



Wes-Kaapse Provinsiale Parlement  
Western Cape Provincial Parliament  
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**DRAFT MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**PETITIONS COMMITTEE**

*Tuesday, 21 July 2020 (at 13h00), MS Team (Virtual meeting), Cape Town*

**PRESENT**

**Members:**

**Democratic Alliance**

Bosman, G (Chairperson)  
Allen, RI  
Philander, WF

**African National Congress**

Kama, M  
Sayed, MK

**Alternate**

Kama, m (ANC)  
Mackenzie, RD (DA)

**Officials in attendance from Western Cape Provincial Parliament**

Ms S Fouché, Director: Public Engagement  
Ms T Keswa, Manager: Public Education and Outreach

**1. Welcome and attendance**

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed Members of the Committee, the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's staff. The Chairperson provided a brief introduction and the context for the meeting as well as the format of the proceedings.

A brief overview by the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Public Education and Outreach unit on the petition from Mr. Barry Jacobs

Mr. T Keswa, Manager for Public Education and Outreach, briefed the Committee on the above-mentioned petition.

The Committee deliberated on the Petition.

## **2. Resolved**

The Committee resolved:

- 2.1. To invite the Commission on the Restitution of Land Rights in the Western Cape to brief the Committee on the following items regarding the petition submitted by Mr. Barry Jacobs:
  - (i) A detailed break-down of the status of the two outstanding claims (Souewesia and Voetpad in Mossel Bay) and steps taken.
  - (ii) The extent of the land namely Souewesia and Voetpad in Mossel Bay.
  - (iii) How many recipients and the value of the land (Souewesia and Voetpad).
  - (iv) An update on the status of the research report, which was conducted from 1998 to date and still incomplete.
  - (v) Provide the reasons as to why the one claim (Souewesia) has been invalid even though it was submitted before/by the deadline date.
  - (vi) An overview of the current claims including the process for submitting a land claim, considering that the process followed 10 years after the said claim was submitted and how this affects the claims going forward.
  - (vii) Furthermore, a breakdown of other claims that have been processed, timelines, and the processes it took to complete the said claims. The breakdown should also include the recipients, the extent of the land, and the value paid out.
- 2.2. Invite Mr. Jacobs to the briefing session scheduled for 14 August 2020.
- 2.3. Encourage Mr. Jacobs to respond as requested in the letters sent by the Chief Director of Land Claim Dr. Alexander.
- 2.4. Request Mr. Jacobs to provide the correspondence which he received from the Public Protector so that the Committee could examine the contents thereof.
- 2.5. Once the above correspondence from the Public Protector has been received from Mr. Jacobs about the petition, the Committee would deliberate on the information received and decide if it would be necessary to invite the Public Protector to brief the Committee on their outcome.

## **3. Matter arising:**

- 3.1. The Committee resolved to request the Research Unit to conduct research on the functions and processes utilised by other Petitions Committee with similar Parliamentary structures as the Westminster system across the world. The research should discuss the mechanisms which these successful Parliaments utilised to engage and encourage citizens to submit petitions. This research would ultimately be the basis for a study tour going forward for the Petitions Committee.
- 3.2. The Chairperson requested Members of the Committee to submit areas and ideas to promote the work of the Petitions Committee.

## **4. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Minutes of 20 September 2019**

The Chairperson tabled the Draft Minutes which were considered and adopted.

## **5. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Annual Activity Report for 2019/2020**

The Chairperson tabled the Draft Quarterly Report which was considered, amended, and adopted.

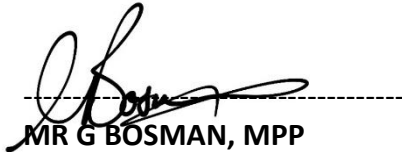
**6. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Quarterly Report for July to December 2019**

The Chairperson tabled the Draft Tracking Document which was considered and adopted.

**7. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Committee Programme**

The Chairperson tabled the Draft Tracking Document which was considered and adopted.

The meeting was adjourned at 14h15.

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**MR G BOSMAN, MPP**

**CHAIRPERSON: PETITIONS COMMITTEE**

**WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT**

**DATE: 28 AUGUST 2020**