.

Mr M OZINSKY: He told Scopa that but he said: "I am forced to do it and I will wait and see what happens." That hardly inspires confidence that he is happy. Maybe you ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order hon members.

Mr M OZINSKY: ... that the HOD is going ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ozinsky, your time has expired.

Mr M OZINSKY: Can I finish my last sentence?

Ms M TINGWE: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Yes please. Order. ... [Interjections.] Yes, you may.

Mr M OZINSKY: The question is ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Mr M OZINSKY: The question is, is there more to the gloss and spin than you put here? Is there actually something you can show us on the ground ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr M OZINSKY: ... which is not ... [Interjections.]

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

Mr M OZINSKY: Which is not in Cape Town .. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member, order!

Mr M OZINSKY: ... and which was actually started by you. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much hon member Mr Ozinsky. Order.
[Interjections.]

Mr E J VON BRANDIS: And if I cannot trust both ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Mr von Brandis, order! [Interjections.] Hon member Mr von Brandis, order. Minister Winde, over to you.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. It is an honour to finish off this debate here today
and ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ... I
obviously will definitely answer some of hon member Mr Ozinsky's questions, but I
think primarily let us, across the board, just have a look at infrastructure spending.
You heard from the members in this debate specifically from this side of the House
about the question that hon member Mr Ozinsky was asking, namely what is
happening on the ground. Well he needs to go and have a look because he will see the
numbers. We heard from Minister Botha, the Minister of Health, about the rapid
increase in infrastructure that has been put on the ground in respect of health
facilities. You have heard about education and the number of schools and the rapid
increase in the number of schools, and you just have to look at the budget coming
from the R2 billion space and then moving up to R3 billion when the DA came into
power, then R3.3 and through to R 5.5 billion over the MTF ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
...which is a huge increase in infrastructure spend. Let us go and have a look at when
the ANC were in power in their last year. I remember a while ago I think it was the

hon member Ms Beerwinkel who was raising the issue about spend and whether we would spend. Well let us look at infrastructure spend, and 83% was what they could really muster together in the final year of their term. During our first year we came in at 90%, the next year we came in at 96%, then 98% and now 95%. The 83% that they could muster was just because of a total lack of management on their side, and we just saw an absolute change in spend ... [Interjections.]

'n AGB LID: Ek hoor ja. [Tussenwerpsels.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ... and you not only saw a difference in spend in this province. Go and have a look at the municipality of Cape Town. The highest capital budget across South Africa of all metros and they have on their R6,2 billion rand budget just come in on 92.9% of the spend. Go and have a look at what the ANC does in their municipalities. [Interjections.] That kind of spend is shocking, let alone the traction that hits the ground from that expenditure.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: They cannot manage.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: We looked at the schools and the hospitals. We commented on the CTICC and broadband. These are infrastructure investments: the IDZ; the regeneration programmes across this province; the owned buildings. What does that do when we spend the money properly and we have this infrastructure spend? It gives confidence in the economy and that is why you have to

look at the 26 foreign direct investments that came into this province. You have to look at the R4,4 billion extra that came into this province from outside this country. If you look at the 35 000 new businesses that registered in this province last year, it is because of confidence. What happens on the back of that confidence? Then we get private sector investment. At the moment, if you listened to Gill Marcus yesterday talking about the economy of this country under the leadership of that political party, it is shocking. Every sixth months they have to downgrade our growth because they are absolutely failing our economy. [Interjections.] Their leadership really stinks and there is total failure on that side.

Mr M OZINSKY: No, every economy in the world!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: We talk about infrastructure investment and confidence in the economy. Then suddenly you see the 32-floor R1,6 billion highest building in Cape Town going up right now for the First National Bank, the Waterfront six star building infrastructure being developed by private sector investment, 22 Breë Street, another 20-storey building going up through private sector investment. [Interjections.] Why is it happening? It is because of the confidence over what this Government is doing in the province.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: That happens when you invest in infrastructure. We all agree, and I am pretty certain we all agree because the ANC also agrees with it, that we need to invest a massive

amount into infrastructure in South Africa.

Mr M OZINSKY: The correct ones.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: But when you invest in the infrastructure you must make sure that that infrastructure is paid for. We must pay our bills as the provincial government. We go out with our moving to R5,5 billion and when we procure the services we must pay. We also expect the businesses out there to pay for the infrastructure, but we still have a state investment that this House was speaking about called the Cape Town International Convention Centre, for which right as we speak now that political party has not paid their bill ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: It was how much?

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: They have not paid their bill, R1,5 million for that infrastructure since February ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Two years!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ... since February ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: No, no, no ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Since February 2011 ... [Interjections.] ... but you know what, it is not only those bills.
I also heard that since that same February, they owe R1,5 billion ... this party. Can
you trust a leader who runs a party who does not pay their accounts?

An HON MEMBER: No, you cannot.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
They also still owe another infrastructure which is public transport. [Interjections.]
They owe the public transport company, Golden Arrow, since that same time. They
still owe them R305 750.

An HON MEMBER: Let us debate on that ... [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
That is another piece of infrastructure for which they are not paying their bills ...
[Interjections.] ...but then let us have a look. There was another ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members, order.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
There was another conference that also happened on 11 February. The same

conference where they actually booked accommodation. So we know they have not paid for the Convention Centre. They have not paid for the transport. Guess what, they booked through the Leisure Hotel Group conference facilities for night stays during that same time, that same conference.

'n AGB LID: Sies!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: On the 11 February, R248 000 worth of accommodation.

'n AGB LID: Sies!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Here is a letter from the ANC. It is actually signed by the provincial treasurer. It says - they have to pay their account on the Friday. Their booking was for that Friday. On the Friday they say: "Please, we are very sorry, we cannot pay today because we have reached our daily limit but we will acknowledge the debt and we will pay." [Interjections.] We will pay the full R248 000 on Saturday ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order hon members! Order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: On Saturday the 12th they will pay, this is two and a half years ago. On Saturday the 12th they will pay the full R248 000. Guess what? On the 14th, the Monday they paid an astounding amount of R36 050. That is what they paid. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] investment and development [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
This is infrastructure. This is infrastructure that is not paid for by this party.
[Interjections.] Unbelievable! [Interjections.] Then sixteen months later ...
[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Order hon members.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Sixteen months later, can you imagine trying to run this hotel, can you imagine the staff in this hotel. Imagine if they could not be paid because you cannot pay your accounts? [Interjections.] Sixteen months later, not ninety days later or 30 days is what we should be paying as government, sixteen months later they managed to scrape together another R50 000 for this bill and as we stand here today two and a half years later R161 950 is still owed to this establishment. [Interjections.] I think that is absolutely shocking. [Interjections.] Who is the leader of your party? Who is taking control of this? Unbelievable not paying for this kind of infrastructure. [Interjections.]

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

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM:
Then again, Mr Speaker ... [Interjections.] ...we talked about it across the board on this side of the House ... [Interjections.] ...who time and time and time again said we

invested in the central city, nothing for the poor; disputing different percentages about hospitals, houses and schools, all that infrastructure investment - that it was all for the rich? Is that all for the rich? Unbelievable! [Interjections.] Then the Hon Beerwinkel raises another issue.

The SPEAKER: Order! Order hon member Mr Magaxa, order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: She raised an issue of Ashley who came to visit us today, Ashley Uys. I must also just join her in congratulating him. He is one of five people in Cape Town who were recognised by Forbes Magazine as people who are really going to change the economy of Africa, not just South Africa or the Western Cape, but of Africa ... [Interjections.] The point he was raising around health procurement is a big issue because in the City we have ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Minister Winde, please conclude.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ...we have many companies who manufacture health equipment, but because of the centralised bidding process of this political party, so that they can look after their mates and friends, because of that process that they put in place, guys like Ashley, guys like the guys that manufacture stents and other products in this City ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: ...
do not get a chance or a look into the economy. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Thank you. Order hon members! Order! Hon members order!
That concludes the business for the day. The House is adjourned.

Debate concluded.

The House adjourned at 18:08