
THURSDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2013

The House met at 14:15.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

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MOTIONS

BUSINESS OF HOUSE

(Motion)

Ms A ROSSOUW: Mr Speaker, I move the motion standing in my name on the Order Paper, as follows:

That, notwithstanding Rule 198, precedence be given to the Order of the Day.

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

Agreed to.

Ms L BROWN: I am not sure. [Laughter.]

The SPEAKER: Chief Whip, over to you.

WERKSAAMHEDE VAN HUIS

(Voorstel)

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

Dat, ondanks die bepalings van Reël 18, die sittingsure op Dinsdag, 4 Desember 2013, soos volg is: 10:00 tot verdaging.

The SPEAKER: Any objection?

An HON MEMBER: No.

The SPEAKER: No objection.

Agreed to.

The SPEAKER: Your last chance Chief Whip.

BUSINESS OF HOUSE

(Motion)

Ms A ROSSOUW: Mr Speaker, I move the motion standing in my name on the Order Paper, as follows:

That, notwithstanding Rule 161, the House considers the principle and finalisation of the *Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill* [B11 – 2013] on Wednesday, 4 December 2013.

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

Agreed to.

ORDER OF THE DAY

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much hon Chief Whip. We now proceed to the Order of the day. The Secretary will read the first Order of the Day.

Introduction and First Reading – *Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill* [B11 – 2013] (Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Tourism).

The SPEAKER: I recognise the hon Minister Winde. Over to you.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, Leader of the Opposition, my hon colleagues here on this side of the House and members of this legislature, the Director-General and heads of department, the special guests that are here today, my fellow colleagues in government who are committed to building a better future on behalf of all of the people of our province, and the citizens of the Western Cape.

I am honoured to address you in this House today on the DA-led Western Cape government's policy priorities and on the adjustments estimates for 2013. This year's medium term budget policy statement gives direction to the departments of this government as to how they should set their budgets in the years to come.

When we sat down to craft it we began by asking ourselves two fundamental questions: what and why. What do we hope to achieve and why do we seek to achieve it. The first question is defined by the mandate upon which the voters elected us to power in 2009. Our number one priority is and will remain to build an open opportunity society for all. By open we mean a society which promotes accountability and transparency in government, security of person and property, tolerance towards differences and an economy that is led by the free choices of individuals. In this society the State's powers are limited and the individuals are free to pursue their own ends within the rule of law. By opportunity, Mr Speaker, we mean a society

in which all citizens have the wherewithal to take advantage of their freedoms.

The key tools to achieve this are a good education, access to basic health care and the prospect of gainful employment. In an open opportunity society one's future is determined by one's talent and efforts and the economy works for every person who is determined to contribute. We also believe wholeheartedly, as Nelson Mandela once said, that South Africa belongs to all who live in it, both black and white. Our desire is to build a country in which all South Africans enjoy full equality. It is this society ... (Interjections.) It is this society ...

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

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Discrimination on the grounds of race and other characteristics of birth are rejected. We clearly acknowledge the wrongs of the past and put positive steps in place to make them right. The second question why, why are we striving to achieve an open opportunity society for all, is arguably far more important. In answering it I would like to share with you the stories of two young men of our time.

The first was born in Soweto on 28 January 1962, the very same year that a fellow resident Mr Nelson Mandela was arrested, tried and sentenced to jail. As a small boy of 8 years old he worked 14 hour shifts in his father's spaza

shop serving mine workers returning home from a life underground. It was during this time that he learnt the basics of business, developed an ability to work hard and an appetite for success. His ambition drove him to finish school and move to Swaziland to further his education. After completing a BA degree there he came back to South Africa to study law, as this was a long time passion of his. He studied this at the University of the Witwatersrand. On the dawn of democracy in 1994 he was ready to take up a position as one of three of South Africa's first black lawyers.

Understanding that he had choices and confident in his ability, soon afterwards he left a steady job to start his own business. During his first 8 months as an entrepreneur he worked from his briefcase, unable to secure a bank loan. Today, Mr Speaker, that same young boy from Soweto has become South Africa's best entrepreneur, its first black billionaire. Perhaps not realising the significance of their choice at the time, the young boy's parents named their son after one of Africa's most prominent leaders, a man who also fought for freedom, Mr Patrice Lumumba. Yes, this story is of Mr Patrice Motsepe.

This leads me to my next story. 18 years after Mr Motsepe was born, another son destined to make a profound mark on our country came into the world. He was also born in Soweto, in a small suburb called Dobsonville, to a mom from the Eastern Cape and a dad from the North West province. His parents recognised early on that a good education would be key to a better life for him and his siblings and they made sacrifices to send their children to the

best school that they could afford. In this way they ensured that they gave their children the opportunities which they themselves were never able to have.

Unhindered by the bad start, which so many others experienced, the young man went on to study psychology and complete two masters degrees in theology and public and development management. Today he is standing to become the next premier of Gauteng.

Mr H P GEYER: Hoor, hoor!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: It is his hope that he can deliver the opportunities he received to other South Africans both black and white. Like Patrice, Mmusi Maimane's name is just as fit. Translated from SeTswana, Mmusi means ruler or governor. Mr Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to wish him and his caucus well as they work to bring the open opportunity society to all the residents of Gauteng.

An HON MEMBER: Hear, hear.

An HON MEMBER: Mooi!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Mr Speaker, the life stories of these two gentlemen prove that

ours is a country in which a boy who spends his days behind the counter of a spaza shop and another from less privileged circumstances in Dobsonville can defy the odds and become the very best that they can be. Unfortunately these cases are all too rare. The reality for most is that the hope of leading a life of dignity is a long forgotten dream. For many South Africans each and every day represents a new struggle to put food on the table or to afford the bus fare to look for work.

Mr Speaker, colleagues and residents of our province, this is a reality we must change. That is why we are seeking to build a more open society, one in which opportunities to become the next big entrepreneur or the next leader of a province are available to all. For our part we have and will continue to push back against bad service delivery that for too long has served to make our poor people poorer. Over the past four and a half years we have used all the powers at our disposal to lay the foundation for an economy that works. We are confident that we are in a better position today than we were when we took power and that in the near future residents who are willing to work hard will begin to feel the difference in their everyday lives.

Despite being on a good track, Mr Speaker, the public and private sector still have a lot of work to do to get our economy working for everybody. We need more jobs, more investment, faster and higher growth rates and we need our economy to become more inclusive. Next year and beyond the Western Cape government's policies will be focused on those areas which will make the biggest impact in getting us there.

We are guided by the National Development Plan, which we have translated into six transitions as outlined in our One Cape 2040 strategy document. We believe that put together the six transitions, namely Educating Cape, Enterprising Cape, Green Cape, Connecting Cape, Living Cape and Leading Cape [Interjections.] will encourage a resilient, inclusive and competitive Western Cape with higher rates of employment, growing income and greater equality and an improved greater equality and quality of life.

For five years in a row we have cut expenditure on programmes and projects that were not achieving tangible results. We have also noted the change Minister Pravin Gordhan made in his medium term budget policy statement regarding extravagant expenditure by politicians and senior officials. Almost to a 'T', Mr Speaker, these are our policies which we implemented through changes to our ministerial handbook in 2010. Through the changes that we made back then we have already saved the people of this province R100 million [Interjections.] Our efforts have been intensified by the global economic downturn which has placed pressure on government's fiscus and demanded of us to tighten our own belts.

Even though we are due to see a slight improvement in the global economy in the year ahead, we remain mindful of the downside risks of our own making which is likely to create volatility in South Africa's economy and therefore our own here in the Western Cape. These include local supply side disruptions and diminished foreign investment as a consequence of increased

and violent strike action. If we can work together to ease these tensions, especially in the light of the elections next year, we have a better chance of capitalising on stronger demand for our key trade partners as the global economy recovers.

In the meantime, we will continue to support those policies that are most crucial in making our economy work, attracting investment and skilling our citizens for the jobs of today and of tomorrow. This pertains especially to those who have been left out of the economy. While in the Western Cape we have started to make some gains in addressing joblessness, around a quarter of our working age population remain unemployed. This figure doubles for youths between the ages of 15 and 24. If we cannot create an environment in which meaningful incomes become a reality for the majority of citizens, our people's ability to escape poverty and grasp opportunities will be dashed. We share Mmusi Maimane's parents' belief that the key to a better life starts with a good education, which is why the very first transition is One Cape 2040 and our most important policy priority.

Mr Speaker, in the medium term expenditure framework period ahead we will invest the largest proportion of our budget in the education system so that each and every child has the wherewithal to shape himself or herself for a productive and successful future, because we know that education is the key to the open opportunity society for over one million learners in our province. We have worked tirelessly to return the ailing system we inherited in 2009 to a healthier state.

This required of us to apply direct pressure to key points of concern including underperformance on the part of some of our principals and teachers, a lack of parent and learner commitment, inadequate resources and outdated school environments. Through our clear and focused plan to improve education in the Western Cape we have managed to reduce the number of underperforming high schools, that is schools with a pass rate of less than 50%, from 85 in 2009 to 26 in 2012. We have increased the national senior certificate pass rate in our poorer schools from 56.9% to 70.9%, and overall we have improved the matric pass rate from 75.7% to 82.9%. I sincerely trust that those matrices that are finishing off their exams now are going to show further improvement to these statistics.

In addition to this, we have seen a steady increase in the number of students writing and passing the matric examinations as well as the number of learners who have achieved access to study further. We will relentlessly pursue further improvements in our education system. Our future plans in this regard include the provision of daily meals to more learners, the continued roll out of more text books across particular grades, competency tests for aspirant principals, and an ambitious infrastructure spending programme to build new and replacement schools. We will also roll out mobile health clinics so that we are able to measure the wellness of our children at key development milestones. This is another South African first.

While changing an education system is a lengthy and arduous task, our

results show that we are turning the corner.

Mr H P GEYER: Hear, hear.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: In the near future we are confident that our children's chances in life will not be affected by whether they come from Hout Bay, Hanover Park or Hotagterklip or whether they attend public or private school. Our plan is to ensure that no matter which school our children attend and no matter where it is in our province they will receive equally good education. Of course this will put the ball in their court. Our initiatives will work best when matched with an ambition on the part of our learners to lead better lives by giving of their very best during their school years. If our young people are afforded good education, the possibility of them transitioning successfully into adulthood becomes much more likely. The major difference of course is that the door to employment swings wide open.

Mr Speaker, that moves me onto Enterprising Cape. Our job is to create an environment that attracts investment and encourages job creating growth. The second transition of One Cape 2040 is Enterprising Cape, our plan to create a Western Cape which is globally recognised as a destination where it is easy to do business.

In this version of the Western Cape every person who is willing to work hard has a chance to do so. Early on in this term we undertook research into the

factors hindering economic growth and job creation. Business told us that the biggest obstacle they face in expanding their companies and in employing more staff was red tape. In order to address these concerns we set up a red tape hot line and unit staffed by a professional team with transversal links to all levels of government which acts on behalf of the public to troubleshoot particular bureaucratic pitfalls. We also completed several high level studies into common areas of concern and are working behind the scenes to ensure that they are alleviated. In the near future we will also roll out regular impact assessments through which we will test whether new legislation will help or hurt business before we put it in place.

Mr Speaker, making our economy work also involves making it attractive for foreign investors. If international companies come here it creates jobs for our people. Our most recent figures show that despite the economic downturn, we continue to draw strong levels of investment. Wesgro estimated that in the last year, the 2012/13 financial year, 1783 new jobs were created through investment projects. Since coming to power in this province, we have attracted 80 investment projects into this province to the value of R30,1 billion. To further strengthen our trade ties with nations across the world, we are in the process of developing an international relations strategy focused on economic diplomacy. We will generate investment by building bridges between the Western Cape and key economies around the world. We must also make sure that our residents have the necessary skills to take advantage of new economic opportunities. This is why we are supporting strategies to match our skills demand and supply.

Through various platforms, including the Provincial Skills Forum, we are working with the private sector and academia to respond to our changing job market.

As mentioned earlier, youth unemployment remains a serious problem, and the majority of our skills development initiatives target young people. Both the national development plan and One Cape 2040 cite increasing employment for young job seekers as a core priority. Over the next three years we will continue to invest in our plan to get young people onto the first rung of the economic ladder. Through two flagship initiatives, the Work and Skills Programme and the PAY Project, we have given over five thousand unemployed youths the opportunity to enter the job market.

Mr Speaker, in the years ahead, we will use the lessons we have learnt in the roll out of these programmes in conjunction with the new tax legislation announced on the youth wage subsidy due to start in April 2014, to set up a facilitation unit that will work with the private sector to make it easy for business to access this scheme. I would like business to commit by utilising this programme to increase their staff establishment by 10%. This will generate over 100 000 jobs for unemployed youth in our province, and this will be a partnership and we will do this together, and this will create hope for young people in that risk sector in our province.

We also recognise the need to develop specialised skills in the emerging sectors of our economy, including oil and gas, renewable energy and ship-

building. The launch of the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone earlier this month will usher in a boom for our oil and gas vessel repair industry, and we must have skilled employees to meet its need. At present the average age of an artisan in our province is 55 years old. Our groundbreaking Artisan Development Programme offers young unemployed residents the in-service training they need to obtain their official qualification in that artisan space.

Mr Speaker, small businesses have also been identified as a key job creator. The Western Cape is fast becoming known as a hub for entrepreneurial excellence. We are dedicated to supporting new and emerging SMME's through amongst others, 21 economic development centres located across the province which we co-fund in partnership with the national government. This is South Africa's largest network of one-stop shops assigned to help entrepreneurs. Mr Speaker, because we believe that a job is the way out of poverty, we will also be investigating how to use the Expanded Public Works Programme as a tool to lift people from unemployment. While EPWP has been designed as a temporary relief for poverty-stricken households, we believe it holds the potential to become a key driver of skill for our people. Since 2009 the Western Cape Expanded Public Works Programme has generated 382 072 employment opportunities. This means that these 382 000 residents were given an opportunity to improve their life circumstances.

Our drive to create economic growth and jobs unfolds against the background of the changing landscape of our province. The functional metro region

generates 85% of our provincial GDP and the majority of jobs. This has resulted in an influx of residents from our rural areas and other provinces to our urban nodes. In recognition of the pressure that this has placed on our physical assets, we have embarked on a comprehensive capital investment plan focused on improving our education and healthcare facilities and our roads.

Another part of our infrastructure plan involved generating service delivery revenue for the state by releasing government property into the open market. The successful lease of the Sea Point school property marks an important milestone in the profitable management of our property assets and in terms of this programme we will see far more coming in during the next year or two.

Mr Speaker, I now move on to the next stage or the next theme which is Connecting Cape. To ensure that we are not left out of the digital revolution sweeping the world, we will invest in the roll out of broadband infrastructure to every town and village of our province. The hard work in making this a reality has already begun. The first stream of this project is to connect all government buildings, including schools, by the end of 2015. The second stream strives to connect communities, businesses, households and municipalities.

Our R3 million Wi-Fi Project, which aims to take free wireless internet into poor communities - this is a pilot project in the lead-up to the delivery of the bigger broadband project - has already commenced. I also include in this stream the development of additional ICT incubators. Our first ICT

incubator, the Bandwidth Barn, has generated international attention due to its success in growing entrepreneurship in our province. While broadband links our people to economic opportunities around the world, it is our network of roads which link them to the economy at home.

That is why we will focus on keeping our busy roads in good condition and on improving roads that are in poor condition but have socio-economic significance. In 2009 we set ourselves the target of reducing our road maintenance backlog by 16%. I am pleased to inform that 93% of all vehicle kilometres in our province are now travelled on fair to very good roads. To overturn apartheid spatial segregation we will roll out regional social economic or socio-economic projects and further Violence Prevention through Urban Upgrade spaces across other municipalities in the province. The success of our first VPUU in Harare reduced the murder rate by up to 14% and lowered crime rates, creating a climate for increased economic opportunity, social cohesion and prosperity.

Mr Speaker, because we understand that the world cannot continue to place a burden on its natural assets, the Western Cape is committed to going green. Our goal in this respect is to position the province as Africa's leading green economic hub. To achieve this we have devised a green economic strategic framework which outlines how we will move away from resource-intense fossil fuels towards renewable energy resources and natural gas. Going green need not be a burden. We plan to use green growth as a leading catalyst for investment and job creation.

Then we move to Living Cape, the fifth transition of the One Cape 2040 plan. Our plan is to ensure that no matter where they are from, residents of the Western Cape enjoy good living standards and equal access to basic and essential services. The Western Cape must become a good place for business and a great place to live. To further improve the livelihoods of more Western Cape residents, we are investing in projects which inspire healthy, safe and inclusive communities. This requires investing more in areas which were traditionally starved of state capital.

In under-resourced areas of our province, the burden of disease resulting from preventable diseases remains a serious concern. In addition, immigration is placing pressure on our health services, and because the wellness of our residents is key to the functioning of our economy, we have redoubled our efforts to improve our healthcare system. I am pleased to note that our approach has already begun to yield results. In our province, anti-retroviral treatment is readily available to people living with HIV and Aids, and in the last financial year, over 134 000 residents received this life-prolonging treatment from government. This has resulted in the Western Cape having the lowest HIV prevalence rate. We have also made significant advances in lowering mother-to-child transmission and in lowering maternal mortality. Our dream is for all residents of our province - regardless of race or status - to receive equally good medical care. To ensure this, we will invest in the expansion of our services in areas where they are needed most, including in Dunoon and Delft. We will be upgrading the emergency centres across the

province and we will see the replacement of the GF Jooste Hospital and the redevelopment of the Tygerberg Hospital.

Living Cape also outlines our objective of fostering a society which provides a safety net for its most vulnerable residents, including children, older persons and those afflicted by substance abuse, so that they, too, can live lives of dignity. We will deliver the majority of our social services through non-governmental organisations which are located within our communities and best understand their unique needs. To help those who are addicted to drugs we will continue to expand access to drug rehabilitation services, outpatient care and early intervention services. When we came to power in 2009, the province had only 8 drug treatment centres. We have increased this to 25.

To address the alcohol abuse problem placing a strain on so many of our communities, the Western Cape Liquor Authority has embarked on a major campaign to educate residents and traders on responsible liquor behaviour. We believe that these interventions, together with others in our Safely Home project, are resulting in a change of attitudes towards drinking and driving and excessive consumption. In the previous financial year, the Western Cape Liquor Authority held 2306 inspections to ensure licensed outlets were following the province's liquor laws. Just yesterday this authority shut down an establishment that had evaded these laws, and this happened as a result of complaints from the public. The power through this law has been put in their hands.

Mr Speaker, as we know, the youth are at the heart and future of our economy. However, the youth also face several, well-documented challenges, some of which I have mentioned in this speech. We are currently in the process of devising a strategy which suggests mechanisms to improve the life chances of young people. The further roll out of our MOD Centre programme - through which we offer a range of sporting and cultural activities to children and unemployed youth to divert them from negative activities - is likely to form a big part of this strategy. The Western Cape government recognises that our living spaces contribute directly to our ability to lead lives of dignity and of opportunity. This is why we will invest in the delivery of integrated human settlements over the next three years, to create sustainable, thriving communities which are committed to doing more than simply just building structures. To overcome the legacy of apartheid spatial planning, we are reviewing the Provincial Spatial Development Framework. Once approved, this will be the key instrument in guiding the planning and expenditure of provincial departments. The policy priorities spelt out in the Living Cape transition will seek to strengthen our economic resilience and ensure that every single one of the Western Cape's six million residents are included in this region's growth.

Mr Speaker, then I move to Leading Cape. A critical factor for the success of all of the above transitions is the improvement of our systems of government. We have committed ourselves to a programme of action that will allow us to become one of the best-run regional governments in the world. In recent years, South Africa's public sector has not kept pace with the latest technological advancements. This means that we have begun to hold back

opportunities for the individuals that we serve in the private sector and those who access our basic and social services. Holes in our procurement methods have also allowed corruption to creep in. In the coming years, we will undertake to completely refresh our systems. We are already in the process of developing new systems to oversee our strategic information and data, annual performance planning and reporting, and project management. We also aim to adopt biometric fingerprinting technology which will leave no room for crooked officials to cheat the procurement system through which we buy around R9 billion worth of goods and services on an annual basis. Our efforts to improve the quality of service delivery by our departments and municipalities within the province will be augmented by our programme to boost our corporate governance. Through the CGRO endeavour, we will continue to provide hands on support to our staff to assist them in closing the gaps identified by the Auditor-General in their management processes. This service incorporates a dedicated helpdesk which offers advice on best practice accounting methods and a data analyst service to enhance the accuracy and competency of financial information. We recognise that the biggest determinant of whether we will be able to play our part in delivering an open opportunity society, is our staff. We are dedicated to making this administration a caring, competent, accountable and responsive place of work that operates at all times with the highest level of integrity. Above all, it should become driven to deliver outcomes that make a real difference in people's lives. I am confident that through our focus on getting the basics right, our dedication in supporting the continuous development of our staff so

that each employee can play an impactful role in our great project, we will achieve our goal of becoming a world class organisation.

Mr Speaker, over the medium term, this government will spend just shy of R150 billion to deliver equitable services to its people. This will be financed primarily through national transfers, including the provincial equitable share and conditional grants, which is likely to account for 95.87% of our budget. Own receipts of which motor licences or motor vehicle licence fees and casino taxes make up the majority share, contribute a further 4.13%. According to our calculations, national transfers to our province are expected to increase by R2,101 billion in 2014/15; R3,555 billion in 2015/16 and R3,574 billion in 2016/17. Conditional grants are forecast to reduce by R707,996 million in 2014/15, before increasing by R497,499 million in 2015/16 and a further R513,060 million in 2016/17. Over the 2014 MTEF or Medium Term Expenditure Framework, this amounts to an average annual increase in our overall equitable share of 8.37%, a rise which reflects the adjustments made to account for the increase in our population as determined by Census 2011.

Mr Speaker, I then move on to the adjustments, this Adjustments Budget that I will be tabling. The Adjustments Budget provides for an additional expenditure of R340,971 million. In the main it provides for infrastructure related expenditure, of which R69,814 million is provided for hospital revitalisation and other infrastructure related issues; R19,856 million is provided for the repair and replacement of infrastructure damaged by floods, and I must say that these are not floods that have just happened over the

weekend, that is a process that is going to still come. These are the floods that happened a year ago. R86,311 million is provided for Provincial Regeneration Projects; R89,400 million for roads infrastructure projects and R54,035 million for property acquisitions. R92,17 million is provided for the infrastructure related projects from the 2012/13 provincial rollover and revenue over-collection, of which R4 million is dedicated to the refurbishment of parliament; R9 million is dedicated for Social Development facilities; R19 million is dedicated to the acceleration of housing delivery and a further R59 million to roads infrastructure.

Further allocations are made from 2012/13 provincial rollovers, shifts between ... [Inaudible] ... reserves from unavoidable or unforeseeable allocations of which R40,135 million will be allocated for diverse education requirements; R42,785 million will be shifted for ICT services including broadband connectivity and system enhancement. R8,348 million will be allocated for the Khayelitsha Police Commission of Inquiry and a further R3 million for a security strategy. Then, R4 million will be allocated to the green economy; R2,259 million for aerial fire fighting and finally R1,2 million rand for the 2014 African Nations Championship soccer tournament.

Mr Speaker, in the 2013 main budget, funding for transversal projects such as ICT and Broadband, skills development, the green economy and the Regional Socio-economic Development Programme was appropriated and provisionally reserved in the dedicated programme in Vote 3 - Provincial Treasury. These funds were accessible to departments subject to due costing, roll-out

prioritisation and credible implementation plans. R47,082 million of the Special Project funding is now allocated in the 2013 Adjustments Estimate. A further R204,716 million will be allocated over the 2014 medium term. The details of all of the above projects will be expanded upon by the Ministers of each of the departments during the parliamentary processes and debates that will take place in this House over the next two weeks. All the policies I have mentioned today contribute to the transitions encapsulated in our vision, One Cape 2040.

In summary, Mr Speaker, Educating Cape outlines the plan to provide our children with an education that will open doors. Enterprising Cape sets out our programmes to drive an enabling economy that attracts investment and creates jobs. Green Cape lays bare our commitment to reducing the resource intensity of our economy in favour of renewable energy. Connecting Cape speaks to our broadband plan and our pledge to put infrastructure in place that brings residents closer to the economy. Living Cape outlines how we will build our province into a place in which citizens are able to lead lives of dignity, and Leading Cape puts forward our plan to get our basic systems of government right so that we can become the best-run regional government in the world.

Put together, these transitions will help us to achieve our goal of creating an open opportunity society for all, in which it is possible for any resident, no matter where he or she is from, to become the next Patrice Motsepe or Mmusi Maimane. Over the past five years we have laid the foundation and have started to put our vision into action. While some benefits are already

beginning to accrue, we are confident that over the next three years and beyond, the lives of the Western Cape's residents, especially our most vulnerable, will begin to improve. Before I conclude, Mr Speaker, I would like to thank the entire Western Cape team, but most specifically Dr Stegmann and the provincial treasury, as well as my cabinet colleagues for their continued support and hard work in driving our vision forward. I would also like to make special thanks to my wife Tracy and my children Jason and Lauren, for whom I am intent on building a better Western Cape.

An HON MEMBER: Hear, hear.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: I would also like to pass dedication to my team in the Ministry who back me up day and night, who make sure that they give not only the Ministry and the departments the service that is needed but more importantly, the service to those members of the public, to the people who interact with us as a government, the best Ministry in the world. Thank you very much.
[Applause.]

We must remain mindful. Mr Speaker, of the challenges we face ...
[Interjections.] .. and are committed to playing our part in helping all residents of our province live better lives.

Mr Speaker, I hereby table the Western Cape Medium Term Budget Policy Statement, the speech I have delivered today, the *Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill* 2013, and the Adjusted Estimates of Provincial

Expenditure 2013 for deliberation of this House. I thank you. [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members. Order, hon members. Order. Order hon mem Ms Brown. Hon mem Ms Brown, order. The Secretary will read the Bill for the first time.

Bill read a first time.

The SPEAKER: The Bill together with the papers tabled will be referred to the relevant committees for consideration and report. Thank you very much, hon Minister Winde. We now proceed to interpellations. We will start with the first interpellation. I recognise the hon Minister Fritz.

INTERPELLATIONS

Safe houses for victims of rape

1. Ms A J du Toit Marais asked the Minister of Social Development:

What are the relevant details in respect of safe houses for victims of rape in the Western Cape?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The Victim Empowerment Programme of the Department of Social Development funds shelters for victims of crime and violence and not for

rape victims specifically. The existing funded shelters, which at this point are 13 throughout the province, primarily assist victims of domestic violence and victims of human trafficking. Of these shelters, five are in rural areas and the remainder are spread throughout the respective metros. Victims are provided with emergency as well as short-term accommodation and other services at these shelters. Often together with their children, shelters deliver services in accordance with the respective constitutional mandates, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Ms du Toit Marais, over to you.

Ms A J DU TOIT MARAIS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Safe houses for victims of rape in the Western Cape is pivotal, not only for 16 Days of Activism for No Violence Against Women and Children, but all year round, especially with the increasing rate of rape in the Western Cape. The ultimate goal is to provide a safe environment for rape and abused victims. The staff must be able and empowered to provide high quality care to survivors. I am especially concerned about how trained the personnel of these safe houses are. Without accurate knowledge, service providers may perpetuate harmful beliefs that can cause further emotional distress and prevent healing. Full and accurate knowledge about sexual abuse and rape is central to delivering services to victims of rape and violence.

The SPEAKER: Minister Fritz, over to you.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The first thing that we want to emphasise is that this government outsource or get service providers that are specialists in the field of victim empowerment, specifically around the issues of domestic violence, rape etcetera. So what we do in many instances is to specifically fund programmes that also provide very specific services in that regard. Allow me to just give some examples. Very often the service also requires some kind of legal intervention, like for instance an interdict or other legal issues. Often our service becomes one-stop type of centres for people and for victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse, and it is a broad spectrum of service that is provided. It is therefore an all-encompassing kind of service, but also a very specialist kind of service that specifically provides for the kind of instances of domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence and of course rape.

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

Ms V HANI: Thank you. Mr Speaker, it is not enough to merely establish safe houses for victims of rape in the metro. We need to see more safe houses in the rural areas. Even in the metro, shelters like Saartjie Baartman and Rape Crisis still suffer from a severe lack of funding from MEC Fritz's department. These shelters are forced to raise most of their own funds. According to the Shelter Shadow Report of the Heinrich Boll Foundation, there remains a severe lack of funding for such shelters in the Western Cape, with a lack of second and third stage housing. What is the MEC going to do

about this? These shelters run at a deficit whilst their beds remain full. In fact, allocations to shelters vary between R28 and R35 per bed per day. Women living in rural communities are more isolated than urban women. What is being done to remedy this? Male children above the age of five are frequently turned away from a shelter which induces the mother to go back to the violent home. These too need urgent attention, Minister.

The SPEAKER: Hon mem Ms du Toit Marais, over to you.

Ms A J DU TOIT MARAIS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Another concern is whether there are enough funds available for the sustainability of these safe houses, because they are a necessity in our communities across the Western Cape as well as in the rural areas. Secondly, is the quality of service provision monitored, and if so, it would be an improvement if the result could lead to the changing of criteria to include rape victims in existing safe houses. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: Minister Fritz, please conclude.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Thank you. Mr Speaker, let me say from the outset that there will never be enough funding, and so we have – I always use the example of the cake, hon member Ms Hani. What we have is a piece of cake and we cut it and slice it and slice it as fine as possible. So funding will always be a challenge and therefore we are moving more and more to asking corporates to assist government in funding these

very - as the hon mem Ms Hani and hon mem Ms du Toit Marais are saying - specialist type of services. We are moving very fast in reaching that kind of level of funding from corporates and government, because there is just not enough from government.

I tell you we completely concur with you of course. 87% of the population lives in the metro so that is a reality. We have, as I have indicated, five rural shelters and we want to also get more of those out, and also hon mem Ms Hani, specifically where children are concerned. I want to say that where children are concerned, if a child is found to be specifically very vulnerable, we luckily have in most of the province very strategically located Child and Youth Care Centres that we can take the child to and safeguard that child's safety. Luckily we have that to assist the child, as and if it is required and, as and when it is required to do that. I want to say we concur and we call on all parties, all companies, all hospitals and everyone to come together and to assist us in this regard. We will always need more and more, but Mr Speaker, we forget that we need to work and continue to build the family and build the family and build the family, to stop the violence against everyone ...
[Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: ... and against children and women. I thank you.

Debate concluded.

Interpellation 2 withdrawn.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister Fritz. Order, hon members. We now proceed to the next interpellation, the third interpellation. I recognise the hon Minister Fritz.

Chrysalis Academy: work opportunities for graduates

3. Mr M G E Wiley asked the Minister of Social Development:

How successful has the Chrysalis Academy youth project been in placing graduates into positions of work opportunity and community structures?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Thank you, Mr Speaker and thank you to the hon mem Mr Wiley for the question. The placement of graduates into work opportunities and specifically Chrysalis graduates has been a tremendous success since 2011. In many cases students have opted to study full-time, in other words to get back to full-time study, while others have even gone back to school. I think that is a tremendous achievement of the programme, to get young people to get back to school and to go back into the education stream. By far the majority have been absorbed into work opportunities, both within government and private sector and in government as the hon Minister Winde indicated earlier in his speech, many, many of

them in our province, as interns. I promise you it is a phenomenal programme. Hon Minister Winde, never ever stop that. Continue with that.

From December 2011 to March 2012, of the number of graduates - 287 graduates, 119 graduates were placed and 26 graduates went back to studying, so it is just phenomenal. From 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013, 501 graduates graduated and 337 of them were placed within either government or the private sector, and 51 graduates went back to studying. From 1 April 2013 to 31 July 2013, of the 172 graduates 168 were placed in internships and different programmes. Current course graduates: we have an indication that of the current course, 179 will almost certainly be placed and of that three will be going to France on an exchange programme, so it is a very, very exciting prospect. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon mem Mr Wiley, over to you.

Mr M G E WILEY: Mr Speaker, thank you very much. The irony of this success is that the Chrysalis Academy was never designed as a job creation scheme. It is a bi-product of this particular training. The purpose of the Chrysalis Academy was behaviour change to try and take those youngsters who are most likely to be vulnerable to potential crime, to take them and to give them an opportunity to see, to discover some of their talents and expand their opportunities. And this by-product that we have seen is that many of them have got employment. This is significant because it is about attitude, and hon Minister Winde in his Appropriation Bill just now, talked about

attitude. Whether it is Mr Mandela or whether it is Mr Maimane, the fact of the matter is if you show the inclination to work from an early age and if you show the right attitude, you are going to get the opportunities made available to you. In many of the cases, probably the most beneficial bi-product of this particular attitudinal change is, as the hon Minister has already pointed out, for those youngsters to go back to complete their education – their formal education, because that increases their opportunities when they apply for jobs.

I think as far as this success is concerned, just on a rough count here, if out of the 501, 337 have job opportunities in the previous year, that is over 60% - that is quite remarkable. There is no other youth training environment in this country that has a success record of employment uptake of that kind and the department needs to be congratulated in that regard.

An HON MEMBER: Hear, hear.

The SPEAKER: Minister Fritz, over to you.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: I want to say, four departments need to be congratulated. I just want to make that point. I also want to say to the hon mem Mr Wiley, this coming week I know there is now big interest from Volvo in Sweden. Volvo Trucks in Sweden is busy with a project and looking at how they can source apprentices for Volvo Trucks from Chrysalis. The hon mem Mr Wiley is correct that there is a huge display

of phenomenal behavioural change and that is the primary purpose of the course. As a spin-off the great new attitude portrayed to the outside just attracts business and people to appoint and to actually employ these young graduates. We had one case, that hon Minister Winde always talks about, a very big retail company in South Africa who have seen some of these new guys come into the shop and they could not understand why these guys are just very different. They soon discovered they are all Chrysalis graduates and so now they come directly to Chrysalis, not through a labour broker. They now come directly to Chrysalis and actually source graduates from Chrysalis for employment in this big, reputable retail shop.

So we are very, very encouraged and I want to say to all the other departments involved in this and to civil society, we forget a big part of this programme is the rebuilding and the restoration of the family unit and the family as a huge part of this programme. One can see that the notion of the family and the family structure is of fundamental importance in building any programme, and we have seen the success of that in Chrysalis.

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

Ms V HANI: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The Chrysalis Academy needs some drastic reform to seriously change from a soldierly style and regimental operation into a civilian process.

Mr M G E WILEY: Say again?

Ms L BROWN: Listen the first time, listen the first time.

Ms V HANI: You must at least start at grade nine to enter Chrysalis. You must carry on, and I can understand that old order, part of the apartheid style ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Ai tog, ai tog.

Ms V HANI: ... conscription military service – reminiscent of the so-called good old days, and their own paratrooper trainer will sing the praises of Chrysalis as the DA's ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order.

Ms V HANI: ... opposition in waiting does. Those who defended the apartheid system still sit on the benches of this legislature, blindly applauding Chrysalis. But a real hard look at the modern needs of a dynamic and fast changing world ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon minister, order.

Ms V HANI: ... dictates that Chrysalis has to transform rapidly to keep up. The three months basic training is far too little. The fact that a lot of these youngsters are school dropouts and do not return to complete their education

at some level is clearly not a remedy. More youth must be linked up with FET Colleges and more skills training also needs to be explored for life-long learning. Mere placement is not enough. Yoga and other techniques are not enough to continue in a violent world of drugs, gangs, domestic problems and the poverty trap. Our youth of all communities deserve better.

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

Ms V HANI: Yes, they do deserve better.

Mr M G E WILEY: Mr Speaker, in my career in this particular parliament, I have never heard such a load of drivel as that coming from the hon member Ms Hani over there. This project, the Chrysalis Academy, has international awards, it is recognised by the Presidency, it is recognised by – President Mandela gave his name to the awards given to the Academy. President Mbeki wanted to go and visit there, but he was stopped at the last minute because all of a sudden they realised that it was a DA-government initiative and there was an ANC election coming up at the time. That was just an unfortunate thing. That is the first thing. Secondly, it is the most successful job creation scheme anywhere in this country. It has been evaluated six times ... [Interjections.]

The ANC when they were in government, forced R155 000 into an academic evaluation that was 400 pages long. The end result of that evaluation was that this is the most successful youth project in South Africa and that it

should be replicated in every single province in this country. That was their evaluation of this project.

So with all due respect, as far as apartheid style training is concerned, if you want to see apartheid style training, take the NARYSEC Project that the ANC started, the Rural Youth Development Project – that is mind-blowing apartheid style training, and that lasts two years and that ... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon mem Mr Wiley.

Mr M G E WILEY: ... is brain-washing of the first order.

The SPEAKER: Thank you Sir.

Ms V HANI: Is it parliamentary for the member to pinpoint another member?

The SPEAKER: No. That is not a point of order. She is just speaking. [Interjections.] You may ... Order, hon members. Order. Order, hon mem Mr Magaxa. Hon Minister. Hon mem Mr Wiley, are you finished? Order, Are you finished?

Mr M G E WILEY: Do you want me to carry on, Mr Speaker?

The SPEAKER: It was a point of order; you still have ... [Interjections.]

Mr M G E WILEY: Was it a point – okay.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, order. Hon mem Ms Brown, order. You still have some seconds to finish, hon mem Mr Wiley, if you ... [Interjections.]

Mr M G E WILEY: Thank you very much. I have made my point, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

Ms L BROWN: Oh, so wonderful.

The SPEAKER: We now proceed, hon members. Minister Fritz, please conclude.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I am always fascinated by the hon – without pointing any fingers, I am always fascinated. I want to ask the hon member Ms Hani to go to the mothers and to the fathers and to the families in Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain and Hanover Park and tell those children who have been caught up in the gang-trap and tell their parents that this child is now in the military. They need some routine, hon member Ms Hani. I think the idea of some discipline and in fact getting up half past four in the morning is to get back that discipline in our society. That has been absolutely lacking because at schools we have seen how that flew out of the window. We have seen all kinds of almost

degeneration, you know, really the going down of all form of structure in families. So I think I just want to make that point.

The second point I want to make about Chrysalis, you know the ANC government in Kwazulu-Natal in fact sent 12 of their young leaders to come train here in Cape Town at Chrysalis and now they are carrying out a similar programme. [Interjections.] So the hon member Ms Hani must just please check her facts.

The last point I want to make about Chrysalis, Mr Speaker, is to invite the hon members on 30 November to graduation day. Please come and experience the emotions of parents, of mothers, fathers, aunties, oumas, grandmothers, when the children graduate and when those guys do excellent marching. You must come and experience it because then you see what it means to the families and you see the transformation of those young people. I really want to invite hon members to come and have a cup of tea with us on Saturday 30 November to experience the emotions of our community and the thankfulness from the families and communities for the transformation of their children. I really want to ask you to come and do that. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Debate concluded.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. That is the end of the interpellations. We now proceed to questions. We have new questions and

the first question is to Minister Botha, over to you.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

New questions:

Long waiting times at health facilities

1. Ms A J du Toit Marais asked the Minister of Health:

Whether his Department has put in place any measures to address the problem of long waiting times at health facilities; if not, why not; if so, what do those measures entail?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Mr Speaker, thank you very much for the opportunity and to the hon mem Ms du Toit Marais for asking this question. It has become prevalent that most complaints that we receive at Health are in regard to waiting times. So the question is appropriate and I want to reply as follows:

1. Addressing long waiting times has been identified as a key intervention to improve the patient-experience of our services both through improving the patient-experience of waiting and to reduce the waiting times. The department developed a comprehensive set of strategies to address waiting times in a comprehensive and co-ordinated way. The department will develop a user-friendly method to measure waiting

times to determine the base line and provide the waiting time on a current and/or intermittent basis to patients who are waiting through electronic methods on a daily basis. This is a new system we are implementing.

Facility managers will be provided with a toolbox of interventions to reduce waiting times, of which an appointment system will be implemented at all health facilities. The significant improvement in folder retrieval in the pilot Eden Project will also be rolled out to other facilities in the province. Congestion at facilities will be reduced through implementing club systems for stable chronic patients, alternate site medication delivery through the CDU process and alternate sites to render services. The improvement of the flow of patients will also be prioritised at the reception areas and triage and prioritisation mechanisms will be looked at and investigated. Queue managers will become central to patient-flow and assist with directing patients with better signage and communication. Resource matching and utilisation will take place where staff will be allocated to pressure areas, predict volumes and schedule non-clinical duties.

The department will also improve the patient-experience while waiting. This will be done by firstly constantly communicating the estimated amount of time the patients can expect to wait and to provide entertainment, edutainment or alternative activity during the wait. We are currently exploring a partnership with a private sector organisation

that will place TV screens in waiting rooms for advertising purposes, but which will also be used for important medical information. A radio communication mechanism is also being explored – radio as in broadcasting.

The Chronic Dispensing Unit of the province has been instrumental in reducing patient waiting times. The patient medicine parcels for stable chronic patients are ready for collection when patients arrive at facilities, and therefore the patient does not have to collect a folder or wait for the pharmacy to prepare the prescription. The CDU also delivers patient medicine parcels to nominated alternative delivery sites which are closer to patients' homes and where group collecting is smaller than at a primary healthcare facility. This is already in process and we are already delivering 120 000 of the 220 000 prescriptions at alternative sites. There the patient travelling and waiting time is then reduced. The CDU patient medicine parcels are also alphabetically packed and are accompanied by an alphabetical list of patient names which affords easy retrievability. In addition to this the department will also manage the systems that create an enabling environment through extending opening times where appropriate to certain facilities.

Our capital programme to construct new facilities and upgrade old facilities is designed in a manner to improve patient flow and will have an impact on waiting times, and we have already opened more than 100 new facilities. We have experienced this in real time and in reality this

improves waiting times. In the past four years we have extended our staff component from 26000 to 31000; this means an improved ratio between health worker and patient which also then contributes to less waiting time.

The sms patient hotline that we established initially as a pilot project is now being rolled out to the rest of the province and has proved to be extremely successful. The call centre provides callers within minutes with a reference number and the complaint is tracked and followed through within 15 minutes. The sms hotline has proved very successful in offering the waiting complainant some immediate relief in real time.

One of the major projects tackled by the Business Development Unit, which we have established in the department in the past year, was the call for service providers that will eventually grow small pharmacy businesses; more than 130 new contracts – we already have 53 contracts with Clicks. We have now added more than 130 contracts that were signed with private pharmacists this year and more will follow suit. Eventually we hope to have 400. Essentially this provides for the gap market of patients who are willing to pay a convenience fee on certain days but will receive free service on other days, rather than waiting in a queue at one of our facilities. So that will add 400 facilities to our current infrastructure. It means that we have devised a way to take feet out of our facilities, and this will indeed improve the waiting times.

Mr Speaker, all these various initiatives will reduce numbers at our primary healthcare facilities anticipated at between 40 to 50 percent. While simultaneously doing so, we will be improving the clinical outcome and obviously improve the patient-experience. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER: Any supplementary or follow-up questions? Then the next question, that is question number two – Minister Botha, over to you.

Department of Health: attitude of staff

2. Ms A J du Toit Marais asked the Minister of Health:

Whether his Department has taken any steps to address the attitude of staff; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you, Mr Speaker and also to the hon mem Ms du Toit Marais. The reply is as follows:

2. The attitude of staff is the second biggest problem that we have in the department according to our survey. The department has put in place a change management process to be facilitated by Ernst and Young which will address organisational, culture, including staff attitudes. 38 facilities are part of a pilot programme which will run over 12 months, but eventually all facilities will be part of the programme. This programme will focus on behavioural change to achieve a stronger focus

on preventative care, proactive management and workload and burnout risk and strengthen frontline staff skills to build trust and empathy.

The department recently launched its Healthcare 2030 plan for health service transformation in the Western Cape - The Road to Wellness - for public comment. Access to patient centred quality care is the key vision of Healthcare 2030, with the first objective being to deliver a quality patient experience within a world class public sector health service. Poor staff attitudes directly impact on the Western Cape's public health system's ability in adopting a patient centred approach and to improve the patient experience. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Any follow up questions? None? Questions for the day have been exhausted. Thank you very much.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order. We now come to statements by members. I see the DA first .

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Me A ROSSOUW (DA): Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, die WKOD moet geloof word vir die loodsprogram om 'n Afrika-taal in skole aan te bied. Hierdie inisiatief wys weer eens die toegewydheid van die Wes-Kaapse regering om te streef na uitnemendheid met die bevordering van amptelike tale van die Wes-Kaap. Verlede week het die departement aangekondig dat hulle 11 skole in the metro-omgewing geïdentifiseer het om deel te neem aan 'n

loodsprogram wat isiXhosa, een van die Wes-Kaap se amptelike tale, vanaf graad een gaan begin aanbied. Die Wes-Kaapse Departement van Onderwys het tot dusver die mees praktiese en weldeurdagte plan voorgelê om isiXhosa as addisionele vak in skole te akkommodeer. Die departement se implementering is weldeurdag en toon die nodige insig om die probleme wat die uitrol van 'n taal in 'n skool wat daarmee gepaard gaan, effektief aan te spreek. Die skole wat geïdentifiseer is om deel te neem, strek reg oor die metro. Dit sluit in voorheen benadeelde skole in en skole wat se taalmedium eentalig of tweetalig is. Die skole is so gekies om te verseker dat hulle naby hulpbronne is en onderwysers akkommodeer wat moet reis tussen skole. Dit sal verseker dat wanneer die implementering van die nasionale program in 2015 begin, die Wes-Kaap onder leiding van die DA, sal verseker dat kwelpunte geïdentifiseer is en aangespreek is en wat die praktiese hulpbronvereistes van hierdie leerplan sal wees. Die bevordering van ons amptelike tale is 'n kernbelang van die DA en daarom is dit belangrik dat taalopvoeding van dag een af korrek sal geskied, anders sal dit 'n vermorsing van hulpbronne en tyd wees. Daarom wil die DA Minister Grant gelukwens en sterkte toewens ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Mnr P UYS: Waar is hy?

Me A ROSSOUW: ... met hierdie loodsprogram en die wonderlike mate van insig ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Mnr H P GEYER: Hy werk.

Me A ROSSOUW: ... wat sy departement getoon het met die implementering daarvan ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Mnr P UYS: Waar werk hy?

Me A ROSSOUW: ... ons sien daarna uit om die resultate onder oë te kry. Ek dank u.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Die ANC – agb lid mnr Uys.

Mr P UYS (ANC): Thank you. Mr Deputy Speaker, the DA is today again without its distant and absent Premier Helen Zille, who still prefers to be elsewhere, but of course MEC Meyer and MEC Grant are here so we can carry on. It is clear that governance is not a priority of the DA led by the hon Zille. Instead she is in Britain to seek direction from her policy strategist Ryan Coetzee. How is her going there assisting poor residents of the Cape? [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: No the poor...

Mr P UYS: She is not here seized by her responsibilities as Premier. There is a disaster with flooding in the province, sanitation and housing but she goes everywhere but to stay here with the people in need, knocking on her door in the Western Cape where she refuses to help them. [Interjections.]

Mnr H P GEYER: Ek kan nou sien ... [Onhoorbaar.]

Mr P UYS: She has a distorted way to react to the request of people by flying off to the UK. Why not send her national parliamentary leader to attend to such minor DA matters? [Interjections.] Mr Deputy Speaker, the Premier refuses to meet and speak with people here in Wale Street where her office is. Not even women are met, but she is very quickly on a plane to run off to the UK.

The Western Cape government is not a priority for the DA and its leader, Zille. For long periods - in fact this time for three months - Zille does not answer our questions in this legislature. Not even her acting Premier, and we see the acting Premier there ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: She is going to answer your question. [Inaudible.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr P UYS: ... may answer questions on her behalf. Mr Deputy Speaker, is it any wonder ... [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: They cannot. That is the problem.

Mr P UYS: ... then that even experts on national media question the

governance of Zille and her party? [Interjections.] The DA poses as a national party ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order, hon member Mr Uys. [Interjections.] Order. Is there a question?

Mr M G E WILEY: The hon member Mr Uys once again overreaches himself. Other members of this House are all “honourable”.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Please continue, hon member Mr Uys.

Ms L BROWN: And the point is?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please continue.

Mr M G E WILEY: We abide by the rules of the House. You should know that better than anybody else.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order!

Ms L BROWN: And the point is? Stop pointing at me! [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, hon member Ms Brown! Please continue, hon member Mr Uys. [Interjections.] Order! Order!

Ms L BROWN: Mr Deputy Speaker, I am very sorry. You know, I am threatened ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are you raising a point of order?

Ms L BROWN: I want to raise a point of order that I am constantly threatened by that hon member over there and I really, really want you to rule on this matter. You know it is a very difficult position for me to tolerate a man who does that to me. So I would like you to rule on that one.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order! [Interjections.] Order! I am not aware of any threat. I have not seen any threats, so please continue, hon member Mr Uys.

Mr P UYS: Mr Deputy Speaker, the DA poses as a national party, while it is mostly regional in character. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr P UYS: Or is it just ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: It is a national party.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Mr Uys, your time has almost expired. You have one more ... [Interjections.]

Mr P UYS: Yes, but there were major interruptions.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I will give you one more sentence, please.

Mr P UYS: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. Or is it just the payment, package and perks here that counts, why a national leader will be in a regional Parliament? [Time expired.]

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

An HON MEMBER: Look at how Zille ... [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: She must do her day job.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Your time has expired. I see the DA. [Interjections.] I see the DA. [Interjections.]

Ms A J DU TOIT MARAIS (DA): Mr Speaker, 16 Days of Activism for No Violence Against Women and Children will commence on Monday, 25 November 2013. The importance of this period is significantly pivotal in South Africa, especially with its increasing cases of violence against women and children.

The most broadcasted case of violence in 2013 was the gruesome rape and

murder of Anene Booysen. Mr Deputy Speaker, increasing at a rapid pace is that of child-on-child violence. Each day we hear about child-on-child violence, many of which end up fatally; seven-year-olds drilling a piece of metal into a five-year-old's head, pupils stabbing and shooting each other, children raping children - this is a reality, not only in the Western Cape but South Africa as a whole.

I urge all role-players, especially all the Ministers and their departments, to make concerted efforts to reduce these horrific incidents, which are taking the lives of children whose right to life is violated. I call on all members to not only hear what I am saying but to acknowledge the severity of the issue, follow through with your oversight role and let us redress the loss of young lives in the Western Cape.

I also encourage all stakeholders to speak out on these disconcerting cases and call hon Minister Lulu Xingwana to duty as the champion of women and children, as she has been silent on so many issues impeding on their basic human rights.

Child-on-child violence does not lie with one department or sphere of government. It requires the cooperation of all departments and all three spheres of government working together to counter these acts of violence. I thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I see COPE. Hon member Ms Bevu.

Ms T N BEVU (COPE): Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. As Cope we regard the new regulations on the safety of cyclists a step in the right direction. We welcome also that motorists must leave at least one metre between the car and the cyclist when passing. We commend the MEC of Transport and Public Works for allowing common sense to prevail over emotions on this Traffic Administration Act. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: That is kind of you!

Ms T N BEVU: Experience shows that in countries where the strict liability law is applied, abuses ensue from the cyclists' side also. We are glad that in the Western Cape the onus of proof for the one metre distance falls on the motorist without necessarily making the motorist at fault in all accidents that involve cyclists. We would also like to encourage cyclists, where they can, to wear helmets with cameras. The truth of the matter is that some cyclists are an example of the problematic "aggressive minority" syndrome and are serious flouters of traffic rules too like riding abreast, jumping robots, weaving in and out of traffic, not signalling, failing to stop for pedestrians at zebra-crossings, and cycling the wrong way down one-way roads.

Cyclist regulations need to be tightened also to curb this dangerous behaviour among cyclists. Something also needs to be done with the influx of novice cyclists on the roads, especially during cycle tour competitions. Perhaps we

should be looking at licensing cyclists who want to be on public roads.

Of course we know this might be politically incorrect, but we cannot allow a situation whereby cyclists take over the roads and do as they please. There is certainly bad behaviour from both sides - cyclists and motorists, but cyclists are not protected by the metal body of a car, so it is only fair that the traffic laws be biased towards their safety. This does not mean they must be given carte blanche to do as they please. The Western Cape Traffic Administration Act does aim at striking the right balance.

On another note, we would like the MEC to provide us with statistics ...
[Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Your time has expired, just finish off please.

Ms T N BEVU: Thank you. We would like the MEC to provide us with statistics of how much cyclist traffic goes through the built cyclist lanes in Adderley Street. I certainly have not seen any; hence I wonder if building those lanes was a waste of taxpayer's money done without conducting proper feasibility studies?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Your time has now finally expired.

Ms T N BEVU: Thank you. [Time expired.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I see the ANC.

Ms L BROWN (ANC): Thank you very much, Mr Deputy Speaker. It is a pity that the MEC for Finance is not here today, but I must tell him that a child growing up in Manenberg and a child growing up in Knysna overlooking the bay has a very different life, so when you want to do an open opportunity society you must remember that the circumstances are different for children, and it is that that the DA has found itself courting today.

That is why it flip-flopped like that on empowerment, on redress and the media tries to write it off as the liberals and the conservatives and so on, but it is not that. The issue that we are confronted with is an issue of race. It is an issue of the acknowledgement of our apartheid past that for decades have ensured whites benefit from an enablement that ensured they remained in power, whether it is economically, socially and politically. [Interjections.] I know that it is very hard to hear this [Interjections.]

'n AGB LID: Ai, hene!

Ms L BROWN: But you must remember, you cannot ignore; you must not try to ignore the Manenberg experience, the Bonteheuwel experience, the Gugulethu experience. In fact even in Hout Bay, in Hout Bay you speak about the Republic of Hout Bay, but the black people live in Imizamo Yethu, the coloured people live in Hangberg. and the wealthy ... [Interjections.]

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

Ms L BROWN: ...the wealthy, rich and white live in Hout Bay itself, so opportunistically the DA has to woo black voters and in doing so it appointed a few young black leaders and - hey presto! The DA now has a black caucus who lived the debilitating experience of apartheid and understand that they have to transform the economy, employment and our society, because they lived the experience. [Interjections.] Do not try to ignore the experience of black people and poor people. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Ms L BROWN: And I am shocked that even the hon Minister Madikizela laughs at this. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Ms Brown, your time has expired. I will allow you a sentence.

Ms L BROWN: [Inaudible.] [Time expired.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are you done? Thank you. [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: Even you are laughing! Even you [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! I see the DA.

Ms L BROWN: It is shocking!

Ms J L HARTNICK (DA): Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. I would like to welcome my guests from Paarl here today. [Interjections.] Mr Deputy Speaker yesterday, 20 November 2013, signified Universal Children's Day. The DA acknowledges the commemoration of Universal Children's Day as important to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide and improving the life chances of children.

This year I would like to focus on the holistic approach governmental departments ought to adopt in improving children's welfare in South Africa. I refer to governmental departments of all three spheres of government and not only one department specifically, because building healthy families and safeguarding children's futures require the collaboration of all structures of government.

Mr Deputy Speaker, the crucial developmental phase in every child's life is commonly considered to be from conception to age six. At pregnancy, health departments should delivery quality services in early antenatal booking, nutritional support and maternal mental health screening. In the infancy stage, which is from birth to two years old, home affairs and health departments should deliver the services of birth registration, social grant access, health and nutritional support, immunisations, developmental

screening and caregiver support.

In the pre-school phase from three to four years old, quality early learning programmes, parenting education, health and nutritional support is required to improve children's welfare. In the foundation phase, five to nine years old, it is important for the development of a child to receive quality education services, healthcare support, positive developmental programmes as well as socially cohesive family.

I urge all ministers and their departments to continue to work toward delivering these services to the children of the Western Cape so that they can live lives they value. I thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Ms Hartnick. Your time has also expired. I do not see the ID. Then I will see the DA again. [Interjections.] Hon member Mr Walters.

Mr M C WALTERS (DA): Mr Deputy Speaker, the DA welcomes the binding decision by the Constitutional Court to confirm the Minister of Local Government and Environmental Affairs, Mr Anton Bredell, correct in his application of existing legislation in the Lagoon Bay saga and that the Minister has the final say over the rezoning of the municipal areas under the Land Use Planning Ordinance. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: We remember it.

Mr M C WALTERS: The court also remitted the subdivision application to the George Municipality for reconsideration. It should be noted that the municipality cannot conclude a subdivision if the necessary rezoning approval has not been obtained.

The Constitutional Court said it accepted zoning was generally a municipal competence. However, it found that there was a category of cases where land-use planning decisions exceeded the bounds of municipal planning because of the scope of the interests they affected, and therefore required oversight. Lagoon Bay fell into that category.

In sum, the provincial Minister refused the rezoning application because he considered the proposed development to have many adverse and uncertain consequences, and therefore to be undesirable. This determination was based on his consideration of information provided by all relevant functionaries as well as Lagoon Bay.

The Constitutional Court confirmed that there were good reasons and relevant considerations supporting his concerns about the socio-economic impact of the proposed development, including its likely adverse effects on the unique and cultural historical resources of the area, with related implications for the region's tourism potential, its lack of support for policies of integration, densification or the improvement of living conditions in the area, and its potential for resulting in an urban sprawl.

The court thus found that the Minister's reasoning that the proposed development would have many adverse and uncertain consequences as well as being undesirable, to be valid.

The Constitutional Court agreed with the High Court that Lagoon Bay has failed to set out a proper basis on which it could set the Minister's decision aside. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Mr Walters. Your time has also expired. The ANC.

Mr K E MAGAXA (ANC): The ANC calls for an urgent investigation into the floods and fires that too frequently ravage and damage poor communities. If this province has money for the hon Premier Helen Zille to appoint a commission of inquiry into policing that was quickly awarded, then it would be easy to find the money and speedily institute a full blown examination of the fires that kill about 200 people a year in informal settlements, floods that bring hardship and suffering as well as the other seasonal and preventative deaths like diarrhoea.

But the uncaring DA with its absent Premier will surely dismiss this as it does not fit its petty party political agenda to score cheap political points. She is all over the place trying to rescue the dwindling credibility of her political party. Questions are raised about buildings in flood plains and lines.

It is also to establish whether rivers and waterways are properly kept and cleaned to prevent flooding. The ANC commends all for assistance and response to the weekend's flooding.

What is strange is that Ground'sUp and other NGOs report that many flood victims are still waiting for promised relief. This follows only weeks after this DA-run Western Cape government bragged about how ready it is to deal with disasters and eventualities.

Mr H P GEYER: It was ready.

An HON MEMBER: We are ready.

Mr K E MAGAXA: The blind spots the ANC pointed out ... [Interjections.]

Mr M C WALTERS: We are still ready!

Mr K E MAGAXA: ...are visible after poor people were neglected, but all attention shifted to a hospital for the rich that had been evacuated. [Interjections.] Many of the affected people stay in areas where this DA government tells us pipes and pumps will not be put in to remove storm water and sewerage for a safer living environment.

This fallacy needs to be debunked! Let us get the investigation started! Thank you. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. [Interjections.] The ACDP - Order! The ACDP. The ACDP first.

Mr G C R HASKIN (ACDP): Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. The ACDP welcomes this week's announcements that 216 more schools from quintiles 4 and 5 have accepted the Education Department's offer to become no-fee schools. Recognising that this is a welcome investment in the future of our youth and that it is in line with the ACDP's vision that none of the Western Cape's almost one million learners should be discriminated against for financial and race-related socio-economic reasons, to the extent that the quality of their education is compromised and their futures are limited or predetermined.

The ACDP is concerned that many thousands of our learners and their families remain unsure about their 2014 enrolment, even at this late stage. We appeal to the Education Department to increase support to schools with slow and/or low enrolment statistics, to urgently address the numerous enrolment challenges parents are experiencing at many schools across the province; to reintroduce the enrolment toll-free number facility for parents to use and to work with schools to speed up the confirmation of enrolment. It remains urgent that all current Western Cape learners be enrolled soonest. We encourage parents and guardians to finalise applications and to heed the Education Department's call for early enrolment.

Last weekend's hailstorm and floods that caused havoc in the biggest fruit-growing areas in the Western Cape and wiping out almost all of our fruit crops are of great concern to the ACDP. The ACDP calls on provincial and national departments of agriculture to ensure that the farmer support interventions that they have proudly trumpeted are realised urgently and tangibly in the affected areas, especially given that the impending European Union ban decision on South Africa's citrus imports has caused great concerns in our citrus industry, especially amongst emerging farmers. The ACDP shares their concerns and appeals to both Ministers to act urgently and decisively in this regard. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. The last one, the DA. Hon member Mr Wiley.

Mr M G E WILEY (DA): Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. In 2011 this House debated and voted against the Independent Police Investigative Directorate and the Police Secretariat Bills on the grounds that the positioning of these institutions would compromise their independence.

We argued that these vital police oversight institutions should be located either outside the police department and answerable to parliament, not the Minister of Police. We were ignored.

Already the Premier has had to lodge a formal complaint against the Secretary of Police for directly interfering or trying to influence the passage

of the *Western Cape Community Safety Bill* - in contravention of the very law that underpins her position. But the secretary took the ANC party line - subsequently shown to be incorrect by our still independent courts.

But now we are faced with an even greater threat. IPID, by its very definition, investigates with considerable power, police criminality which, tragically, is extremely high in South Africa, occurring all the way to the upper echelons of its structures, people appointed directly by the Minister.

But now the Minister is cynically appointing as head of IPID, not just another ANC-party hack, but one with such a tainted past that belief is beggared.

Robert McBride is a convicted terrorist who either organised or personally placed bombs in public restaurants which led to the deaths of three women and horrendous injuries to 69. Since his release from death row and jail under amnesty agreement, he has been gifted plum government jobs by the ruling ANC. Each one has ended in massive controversy following either criminal intent or gross judgement lapses.

The Minister has stated that McBride is well suited for the post because he was the head of Metro Police. The facts will show that the Ekurhuleni Metro Police had serious corruption and criminal issues, directly under McBride's nose.

If the public protector can show what a truly independent appointment can

achieve: respect, integrity, impartiality, courage and honesty, which brings honour to this country, then why, oh why do we have to appoint a recidivist criminal ANC thug to investigate our police? Surely we can do better.

An HON MEMBER: Hear, hear.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. That disposes of statements. We move on to notices of motion. Are there any motions?

Ms L BROWN: The real terrorists are sitting on the other side of the House.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any motions where notice is given, hon member Ms Beerwinkel? Sorry. Sorry, hon member Mr Wiley?

Mr M G E WILEY: Sorry, Mr Deputy Speaker, I would like a ruling on that statement that was made by the hon Leader of the Opposition, Ms Brown, that the real terrorists are sitting on this side of the House.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Leader of the Opposition, Ms Brown?

Ms L BROWN: Can I address you on the matter, Mr Deputy Speaker?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Very briefly.

Ms L BROWN: Yes. The hon member Mr Wiley called Robert McBride a

terrorist. Now we fought, we fought in a war against - maybe where the hon member Mr Wiley has found himself in the SADF and so forth that was an honourable war. It is an honourable war from our side as people who represent the liberation movement in this province.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: What is the point then, hon member Mr Wiley, what is the actual point?

Mr M G E WILEY: The point is that McBride was found guilty in a court of law!

Ms L BROWN: Pre-1994.

Mr M G E WILEY: As a terrorist. It is not the point. The point is that McBride was found guilty in a court - an independent court of law.
[Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: All of a sudden the people are ... [Inaudible.]
[Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! I am not going to rule on the fact whether the use of the word "terrorist" in the current circumstances is allowed or not ... [Interjections.] I will look at the Hansard and if there is a feeling that I have to come back I will do so. Please continue, hon member Ms Beerwinkel.

MOTIONS WITH NOTICE

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the reasons for the infrastructure problems which resulted in the Northpine Primary School repeatedly being without water for three days and two days consecutively within the space of a month, and whether there are possibly any other schools experiencing the same problems.

[Notice of motion as given by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice taken. Hon mem Mr Magaxa.

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

That the House debates the ongoing housing crisis in the City of Cape Town which the City continues to deny.

[Notice of motion as given by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice taken. Are there any from the other side? Nothing? Any from the ANC again, hon member Ms Brown?

Ms L BROWN: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the dismissal by organised business of Premier Zille's nonsensical claim that the *Employment Equity Amendment Bill* will enforce rigid racial quotas.

[Notice of motion as given by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice taken. Are there any further, hon member Ms Beerwinkel?

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the fact that Bo-Kaap residents are not benefiting from the supposed tourist boom.

[Notice of motion as given by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice taken. Are there any further, hon member Ms Gopie?

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

That the House discusses the unfair evictions of people in Ruyterwacht.

[Notice of motion as given by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice taken. Are there any further notices, hon member Ms Beerwinkel?

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the fallout between the DA's Grant Pascoe and MEC Winde over the Moonlight Mass Cycling event in Cape Town.
[Laughter.]

[Notice of motion as given by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice taken. Are there any further notices? Hon member Ms Gopie, are you getting up? Yes, I am listening?

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

That the House discusses the rise in teen gangs on the Cape Flats.

[Notice of motion as given by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice taken. Are there any further, hon member Ms Beerwinkel?

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the achievements of the ANC-led National Government with regards to the provision of funds for no-fee schools for poor learners.

[Notice of motion as given by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Notice taken. Any further? Can we move on? We then move on to motions without notice. Hon mem Ms Brown.

Ms L BROWN: Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the house extends its condolences to the family, friends, colleagues and comrades of anti-apartheid activist and official in the Western Cape Community Safety Department, Sulaiman Isaacs, who passed away last week.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any objections to the motion being moved without notice? No objection to the motion itself?

Agreed to.

Me A ROSSOUW: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek stel sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat die Huis sy medelye betuig met die gesin en familie van Dawie Le Roux. Hy was sedert 1973 Provinsiale Raadslid in Kaapland en later lid van die Uitvoerende Komitee belas met grondsake en gesondheid. Hy was ook 'n spesiale adviseur van die Wes-Kaapse Premier, Hernus Kriel. Hy het 'n spesiale passie gehad vir Afrikaans, Afrikaanse kultuur en natuurlewe. Ons wens sy familie sterkte toe.

[Voorstel soos deur lid voorgestel.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Geen beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennisgewing nie? Geen beswaar teen die voorstel self nie?

Goedgekeur.

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

That the House extends its condolences to the family, friends and comrades of ANC member and Hessequa community activist, A K Daries, who passed away last week.

[Motion as moved by member.]

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

Agreed to.

Mnr M C WALTERS: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek stel sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat die Huis sy meegevoel betuig met die astronomiese oesskade wat die Wes-Kaapse vrugteprodusente gely het as gevolg van die onlangse haelstorm. Dit is egter nie net produsente wat geraak word nie, want alle voltydse personeel en seisoenale werkers gaan ly as gevolg van die ekonomiese nagevolge van hierdie ramp. Ek dank u.

[Voorstel soos deur lid voorgestel.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Geen beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennisgewing nie? Geen beswaar teen die voorstel self nie?

Goedgekeur.

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

That the House extends its condolences to the friends and families of all those who lost their lives in the recent flooding in the Western Cape and sympathise with those who lost their homes and belongings.

[Motion as moved by member.]

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

Agreed to.

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

Dat die Huis die Mosselbaai-munisipaliteit, die burgemeester, die personeel en die inwoners van Mosselbaai gelukwens met hulle aanwysing as die groenste munisipaliteit in die Wes-Kaap.

[Voorstel soos deur lid voorgestel.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Geen beswaar teen die voorstel sonder kennisgewing nie? Geen beswaar teen die voorstel self nie?

Goedgekeur.

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

That the House extends its sincerest condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of the late Nozipho - excuse me for the name, I cannot pronounce it - Gxagxisa Mpetsheni, a teacher at Enkululekweni Primary in Kraaifontein and a Pastor of Faith Mission in Khayelitsha, who lost her life when the car she was driving was washed away by the floods in

Jonkershoek over the past weekend.

[Motion as moved by member.]

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

Agreed to.

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

That the House congratulates the South African Police Service on the attainment of its centenary anniversary; that the House further wish all members of the service well and thank them for their service to South Africa and the Western Cape.

[Motion as moved by member.]

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

Agreed to.

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

That the House extends its condolences to the family and friends of two-

year old Isaiah Adriaanse, who died in a shack fire in Lavender Hill.

[Motion as moved by member.]

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

Agreed to.

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

That the House congratulates the Department of Community Safety on being awarded the Batho Pele Service Award for being the best provincial department in the country.

[Motion as moved by member.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear, hear.

'n AGB LID: Hoor, hoor!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself? The motion is therefore agreed to. Hon member Ms Beerwinkel.

Agreed to.

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

That the House commends the 15 fledgling entrepreneurs in the Kleinmond area ranging from upholsterers and furniture makers to caterers and an electronics company who are participating in a small business training programme designed to help them establish or expand their businesses.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself? The motion is therefore agreed to. Hon member Mr Wiley?

Agreed to.

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

That the House congratulates the organisers of the ABSA Cape Epic Mountain Cycle Race for increasing the women's prize money for the event to some R690 000, thereby making it the richest event of its kind in the world.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself? The motion is agreed to. Hon member Mr Stali.

Agreed to.

Mr Z C STALI: Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commends SAPS for setting up a priority committee to deal with the continuing taxi violence in Delft and Khayelitsha.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself? The motion is agreed to. Are there any further, hon member Ms Hani?

Agreed to.

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

That the House congratulates Khayelitsha businesswomen Thabiso Tsetse who finished top of her class at Stellenbosch University's first batch of small business academic graduates.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself? The motion is agreed to. Hon member Ms Beerwinkel.

Agreed to.

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

That the House notes that various school principals in the Western Cape are taking MEC Donald Grant to court again.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any objections to the motion being moved without notice? [Interjections.] I hear objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper. Are there any further? [Interjections.] Hon member Mr Uys.

Mr P UYS: Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House supports the 16 Days of Activism for No Violence Against Women and Children which starts on 25 November to 10 December by making people aware of the negative impact of violence

on woman and children and acts against abuse.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself? The motion is agreed to. Any further, hon member Mr Uys.

Agreed to.

Mr P UYS: Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House joins all South Africans in celebrating the Day of National Reconciliation on 16 December as we recognise the immense strides we have made in building our nation.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No objection to the motion without notice? No objection to the motion itself? The motion is agreed to. Are there any further, hon member Mr Uys again?

Agreed to.

Mr P UYS: Mr Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House supports World Aids Day which will be celebrated on 1 December by encouraging prevention and awareness and expressing solidarity with all victims of HIV and Aids.

[Motion as moved by member.]

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

Agreed to.

**THE PREPAREDNESS OF THE WESTERN CAPE GOVERNMENT WITH
REGARD TO THE COMING FESTIVE SEASON**

(Subject for discussion)

Ms A J DU TOIT MARAIS: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. Every festive season comes with much joy and festivities but also so many adversities with which many families are faced. Many of us have the privilege of spending the festive season with our families. Not everyone is that fortunate owing to death of family members as a result of government not being prepared with regards to disaster management, healthcare provisions, community safety initiatives and road safety implementation.

This is why I feel it is important to debate the preparedness of the Western Cape government for the upcoming festive season. This way we are aware of how the Western Cape government is creating and maintaining social cohesion so that the very significant foundation of family life is restored in the Western Cape.

Natural and man-made disasters can strike at any time. Even with advanced warning any disaster can catch you off-guard and put you in grave danger.

Gebeurtenisse soos hierdie is traumaties. Die afgelope tyd is 'n sprekende voorbeeld hiervan. Wat so wonderlik was en is, is dat die mense van die Wes-Kaap saamgestaan het om mekaar te help, mekaar by te staan en te troos en te

bemoedig. Die foto's en koerantberigte en vertellings van die gemeenskappe toon dat ons mense in die Wes-Kaap mekaar kan omarm ten spyte van verskille in 'n diverse samelewing. Ons aanvaar so selfsprekend die teenwoordigheid van ambulanspersoneel, ons reddingswerkers ten tye van 'n vloed, 'n brand of 'n busongeluk asook ons gesondheidswerkers wat lang en spanningsvolle ure werk. Juis daarom is dit so belangrik dat ons 'n gesonde en standvastige samelewing het, waar hierdie genoemde personeel met waardering ontvang word.

I commend the Department of Social Development in its efforts to provide children and family programmes which are aimed at promoting the well-being of children and building resilient families and communities.

Standvastige families en gemeenskappe verskaf 'n omgee-omgewing waarheen 'n reddingswerker kan terugkeer in die wete dat sy of haar familie ondersteunend, geduldig en liefdevol sal wees. Die Wes-Kaapse regering plaas 'n hoë premie op die inwoners van die Wes-Kaap. Hierdie kultuur van omgee is deur die inwoners van die Wes-Kaap geabsorbeer en duidelik tentoongestel tydens die onlangse vloedskade.

Diensbaarheid en die konsep van diensbare leierskap lê die Wes-Kaapse regering na aan die hart. Om te kan lei moet ons kan volg en moet ons die inwoners van hierdie provinsie dien tot die beste van ons vermoë.

Ten einde hierdie doel te verwesenlik, baan die Departement van

Maatskaplike Ontwikkeling die weg vir 'n samelewing gewortel in 'n kultuur van onselfsugtige diensbaarheid teenoor ons medemens. Mnr Mandela het gesê: “Die onus rus op ons om deur middel van harde werk, eerlikheid en integriteit na die sterre te reik.” Dit is presies wat die Wes-Kaapse regering hier vermag! Ek dank u.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Dankie, agb lid. The hon member Ms Hani.

Ms V HANI: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. From hon member Ms Du Toit Marais I thought I would hear the plan, the preparedness of this Western Cape government, but to my amazement I did not hear anything that this government has prepared for over this festive season.

For me this is not a happy season for all people in the Western Cape, especially for the poor. To many it is the season of fires, disease and burials of those killed by gangs, in taxi wars or pedestrians that die on our roads.

It is a season of neglect for far too many children, old people, those living with disabilities and single parents struggling to make ends meet. Today we hear bragging and see little, if any real plans, by this provincial government. Sweetheart DA topics like this one does not serve the majority of people in this province, but it is aimed at comforting a few in the leafy suburbs.

If we really want to debate the preparedness of this provincial government for the festive season lasting past Easter we have to ask where the plan of

this government is - if it has a real plan at all.

Was it drawn up after consultation with all people of the province?

[Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: All sectors.

Ms V HANI: ...in a transparent public participation process?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: All sectors.

Ms V HANI: Did poor people have a chance to say what their needs are? Did you go to Khayelitsha?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Absolutely!

Ms V HANI: Mitchells Plain, Kayamandi.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Absolutely!

Mr H P GEYER: We represent the whole province.

Ms V HANI: Cloetesville ... because I would have known. [Interjections.] I am from those areas [Interjections.] Or was it once more merely a back-office job by distant bureaucrats? This province is not only a holiday destination.

Millions of real people live here too. If there is no real plan to assist, the poverty trap for them during this time of cheer and laughter will be no joke. They will continue to suffer amidst the opulence and excesses of a few rich.

This government and its leader are absent more often than not. This Premier prefers having tea in London over dealing with real government issues here where the DA governs. She will do better than to concentrate on some English borough. Is it any wonder that the DA plane crashes; its ship is wrecked and its train derails? [Interjections.]

I see the hon member Bertie Fritz, my friend, now acts as a Premier. Interesting that he as a latecomer to this DA Government ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Let me tell you what you have done. I will tell you what you have done.

Ms V HANI: ...is preferred as a safer or sterile choice above more senior stalwarts and heavyweights like the Leader of Government Business.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: I will tell you what you have ... [Inaudible.]

Ms V HANI: Theunsie Botha or even the provincial DA leader Ivantjie

Meyer! [Interjections.] Not even the hon keeper of the purse, Alantjie Winde, is entrusted with the keys to her lofty parlour in the ivory tower! [Interjections.] Removed from reality the DA does not care for the poor as they must bite the bullet. Too little is done about safety. [Interjections.]

Family violence is up in this period, as alcohol and substance abuse increases especially in the poor areas. Where are the social workers, the nurses and teachers to assist the families and children affected? Most are on leave! Does this government put in place a plan to deal with that?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Of course!

Ms V HANI: This government - show me. Hon member Ms Du Toit Marais did not say anything to me. This government speaks about teenage pregnancies, but does it put in place programmes to prevent and deal with such issues over this period? Does it have tangible plans to have recreational activities or are children left to their own devices? [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: The next page! The next page.

Ms V HANI: No, no do not worry. Do not worry. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Come guys.

An HON MEMBER: What now?

Ms V HANI: This government speaks about teenage pregnancies.

An HON MEMBER: Yes. Yes. Next.

Ms V HANI: Okay. It is the season for various diseases and disorders to spike. Diarrhoea claims many babies every year in poor areas. Where is the plan and support for this, or should we accept that clinics would be run on skeleton staff only? This is the season for rat, vermin and other pests to multiply in poor areas. Is it part of this DA government's plan to clean poor townships and informal settlements for the so called festive season too or is that function a preserve for beaches and leafy suburbs only? Will libraries and schools also serve the poor with special extended times, holiday learning activities and programmes to keep the young occupied during the holidays? Where is the budget for this or will staff go to rest while people must entertain themselves? Where is the province's plan to create opportunities, have open days in the many nature reserves and picnic areas ...
[Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Are you deaf? We spoke about it for an hour.

Ms V HANI: ... have alternatives in place for the poor to also enjoy this period with excursions. I think, Mr Deputy Speaker, there is no real plan to

involve all the people and the poor in a meaningful way during the upcoming season of festivities.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Ms Hani, your time has almost expired. The hon member Mr Haskin.

Mr G C R HASKIN (ACDP) : Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. Recent events indicate that theoretical preparedness and glossy plans published by the government ignore the fact that government directorates and services charged with festive season management and coordination continue in our view to be under-resourced, suffering capacity and training challenges, with the result that response times are slow, severe capacity challenges in managing road traffic increases and gridlocks and appalling communication with those affected. The recent N1 city accident that shut the city down for three-and-a-half hours is just one example. It cost millions to business and the Western Cape's economy and was a major embarrassment to those involved in traffic management and disaster management.

The recent service delivery protest that caused millions of rand of damage to traders in the City of Cape Town is another example. The city admits today that it failed to prepare and that none of the two arrests - the two arrests that it made on that day - have been prosecuted. Its refusal now to grant the organisers permission to march in December is obvious because of their behaviour but it is a further aggravator. What has been done in the festive season plan to curb service delivery protests that we believe the city has

aggravated and not resolved?

Victoria Road, Bakoven, which is a major road and an arterial and a tourist destination in the City of Cape Town, is gridlocked 24-hours a day, during the day for the last week and will be for the next three weeks, because services offered by the City of Cape Town and the Western Cape government have not coordinated and communicated their approvals. So what you have is two construction sites and road tarring that is going on. Now we have three stop-and-goes in the space of 200 metres in Bakoven, meaning that we have gridlock just before summer season. This is not the way to plan for a festive season when we are going to be inundated with vehicles and tourists around our city.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Haskin, your time has unfortunately expired. You just had two minutes. Sorry for that. Agb Minister Botha.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Mr Deputy Speaker, thank you very much. I want to before I start just mention to the hon member Ms Hani that it is obvious to me that she has done no homework and knows nothing about any plan in this province, because if she did she would know; she can only Google and she would find out what is done, but she has done nothing. She just took a piece of paper and wrote everything that is negative on it ... [Interjections.] ... and you will hear it now through different speakers.

I want to start by saying that we have implemented in health a new EMS data system. It is called the EMS. It is from Dimension Data, the EMS Evolution Project. It is entering a critical stage in its implementation schedule, the transitioning in of the new solution. This needs to be done using a responsible and considered approach to ensure that no single patient suffers from a drop in service delivery during this process.

Our fleet is in an excellent state of health. The fleet currently consists of 265 ambulance vehicles, 34 response vehicles and 41 specialised response vehicles or rescue vehicles but in the last 24 months we have replaced 148 ambulances as part of the rejuvenation cycle. In addition, our ambulances have covered nearly 18.5 million kilometres in rendering the service. The implementation of the Bed Bureau is nearly complete. It is also something new, with more than 50 health facilities listed on the website. Training has successfully been rolled out across the provincial health districts with only the West Coast remaining. It is hoped that this training will be complete before the commencement of the festive season. The Bed Bureau monitors bed availability of all health institutions, public and private, to ensure that emergency patients are transferred to facilities where beds are available. It is a very valuable system.

We need to look at risks. Briefly, Mr Deputy Speaker, they are road traffic injury, drowning, interpersonal violence, wilderness search and rescue incidents, and liquor laws promulgation, in other words the later times that venues may be open. There are two long weekends during this festive season,

which is I think an unfortunate coincidence, and those are the most important issues at risk for us.

Road traffic injury - EMS will on the dates related to high traffic volume provide extended resources on all the major roads, and to save time I do not want to mention them all. We will also improve visibility by standing vehicles out on the main routes in order to raise awareness. We will stand out on all main routes throughout the province, also with rescue vehicles. We will have rescue vehicles and ambulance responses available in Beaufort West, Laingsburg and all those difficult areas where high incidents are expected.

In order to ensure an adequate personnel component, the following strategies have been implemented. It is part of the plan. The granting of annual leave during this period has been strictly controlled. Absenteeism is being monitored very closely and very properly. Training courses are not scheduled over this period. Overtime is utilised to improve crew mandates. Volunteer deployment will be increased and no approved remuneration work-outs over the public service will be undertaken from 30 November until 1 February. Vehicles will be strategically placed. Rescue technicians on fully equipped rescue vehicles, with the jaws-of-life, will be strategically placed. Major medical incidents will be managed through the Major Incident Medical Management System, the so-called MIMS, and mass casualty resources will be mobilised to deal with incidents from surrounding districts and Cape Town.

Two other mass casualty resources will respond from Cape Town. The first will be the MIMS medical response team of emergency medical specialists to support medical staff at scenes or rural hospitals. We will send these specialists out to rural hospitals and place them there over the season so that they are there on the scene when emergency medical assistance is needed. This is also the first time we are doing this.

The second will be the mobile mass casualty unit and mass casualty vehicles from the Metro rescue base in Cape Town. The MIMS teams will be flown to the districts by the Red Cross Air Emergency Service if necessary to ensure that they are present where we expect problems to occur.

The daytime crew mandates will be increased to 70 to prevent drowning. Interpersonal violence utilising overtime and volunteers: volunteer crew mandates will be increased to 60 for the nightshift of 31 December 2013
[Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Minister Botha, your time has expired. Just finish off quickly.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: The Red Cross Air Emergency Service is contracted to EMS for the provision of aero-medical operations and consists of different helicopters and fixed wing aircraft which are distributed throughout the province. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. Your time has expired. Hon member Mr Ncedana.

Mr M NCEDANA (COPE) : Thank you very much, Mr Deputy Speaker. After receiving the topic for debate I took time to ask some people in the province how they would respond to the question posed by the member. The first is that for the government to be ready for the festive season it must have planned and budgeted for it during the APP time and it must be implemented efficiently and effectively - full stop.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Which has been done.

Mr M NCEDANA: Now if you have not done that you cannot pose such questions. In fact, the fact that you are posing that question means you did not plan for it ... [Interjections.] ... because it does not arise. If you planned for it the question does not arise. [Interjections.] Now the answer from the affluent rich communities is that the government is relatively ... [Interjections.]

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

Mr M NCEDANA: ...okay in terms of its readiness. Now that is Constantia. Groot Constantia ... [Interjections.] .. Claremont, Camps Bay. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Near Fransman.

Mr M NCEDANA: In fact, if you were to ask the question in the poor communities, the answer would be as follows: we are mostly worried about the festive season because it means we are going to suffer from fires. If it was not enough - the fact that they suffered from storms and the heavy rains, which clearly indicated that the Democratic Alliance had no plans for such ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Like before ... [Inaudible.]

Mr M NCEDANA: Because every year-in-year-out, rains are very heavy in the Western Cape. Go to eNyhunyhwini. They are still trapped in this very same area where they were trapped when you took power. Nothing has been done. Proposals... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Nothing has been done!

Mr M NCEDANA: Proposals were made in this House by the hon member Mr Wiley - No, no, no, it cannot be him. [Laughter.] [Interjections.] Proposals were made in this House ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: By someone.

Mr M NCEDANA: These proposals included sandbags which are cheap in cost. [Interjections.]

'n AGB LID: Ag, kom nou.

Mr M NCEDANA: But the Democratic Alliance did not see it as important because it was in eNyhunyhwini in Philippi where you had no interest. They are also worried about †impuku, ukuba abantwana babo baza kutyiwa ziimpuku ngeli xesha. *They are also worried that their children will be bitten by rats during this time.

While you are busy planning nice holidays, where you are going to go, they are worried about that. The most important thing they are worried about is the high rate of unemployment, the responsibility of feeding their children breakfast, lunch and supper.

Mr H P GEYER: Do not worry. We will handle that.

Mr M NCEDANA: It is a problem. Yes, you are right. We must not worry because you have no knowledge about it. You do not know how it feels. You cannot talk about it. This is a clear indication that the Democratic Alliance does not care. In Harare during the rains the streets were broken up, there were potholes. To date they have not been fixed. In Camps Bay the street was ... [Inaudible.] There were potholes. Those potholes have been fixed. This is how you operate. [Interjections.] This is how the Democratic Alliance

operates. [Interjections.] The Mayor of the City of Cape Town has indicated that they have a master plan, like Madam Helen Zille said in 2006. Has that master plan impacted on the lives of the poor? No! It has not. [Interjections.]

HON MEMBERS: It has. It has.

Mr M NCEDANA: It is clear today and tomorrow that you have no will and you never have the will to improve the lives of the poor.

Mr M G E WILEY: Even the worst ... [Inaudible.] ... carries will .

†UMnu M NCEDANA: Kufanlele kuvalwe iingcango, nixolelwe kuba ningabantu abangafanelanga kungena eZulwini. Ngenxa yendlela enisebenza ngayo nendlela enimzonda ngayo umntu omnyama, inzalelwano yeli lizwe. Indlela enisebenza ngayo ibonakalisa ukuba ukuba singaba phantsi wesandla senu asinakuyiva inkululeko. Yiyo le nto nanamhlanje iDemocratic Alliance ijongene nengxaki yokuba ... [Uphazamiseko.]

*Mr M NCEDANA: Because of the way you operate and the way you hate a black person, born in this land. The way you operate shows that if we are under your control, we will never enjoy freedom. That is why even today the Democratic Alliance has a problem in that ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Hon member Ms Rossouw.

Me A ROSSOUW: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, die agb lid mnr Ncedana wys na

hierdie kant toe en sê ons haat swartmense. Ek maak beswaar daarteen. Dit is hoe die vertaling – dit is hoe die vertaler dit deurgee.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: You must assist me, was that what you were saying, that you were referring to members on this side of the House hating black people?

†UMnu M NCEDANA: Ndiye ndathini kananene? Khawuphinde uthi nditheni? Bendithetha ngesiXhosa. Uthi nditheni? Andimvanga mna Somlomo. Uthi ndithini Somlomo? [Uphazamiseko.]

*Mr M NCEDANA: What did I say, by the way? Please repeat. What is she saying I said? I was speaking in isiXhosa. What does she say I said? I did not hear her, Mr Speaker. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am sorry. I could not hear the translation of that one?

Mr M NCEDANA: No, I am asking you a question, Mr Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, ask me.

Mr M NCEDANA: What is the objection or what is the point of order?
[Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am asking you first of all whether you were

referring to members on this side of being absolutely racists, because that is a racist remark. [Interjections.]

†UMnu M NCEDANA: Ndithe aba bantu beDemocrartic Alliance abafanelanga ukungena endlwini engcwele ngoba abamfuni umntu omnyama ohlalakwiindawo ezihluphekayo. Itsho ingxelo yam.

*Mr M NCEDANA: I said these people of the Democratic Alliance should not enter the holy home because they do not want black people living in poor communities. That is my statement.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ncedana, you have not replied to my question. My question was straight. Did you refer to members on this side of the House as being racist?

†UMnu M NCEDANA: Ndithe abantu beDemocratic Alliance. Andikhange ndith eli cala leNdlu, ndithe abantu beDemocratic Alliance.

*Mr M NCEDANA: I said the people of the Democratic Alliance. I did not say that side of the House. I said the people of the Democratic Alliance.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay, I am satisfied that you are referring to the DA in general. Then you can continue. [Interjections.]

†UMnu M NCEDANA: Nangoku ayiyompazamo into yokuba kwiDemocratic Alliance kukho iCaucas yabantu abamnyama nabamhlophe, ngoba kucacile ukuba bayayibona into yokuba abantu babo baphezu kokuba babe

bayacinezela, ngoku kufuneka ukuba balwele inkululeko yomntu omnyama ngoba nabo bamnyama. Nithi ke nina niyi ... open society with equal opportunities.

*Mr M NCEDANA: Of course, it is no mistake that within the Democratic Alliance there is a black caucus and a white caucus, because they can see that their people are being oppressed, now they must fight for the freedom of a black person because they are also black. And you say you are an open society.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Hon Minister Carlisle? [Interjection.] Please take your seat. This is a point of order.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: The hon member Mr Ncedana's voice is so loud that he is actually drowning out the translator, and we cannot actually hear the translator; if he can just bring his volume down a little. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay, that is ... [Interjections.] Order! Before you speak, your time has expired, but I want to give the Chief Whip a chance to raise a point of order.

Me A ROSSOUW: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, wat vertaal was ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order!

Me A ROSSOUW: Die woord wat gebruik was in die vertaling is: “that the DA hates black people” and the word “hate” is for me a problem.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Ja, ek het dit gehoor.

Ms A ROSSOUW: And I would like to ask you to look at Hansard.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, I did hear that, but I asked the member whether he was referring to members sitting on this side as members of the House. [Interjections.] Order! Order! I asked the member and he responded that he was not implying that members sitting across the passage here as DA members of the House are racist. He was talking in general and in that respect I will accept it. We cannot refer to one another across the floor as being racist. That is totally unparliamentary. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: He is a difficult ... [Inaudible.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Is there a further point?

Me A ROSSOUW: Dit gaan nie vir my oor die woord rassis nie. Hy het die woord “haat” gebruik, die woord is as “haat” vertaal en dit is vir my - ek het 'n probleem dat dit selfs - dat dit toegelaat kon word en ek ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay, let us have a look in detail at what the member said because we are going to sit here for a long time talking about what he said and what he did not say. I was quite happy in terms of the translation that he did not refer to members here. If it turns out in Hansard that there was a serious reflection on members of the House I will certainly come back to the House. The member's time has expired. Agb Minister Bredell. [Interjections.] Order! Order! Order!

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Mr Speaker ... [Interjections.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Minister Bredell, net 'n oomblikkie, net 'n oomblikkie. Why are you standing again, hon member Mr Ncedana?

†UMnu M NCEDANA: Sekela-Somlomo, bendisagqibezela, isivakalisi sam sokugqibela.

Mr M NCEDANA: Mr Deputy Speaker, I was finishing off my last sentence.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Mr Ncedana. You might not have been finished on your side, but the time has expired so therefore you must sit down. Your time has expired. [Interjection.] Hon Minister Bredell.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Mr Deputy Speaker, to the hon member Ms Hani, I just want to tell her that the National Development Plan speaks

about leadership, good governance and active citizenry, and it is in these three components that we must tackle disaster management. The ANC do not have one of them so she will not understand. I also want to point out that 76% of our budget is spent on the poorest of the poor within the Western Cape.

I also want to point out to her - to the hon member Ms Hani - what we inherited four years ago from the ANC Government. When we started in this province with the first fires there were four helicopters. We could not get one of them in the air. Two of them did not have batteries in and there was no fuel for the others. [Interjections.] But, Mr Deputy Speaker, what is more worrying, currently the ANC controlled Gauteng, which is the economic hub of South Africa, does not have a disaster management centre, but they want to tell us, who have got five disaster management centres as well as a provincial disaster management centre, that we do not care about the poor. She must do her homework, Mr Deputy Speaker.

Then she must also realise that Eskom has declared a national emergency. Do they know what that means? We are busy planning for that emergency that can happen at any time. What is going to happen if this country is out of electricity for three or four weeks and there is this weak planning from the national government? The only government sphere that will fail the poorest of the poor in this country when there is a disaster will be the national government. I can guarantee you if there is a big disaster the failure will be at national level, Mr Deputy Speaker.

To the hon member Mr Ncedana I just quickly want to point out that I think Cope as a party is such a disaster that I thought that he would have been an expert on this topic, but he does not know anything about this topic. [Interjections.]

Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ons as die DA wil ek vir u sê is die enigste, en ons het oorgeneem by 'n ANC-regering.

We took over from an ANC government and there was no plan, no disaster management plan for the poor areas, for the Khayelitsha's, the Langa's. There was no plan. We as the DA government put that plan on the table. I am very proud of what we as a disaster management team managed to accomplish over the last couple of years. [Interjections.]

In a situation where natural phenomena such as the recent floods caused by a severe frontal weather system are expected to impact on our province, the Western Cape disaster management centre would react based on information provided from the South African Weather Services. The Western Cape disaster management centre will analyse the South African Weather Services' report and identify the line departments at national and provincial level as well as the district disaster management centres affected by the phenomenon.

The primary and secondary impacts attributed to the related hazards would be identified using the disaster risk assessment, and this information will be

conveyed to the relevant line departments and district disaster centres via email or SMS. As the event unfolds the South African Weather Services will send updates to the Western Cape disaster management centre for dissemination, which would result in the upscaling or downscaling of the function. The geographical information containing the disaster risk assessment data at the Western Cape disaster management centre would then be used to determine the possible extent and impact on infrastructure, people and the environment by overlaying and analysing the various layers within the system. This information would then be used by our preparedness and response unit to ensure that the necessary resources are deployed in the possible areas of impact.

An intensive hazard awareness campaign is conducted on an annual basis which targets the high risk schools to make them aware of the risks associated with the area in which they reside. The programme reached more than 20 000 learners last year.

Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, die Wes-Kaapse rampbestuursentrum speel 'n belangrike rol in die veiligheid ter voorbereiding van die feesseisoen. Een van die grootste risiko's in die Wes-Kaap gedurende die somermaande is brande, uitgebreide veldbrande, sowel as brande in ons informele gebiede. As ons kyk na wat die Wes-Kaapse rampbestuursentrum gedoen het, sien ons hulle neem deel aan gesamentlike beplanning met die Suid-Afrikaanse Polisiediens ten opsigte van veiligheid en sekuriteit. Die Wes-Kaapse rampbestuur bied ook 'n jaarlikse toekenning aan beide die Nasionale

Seereddingsinstituut van R369 000 en aan Lewensredders Suid-Afrika om die risiko van rampe op see of op water te verminder. Die Wes-Kaapse rampbestuursentrum is altyd in 'n toestand van gereedheid om enige rampe te hanteer.

Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, die staat van gereedheid sluit in die hersiening en opgradering van rampbestuurgebeurlikheidsplanne, die plasing van personeel op bystand, die opstel van 'n situasie-analiseverslag om te verseker dat alle stelsels in 'n goeie werkende toestand is, die uitreiking van vroeë waarskuwing indien 'n behoefte sou ontstaan.

Following the flooding that occurred in July and August 2012, the affected municipalities, Bitou and Langeberg, the provincial departments of Agriculture and Transport and Public Works submitted their unverified assessments to the Western Cape disaster management centre. A submission was subsequently forwarded to the Western Cape cabinet and we then forwarded that to the national disaster management centre. Bitou Municipality receives from that assessment an amount of \pm R13 million, and Langeberg Municipality R1,5 million. The rehabilitation and reconstruction allocations to the provincial departments were approved on 19 October 2013 through the adjustments budget, which includes allocations for the June 2011 and July 2012 flooding. The provincial Department of Agriculture received an amount of \pm R190 million. Transport and Public Works received \pm R158 million. This is part of the allocations that were supported by the Minister of Finance in his adjustments budget speech on 19 October 2013. A

total amount of R426 million was allocated to the Western Cape because of the good work of the disaster management team.

Mr H P GEYER: Mooi!

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Brandweerdienste werk saam met verskeie vennote om strategiese strategieë te ontwikkel om die risiko van brande en verwante beserings en sterftes te verminder, veral in ons informele nedersettings. Die doel van die voorkoming van brande is om die publiek te beskerm teen skadelike effekte van 'n vuur. Dit word bereik deur die opvoeding van die publiek oor voorsorgmaatreëls om brande te voorkom, en die handhawing van toepaslike wette en regulasies om te reageer op vuur en noodgevalle. Die eenheid beklemtoon vier prestasieareas, naamlik voorkoming deur die vermindering van plaaslike risiko's deur voorkoming en bewusmaking.

Beskerming is die tweede een: verbeter plaaslike beplanning en paraatheid. Die derde een is reaksie: verbeter die brand en reddingsdienste se vermoë om te reageer op alle gevare. Vierdens, professionele status: verbeter die professionele status van vuur en reddingspersoneel. Die geïntegreerde voorkomingstrategie behels omgewingsveranderinge, ingenieurswese, onderwys, die handhawing en die evaluering. In 'n neutredop, hierdie geïntegreerde beplanning dek alles van voorbrande, verbetering van vuurveiligheid, verskaffing van opleiding en inligting, tot die afdwing van

wetgewing en die evaluering van of die vuurvoorkomingintervensies gewerk het of nie.

Key primary prevention projects and programmes embarked on include “Learn not to burn.” It is a pre-school curriculum for our pre-schools, because fire related burns have a higher prevalence in the very young three- to five-year-old group. We have another programme, Public Information Offices, where we talk to the media to help us to be pro-active, to help us to spread the message during disasters and so forth. We have a fire and life safety educator programme, where we work with our fire personnel in terms of which they get the knowledge and skills of how to bring their message across to the public.

We have a fire and flood awareness campaign that we run, and through that campaign we reached over 16 000 people last year. A fire and life safety symposium was held. Then we have a community work programme.

I am proud, Mr Deputy Speaker, of the provincial disaster management and its personnel. I wish them, as well as their stakeholders, well in their efforts to keep us safe, especially over the festive season. I thank you.

Mr H P GEYER: Mooi! [Tussenwerpsels.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Die agb lid me Prins. [Tussenwerpsels.]

Me E PRINS (ANC): Dankie, mnr die Adjunkspeaker. Laat my toe om 'n vraag te vra. Ten einde ons veilig te hou in die Wes-Kaap, met ons rykes wat kan bekostig om by plekke uit te kom, wat is hierdie Wes-Kaapse regering se planne vir die hele provinsie se mense?

'n AGB LID: Jy het dan nou net ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Me E PRINS: As daar 'n plan is ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die MINISTER VAN VERVOER EN PUBLIEKE WERKE: Is jy doof of wat?

Me E PRINS: ... moet ons sien wat veral gedoen word vir mense buite die Kaapse metropool ... [Tussenwerpsels.] ... vir mense op die platteland en plase. [Tussenwerpsels.] Agb. Minister Carlisle, ek dink jy is doof, ek is nie doof nie. Ek kan baie goed hoor. [Tussenwerpsels.] Is daar 'n plan wat na die belange en welsyn van al hierdie mense omsien? Ons sien net planne vir 'n groot konsert in Kaapstad. Watter voordeel kry arm mense wat nie motors of vervoer kan bekostig nie om in hierdie sogenaamde feestelikheid te kan deel? [Tussenwerpsels.] Wys daardie plan.

Die MINISTER VAN GESONDHEID: Praat van geld bestee.

Me E PRINS: Ons moet gereeld hoor hoe gereed die Wes-Kaap vir dit en dat is. Onlangs het die DA ons in hierdie wetgewer probeer wysmaak dat hy slaggereed is vir enige ramp of gebeurlikheid. Oor die afgelope naweek het

ons presies die gate gesien wat die ANC in daardie sogenaamde plan uitgewys het. Die rykmanshospitaal het al die aandag gekry, terwyl mense in informele ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Ag, nonsens man.

Me E PRINS: ... en arm nedersettings nou nog wag op hulp en ondersteuning.

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSKE EN ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Ek kan sien jy was op Oudtshoorn!

Me E PRINS: Laasgenoemde loop gereeld deur en kyk wat 'Ground Up' daaroor skryf. Dit is die mense wat bly in gebiede waar hierdie DA-regering nou al jare lank hardkoppig weier om pype en pompe in te sit om stormwater en riool weg te voer sodat daardie mense ook in beter omstandighede kan leef. Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, kyk maar na die vrotsige dienslewering en geen of afgeskaalde geriewe waarmee arm mense opgesaal sit.

Mnr H P GEYER: Het jy gehoor wat sê die man?

Me E PRINS: Geen wonder nie dat die DA steeds dink feestelikheid wentel net om die rykes, hul speelplekke en sakegebiede. Die minimum word vir armes in vergete en afgeskepte gebiede gedoen. [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN
ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Hoekom het julle nie ... [Onhoorbaar.]

Me E PRINS: Wat word op die platteland en landelike gebiede gedoen om
hierdie sogenaamde feestelikheid te deel?

Die MINISTER VAN VERVOER EN PUBLIEKE WERKE: Julle kan nie
[Onhoorbaar.] ... Nkandla.

Me E PRINS: Waar is die plan om plaasbewoners wat vasgevang is in
armoede en onderdrukking ook hierin te laat deel? Wys ons die plan.

Mnr H P GEYER: Dit was nou hier.

Me E PRINS: Wat doen hierdie provinsiale regering om armes toegang te
bied? [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die MINISTER VAN PLAASLIKE REGERING, OMGEWINGSAKE EN
ONTWIKKELINGSBEPLANNING: Wat het julle gedoen? Niks, absoluut
niks!

Me E PRINS: Om piekniekgeriewe en vakansieoorde in openbare besit en van
die vele provinsiale eiendomme ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde!

Me E PRINS: ... soos natuurreservate te kan besoek in hierdie tye ...
[Tussenwerpsels.]

Die MINISTER VAN VERVOER EN PUBLIEKE WERKE: Jy gaan weer ...
[Tussenwerpsels.]

Me E PRINS: Hierdie mense kan nie duur vakansies by eksklusiewe oorde bekostig nie. [Tussenwerpsels.] Word meer strande uitgelê en toeganklik gemaak vir armes of gaan hulle maar net weer weggewys word ...
[Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde! Orde! Daar is 'n bietjie te veel kommentaar van die kant af.

Me E PRINS: ... by 'n paar rykmansoorde en voorste strande wat bewaak word
[Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde! Orde!

Ms L BROWN: Mr Deputy Speaker, on a point of order. I am sorry. On a point of order, Mr Deputy Speaker. I actually think it is out of order that all the men here sit and 'guffaw' all the time.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I will control ... [Interjections.]

Ms L BROWN: When the member speaks, she does not even get a chance to speak.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am listening to you and I hear what you say.

Me E PRINS: Ag moenie 'worry' nie, daar is mense wat ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde, agb lid me Prins, u gaan nou voort in vrede en ons gaan 'n bietjie ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Me E PRINS: Dit is hoe hulle ons behandel, mnr die Adjunkspeaker.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde! Agb lid, ek gee u nou kans en ek gaan die Huis in orde hou vir u om te praat. U kan voortgaan.

Me E PRINS: Ek weet nie wat se orde dit is nie. Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, kultuurbedrywigheide kry min aandag. In die meeste gevalle ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde! Orde! Orde! Agb HoofswEEP?

Me A ROSSOUW: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, wat die agb lid eintlik vir u sê, is u kan nie orde handhaaf nie.

Me E PRINS: Ag nee, ag weet jy. [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde, nee, ek het dit ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Me A ROSSOUW: En dit is vir my onaanvaarbaar. [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde! Order, hon

Me E PRINS: Ek wil nie nou iets sê nie, want dan gaan ek iets sê wat ek nie moet ... [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Agb lid me Prins, as ek praat dan bly u eers stil.

'n AGB LID: Hoor daar.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Ek het nie dit as negatief op die Stoel vertolk nie. U kan voortgaan, maar ek sal dit baie goed dophou vorentoe. Gaan gerus voort.

Me E PRINS: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, kultuurbedrywighele kry min aandag. In die meeste gevalle word gery op die rug van gemeenskappe se eie planne. Bolangs word hier en daar programme in biblioteke aangebied, maar dit is nie algemeen die geval in arm gebiede nie. [Tussenwerpsels.] Nee, daar gaan maar min aan en op tye wanneer dit die nodigste is, is daardie biblioteke toe en ontoeganklik.

'n AGB LID: Waar gaan daar min aan?

Me E PRINS: Van kultuur gepraat, die Kaapse klopse se vieringe is al in volle

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde! Is dit 'n punt van orde? Ek luister, agb lid.

Me A ROSSOUW: Ek dink die agb lid me Prins het nie die onderwerp van die debat gelees nie, want dit waaroor sy oor praat, het niks daarmee te doen nie.
[Tussenwerpsels.]

Ms L BROWN: That is your interpretation!

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Orde! Die agb lid kan voortgaan. Ek sal luister of sy baie ver van die punt af gaan. Ek vermoed sy wil sê dat biblioteke nie gereed is vir die seisoentyd wat voorlê nie.

Me E PRINS: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, kan ek net antwoord
[Tussenwerpsels.] ... want ek het dit geskryf na aanleiding van die plan wat daar is, en dit is waarop ek my voorberei het.

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Gaan voort. Ons sal mooi luister.

Me E PRINS: Dankie. Die Kaapse klopse se vieringe is al in volle swang met krismiskore, Maleierkore en ander bedrywighede wat toeneem. Dit is nou

enkele weke voor die optogte en veral die vieringe van tweede Nuwejaar. Laasgenoemde is 'n tradisionele viering van die onderdrukking en eindelike vrystelling van slawe wat langs 'n ou roete plaasvind. Wat vreemd is, is dat die DA-regering gereeld inmeng om hierdie vieringe te ontwrig, namens die gemeenskap te wil reguleer en selfs inmeng by die tradisionele optog. Dit lei elke jaar tot ongelukkigheid. Die waarheid is die DA gee nie 'n blou duit om vir arm mense of hul kultuurbedrywighele nie.

Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, te veel belangrike sportsentrums by skole in hierdie tyd is gesluit omdat skole en onderwysers met vakansie is. Geen planne is in plek om skole en hierdie duur sentrums te gebruik sodat dit voordeel vir die jeug en gemeenskappe inhou nie. Waar is die plan? Wat word gedoen om voetgangers te beskerm? Dit lyk of alles net draai om mense wat motors kan bekostig, maar elke jaar gaan net soveel indien nie meer nie mense in feestye dood op ons paaie. Dit is mense wat nie motors het of kan bekostig nie. Wys ons die plan. Wys die plan wat hierdie Wes-Kaapse-regering onder die beheer van die DA doen wat arm mense in die tydelike seisoenwerke kan deel. Wat word gedoen om juis arm mense geleenthede te bied? Hoeveel tydelike werk word juis vir arm mense uitgehou?

O ja, ek het vergeet, dit is die DA waarvan ons nou praat wat allergies is vir swart bemagtiging en waarmee dit gepaardgaan. Die DA glo mos in 'purpose', 'fit for purpose' en kan nie eens gelyke indiensneming en ander wetgewing steun wat swartmense, Afrikane en bruines insluit nie - hulle ekonomiese deelname verseker nie. Is dit omdat die DA tot in sy siel

rassisties is en langs rasselyne mense verdeel?

Nee wat, die DA kan verander van haar maar nie snaar nie. Dit bly, die DA bly 'n wit party wat die belange van rykes voorstaan. [Tussenwerpsels.]

Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Dankie, agb lid. Die toespraak is klaar. Die agb Minister Plato.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Deputy Speaker, thank you very much. The safety of all our citizens and visitors to the province and also road safety is a top priority for my department over the festive season.

As the festive season is a critical period for all road traffic law enforcement agencies, government departments and of various strategic partners in the Western Cape, we will once again be adopting an integrated approach to ensure the safety of all motorists and passengers on our roads. Our festive season plan will be launched on 5 December 2013. This integrated safety approach consists of the South African Police Services, Metro Police Services, other law enforcement agencies of all our local municipalities including fire and disaster management teams, and also other teams with an interest in safety.

The festive season brings a significant increase in vehicles travelling on the national and provincial road network within and across the Western Cape leading to other provinces. It also brings with it the celebration of religious

holidays, festivities, sporting events, concerts and school closures and the reopening of schools in 2014. This increase in volume naturally raises the increase of potential risk, especially safety risk. In promoting our whole of society approach towards improving safety and in giving meaning to our motto “better together”, our traffic officers will again be setting up roadblocks across this province, and will also hand out disposable breathalysers to motorists at roadblocks across the province. These roadblocks will move around to ensure maximum effectiveness. This will be done with the assistance of the Safety Agency, SAPS, and the South African Police. We are encouraging motorists through advertising and the media to drink responsibly and test themselves before choosing to drive.

The primary objective of our road safety campaign will be on the following: reducing road trauma and serious injuries, crashes and fatalities as well as contributing towards the reduction in crime in general. We will be focusing on road safety education through maximising communication and publicity exposure on enforcement and road safety issues, promoting good road user behaviour and encouraging motorists to comply voluntarily with our officers and the other road users. We will increase the detection and prosecution of road traffic offences by having all staff on duty and will once again run a 24/7 day a week operation to stop and check 200 000 vehicles during the 2013/14 festive season.

On top of making our roads safer this festive season, there is also a big focus on keeping our youth safe and away from gangs, away from drugs and other wrong things in the communities, and to occupy them with positive and fun

youth workshops that are run by our faith based organisation and religious communities. We know that over the festive season there is a spike in crime and that many of our youth are left vulnerable while they are at home on school holidays and their parents must go to work.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Minister Plato, your time has almost expired. Just finish off please.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Yes, such a lot to say, Mr Speaker. The police will be out in full force with the other safety agencies to ensure and safeguard the safety of all our citizens. Thank you very much.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. The hon member Mr Stali.

Mr Z C STALI (ANC): Mr Deputy Speaker, you know Minister Plato is the only one who responded to questions.

†Andiyazi le mfitchi mfitchi ibekwa ngababantu apha andiyazi nokuba bebehphina! [Kuyahlekwa.]

*I do not know the nonsense mentioned by other members here. I do not know where they have been. [Laughter.]

Whether there is a plan or no plan in Gauteng, it is not the business of this House. We want to know what this government of the DA in this province is doing in preparing for the Western Cape. [Interjections.]

Ms E PRINS: There is no plan. [Inaudible.]

'n AGB LID: Julle moet luister.

Mr Z C STALI: There are so many things that are happening when I go through all their departments. What we are looking for is a plan such as the one that was explained by that Minister sitting there, to say this is what we are going to do as the department in order to make sure that the people of the Western Cape are safe during the festive season. You know, in Philippi just two weeks ago people marched to the Lentegeur hospital. They went there to demand that there must be a speedy process in terms of appointing staff. Up until today there is no process that has taken place there in terms of appointing people that are supposed to work in that hospital.

So those are some of the problems that we are going to experience during this festive season, where you will see that beds are full and every Jack and Jill goes to that hospital. If you want to remove a body from there, the staff want money from each and every one who wants to do that. Yet the CEO who is supposed to be controlling that is out on leave for three weeks. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: What? What are you talking about?

Mr Z C STALI: During this time of the year. Now ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: This is the wrong province, this is the wrong province.

†UMnu Z C STALI: Thula wena, awazi nto. Ingxaki esiza kudibana nayo ngoku, abantu baseNtshona Koloni baza kustha ngumlilo ematyotyombeni, bafakwe emaholweni ngulo rhulumente benziwe iigusha, kuba sizazi iziigusha izinto ezifakwa esitalini. Akusoze umbone umLungu efakwa eholweni ngokuba kungene amanzi endlwini yakhe. Uyibona apha eNtshona Koloni. Bazokuthi ke bawenzile amalungiselelo.

*Mr Z C STALI: You keep quiet, you know nothing. The problem we are going to experience now is that people in the Western Cape are going to burn in informal settlements, and will be accommodated in halls by this government, like sheep because we know sheep are kept in stables. You will never see a white person being kept in a hall because their house is flooded, you see it here in the Western Cape. And they say they are ready.

Does that mean because we came here and we discovered problems in your previous government you must continue doing that? Is that how you are doing things? Now, Mr Deputy Speaker, the reality is that they have no plan. I do not know why they came to ask this question here if they have no plan. They should have come here and asked us: "What should we do to prepare this province?" Then we would easily have been able to tell them what they should do. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Have you got experience?

Mr Z C STALI: Unfortunately the situation on our roads, the taxi violence and the lack of accessibility for the poor and working class to decent and affordable public transport, further confirms that this province is not prepared to ensure that all people have a safe and a meaningful festive season.

An HON MEMBER: What plan is that?

Mr Z C STALI: It seems there is no political will to put proper plans in place, to fill these gaps, nor implement the policies that are in place. The 2012/2013 festive season saw 236 deaths on our roads, with the earlier days of December 2012 seeing an alarming high number of lives being lost at a rate of five per day. By July this year alone the Western Cape reported 599 deaths on the road for 2013. Most of these accidents occurred at night and outside of the metro on long roads. We are yet to read a concrete plan that is in place to deal with this carnage. The causes of this carnage have not been taken head-on and may unfortunately recur this festive season.

Mr Deputy Speaker, why has the MEC not considered banning buses and taxis from using long roads late at night, as it has been proven that most accidents take place at night on long distance roads because people are tired and sleeping while driving? Because everyone knows that there is no visibility of law enforcement personnel at night on long-distance roads, overloading of

vehicles becomes a norm, people speeding as if there is no tomorrow, drunken driving becomes uninhibited and people tend to take a chance of driving without a valid driver's licence and with unregistered vehicles. We know that drunken driving is a major cause of road deaths during the festive season; unfortunately the majority of accidents occurring on our roads are alcohol related.

We see that the MEC undermines the attempts by the national government to curb drunken driving, with a zero tolerance approach ... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Tell me one thing they have done.

Mr Z C STALI: In May this year ... [Interjections.] ... the then national Minister of Transport Ben Martins put forward a case for lowering the legal blood alcohol level to zero. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: The biggest mistake he's made.

Mr Z C STALI: Minister Carlisle unfortunately opposed this. The DA's non-committal to curbing drunken driving is further illustrated by its inaction in dealing with those drivers who spend their nights in taverns and shebeens. Unfortunately we do not see enough roadblocks around the townships where shebeens and taverns are mostly prevalent. Instead of increasing law enforcement personnel on our roads, training them to enforce legislations and

adherence on the part of motorists, the province and the city focus on finance, training people through speed fines after they are captured by the numerous visible speeding cameras, which common road offenders can easily avoid.

During the festive season, the DA-led City of Cape Town is detracting from the real focus when it blames courts for unpaid traffic fines. The city has failed to properly oversee the private contractor that collects traffic fine money on the city's behalf.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, hon member Mr Stali, your time unfortunately has expired. We have reached the end of the speaker's list. The last speaker, hon Minister Carlisle.

An HON MEMBER: Hear, hear.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. It is interesting that we do nothing for the poor, we are told. What we also did not do for the poor, we did not steal their money, so that makes a bit of a difference for a start. Secondly ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Secondly, secondly ... [Interjections.] No, we did not steal their money. [Interjections.]

We did not steal their money. They stole the money. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order! [Interjections.] Hon member Mr Magaxa, please. Minister Carlisle, please address the Chair. Maybe it will be quieter that way.

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] Do not worry. They all have ... [Inaudible.]

'n AGB LID: Drink 'n pil broer!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: I think I made my point. Secondly - I am interested in people who come here to argue with us that we do not have a plan, do not listen to what we have to say, make their speech, walk out or do not come in until it is time to make their speech.

The third thing I want to tell you, it is good news for the ANC, good news. If it is correct what they have said here today that we only look after whites who live in Constantia, then I want to tell you, you are going to be the next government, there is no question about it.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: You are going to be the next government. So I hope - I hope the hon members are booking their front benches here and their portfolios and so on ... [Interjections.] ...

because all those people that we treat so badly are going to vote against us and for you. [Interjections.] Yes, yes, so be happy, be happy.

Ms V HANI: Yes! [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: We talk about plans. We talk about plans. The hon Minister of Health described the health plan. There was no doubt about it, it is quite clear. He described the emergency services, and I want to say to him that this is really absolutely outstanding service. He did not mention, for instance, that priority one in urban areas, fifteen minutes is the average time for an accident - for an emergency vehicle to get to that point. He talked about the various emergency services.

My other colleague here, my colleague Minister Bredell, spoke about the broad area of disaster management and what is being done. He talked about the plans and the actions in respect of floods, fires, coastal incidents, river-riding incidents, mountain rescue search, etc, so where does the hon member Ms Prins come from and say there are no plans? [Interjections.]

My other colleague, Minister Plato, spoke about road safety. I can speak more about road safety, but let me just say over this period every single day - every single day from 13 December to 6 January is categorised for its risk issues. Like for instance, 26 December is specifically a risk issue for drowning, for alcohol related incidents, etc. Every single day is listed in this

respect and all the different services under the different Ministers coordinate together to deal as best they can with that risk. That never existed before.

Ms E PRINS: Where is the plan?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: But let us now start talking about plans. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Is that a question?

Mr M G E WILEY: No. You had your chance.

†UMnu M NCEDANA: Sekela Somlomo: Bendicela ukubuza ingaba UMnu Carlisle angawuthabatha umbuzo na?

*Mr M NCEDANA: Mr Deputy Speaker, I would like to ask if the hon Minister Carlisle can take a question?

Mr M G E WILEY: No.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Minister Carlisle, are you prepared to take a question?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT & PUBLIC WORKS: No, I am sorry. I used to take questions, Mr Deputy Speaker, but none of them ever take questions, so I do not take questions.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please continue then.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT & PUBLIC WORKS: Plan number one, the period is from 1 December to 15 January, though it actually continues during the year.

Ms E PRINS: Where?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Plan number two, the targeted fatalities are 230 for that period.

Ms E PRINS: Where?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Plan number three, public transport. The first part of that is the sticker project, the checking for safety of all public transport vehicles before they leave, sticker on the windscreen and checked throughout the provinces as they go.

Plan number two, for hon member Mr Stali, fatigue management. Over 8 000 vehicles, long distance vehicles, will be stopped over this period and their drivers tested for fatigue management as we have done for two - as the hon member's traffic police has done for the last two years. Let me tell you that in that time there have been no serious long distance taxi accidents.

Plan number three, roadblocks. My hon colleague also mentioned this. There will be 400 roadblocks and between 200 000 and 260 000 vehicles will be stopped at them, that is approximately one in six. Listen to the plans and then you will be comfortable. About 30 000 people will be screened for alcohol.

Ms V HANI: I do not think that I am going to be.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT & PUBLIC WORKS: Four, drunken driving. The breathalyser hopefully will be back in action. “Name and shame” will not be back in action because the ANC national ministers are messing around with it. But there are three shadow centres open and so that will be how we run the campaign on drunken driving based on the roadblocks and the three shadows and the testing of over 260 000 people.

Five, speed. We now have an average speed over distance measurement on the R61 for 70 kilometres and on the N1 from Three Sisters to Beaufort West, on the N1 from Beaufort West to Laingsburg, and the most dangerous stretch on the R27, three stretches totalling 65 kilometres. These and the ones that we have had for some time will bring down the death rate by half on those roads and remove them from the list of high risk areas.

Pedestrians - I was asked, the hon member Ms Prins asked about pedestrians. Yes, there are seven Hazloc Projects, and if you know what is going on then you will know that a key one is going on in Knysna right now, where we are making R18 million available. She shakes her head. She knows it is true.

n AGB LID: Jy moet luister.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT & PUBLIC WORKS: They never did a single thing about pedestrians. Nothing! Buckling up, the ANC never did anything about buckling up. We have a massive campaign running right now, 27 major boards, R5 million of radio advertising will go on for four months.

Cyclists, we have just changed the law in respect of cyclists. Never done by that side of the House, Sir! [Interjections.]

Public participation, we have just launched our Ambassador's Pledge in terms of which a million people will sign the pledge. We started with religious leaders in the District Six Mosque.

Emergency Services FMS, so there is some idea of the plan.

Ms E PRINS: Where is the plan?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: There was never a plan before. I was here. When they were in power, there was no plan. There was no plan for disaster management. There were no resources for disaster management. There were no funds for disaster management. The same is true of road safety and all the others. It is the first time that there are plans. [Interjections.] The money disappeared. The money disappeared, but let me

say that I do not want to say rude things about the ANC, because nobody says more rude things about the ANC than the ANC themselves. What do they say? “It is like apartheid in the Cape ANC”, say three senior members.

Mr H P GEYER: Eina!

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: And they said, they compared Marius Fransman to the apartheid government. In a statement they say “like the apartheid government did the Western Cape leadership of the ANC currently promote coloured nationalism by putting coloureds against blacks”. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Minister Carlisle, order, order.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: If I can just finish here, Sir. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr Carlisle, you can just ... order, order [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Shockingly they also claim ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, order Minister. I am giving you the latitude to go slightly wider but you are going too wide now. This is not much to do

with the topic of discussion. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Mr Speaker, I ...
[Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: If you can convince me otherwise you can do that.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: What I - if you allow me just to make my point you will see that it is right on the point, Sir.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please do so.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: They say “the leadership in the Western Cape sides with criminal interests, elements”. Now the point that I want to make is that we can provide all sorts of emergency services ... [Interjections.] ... disaster management, road safety campaigns, but we cannot save terminal disintegrating parties. [Interjections.]

'n AGB LID: Mooi!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, order, order. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, order! [Interjections.] Hon member Ms Hani, hon member Mr Plato, order! We have come to the end of the debate, but before we adjourn can I just remind the House that there will be a briefing by the Treasury for the Budget Committee immediately after

adjournment and all other members are also welcome to attend. That brings us to the end of the proceedings. The House is adjourned.

The House adjourned at 17:10.