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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

Wednesday, 3 March 2021 (at 09:00) Hybrid meeting

PRESENT:

Democratic Alliance

Maseko, LM (Chairperson)
America, D
Van der Westhuizen, AP

African National Congress

Lili, A
Marran, P (Additional member)
Smith, D (Alternate member)

GOOD

Herron, B

The following persons were in attendance:

National Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation

Mr MJ Leshabane, Deputy Director General: Department of Human Settlements
Ms S Taitai, Parliamentary Liaison Officer: Minister Sisulu
Ms T Norushe, Parliamentary Liaison Officer

Bitou Municipality

Mr P Lobese, Executive Mayor: Bitou Municipality
Mr T Sompani, Director: Community Services, Bitou Municipality

Knysna Municipality

Mr E van Aswegen, Mayor: Knysna Municipality
Mr L Petuna, Acting Director Integrated Human Settlement

Department of Human Settlements

Ms P Mayisela, Chief Director: Human Settlements Implementation

Western Cape Provincial Parliament Officials

Ms S Jones, Procedural Officer
Ms N Nshumpela, Committee Assistant
Mr J Vermeulen, Senior Procedural Officer
Mr S Hassam, Information Technology Assistant
Ms C Morris, Information Technology Assistant

(Please refer to the attached attendance register for the list of attendees)

1. Opening and welcome

The Chairperson welcomed all in attendance and allowed members and departmental officials to introduce themselves. Mr Lobese introductory remarks on the challenges experienced with the provisioning of emergency alternate building material for homes in Kurland, Qolweni and Kwa-Nokuthula in June 2018.

2. Briefing by the Bitou Municipality and the the National Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation

The Bitou Municipality (herein after the Municipality) briefed the Committee on the emergency housing building materials provided to the Municipality and the challenges pertaining to the construction of the houses. The municipality discussed the developments that led to the abandonment of the materials, the irregular expenditure and the proposed way forward.

The Committee deliberated on the presentation by the Bitou Municipality.

3. Briefing by the Knysna Municipality on the White Location Housing Project

The Knysna Municipality briefed the Committee on the manner in which alternate building methods measures up with conventional building methods. They elaborated on the challenges associated with the transitioning from traditional building methods to alternate building methods, the construction time, life span and the challenges associated with locals who are equipped with the necessary skills to work with alternate building material.

The Committee deliberated on the presentation by the Knysna Municipality.

The Chairperson expressed her appreciation to the members, the National Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation, the Provincial Department of Human Settlements, the officials of the municipalities as well as the Western Cape Provincial Parliament officials for their contributions to the success of the meeting.

4. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED to conduct a fact finding visit to Plettenberg Bay in July 2021 to observe the status of the constructed emergency alternate building material structures, allocated to areas determined by the Bitou Municipal Council.

The Committee adjourned at 13:00.

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MS LM MASEKO (MPP)

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

DATE: 18 June 2021