
FRIDAY, 22 MARCH 2019

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

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The House met at 10:00.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

The SPEAKER: You may be seated. Good morning hon members. Good morning to our guests in the gallery. It is indeed a privilege to have you with us today. I do just wish to draw your attention to the rules of the gallery. You are not allowed to participate in the proceedings of the House and that includes no clapping or interjecting. You also have to ensure that your cell phones are on silent please. Thank you.

I now recognise the Chief Whip.

(Notice of motion)

Mr M G E WILEY: Good morning, Madam Speaker. I table the two motions in my name, motions 1 and 2:

- (1) That notwithstanding Rule 161, the House considers the Principle and Finalisation of the Western Cape Additional Adjustment Appropriation Bill (2018/19 Financial Year) [B4–2019] on Thursday, 22 March 2018.
- (2) That notwithstanding the provision of Rule 18, the hours of sitting on Tuesday 26 March 2019, Wednesday 27 March and Thursday 28 March 2019 shall be 10:00 to adjournment.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Chief Whip. Are there any objections? The Chief Whip has raised both motions in one go. No objections? Agreed to.

The SPEAKER: We now get to the Order of the Day. The Secretary will read the First Order of the Day.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of Principle of the Western Cape Additional Adjustment Appropriation Bill (2018/19 Financial Year) [B4–2019].

The SPEAKER: Thank you Secretary. I also wish to welcome the administration. Thank you. I now see the honourable, the Minister of Finance, Minister Meyer.

HON MEMBERS: Hear–hear! [Applause.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Thank you, Madam Speaker. When I tabled the Adjustment Estimates of Provincial Expenditure on 5 March 2019, I highlighted the fact that this Government has implemented a financial good governance model aimed at ensuring accountability for programmes, budgets, delivery and against targets.

Madam Speaker, the Province received an additional R83,773 million from the National Treasury through the Provincial Emergency Housing Grant. National Treasury's allocation of additional funds to the Western Cape is indeed an expression of confidence in the ability of this Government not only to spend, but to do so efficiently, economically and effectively. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, Minister Meyer. [Interjections.] I now see the hon member, member Davids. Hon members, can we settle down please? Thank you.

Ms S W DAVIDS: Thank you Madam Speaker. Since 1994 over 3,2 million free houses have been built benefiting over 14 million people. This has meant a massive extension of home ownership growing the productive assets of our people.

The PREMIER: Now you want to expropriate the land without compensation.

Ms S W DAVIDS: In the recent period we have been hard at work to ensure that more and more South Africans lived closer to economic opportunities

and that we eventually overcome the race-based spatial separation of our people inherent from apartheid. Vacant land near the centres of cities and towns must be turned into affordable housing for the poor and working class, close to the shops and parks, schools and clinics, public transport and places of work. [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Ja, from the houses in District 6, that is what you must go and do. [Interjections.]

Ms S W DAVIDS: We must do more to address the role of the financial sector in national development including problems of assets to funding and capital for small enterprises, housing townships and villages, enterprises and infrastructure. [Interjections.]

In this regard the National Government has responded to the devastating fires which occurred in Khayelitsha and surrounding areas... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

Ms S W DAVIDS: ...by providing additional funding for the alternative accommodation, what we call TIAs. The Khayelitsha fire destroyed 342 structures.

The Democratic Alliance in Cape Town delivered shack-kits to those people.

An HON MEMBER: What?

Ms S W DAVIDS: Local Government in the form of the Democratic Alliance has provided assistance to embattled residents of the Town 2 mainly in the form of shack-kits and meals. This is an insult to our poor people who demand adequate housing. [Interjection.]

Another blaze ripped through E52 Kosovo Informal Settlement in Philippi, destroying over 100 shacks and displacing more than a 1000 people. Until the City of Cape Town actively addresses issues of land, housing and spatial planning shack fires will continue to displace and kill the city's poor. We want to thank the Human Settlement Department for applying to National Department for this fund... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Yes.

Ms S W DAVIDS: But we hope that they will apply for all the other areas where the fires occurred. I thank you.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: We hope National will give.
[Interjections.]

†AGBARE LEDE: Ja, ja.

[HON MEMBERS: Yes, yes.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon member Davids. [Interjections.] Order please!
[Interjections.]

Ms S W DAVIDS: You must ask the MEC of Human Settlements.

The SPEAKER: Order! [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: And we ask you!

The SPEAKER: Order!

Ms S W DAVIDS: You want to take everything to the National Government,
the whole week... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Davids. Minister Winde, let us control our
fingers and our emotions. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: You misallocate the money, even to [Inaudible.]

The SPEAKER: In the absence of the hon member Christians and the absence
of the hon member Bernard Joseph of the EFF, I now call on the Minister of
Human Settlements, Minister Madikizela.

HON MEMBERS: Hear–hear!

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I do want to echo the sentiments of my colleague, hon member Davids, on the work that has been done nationally, but just a slight correction because I think it is important that we must not underestimate the work that this Government has done, and I am talking about Government. I am talking about National Government in general. We have actually provided over 4.7 million houses. So I think it must not be understated.

Madam Speaker, thank you very much once again for the opportunity to be presenting the additional budget to assist the communities who were affected by fire. My Department received an additional adjustment budget of R83 million from the National Department of Human Settlements to assist us with two fire disasters that left the communities of Kosovo and Philippi in Silver Town in Khayelitsha homeless.

Now 462 informal structures were destroyed, displacing approximately 1900 people from these two communities. Applications were submitted to the National Department of Human Settlements for the emergency grants in December last year and approval was granted this year in February 2019. As I am talking to you now Madam Speaker, full professional teams have already been appointed for both these communities, Kosovo and Silver Town. Tenders have already been advertised and companies had a briefing session held for the construction of 1300 units both areas.

Ms N D NKONDLO: I wonder. †ngobani abo? [who are they?] Ja, it is your

job. [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: The reason why you opted to build more units than the structures that burnt down, is so that we can commence with the upgrading of Silver Town and Kosovo informal settlements by decanting more people into the temporary location areas to allow for the construction of roads and installation of services at these settlements to avert future crises. We are working together with the City of Cape Town to re-block Silver Town settlements and because of that the project forms part of the Department's catalytic project.

The relocation of a substantial number of people enables us to commence with the project on the Kosovo main site because Kosovo is part of our catalytic project, as I have said and again I must say that, as member Davids said, we have also made application for other fires that we experienced as well where for example in Wuppertal we have 53 informal structures that were destroyed in the area in December so the application was already submitted to the Department of Human Settlements nationally, and we are waiting for approval. And lastly, Madam Speaker, just to say that in other two areas that were devastated by fires, this is your *†wit lokasie* [white location] in Knysna, work is being done and also in Imizamo Yethu and I am sure hon member Makeleni will be very happy to know that the sites were identified. Designs are completed and we are looking at, you know, building more than 1400 structures, so if we densify, so this is all the work that we are doing working together with the National Department to improve the lives of

our people in the Western Cape. I will continue to make sure that those informal settlements, working with NGOs, that are populated, that are dense in population, we are going to upgrade them and make sure that people have access to roads, water, sanitation and electricity. I thank you. [Interjections.] [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you. I now see the hon Minister, Minister Meyer.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Madam Speaker, thank you for the respective contributions in this debate. I have attended the meeting with Minister Madikizela on 3 January this year together with Minister Bredell about some of these many other fires, and I am satisfied with the progress made by our Department of Human Settlements to respond to the fires in Khayelitsha and in Philippi much needed shelter was provided to the displaced families and I am confident that the Department will spend these additional funds in a responsible and accountable manner.

[The Deputy Speaker took the Chair.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you Minister Meyer. Are there any objections to the approval of the Principle of the Bill? No objections? Agreed to.

The Secretary will read the Bill.

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2018/19 Financial Year) [B4–2019].

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

The SECRETARY: Consideration of Vote and Schedule – Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2018/19 Financial Year) [B4–2019].

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am not sure if parties do want to make Declarations of Vote? If not, then I will put the Vote? No objections to the Vote being agreed to? Agreed to.

That concludes the decision on the Vote. I now put the Schedule to the Bill. Any objections? No objections? Agreed to.

I now put Clauses 1 to 4 of the Bill. No objections? Agreed to.

I put the short title. No objections? Agreed to.

The Secretary will read the third Order of the Day.

The SECRETARY: Finalisation of the Western Cape Adjustment Appropriation Bill (2018/19 Financial Year) [B4–2019].

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I see the Minister, Minister Meyer.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, on 5 March I tabled in this House the 2019 Overview of the Provincial Revenue and Expenditure; the Overview of the Provincial and Municipal Infrastructure Investment, the Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure; the Western Cape 2019 Appropriation Bill and associate Provincial Gazette of allocations to municipalities, and the Western Cape main budget for discussion and consideration in this House.

I highlighted in this budget that we are tabling a budget under the theme “Maximum Citizen Impact”, which is a budget for jobs, a budget for service delivery, a budget for safety, a budget for the youth, a budget for infrastructure and a budget for climate change and a budget for good governance.

An HON MEMBER: Hear–hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I concluded, Mr Deputy Speaker, by saying that this budget builds on the legacy of Premier Helen Zille and hands over to the next Premier a financially sound business.

I was able to do so, hon Speaker, because over the last ten years this Government implemented a sound fiscal strategy. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Just one second.

Mr K E MAGAXA: No Mr Deputy Speaker, what is your problem? We are listening.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Is there a problem, hon Mr Deputy Speaker?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: We might have skipped one stage. Can we just get clarity from the Table? [Interjections.] Yes, Minister, my apologies. We are actually at the Order of the Day number 3, which is the finalisation of the third, of the Western Cape Adjustment Appropriate Bill.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, I move that the Western Cape Additional Adjustment Appropriation Bill 2018/19 be finalised and submitted to the Premier to be assented to. I thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. We will then read the next order, which is the fourth order. The Secretary will read the fourth Order of the Day.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of principle of Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 1–2019]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I see the Minister now. The fourth Order. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Okay, thank you Chief Whip of the Opposition, I take your advice. I save time. Mr Deputy Speaker, this Government was able to achieve these successes because there was also underpinned a good financial fiscal strategy. The fiscal strategy and since we are dealing now with the principles, the Second Reading Debate in terms of the principles of this budget, I would very much like to move to the principles underpinning this particular policy framework of this Government. The Government Housing, Government Guiding Policy Principles, Mr Deputy Speaker, for the fiscal and budget principles and the core budget elements are utilised in conjunction with the following guiding principles.

The guiding principles that underpin the Western Cape Government's integrated planning and budgeting processes are constitutionalism and we know how important this is given what is currently happening at the national landscape - a former Minister testifying right now while we are sitting here how the Guptas allocated ministerial positions, so constitutionalism is fundamentally important.

The second principle, Mr Deputy Speaker, is citizen-centric, respecting the rule of law, the whole of society approach, evidence-based practice partnerships, the creation of public value and also the theory of change.

Mr Deputy Speaker, let me highlight a few of the fiscal and budget policy principles:

1. One is allocative efficiency, which aims to balance allocations of resources that reflect the priorities of this Government and programme effectiveness based on evidence with a greater focus on reprioritisation and trade-offs.
2. A second principle, Mr Deputy Speaker, is fiscal sustainability which refers to continuous and stable delivery of services without the major or sudden disruptions in budget allocations which could potentially be caused by a constrained economic and fiscal environment.
3. A third principle of this budget is fiscal consolidation, which focuses on the reduction of Government expenditure or the rate by which Government expenditure increases in a responsible manner, whilst simultaneously increasing Government revenue.

Mr Deputy Speaker, we made it our business during this term of office to increase our domestic resource mobilisation and this principle was necessitated due to the adverse economic and fiscal environment over the recent years and we have made some adjustments in our gambling and tax regime as well as in the liquor licensing regime.

Lastly, Mr Deputy Speaker, fiscal discipline is narrowly intertwined with

fiscal governance where departments and entities are encouraged to remain within aggregate budget limits and avoid unauthorised irregular fruitless and wasteful expenditure. For the last ten years this is the only government that had zero unauthorised expenditure in the whole of South Africa. That speaks to the fiscal strategy of this Government. [Interjections.] [Applause.] Mr Deputy Speaker, this whilst the Northern Cape for the last five years had R7,2 billion irregular expenditure and unauthorised expenditure.

Now if you have R7,2 billion irregular and unauthorised expenditure you could have build, Minister Madikizela, 45 000 houses in just one province and so this demonstrates the importance of having fiscal discipline in your architecture. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Has anybody been [Inaudible.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: No, fiscal discipline has been at the forefront of [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: One is in a prison in Upington - and I was there the last three days - John Block. A balanced budget, there is a balanced budget, Mr Deputy Speaker, in a weak economic and fiscal environment the Western Cape Government needs to ensure that sufficient room exists to respond to its mandate and to deal with adverse shocks while giving effect to its budget policy priorities. So we have tabled a balanced budget, but also, we are living in the so called "VUCA world", where there is lots of

volatility, uncertainty, complexity and ambiguity and therefore we also in this budget that we have tabled on 5 March made provision for service-load pressures, which enables the Western Cape Government to deliver on its frontline service delivery mandates particularly and very stressfully for those particular MECs in Health, Education and Social Development and other service delivery departments, but Mr Deputy Speaker, for the last five years we have also managed the fiscal stabilisation reserve, which is provided as a response to deal with the volatility in the fiscal framework particularly to offset the negative impacts of changes in the fiscal framework mainly to the provincial equitable share.

Mr Deputy Speaker, we have seen in the last three years less tax collected, R50 billion, then R30 billion, then R27 billion nationally, as a result of the ANC's mismanagement of the South African Revenue Services and therefore we in this Government had to build in a fiscal stabilisation reserve to deal with some of these shocks, though it comes at a price to this Government. But also Mr Deputy Speaker, another principle of our fiscal framework is expenditure management, expenditure management largely involves managing the compensation of employees, transfer of goods and services and infrastructure budget within affordable levels and finding the appropriate mix of expenditure items to achieve this sustainability and efficiency to spend.

Again Limpopo has 78% of the COE budget - 78% of the total budget goes to COE. That demonstrates why that province is described as the corruption capital of South Africa. We have been able through proper expenditure

management to manage effectively the Wage Bill. [Interjections.]

Lastly, Mr Deputy Speaker, domestic resource mobilisation specifically in terms of increases in terms of the gambling tax, additional resources of donor funding, motor vehicle licences, hospital fees and actively reducing the debt owed to Provincial Government. The Western Cape has a stable fiscal framework. The national fiscal framework under the ANC Government has already collapsed. Eskom has collapsed because of state capture and the national democratic revolution. The ANC has a licence to loot... [Interjections.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: And desalination plants are collapsing here in the Western Cape. Also tell that truth.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The ANC has a licence to loot and the looting has destroyed South Africa's fiscal framework. I thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Magaxa. [Interjections.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Do not spare them. Tell them what the truth is.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. Safety is by far the province's "Achilles Heel". (Achilles Hill per written speech)

The PREMIER: Achilles heel.

Mr K E MAGAXA: The Zille Commission noted that the lack of street lights and CCTV cameras contributed to crime... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order member, order, just one second, hon Wiley?

Mr M G E WILEY: We have had a ruling in this House previously, Mr Deputy Speaker. There is no such thing as the Zille Commission. It is the Khayelitsha Commission of Inquiry. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Hon member Uys.

Mr P UYS: Mr Deputy Speaker, I know you also made the ruling on that thing, you said the member can call it whatever he would like to call it.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I said at the time it is politics and I am not going to say what you must call it. We know what the real name is but the member may continue. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: It is Zille Commission. [Interjections.] Amandla!

Mr K E MAGAXA: The Zille Commission noted the lack of street lights and CCTV cameras contributed to the crime in Khayelitsha. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: It also instructed the Provincial Government to address the issue of youth gangs. DA failed to deliver on this. Through this budget, the DA had an opportunity to take the people into confidence that the party was serious about fighting gangs and ensure safety in communities. Again the party failed to deliver. Instead it became part of the crime. It contributed immensely, in fact. I will prove that.

The R1,1 billion allocation for Community Safety over the MTEF may sound like a lot of money, when in fact it translates to a meagre R359,3 million for the 2019/20 financial year. We all know now, none of this money will be used to prevent crime and ensure safety in the gang infested areas, as the role of this Department has been reduced to a mere part-time oversight. All community crime-fighting structures established by the ANC were dismantled and now CPFs are being purged using the EPP. MEC Winde must tell us why Khayelitsha is not going to benefit from the City's R62,5 million budget for public lighting. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Who is the councillor?

Mr K E MAGAXA: This proves the safety crisis in the Western Cape is not by accident, but by design. The R43 million housing tender awarded to Glomix House Brokers is a case in point. The company is owned by the wife of a well-known gang boss in the province. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: No, the friend is your friend.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Congratulations! This tender has far more repercussions than we think. It gives a platform to the gang to buy more guns and ammunition.

An HON MEMBER: Drugs.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr K E MAGAXA: It is an opportunity to hire more hitmen who will be on the company's payroll. [Interjections.] This also empowers the company to circulate and distribute more drugs.

Mr M G E WILEY: How do you know that [Inaudible.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: Dirty money received through heists and money laundering and other mechanisms will now be cleansed via this company of the DA. This boils down to one issue - the DA is aiding gangs and fuelling gang murders in the province. That is why they are against the Gang Unit. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Who are the leaders? [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

An HON MEMBER: Who are the gang leaders?

Mr K E MAGAXA: The silence of MEC Winde on this matter is concerning. It gives an indication of a weak and ineffective leader who hides his head in the sand when action is needed. This is not surprising. His previous departments have been complete failures; including Agriculture with its audit records and non-tabling of the annual reports of which our MEC decided to ignore that reality. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Jobs.

Mr K E MAGAXA: MEC Winde must make his views known on the matter, or he must tell us if like his predecessor, he is in the pockets of gang leaders.

An HON MEMBER: Ja, like the ANC... [Interjection.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: The awarding of this tender is very wrong, and must be condemned. The National Government needs to intervene. This tender must be investigated. The flimsy explanation by MEC Madikizela, in defence of awarding the tender to a known gang, vindicates me when I call her him? intellectually challenged. He is. MEC Meyer talks of a budget for jobs when he knows the province specialises in creating seasonal jobs. I want to commend Gauteng, KZN and Limpopo [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: ...the three provinces that Stats South Africa acknowledged as major contributors to job creation. The state of our health services will further tumble into crisis with this budget. The Health budget increased by over 7% - thanks to National Government. In turn, this Provincial Government decides to decrease the budget for planned patients. This is a recipe for a disaster and will affect mainly poor people in the farming communities. [Interjection.]

The PREMIER: That is rubbish.

Mr K E MAGAXA: MEC Meyer has committed to spend R1 billion over the 2019 MTEF towards land reform. This is too little, and it must start, be channelled towards farming communities where black emerging farmers own only 1% of agricultural economy. This could also help to address the daily eviction of farm workers.

Yesterday we commemorated the Sharpeville massacre. Our people died fighting for this united, non-racial, non-sexist, prosperous and free South Africa. Their sacrifices were not in vein. As a Leader of the Opposition, I will not be doing justice to my party and our people, if I do not reprimand... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Which party?

Mr K E MAGAXA: If I do not reprimand and condemn this racist...

[Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: The ANC.

Mr K E MAGAXA: ...Government of the DA. In fact I was to also refer to the Premier, if that was not - I want to say that actually. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Do not say what you want to say.

Mr K E MAGAXA: If it was not unparliamentary to call a member a racist, I would say Premier Zille is a racist.

An HON MEMBER: No!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! You are trying your luck here, hon member.

An HON MEMBER: No, no! [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Member, that is still unparliamentary. You must withdraw that. [Interjections.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: I am saying outside this building, not - I will not tell her [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: If you say it outside it is something different but

you said it in the House, so... [Interjections.] Order! Order! Please withdraw that, then you can continue.

Mr K E MAGAXA: I withdraw that one here, correct, ja. [Interjections.] They accept as the leader of the [Inaudible - speaking simultaneously.]

The PREMIER: [Inaudible.] ...the word racist.

Mr K E MAGAXA: ...the Premier, for her reckless utterances that seek to divide society and bring this House into disrepute. On 11 March 2018, one Jarvis DuPont wrote on Twitter:

“I have a dream that one day every child on this planet will one day live in a world where they can be judged, not on the content of their character, but on the colour of their skin...”

The PREMIER: That is the ANC.

Mr K E MAGAXA: “...by their gender and their sexuality.” [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: That is the ANC.

Mr K E MAGAXA: This was re-tweeted by our beloved Premier with the following caption. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: “Your dream is closer being realised than you think.”

The PREMIER: That is right. It is you... [Inaudible.]

Mr K E MAGAXA: She was short of saying that dream is closer to her heart. [Interjections.] This dream is what the DA calls an “open society approach”, which MEC Meyer spoke about when he tabled his budget. One example of this dream is that the DA in the City collects billions in profit from water and sanitation tariffs from the poor, while the Rondebosch Golf Course pays the City only R1000 per year to access and control public land. [Interjections.] Rondebosch Golf Course, as a public land, cannot continue to enrich white people, while the poor landless people live in squalor in the Cape Flats and the black townships. This land must be expropriated and used for housing for the poor people.

This dream resulted in a 10-year period of non-delivery of services. Today the DA is selling people lies about how it spent the years fighting corruption and laying a foundation for solid governance. My foot! During the same year Rodney Lentit tells us that Mmusi Maimane and Madam were negotiating - Madam Zille - a deal with Israeli company... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! Order! The point of order is taken, hon member Wiley. He refers to the member as... [Interjection.]

Mr M G E WILEY: A derogatory remark.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, thank you. Please refer to the member of the House as an hon member.

Mr K E MAGAXA: Yes, hon member. During the same period Rodney Lentit tells us that Mmusi Maimane and the Madam Zille were... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! That was the very point of order.

Mr K E MAGAXA: ...hon Helen Zille were negotiating a deal with Israeli company... [Interjection.]

The PREMIER: That is a load of nonsense. That is nonsense.

Mr K E MAGAXA: ...for a R6 billion project for desalination plants, in which the corruption fighting DA would receive R600 million in kickbacks. [Interjections.] This exposed that the DA is an inherently corrupt party and a party of lies. [Interjections.]

These lies include calling this nonsense a budget for jobs, youth, service delivery and safety. It is pure lies. The first action of the sixth administration should be to change this budget. There is absolutely no reason whatsoever to rush this process. There will be ample time after 8 May to work on the budget. The DA rushed through this process because the writing is on the

wall, with the latest Ipsos poll making it clear that the DA will not get a clear majority in the province, and nationally it will drop from 22% to 18% [Interjections.]

Mr D MITCHELL: With 3000 people being polled, 3000.

Mr K E MAGAXA: But my own is 2%. You deserve 2% if there is justice in this world. The people can see through DA lies. The people are tired of DA racism camouflaged in fancy slogans like “open society.” Yesterday also marked the closing of the Anti-Racist Week which started on 14 March to 21 March. At this point, allow me to convey a message of appreciation and gratitude to the Anti-Racism Network South Africa, as well as South African musician Danny K for their programmes during the week and their contribution in the fight against corruption. (Written mentions racism)

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: I fully agree with Danny K’s sentiment that, I quote...

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

An HON MEMBER: Sit down!

Mr K E MAGAXA: Can I just finish this?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Your last sentence, yes.

Mr K E MAGAXA: “Not enough white people call out racism when it rears its ugly head. Yes it may be uncomfortable and yes you may be the singular unpopular opinion, but stand firm and have courage. We can no longer be silent.”

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: I am disappointment that Premier Zille publicly objected to this call. She ridiculed Danny K for his call and mocked his spelling errors.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr K E MAGAXA: What a flop! [Time expired.]

An HON MEMBER: Amandla! [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I see the hon Denis Joseph. Order! Before you speak, order! [Interjections.] Please come to order! Member you may continue.

†Mnr D JOSEPH: Dankie mnr *Deputy* Speaker. Die begroting wat ons vanoggend bespreek en oor debatteer begin by verskillende rolspelers. Die

komitee wil op hierdie stadium almal bedank tesame met die Minister wat die rol gespeel het. Ons oorsigrol in die komitee oor die Kabinet en die administrasie is baie belangrik. Daar is ook 'n oorsigrol wat deur politieke partye en lede van die verskillende politieke partye gespeel word en dan moet ek net noem dat by vanoggend se vergadering van die Begrotingskomitee was net ons agb lid Uys teenwoordig en by die vorige komiteevergadering was daar nie een van die ANC en die Opposisiepartye se lede teenwoordig by die Begrotingskomitee nie, wat beteken hulle het klaar die stryd opgegee. Hulle het die stryd opgegee in soverre hulle nie eers - die ANC nie eers 'n Premierskandidaat kan aanwys nie, so ons verstaan hoekom dit so sleg gaan binne die ANC.

Daar is ook die oorsig wat gedoen word deur die kiesers op verskeie vlakke in die publieke verhore, met geskrewe insette en deur middel van die media.

[Transcription of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[Mr D JOSEPH: Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. The budget that we are discussing and debating this morning starts with various role players. At this stage the committee would like to thank everyone along with the Minister who played a role. Our oversight role in the committee over the Cabinet and the administration is very important. There is also an oversight role played by political parties and members of the various political parties and then I should just mention that at this morning's Budget Committee meeting only our hon member Uys had been present, and at the previous committee

meeting not one of the ANC and the Opposition parties' members were present at the Budget Committee meeting, which means they have already given up the fight. They have given up the fight in so far as they – the ANC cannot even appoint a Premier candidate, so we understand why things are so bad within the ANC.

There is also the oversight done by the voters at various levels in the public hearings, with written input and through the media.]

†What is the challenge? What is the challenge that we as a DA Government must deal with? What are the priorities that we identified and how do we fix that? What are the policies that we put in place or policies that we must change? What are the control and monetary systems that are in place? How transparent is the Government and how well do we communicate our message to the public?

Mr Deputy Speaker, this Parliament has improved on all records in terms of public participation and being transparent. The strategic goals of the Cabinet and the DA Government in the Western Cape, the projects identified and implemented, the project plan presented by the HODs of various departments in line with the Constitution and policies are of paramount importance. When the Division of Revenue Bill was presented in this House it was revealed that though the province is showing above average growth as seen, we have seen a slight increase in our provincial equitable share, but unfortunately this increase does not match the challenges that I referred to

earlier and the population growth that we experienced in the Western Cape. Thus Provincial Treasury encountered challenges in allocating adequate amounts to each department and the programmes in this province in order to make sure that our service is above standard, remains above standard, which the Western Cape is known for.

The Division of Revenue Bill will further reveal that a lot goes to servicing debt due to the mismanagement by National Government and their attempts to maintain stability in this country.

Unfortunately we have experienced this and the chaos every day daily that we see the bailouts of Eskom, how it plays out and the fact that it becomes a dysfunctional state-owned entity.

The 2019 Budget for the people amounts to R68 billion and the transfer from National Government is 93,8%. This figure could have been much higher if the ANC-led Government acted decisively against corruption and mismanagement.

An HON MEMBER: What? That cannot be from National?

Mr D JOSEPH: Mr Deputy Speaker, it is against the backdrop that I would like to commend our Minister and the Department and the Budget Council for the extraordinary work that they have done to table this 2019 Budget. This budget ensures that each department in this province will be capacitated to

perform functions of public value despite the challenges that we face. The Minister has shown that a little can go a long way and I am confident that the implementation stage of this budget will indeed reach maximum citizen impact. It has placed avenues of good financial governance. It is socially responsible and offers avenues needed for sustainability. It will go a long way in re-establishing much-needed confidence in public institutions in a way that only the DA Government can do.

With regards to enhancing Government Provincial Treasury will allocate R1,1 billion to drive good governance under corporate governance frameworks and fiscal and financial governance maturity model for effective service delivery.

A long-term financial planning will allow for infrastructure-led growth with the allocation of R6,8 billion over the next ten years. Investing in infrastructure is a continuous manner and it removes the obstacle that is hindering growth incentives, investment and allows for participation in the economy.

It is important that we learn that preserving our environment is undeniably essential for human well-being. The 2019 Budget response to climate change with a staggering amount of R83,987 million allocated towards enabling the promotion and the stimulation of a greener economy and water resourced province. The budget supports innovation by driving the e-governance agenda with the allocation of R3,2 billion over the 2019 MTEF framework, also

keeping up with the modern day trends.

The R7,8 billion for the Department of Social Development over the medium term goes a long way for bulk allocations towards the Department and also the Departments of Health and Education that will address the most pressing needs in society; in the long run address social challenges and the promotion of social security.

†Die begrotingsrede van die Nasionale Minister, Tito Mboweni, het ook nie die nodige hupstoot in die ekonomie gebring nie. Sake-ondernemers en verbruikers in die Wes-Kaap moet die las dra van swak leierskap van 'n ANC-regering in 'n party wat nie die politieke wil het om 'n goeie regeringsbeleid in te stel nie. Die afgradering van die SA Kredietbeheer sal beteken dat meer beleggers die land sal verlaat en ons rand se waarde sal verswak.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[The budget address of the National Minister, Tito Mboweni, also did not bring about the necessary lift in the economy. Business entrepreneurs and consumers in the Western Cape have to carry the burden of poor leadership of an ANC Government in a party that does not have the political will to introduce a good government policy. The downgrading of the SA Credit Control will mean that more investors will leave the country and our Rand's value will depreciate.]

Corruption and state capture needs to be viewed in a broader governance framework. Corruption thrives where the rule of law is disregarded, good policies are ignored and the Public Finance Management Act and the Municipal Finance Management Act are ignored. A productive and responsive public service and administration with norms and standards will bring service delivery outcomes that benefits the people of the Western Cape... [Interjection.]

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

†Mnr D JOSEPH: Ek wil graag 'n woord van dank en waardering aan die personeel uitspreek van die Wes-Kaap, alle private instansies, die publiek, alle nie-regeringsorganisasies en ook ons personeel van die Parlement wat die termyn van die Vyfde Parlement beëindig. Ek wil sê op hierdie noot, *well done*, en baie dankie. [Tyd verstreke.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[Mr D JOSEPH: I would like to extend a word of thanks and appreciation to the staff of the Western Cape, all private institutions, the public, all non-governmental organisations and also our staff of Parliament ending the term of the Fifth Parliament. On this note I want to say, well done, and thank you. [Time expired.]]

†Die ADJUNKSPEAKER: Baie dankie.

[The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you.]

†Mnr D JOSEPH: Dankie.

[Mr D JOSEPH: Thank you.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: In the absence of the ACDP, I see Minister Debbie Schäfer, Minister of Education.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Minister Meyer's recent Budget speech focused on the Western Cape Government's theme of consolidation for maximum citizen impact and we do not mean the kind of impact that the National Government does have - one that fails to provide for maintenance of essential infrastructure, but rather for maximum ANC impact and the resistance of loyal cadres... [Interjection.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Are you sure kids in Mfuleni will say much.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...whether they have the right skills or not and which is leading to more job losses in addition to the 10 million that have already been lost under the ANC.

Ms N D NKONDLO: Kwa-Faku School is [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We mean it, but the focus is on providing opportunities for our people, especially our youth and the disadvantaged, one that supports the creation of a safe and secure province that provides an enabling environment for job creation and skills development...
[Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: And schools.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...that builds and maintains economic and social infrastructure and applies good governance standards. The lack of fiscal discipline at a national level as well as in other provincial governments is having a catastrophic effect on our economy.

The Stage 4 blackouts we have endured this week mean that for 7.5 hours a day businesses cannot make money. The effects of this are that employers have to let go of non-essential staff, thus adding to the 10 million people who are unemployed under the ANC Government. The growth and development of every economy hinges on how resources are managed and under the ANC I am afraid we cannot say they are being managed; they are being mismanaged. Our country is suffering and the ANC has no answers.
[Interjection.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: It sounds like you are talking about [Inaudible].

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: It is against this backdrop that we are here today trying to do everything we can to provide the best opportunities for the people of the Western Cape... [Interjection.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Ja, where is the good governance? Good governance ... [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...whilst working under severe constraints. Because of our good governance and the fact that our unemployment rate is lower than the national unemployment rate, families continue to move to the Western Cape by their thousands in the hope of finding a job, and in the hope of accessing better or in some cases just any form of healthcare and education for their families. Meeting our service delivery goals have become increasingly difficult as we face inadequate budgets that do not keep pace with the increasing numbers. [Interjection.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Oh shame, inadequate budgets, shame! [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: The additional numbers are placing huge demands on all our resources, including schools, housing and medical facilities. In the education environment the large in-migration has massive financial and planning consequences impacting on the provisioning of education resources and the overall management of the system. We are in effect victims of our own success.

Ms N D NKONDLO: Ja, victims, hey!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: But that is okay because we, unlike the ANC, care about the citizens in our country. [Interjections.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Really? Wena! Really you care. [Interjections.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Have you seen the roads where the schools are? [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: And as a responsible caring government [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: People are dying in their schools.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: And as a responsible caring government - people are dying at schools in Gauteng yes.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: You people do not even know who they are.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: And as a responsible caring government we are using every cent that we receive maximally, increasing access to services and opportunities for all, but especially the disadvantaged people of our province.

One of our primary focus areas is to improve opportunities for our youth to provide an enabling environment, job creation and skills development and to build and maintain economic and social infrastructure. [Interjections.]

We invest a large allocation of our budget in school infrastructure to meet the growing demand for schooling in the province as well as to replace schools built with inappropriate materials and to maintain existing infrastructure. [Interjections.]

It is an unfortunate factor - that is true - that many schools were built with inappropriate materials and without all the necessities of a good public school.

In 2009 when our administration took over the Western Cape Government we inherited a backlog of hundreds of schools that were built with inappropriate materials dating back to the apartheid era that evidently needed a maintenance upgrade... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...or to be replaced entirely with a new structure. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: At the same time we are faced with keeping up with the population growth by building new schools and classrooms to cater for the additional 18 000 to 25 000 learners who enter our school system each year. The track record of the previous ANC administration in tackling these two issues of maintaining and building schools was abysmal. The current DA-led administration has made a significant shift in its infrastructure delivery by focusing on the replacement of these schools into a new brick-and-mortar structure.

Ms N D NKONDLO: And make the best of it... [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Since 2009... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Minister, order, just one second. Hon member Nkondlo, you are busy with multitasking. You are working on your computer and giving a running commentary all the time. I would suggest that you do the one only and that is work on the computer. [Laughter.] Please continue, Minister.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you. Since 2009 we have completed 76 replacement schools and plan to replace 20 more in the next MTEF. During the ANC's tenure between 2004 and 2009 they only replaced three schools. [Interjections.] Besides the replacement schools the WCED has built an additional 351 classrooms and constructed 1 032 mobile classrooms to accommodate growth in mainly our poorer areas. The delivery of new schools

is also significantly higher in the poorer communities where there has been a very high growth over the last nine years. [Interjections.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Which poor areas?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We built on average 14 schools and 265... [Interjection.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Which poor areas are you referring to?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Many of them. We have built on average 14 schools and 265 new classrooms for every year in office since 2009.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: This amounts to 131 schools and close to 2400 classrooms, just over one school every month.

Ms S W DAVIDS: Is it the school where your kids come with a free...

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: In addition this year we will see the completion of 11 schools across the province in areas where they are needed the most. [Interjections.] Expenditure on new and replacement schools since 2009 has quadrupled from the R445 million in 2009/10 to R1,6 billion in 2018/19.

An HON MEMBER: And which you get from... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Taxpayer money.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We work. Our taxes. We were also allocated an additional... [Interjection.]

Ms S W DAVIDS: Oh now it is the taxes, but when you say you deliver it is normally [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We were also allocated an additional R298 million by the National Treasury for the education and infrastructure grants over the next three years, which was starting to sound encouraging. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: But I am afraid they have taken back R250 million of that leaving us with a mere R48 million for three years for growth.

Ms S W DAVIDS: Ja, because you are not delivering.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...which is not even enough to build one school. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: You must do your job.

Ms S W DAVIDS: Ja, do your job man. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: How are we supposed to accommodate the additional 25 000 learners in our system last year, and a similar amount or more this year - never mind the backlog from previous years - under these circumstances and it is entirely unnecessary. If we had all that money that the ANC has wasted and stolen our citizens would be in a far better position. [Interjections.]

Ms S W DAVIDS: Not the previous MEC. Do your work. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We also have many schools that require maintenance. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order! There is too much dialogue going across the floor now.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Yes, there is, not dialogue, just shouting. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Beerwinkel, hon member Nkondlo, again! [Interjection.] Hon member Nkondlo, please contain yourself.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: You may continue, Minister.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We also have many schools that require maintenance, but the fact is that there is simply not enough money allocated to us for everything that needs to be done immediately. We have seen an increase in protests on this issue. Nevertheless we are doing and will continue to do everything we can to address this issue in a sustainable and responsible way. We realise that a lot more needs to be done to improve school infrastructure in the Western Cape. However, I shudder to think what their situation would look like now had the ANC remained in government in this province. [Interjection.]

Ms S W DAVIDS: Ah man, do your work, stop complaining. Just do your work. You and the other MECs. [Interjections.] Do your work.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: The tragic impact of mismanagement in other provinces is there for all to see and let us not mention Eskom.

Ms S W DAVIDS: Do your work... [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We aim to ensure that provincial public finances remain on a sustainable path. This will promote service delivery and ensure that we deliver a budget for people, growth and prosperity.

If the ANC understood this we would not have hit the R3 trillion mark for our national debt last week. [Interjections.] But now we also have an additional complication of the ANC's state capture project and that is impacting on our infrastructure and assets and that is the effect of an ineffective and emasculated criminal justice system and a captured police service.

In Pacaltsdorp George we have a school where the land is being illegally occupied for months now.

An HON MEMBER: BOSASA.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: We obtained an interdict. More invasions happened. To this day we have not been able to remove them from our property. SAPS does nothing. The sheriff does nothing and the situation continues. [Interjection.] On Wednesday evening land belonging to three of our schools in the Metro suffered the same fate. We have seen what has happened with the rail service also. Wanton distraction - what we have come to expect from the ANC - absolutely no consequence. [Interjections.]

Ms S W DAVIDS: Go to the community, do not blame the [Inaudible.] Let the school governing bodies work with them.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: The only sustainable way to beat poverty is by educating and creating opportunities for economic growth which will

create opportunities for our youth and of course we need a capable state. We will continue to achieve this in the Western Cape by ensuring that our budget is managed effectively, efficiently, wisely and ethically and that every lever of control we have will be managed in a capable and accountable way for the benefit of the residents of this province. [Interjection.] If the ANC stops wasting money, tolerating and even promoting corruption and started using the billions available for the improvement of the conditions of the poor our country will be on a far better trajectory. Our economy would be growing and more people would be in employment and if accountability were the accepted norm in government as a whole we would not be losing billions every year.

Mr Deputy Speaker, where the DA governs everyone benefits especially the poor, but we cannot carry on having to make do with less and less whilst having to provide for more and more. It is clear that the only way we are going to grow the budget is by improving the economy which will lead to more job creation. Education and skills development is crucial to doing that and the only way we are going to improve both is by the DA taking over National Government in May this year... [Interjections.]

†n AGBARE LID: Hoor-hoor!

[An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: ...so we can make every province as inviting as the Western Cape. Thank you. [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! In the absence of the EFF I see Minister Mbombo, Minister of Health.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Hon Premier, †Sekela Somlomo [Mr Deputy Speaker] †members of the House, †indwendwe [guests] in the gallery, †Molweni [greetings].

Thanks Minister Meyer and your team for the budget allocation to ensure in health we make a valuable impact in this province and also to ensure we are responsive to the service needs of the people.

Health receives R24,8 billion, which amounts to 37% of the total provincial budget allocation - the biggest slice of the pie. We do endorse the principles you set in terms of the budget allocation.

Mr Deputy Speaker, it is worth mentioning that throughout the years the Western Cape Health allocation has always been bigger than other provinces. The average health department's share within the total provincial allocation is 33%.

In this province healthcare remains a priority as you can see through the allocation. The demand for healthcare continues to grow and this is unlikely to change in the short term, given the trends in the social determinants of health and wellbeing. We face insurmountable challenges. Our environment is a mixture of a complex burden of disease; a constrained fiscal environment which saw the healthcare cut over the last three years with over R600 million, which is approximately 6% of the total departmental budget.

The situation places the provincial health system under enormous strain coupled with the unintended consequences like the drought, the fires and we are also coming from Listeriosis and now we have got current load shedding.

2019/2020 is likely to be a very challenging year, because actually load shedding impacts on the health services more than in all other services because we work 24 hours, 365 days a year, catering from the unborn to the oldest, including the deceased patients.

Although the slice of the pie is bigger for Health the excitement is short-lived, because there is no real-term increase in the budget. Healthcare costs are unsustainable and health expending is higher than economic growth, hence it is important that we emphasise and remind the House why an investment in health in the Western Cape is good value to the citizens of this province.

Investing in health and the services is not only a human rights obligation but

it is an economic investment.

In this budget the Department has a shortfall of about R187 million in real terms. Despite this we have not reduced the budget related to the staffing and also to the operating facilities. We use a range of alternate mechanisms to deal with the budget decline.

While the budget is decreasing in real terms, population numbers are increasing and therefore there is a huge demand. The average annual growth in population numbers is about 2% per annum. It is therefore estimated that the budget per member of the population in real terms decreases by the same percentage on an annual basis.

We have therefore begun to make bigger moves from the marginal efforts at cost cutting and efficiencies to fundamentally transform the way we do business, to ensure a strong coherent and resilient health system.

Initiatives that we have undertaken include MEAP, which is the Management Efficiency and Alignment Project; community orientated primary care; the whole of society approach, which I will share in my budget speech. For example with the MEAP you are engaging with the organised labour and seeking DPSA formal endorsement in 2019, so that the revised structures could be implemented.

The culture of collaboration, continuous learning and improvement and the review of key business processes will be ongoing work throughout the year.

As I indicated I will elaborate more in my budget speech.

Mr Deputy Speaker, the other challenges facing the health system as a whole is the growth in elderly population. We rejoice that people now live longer with a life expectancy that has increased, with the average male living up to 66 years and the female up to 71 years. However this means an increase in people living with chronic conditions needing constant clinic visits plus further additional resources.

South Africa also has an influx of foreign nationals who are uninsured and put more burden on public health services. However health is a human right and we cannot deny anybody access to emergency healthcare services. This all adds to the additional pressures we experience.

For the coming financial year we want to thank the Minister for adding the budget on the health infrastructure. That is why we have embarked and earmarked many of the infrastructure projects as part of our investment which amounts to about R1,2 billion. The construction of Gansbaai Clinic, Laingsburg Clinic, Caledon EMS Communication Centre, Victoria Hospital EC, Swartland Hospital EC, Helderberg Hospital EC and Observatory Forensic Lab is underway.

De Doorns Ambulance Station, Klipfontein Regional Hospital, the new Avian Park Clinic and the site capacity at Eerste Rivier Hospital and Khayelitsha, plus also the new Somerset Psychiatry is in the planning phase.

Mr Deputy Speaker, over the past years we acceded even to the calls from community to improve services, in particular pressurised facilities. We have duties and for example develop improvement plan strategies and implement at Khayelitsha District Hospital, Helderberg Hospital, Grabouw CDC, especially in the recent weeks.

There are also other ways in which we aim to improve service delivery to the citizen in the province. In my budget speech I will explore more on some of these.

Lastly, Mr Deputy Speaker, earlier this month I hosted the third Annual Ministerial Community Summit, where we took all these priorities to the people. We engaged with statutory structures such as the Civil Society, the health committees, the hospital boards, academic partners, private partners, as well as the NGO partners from across the province, to share the Western Cape Health budget. We had more than 300 people who attended, as far as Matzikama and also as far as Beaufort West.

We particularly focus on service redesign strategy and to share our successes in health. We want to reassure the citizens of this province that we are committed to provide access to quality healthcare. We are also committed to spending the public funds wisely to the benefit of the Western Cape population. We reaffirm our commitment to the principals of our Constitution that gives an obligation to respect, protect and fulfil the rights of the Western

Cape citizen to access quality healthcare.

Despite all the challenges we face, we still hold a record of a 14 year unqualified audit. This includes a clean finance audit which is a first of its kind in the country for a health department. Clean and accountable governance is crucial, it reinforces public trust in the way we manage public money and the rollout of the services.

In the context of the service demands and operational climate, conventional ways of providing services and seeking marginal efficiencies have run its course. That is why we will be able to pilot tests, the Universal Health Coverage, in one of our worst places like in Saldanha, and work closely with the Department, two other provinces: in the Eastern Cape and also in the KZN. The concept has already been developed and we have already sold it to National.

Lastly I want to thank the head of the Department, Dr Engelbrecht, and her management team. Actually for the whole of the 32,000 members of the staff who have built so much resilience in spite of the service pressure they face, but they have managed at least to show that they care. We value each one of you and the difference you make in the community. Thank you. [Applause.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The hon member Beerwinkel.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Thank you. Mr Deputy Speaker, may I ask your indulgence for a few minutes before I go on to ...

An HON MEMBER: No.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Do not be nasty. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: It is a privilege.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, I would like to start today with some pleasantries as it might be my last opportunity to address everyone here today. I want to take this opportunity to thank the ANC leadership for affording me this opportunity to serve the people of the Western Cape in different capacities here at this Legislature and in my constituencies.

In absentia and in particular I would like to single out Deputy Minister Skwatsha who, at the time, found me worthy enough to bring me here from the City. [Interjections.]

Secondly comrade Zingeso who afforded me, a Metro citizen, to serve in a rural area of Swellendam.

An HON MEMBER: Now look at you.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: I think you will remember me as Carol Swellendam

Beerwinkel.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear! [Interjections.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: I want those two comrades to know that I am eternally grateful to them for what I have learnt and how I have grown.

Mr D G MITCHELL: They must thank you.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: To my Chief Whip, Pierre Uys, my mentor, who was there when I first set foot in Local Government in the then Oostenberg Council, of which I am a proud product. Thank you too for my growth and development as a councillor, but also as a member of this Legislature. [Interjections.]

To everyone here in the DA benches, all of you ... [Interjections.]

Mr D JOSEPH: Yes, you must come over now.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... and my own comrades, I can attest to lessons I have learnt from all of you, and I will carry that with me always. As MECs, some of you I have worked with for many more years even before I got here, and the officials across the 14 departments. Thank you too for it was in SCOPA that we all got to engage with each other. I will most certainly be ploughing back most of the lessons that I learnt together with you.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Thank you ANC again and leadership for this valued opportunity, and I trust that I have lived up to your expectations. In particular I would like to single out Treasury and in absentia Dr Stegman in whose term I started and who was instrumental in my growth in financial knowledge, together with the officials of that Department and in whose time MEC Winde was the MEC. That knowledge will not go to waste.

To [Inaudible.] which I will speak to later and just cemented my growth and Cape Nature for development and the importance of carrying and caring for the environment.

As ANC members we were mostly, solely responsible for holding the Executive to account [Interjections.] in our oversight role. I thank you all for this opportunity. [Applause.]

Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker. I think it is very disingenuous of MEC Meyer to grandstand about other provinces and make exceptions, when the Western Cape's irregular expenditure has grown by 93%. No mention of that.

They are also the only province in this country [Interjections.] who has taken the Auditor-General of South Africa to court for not giving them an opinion that substantiates or supports what they want.

As for cost of employment, Western Cape Province is top heavy and we all know that, the budget proves that.

Firstly, Mr Deputy Speaker, the DA needs to win an outright majority ...
[Interjections.]

Mr D JOSEPH: We will.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... to implement this budget as it stands before us today.

An HON MEMBER: We will. [Interjections.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: The ANC and other coalitions might just stop you in your tracks, be careful.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Dream on. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Where is your leader?

Mr M G E WILEY: So are you saying [Inaudible.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, today I would like to touch on an aspect.

An HON MEMBER: Dream like you.

Mr D JOSEPH: Who is your Premier candidate? [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: We have got the same rights [Inaudible.].

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Today I would like to touch on an aspect [Interjections.] of the budget that speaks to the backbone of delivery, a catalyst for development and a necessary fundamental foundation for growth, and that is the infrastructure investment in both provincial and municipal budgets, and its implications. The allocation of facilities in communities is what builds those communities.

Of the total R68 billion budget, R10 billion is allocated to infrastructure, and if anybody disputes what I am going to give you now, it is all in this Blue Book. That is where I got my information.

- Education is allocated R1,8 billion;
- Health R1,1 billion, 25% more than the previous year;
- Social Development R7,8 million;
- Human Settlements R2,1 billion, added to that the R83 million they just received in the adjustment budget;
- Environment and Development Planning R48 billion, 26% more than the previous year; and

- Transport and Public Works R4 billion.

That is only for infrastructure. Of that R10 billion:

- R5,6 million is allocated to maintenance and repairs;
- R2 billion for upgrades and additions across departments.

Add to this the R455 million for virtual, catalytic infrastructure. See how they are paging to see whether I am telling the truth.

Mr D JOSEPH: We will spend the money [Inaudible.].

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Nobody expected me to talk about infrastructure.

Mr D JOSEPH: We will spend that money [Inaudible.].

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Mr Deputy Speaker, in municipalities the allocation from National Government for capital projects is R2,7 billion, and the provincial allocation is R369 million down from the previous year's allocation of R513 million. District allocations to municipalities this year is zero, down from R450 million in the previous financial year. Municipalities borrow R6,4 billion up from the R4 billion in the previous year. One wonders how they are going to be able to repay these loans.

Mr D JOSEPH: Then teach Zuma to count.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: In total the combined infrastructure – hon member Dennis Joseph, I wonder if you even know what is in the infrastructure ... [Interjections.]

Mr D JOSEPH: Then teach Zuma to count [Inaudible.].

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... budget. [Laughter.] [Interjections.] In total the combined infrastructure [Interjections.] budget is R22 billion for the 19/20 financial year.

This DA Government says that this budget has maximum citizen impact ...

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... but no mention of citizen input.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: It says it is maximising service delivery, but no mention of public input.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Mr D JOSEPH: Public participation.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Not at – public participation is a word that you only know ... [Interjections.]

Mr D JOSEPH: We have broken all the records.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... in letters, but ... [Interjections.]

Mr D JOSEPH: We have broken all the records.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... but implementation, no. Not at municipal level, for sustainable integrated spatial development, or here with public participation in any form. So how do you determine the needs to justify your allocation?

An HON MEMBER: Exactly.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: The very core of who you serve has never been consulted or informed. Ask anyone of the millions out there, and 9 out of 10 people will tell you ... [Interjections.]

Mr D JOSEPH: It is not true.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... they have no clue of what is in this budget

[Interjections.] or of the infrastructure spend.

Mr D JOSEPH: That is not true.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Attention to two departments – I do not have time, Mr Deputy Speaker, so I will just single out two, and I am going to speak on Health and Education.

An HON MEMBER: They always do.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Why one takes cognisance of the Department of Public Works – that the Department of Public Works oversees the construction of facilities such as schools and clinics and hospitals and roads, they can only implement what the different departments allocate from their equitable share, which becomes a litmus test for this DA Government and their consideration of development for the poor, added to what National Government determines in the conditional grants.

Let us now focus on Education. Infrastructure grant has increased by a whopping R63 million this year, and EPWP allocation is up 11%, that is R264 million more, but let us look at the track record of Education in the past three years. Where is Education?

Can I read to you, Mr Deputy Speaker, from this book, from 2015/16, 16/17, 17/18 year:

- Number of classrooms built, from 661 to 2017/2018 285; from 661 to 285.
- Number of specialist rooms built, from 94 to 46.
- Number of new schools from 23 to 10. [Interjections.]
- Number of new schools under construction, from 28 to 13.
- Number of Grade R classrooms [Interjections.], from 101 to 21. [Interjections.]
- Number of schools undergoing scheduled maintenance, from 30 to 64. That is up, but where?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Why?

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Bear in mind ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Read it to them, Carol.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: ... bear in mind the selective accolades and recognition, if they complete, it is a DA delivery. If they do not, National Government has not given enough money. So where did the money for those facilities that you are boasting about come from?

An HON MEMBER: Exactly.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: The taxpayer. [Interjections.]

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Because Government did not give them funds is normally the excuse.

32, that is what page I just read. Does this MEC know how many *plankie* schools still exist? How many schools have adequate sports facilities? How many MOD Centres are underfunded for equipment, especially in rural areas? [Interjections.] Safe schools, fencing remains a problem, Mr Deputy Speaker, and school grounds become a thoroughfare because the community in the surrounding areas is not consulted to help to loop after the school. It is called public participation.

As I continue please bear in mind that I am concentrating only on infrastructure spend. So let us go to Health and infrastructure spend.

- Public equitable share increased from R137 million to R342,6 million.
- Conditional grants Health Revitalisation Grant increased from R95 million to R802,6 million, but again let us look at the infrastructure and the history of that year.
- From 2015 to 2017/2018, number of health facilities planned 47, 2017/2018 none.
- Number of facilities designed 27, 2017/2018 none.
- Health facilities constructed 23 2015/2016, 2017/2018 none.

Mr D JOSEPH: You are on the wrong page.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL:

- Number of facilities equipped 48, this year, 2017/2018, none.
- Number of facilities operational, 7 in 2015, 2017/2018 none.
- Number of facilities maintained last year 87.
- New facilities upgraded and renovated 5.
- Facilities commissioned 10.

Remember this is from the Health Facilitation Revitalisation Grant which is a conditional grant which they have to implement.

Now in this book again, the MEC earlier spoke about – where is my thingy?
The MEC earlier spoke about – what is the word she used? I wrote it down.
Specialised services.

Now if you look on page 159, I would consider a psychiatric ward a specialised service.

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: So in Bredasdorp and in Swellendam there are specialised services, meaning psychiatric wards, planned since 2016. There is allocation given, but nothing has happened to date.

An HON MEMBER: Why?

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: Why is that important, Mr Deputy Speaker? What the DA does not admit, that drug lords are making their way into rural areas and alcohol abuse is on the rise. There are no rehabilitation centres and victims, together with families, have no refuge or safe haven. Clearly the lives of the poor in the rural matter little to this DA Government.

The few cases – let me go back to Human Settlements. [Interjections.] Or back to Education quickly. Human Settlements equally depends on conditional grants. This year they got R2 billion as well as the Title Deed Assistance Restoration Grant, and also R83 million recently. However Human Settlements can build as many units as they want, unless the social network, for which you are responsible, is in place, you will continue to fester and breed grounds for drug and alcohol abuse as it is already the case in most poorer communities. The rich just have better ways of hiding their addictions.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Member, your time has almost expired, just finish off now.

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: At Mullersrus, Mr Deputy Speaker, there is a chicken run that has been rehabilitated to become a school. The school is still without water. MEC Grant knows about that school, he was there and he knows. That school is without water, it is not supplied; in Hessequa, because it is in the Swellendam Municipality. The roof is caving in, the floors are

lifting and to crown it all, that school is far out from the town and the community. Please can we start paying attention to the infrastructure that determines the livelihood and the life experience of people in those communities.

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

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: I thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: ... your time has expired. [Applause.] Hon Minister Winde, Minister of Community Safety.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Mr Deputy Speaker, thank you, it is an honour to speak in this debate and also perhaps sweep at the end. First of all I would like to say to the Minister of Finance, Minister Meyer, thank you very much. Thank you very much for handing over an end-of-term budget that shows, and this debate is about the principles of a budget, it shows the good financial strategies, it shows the cutting of corruption or non-toleration of corruption, it shows how policy lands in budgets, and it really, really does show that how a government at the end of a term hands over a budget, and I thank you very much for handing over a budget that a new government is able to use. [Applause.]

One can only imagine what a principles debate like this would be in the National Government right now on the handing over a budget from the end of

a term of a government to the new government, and especially a government where there does not seem to be any principles except one, and that is one of “loot as much as possible”.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: But I want to move on in this debate to perhaps start to talk about some of the issues that have been raised, and the first one is the hon Leader of the Opposition. I am not sure why he comes in, speaks and then leaves. Perhaps it is to do with some of the faction that is not here today. [Interjections.]

Ms P MAKELENI: He learned from you.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: But I mean that is really not acceptable. [Interjections.] But he speaks about what he calls the “Zille Commission”, but in actual fact what that commission was, was a commission brought on behalf of the people of this province and really showcases the total failure of ANC Government, and shows the total failure of ANC Government that really talks to what we are fighting for right now, is on policing and how we deal with the effects of crime on society at the moment, and of course this is a budget debate, and he also raises the kind of money that is budgeted for within this province for community safety versus what we should be spending.

He starts to talk about money spent per day, etcetera. You know that R260 million a day is spent by the South African Police Services in this country. R260 million per day, which is a phenomenal number, but if you consider another number in this province, the number that makes me go cold every time I think about it, and that is 1 226.

This number, and I would like the members of this House to really think about this number, 1 226. That is a large number. That is how many people were murdered in this province between November and February. [Interjections.] 1 226 murdered. I mean this is unbelievable. You cannot believe that it is the kind of number you mention and life just carries on.

I mean everyone is feeling this disastrous failure of investment into energy and this disastrous failure in our country of the investment and proper investment, into infrastructure maintenance, which the hon member Beerwinkel has just been speaking about, and this failure of Eskom to provide a basic need of energy to an economy, to growing of jobs, to offering of services, to allow society to continue as they do.

A really basic requirement of a government to make sure that you are creating that enabling environment, and everybody is freaking out about the load shedding at the moment, and we were speaking earlier about how we are going to move from an average of load shedding Schedule 4 at the moment, back to Schedule 2, and we are all going, "Sjoe, that is amazing, what a relief." Schedule 2 is a relief, but 1 226 murders in this province, and this

Opposition likes to come here, like the hon member Magaxa, and come here and say, “This is the failure of the Department of Community Safety in this province.”

Quite frankly he should be standing up saying, “This is a failure of South African Government, of the South African Police Services, of our criminal justice system.” This is a huge failure and can you imagine the devastation that 1 226 murders have on families, on individual people – moms, dads who lose their children in gang warfare, on kids who lose their parents – this is a devastating number.

Mr M G E WILEY: It is like a [Inaudible.] of soccer leagues put together.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: And this number needs to be dealt with. It is absolute unacceptable, and then he comes here and says, “You guys do not like the Anti-gang Unit.” We have been calling for this unit for 10 years. For 10 years. We get it now, a few months before an election.

But you know that we actually measured the murder rate from when the Gang Unit came in November to February, end of February, on purpose, because we wanted to see what the murder rate was a year ago prior to the Gang Unit being here, and guess what? It is a few murders here or there less. Where is the impact?

Then the hon member goes on to talk about a contract that is highlighted

where the wife of a gang boss has been now linked to a contract. The Mayor of Cape Town is investigating that right now as it goes. If there is anything untoward about that contract you will see it cancelled immediately.

Mr D JOSEPH: The previous Mayor.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: But the question is: the hon member comes to his House and talks about this contract linked to the wife of a gang boss. He mentions the gang boss, he knows who the gang boss is. The ANC runs the Anti-gang Unit. I have not seen one arrest of any of these gang bosses, not one. [Applause.] Not one. Where are we in that? Who is taking responsibility for that? Where does that responsibility lie within the Constitution?

The PREMIER: Like the state capture, none of them.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Where does it lie within the Constitution?

You know that ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: No comfort.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ... since I took over the post of Community Safety, every month we write to the Minister of Police, every

month, with a whole range of issues that we need corrected within the system, and also a whole range of offers that we are putting on the table to say, “This is what we will do coming to the party. This is how we will help to fix the situation, to bring down that 1 226, to make a difference, a real difference, this is what we put on the table.” Zero answer ... [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Of course.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: ... to any of those letters.

The PREMIER: I never had any answer [Inaudible.].

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Zero, nothing. Handed it to the President, zero, nothing. There is no commitment to make this a safer province, nothing whatsoever.

The PREMIER: Zero.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: But you know what, hon members of this House and Speaker? I did get one glimmer of hope yesterday when I got recognition for our Watching Briefs from the National Minister. [Applause.]

And the hon members are right to applaud this, because at least that recognition says, “We agree to failure of the South African Police Services

and the criminal justice system.”

The Minister agrees to it, because he sees the value in what we are putting on the table just from the Court Watching Briefs, and between 1 October last year and 31 December, do you know that – because we also know there is a standard number - less than 3% of the gang leaders that do get arrested, less than 3% end up in convictions.

So we watch after an arrest what happens in that process, and do you know between that period of 1 October to 31 December, 312 of our cases – and our cases we monitor are high profile cases, cases that really mean something, and have to actually end up with putting someone behind bars – 312 got struck off the court roll of these cases.

- 129 of them are dockets not in court. In other words the policing system is not investigating the case and putting the docket in the court case. A basic principle of the criminal justice system;
- 126 investigations incomplete;
- 31 witnesses not at court;
- 19 unavailability of forensic reports; and
- 7 accused not brought to court.

And do you know where the biggest problem lies? In Nyanga. In Nyanga 20% of these dockets, just in that one station, and 53% of these are in the 10 stations that are the ones that we actually have to bring change to our people, where we actually have to make the difference. This rests directly at

the door of this ANC Government.

And then this talks to where we are going in an election, it talks to the choices that the public has to make, the voters have to make, and so then the hon member comes in the natural course of an election process of the ANC, he comes here to this House and every time I stand up and speak, in the last couple of weeks I have spoken about the lies that the ANC tells in this House, and then showcase those lies, and how those lies are brought into this House.

The first thing he talks about is, “Let us talk about the APPs of the Agricultural Department not being tabled.” They have been tabled. They have been dealt with by our Standing Committee.

The one that had to be dealt with last was the audit in SCOPA, and that has also been dealt with now in SCOPA. It has been dealt with.

So he must not come and tell lies here. His own members and his Chief Whip should be telling him what the real case is here. So do not come and mislead the public.

The PREMIER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: The second thing is he talks about land and he talks about expropriation. This ANC Government has not

used the Constitution in the last 25 years, which allows you to expropriate once. Where have they expropriated the land? But they did not even have to expropriate the land, District 6 no expropriation was needed. In 25 years nothing. Nothing.

But then there is also talk about Youngsfield or Wingfield, or some of the Transnet land. Nothing, zero. This Government of the ANC at a national level spends more money on security of Ministers than they do on land reform. There is zero commitment of this Government.

And then what do they do? They have the audacity to give us this list. This is the list that they give to the people of South Africa for the next government. [Interjections.]

So like in this Government the Minister hands over [Interjections.] a running concern with a budget that has got processes, it looks three years in advance, that really talks about putting budget to the plans, cutting corruption, and what does the ANC do? They give us the same old, same old broken ANC with the same old highlighted criminals on their list [Interjections.], there is going to be no change. The looting will continue. The principle at a national government under ANC leadership in every province in this country, and at a national level. That principle will remain the same: "Loot as much as you can." Thank you very much, Mr Deputy Speaker. [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, I see Minister Meyer to respond.

[Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Thank you, Mr Deputy Speaker, and thank you to hon Minister Winde. [Interjections.]

Mr Deputy Speaker, Ramaphoria has imploded. He is today in the Western Cape. He will discover that the ANC in this province has also imploded.

From the President's own Commission of State Capture, we know that he is as compromised as many of his colleagues in the Cabinet that Minister Winde just explained. He has failed to explain R500 000 payment from Bosasa, he rejected his first own explanation and we know his son is doing business with them. This goes a long way to explain why the key drivers of the state capture project are still in the Cabinet.

Mr Deputy Speaker, for the record, state capture has cost R1,4 trillion. That is almost the total annual tax that we collect in South Africa.

Eskom is costing this economy R3 billion per day.

†Cyril Ramaphosa se intensie, mnr die Adjunkspeaker, is nou om die Suid-Afrikaanse Reserwebank te nasionaliseer. Die President het aangedui dat die ANC besluit het om die Reserwebank te nasionaliseer, dat daardie besluit moet uitgevoer word omdat hulle die Bank se soewereiniteit wil bevestig. Dit

is egter ironies, mnr die Adjunkspeaker, want die Grondwet bepaal uitdruklik dat die Reserwebank onafhanklik moet funksioneer.

President Ramaphosa kan nie meer vertrou word nie, want vir die buitelanders vertel hy dat die Suid-Afrikaanse Reserwebank se onafhanklikheid ononderhandelbaar is, maar in Suid-Afrika dryf hy aktief die nasionalisering van die Reserwebank.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[Cyril Ramaphosa's intention, Mr Deputy Speaker, is now to nationalise the South African Reserve Bank. The President has indicated that the ANC decided to nationalise the Reserve Bank, that that decision has to be implemented because they want to confirm the Bank's sovereignty. It is ironic, however, Mr Deputy Speaker, because the Constitution unequivocally stipulates that the Reserve Bank should function independently.]

President Ramaphosa cannot be trusted anymore, because to the foreigners he says that the South African Reserve Bank's independence is not negotiable, but in South Africa he is actively driving the nationalisation of the Reserve Bank.]

He went to Davos in Switzerland, to the World Economic Forum, and when they ask him about the central bank, he said, "That bank, we must protect the independence of the central bank in South Africa."

An HON MEMBER: He always speaks with the phone, ja.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: He spoke that in Europe, but when he came here to South Africa in Parliament he said to the people in South Africa, "We must nationalise the Reserve Bank." That man is today in the Western Cape. The people will reject him because he is a liar. †Hy lieg net.

Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, die stryd om die Suid-Afrikaanse ReserweBank te nasionaliseer is teenstrydig met die bepaling in Artikel 224 van die Grondwet, wat bepaal dat die Bank onafhanklik moet wees.

Kollegas, sodra die Suid-Afrikaanse Reserwebank genasionaliseer word sal dit lei tot hiperinflasie en ons monetêre beleid finaal vernietig. Die ANC het reeds al die geld in die Nasionale Tesourie gesteel en teiken nou die Reserwebank, en dit is om geld te druk en dan die gedrukte geld ook nog te steel. Zimbabwe en Venezuela het hulle sentrale banke genasionaliseer, en dit het ramspoedige gevolge.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

He is just lying.

Mr Deputy Speaker, the effort to nationalise the South African Reserve Bank is contrary to the regulation in Section 224 of the Constitution, that

determines that the Bank should be independent.

Colleagues, as soon as the South African Reserve Bank is nationalised it will lead to hiper-inflation and finally destroy our monetary policy. The ANC has already stolen all the money in the National Treasury and now targets the Reserve Bank, and that is to print money and also steal the print money. Zimbabwe and Venezuela nationalised their central banks, and it has disastrous consequences.

†'n AGB LID: Hoor-hoor.

[An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear.]

†Die MINISTER VAN FINANSIES: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, vandag soos ons hier sit het Zimbabwe nie 'n eie geldeenheid nie. Hulle aanvaar nie die Zim dollar nie, hulle aanvaar slegs twee geldeenhede: die Suid-Afrikaanse rand en Amerikaanse dollars. So [Tussenwerpsels.] indien Suid-Afrika se Sentrale Bank genasionaliseer word sal ons ons geldeenheid se soewereiniteit ook vernietig.

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]

[The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, today as we are sitting here, Zimbabwe has no own currency. They do not accept the Zim dollar, they only accept two currencies: the South African Rand and American dollars. So [Interjections.] if South Africa's central bank is nationalised we

will destroy our currency' sovereignty as well.]

†Die PREMIER: Ja!

[The PREMIER: Yes!]

†Die MINISTER VAN FINANSIES: En daarom, mnr die Adjunkspeaker, die gevaarligte brand. Die Suid-Afrikaanse Reserwebank moet beskerm word, want ons kan nie nog 'n VPS Mutual Bank in Suid-Afrika bekostig nie.

[The MINISTER OF FINANCE: And therefore, Mr Deputy Speaker, the danger signs are flashing. The South African Reserve Bank should be protected, because we cannot afford yet another VPS Mutual Bank in South Africa.]

†'n AGB LID: Hoor-hoor.

[An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear.]

†Die MINISTER VAN FINANSIES: Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, wat betref die kommentaar wat gemaak was oor die infrastruktuurbegroting, ek is baie trots op die infrastruktuurbegroting van R30 miljard wat hier ter tafel gelê is, want hierdie Kabinet het hom verbind tot 'n infrastruktuur van begeleide groei.

Primêr daartoe het ons ons verbind tot die herstelwerk en instandhouding, maar primêr het ons ook seker gemaak dat die munisipaliteite se infrastruktuur- en instandhoudingsbegrotings ook gereflekteer word in ons begrotings, en die onderskeie Ministers sal breedvoerig in hierdie debatte

deelneem rondom die infrastruktuurbegroting. Ons het juis oor die afgelope vyf jaar daarin geslaag om die infrastruktuurbegroting ook stelselmatig te skuif soos Minister Grant versoek het oor die afgelope vyf jaar, dat ons meer moet fokus op infrastruktuur om die ekonomie te laat groei, en daarom is ek baie trots op die infrastruktuurbegeleide strategie en die onderskeie begrotings daartoe, maar die onderskeie Ministers sal in hulle onderskeie begrotingsdebatte breedvoerig daarvoor rapporteer aan die Huis.

Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ek bedank al die lede wat hier deelgeneem het aan die onderskeie begrotingsdebatte. Ek bedank die Provinsiale Tesourie, asook al die lede van die onderskeie begrotingposte, die Direkteur-Generaal, asook al die onderskeie departementshoofde, asook die hoof van Tesourie, vir hierdie insette in hierdie begroting. Ek dank u. [Applous.]

[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]

[The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, about the comments made about the infrastructure budget, I am very proud of the infrastructure budget of R30 billion that was tabled here, because this Cabinet has committed itself to an infrastructure of guided growth.

Primarily we have committed ourselves to the repair work and maintenance, but primarily we have also ensured that the municipalities' infrastructure and maintenance budgets are reflected in our budgets, and the various Ministers will participate extensively in these debates around the infrastructure budget.

We have actually over the past five years succeeded in shifting the infrastructure budget systematically as Minister Grant had requested, that we focus more on infrastructure to grow the economy, and therefore I am very proud of the infrastructure guided strategy and its various budgets, but the various Ministers will report extensively on that to the House in their budget debates.

Mr Deputy Speaker, I thank all the members who have participated here in the various budget debates. I thank Provincial Treasury, as well as all the members of the various budget votes, the Director-General, as well as all the departmental heads, also the head of Treasury, for all this input in this budget. I thank you. [Applause.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: That concludes the debate on the Consideration of the Principle of the Bill. Are there any objections to the approval of the Principle of the Bill? There is an objection. I will put the question: those in favour will say aye.

HON MEMBERS: Aye!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Those against no.

An HON MEMBER: No! [Laughter.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I think the “ayes” have it. The ANC’s objection

will be recorded.

The Secretary will read the Bill.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of principle of Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 1–2019]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The House will deal with the separate votes from now onwards. The Secretary will read the fifth order.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of Report of the Conduct Committee on the Complaint by Hon Member C M Dugmore against Hon Member M G E Wiley.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There is an opportunity for a declaration from parties if they so wish. I see the ANC.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Are you coming [Inaudible.]?

Mr R T OLIVIER: No, I do not need to. [Laughter.] I am going to national.

Mr Deputy Speaker, before I start. Oh, it is the change.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No, you may start.

Mr R T OLIVIER: Okay.

[The Speaker takes the Chair.]

Mr R T OLIVIER: Madam Speaker, the ANC wishes to express its serious concern at the failure of the Conduct Committee to pursue the complaint against hon member Wiley.

The DA has used its majority to block an investigation into the Chief Whip who, through his conduct, has clearly ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: It is untrue, it is not true.

Mr R T OLIVIER: ... undermined the oversight role of the Standing Committees.

The PREMIER: That is nonsense.

The SPEAKER: Order.

Mr R T OLIVIER: This is a dangerous precedent as hon member Wiley's conduct was an attempt to intimidate members from asking questions ... [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Ag nonsense!

Mr R T OLIVIER: ... to the departmental officials.

This decision is a sad day for oversight. We saw how the DA removed Leonard Max from a committee for attempting to hold [Interjections.] the MEC ... [Interjections.]

Mr D G MITCHELL: And where is he now?

Mr R T OLIVIER: ... and the department accountable. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order, please!

Mr R T OLIVIER: Once they had removed Max [Interjections.], the DA then tried to silence members with bullying by the Chief Whip.

As the ANC we believe the disgraceful conduct of the Chief Whip should have been investigated despite the report of the Registrar, thus, Madam Speaker, the ANC cannot support this resolution.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. In the absence of the EFF, the DA, I see the hon member Wenger.

Ms M M WENGER: Thank you, Madam Speaker. The complaint against hon member Wiley was attended to by a preliminary investigation, so it was investigated, and the Registrar noted that the complaint was mistakenly based on the provincial code, and actually falls outside the reach, the scope and the auspices of the Conduct Committee, and advised the committee not to pursue

the matter any further.

We then deliberated and recommended that we follow the Registrar's own recommendation. We therefore report to this House that [Interjections.] we accept the report of the Registrar to not pursue the matter any further.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear.

Ms M M WENGER: Thank you. [Applause.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you. That concludes the declaration on this report. Are there any objections to the report being adopted?

Mr D JOSEPH: No.

Mr P UYS: Ja, there is.

Mr D JOSEPH: No.

The SPEAKER: There is an objection. I put the question: those in favour of the report being adopted will say aye.

HON MEMBERS: Aye!

The SPEAKER: Those against say no.

HON MEMBERS: No!

The SPEAKER: I think the “ayes” have it. I have noted the objection.

The Secretary will now read the sixth Order of the Day.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of Report of the Conduct Committee on the failure of Hon Member N D Nkondlo to submit disclosure forms timeously in 2016.

The SPEAKER: I have been informed by the Chief Whip that the programming authority resolved that there would be no list of speakers, and that parties who wish to speak will now be afforded the opportunity to make a declaration for a maximum of three minutes. I now recognise the parties. I see the ANC. Nobody? [Interjections.] I see the hon member Wenger in the absence of the EFF.

Ms M M WENGER: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Hon member Nkondlo, having been sworn in as a member of the House on 9 November 2016, failed to return her initial disclosure of registrable interest forms within 60 days of her appointment as a member, as is required by the 60 day limit which is required by the Provincial Code of Conduct.

The committee then deliberated and found that by failing to return her disclosure forms timeously, the hon member was in breach of Section 11(2) of the Provincial Code of Conduct.

This decision concurred with the recommendation of the Registrar that the hon member had indeed breached the code by failing to submit her declarations timeously.

The hon member was then afforded the opportunity to make written submissions in mitigation of her sanction to be recommended by the Conduct Committee and was given 14 days to provide such. She noted that she would be travelling for parliamentary business and the committee duly extended the deadline for submission to 23 July. The hon member, however, again lapsed and the response was received late to the extended deadline, and it was not received on 23 July as per the request, but on 5 December. [Interjections.]

The matter was then deliberated on by the Conduct Committee on 6 December, in which we considered that hon member Nkondlo was a new member, however she ought to have known and ought to have submitted her declarations on time.

During these deliberations the committee resolved, with the ANC dissenting, to recommend that the hon member receive a reprimand in terms of Section 32(1) of the Provincial Code of Conduct.

I therefore encourage this House to accept the recommendations of the committee.

The PREMIER: Hear-hear.

The SPEAKER: That concludes the declaration on this report. Are there any objections to the report being adopted?

Mr D JOSEPH: No.

An HON MEMBER: I object.

The SPEAKER: There is an objection.

The PREMIER: You are objecting?

The SPEAKER: I put the question [Interjections.]: those in favour of the report being adopted will say aye.

HON MEMBERS: Aye!

The SPEAKER: Those against say no.

HON MEMBERS: No!

Mr D JOSEPH: Ooo!

An HON MEMBER: It is only two. [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: So it is dutifully noted. We have – order, please, hon members! [Interjections.] We have just dealt with two reports. May I call the House to order, please. Hon member Nkondlo, will you please stand.

Pursuant to the adoption by the House of the Report of the Conduct Committee on your failure to submit your member's disclosure form timeously, I hereby reprimand you for breaching paragraph 11.2 of the Code of Conduct for members of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament.

Members of the Provincial Parliament have to abide individually and collectively by the principles, rules and obligations set out in the Code of Conduct, and your failure to do so is a serious transgression.

Public representatives must at all times ensure that their conduct as members is beyond reproach, and must in fact lead the way to ensure that ethical and responsible leadership is demonstrated.

I trust that you will learn from this experience and you will not be found wanting in this regard in future. You may take your seat.

That, hon members, concludes the business for the day. The House is adjourned. Thank you.

The House adjourned at 14:18.