

Wes-Kaapse Provinsiale Parlement Western Cape Provincial Parliament IPalamente yePhondo leNtshona Koloni

MEETING MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE PREMIER AND CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS Wednesday, 12 May 2021

15h00 – 17h00

Hybrid meeting via MS Teams & George High School, George

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Mackenzie, RD (Chairperson) Philander, W Allen, R

African National Congress

Dugmore, C

Economic Freedom Fighters

Xego, M

Alternate Member

Mitchell, D (DA)

The following persons were in attendance:

Department of the Premier

Ms C Williams, State Law Advisor

Department of the Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

Adv C Marais, State Law Advisor

Members of the Public

See attached list of public attendance

Western Cape Provincial Parliament

Mr D Davids, Procedural Officer
Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer
Ms M Motsapi, Committee Assistant
Mr A Barends, Clerk/Driver
Mr M Issel, Clerk/Driver

1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the Committee members and the members of the public.

The Chairperson informed the members of the public that the Committee advertised in the Argus, Burger, Vukani, George Herald, Mossel Bay Advertiser, Knysna/Plett Herald. All mayors offices, municipal managers, speakers, MOD Centres, Thusong centres, community development workers and universities were also informed. The Public Outreach and Education unit informed the public using its stakeholder database and the Committee advertised on DearSA's database with an estimate of 1 million stakeholders.

2. Briefing by the Department of the Premier and the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning on the Constitution of the Western Cape First Amendment Bill [B 1-2021]

The officials from the Departments briefed the Members of the public on the subject matter at hand.

The Chairperson opened the floor for questions of clarity on the presentations and inputs on the Rill

3. Public hearing on the Constitution of the Western Cape First Amendment Bill [B 1-2021]

The public was given an opportunity to provide inputs on the Bill. Members from the public queried the contents Bill, where after the Department officials replied.

The Chairperson opened the floor for any further questions or inputs.

One member of the public gave input on the Bill.

4. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED:

- 4.1 To extend a letter of invite to the Minister Anton Bredell (Provincial Minister of Minister for Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning), Minister Barbara Crecy (National Minister of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries) and the Director-General of the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (Ms Nomfundo Tshabalala) to engage the Committee on the amendments which impacts on the Commissioner for the Environment.
- 4.2 To extend a letter to the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning to engage the Committee on the integration and protection of the Western Cape Coastal Management project (the project), including implementation of the National Environmental management Act, 1998 (NEMA); and the communication strategy of the implementation of the Commission for the Environment.

After thanking all stakeholder for attending, the meeting adjourned at 16h35.

MR R MACKENZIE, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE PREMIER AND CONSTITUTIONAL

MATTERS

DATE: 2 JUNE 2021