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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SAFETY, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORT

(Community Safety Portfolio)

Tuesday, 31 May 2022 (09h00) via Microsoft Teams

(Briefing on LEAP by DoCS and CoCT)

Democratic Alliance

Bosman, G (Chairperson) Baartman, DM Plato, D

African Christian Democratic Party

Christians, FC

African National Congress

Kama, M

Additional Members

Kaizer-Philander, WF (DA) Mackenzie, RD (DA) Windvogel, R (ANC) Xego, M (EFF)

Apologies

Marais, PJ (FFP) Adv Pillay, Y (HoD – Dpt)

See attached register for persons in attendance

Smith, JP

Smith S

Robberts, P

Coetzee, D

Brand, J

Butler, W

Lagkar R

Arend, M

1. Welcome

The Procedural Officer opened the meeting and informed all present that following the amended committee membership, as per ATC No 60-2022, that the Committee needed to elect its Chairperson, in terms of Standing Rule 82(1). Following his unopposed nomination, Hon Member G Bosman was duly elected as Committee Chairperson and subsequently assumed the relevant duties.

2. Introductions

The Chairperson emphasised the context of the meeting which was to be briefed by the Department of Police Oversight and Community Safety (the Department), as well as the City of Cape Town (CoCT) on the Law Enforcement Advancement Plan (LEAP). The briefing was led by Mr D Coetzee, as Acting Head of Department. Alderman JP Smith represented the CoCT.

3. Briefing

Mr Coetzee led the joint presentation. The key areas of discussion focused on the Department's criteria to determine the funding allocation for the LEAP and the application of the Cardiff Model for the safety priorities of the Western Cape. Murder reports and murder rates were strongly considered to determine the funding allocation.

The Department also explained the legislative framework that guides the monitoring and oversight role that the Department has over the allocated funding. This discussion included the revised Intergovernmental Relations Governance Framework.

The below tables reflect the funding allocation (in terms of transfers and contributions by the Department and the CoCT) since the inception of the LEAP.

PERIOD	GAZETTED AMOUNT	AMOUNT TRANSFERRED (AS PER TPA)	PERIOD OF TPA	DATE TPA SIGNED	DATE OF PAYMENT
2019-20	R130 million	R130 million	1 February 2020 – 30 June 2020	27 February 2020	March 2020
2020-21	R417 million	R417 million	1 July 2020 – 31 December 2021	18 February 2021	March 2021
2021-22	R165,25 million	R165,25 million	1 July 2021 – 30 June 2021	15 December 2021	 R140.25m paid in December 2021 R25m paid in March 2022

PERIOD	TOTAL PROJECTED COST	WCG (DOCS) CONTRIBUTION	% OF TOTAL PROJECT COST	COCT CONTRIBUTION	% OF PROJECT COST
2019-20	R169,8 million	R130 million	77%	R39,8 million	23%
2020-21	R557,7 million	R417 million	75%	R140,7 million	25%
2021-22	R458,7 million	*R350 million	76 %	R108.2 million	24%

^{*}Budget reduced by R184.75m, final TPA amount R165,25m due to roll-over process

The Department also explained how the establishment of K9 units to strengthen anti-crime measures in high crime rural districts. This explanation led to a more comprehensive discussion on the relationship with the South African Police Service (SAPS) and municipal policing in determining the LEAP officer deployment strategies. The priority areas identified during are Atlantis, Bishop Lavis,

The Department also highlighted successes of the LEAP in terms of search operations, firearm confiscation, drug arrests, alcohol and drug related seizure as well as the confiscation of dangerous weapons.

- i. The criteria that the used to determine the funding allocation given by the Department of Community Safety to the LEAP;
- ii. The Directorate's mid to long term plans to maintain the facilitation of the LEAP;
- iii. The criteria for LEAP officer deployment to specific areas within the municipality;
- iv. The role and powers of the LEAP officers vis-à-vis the role and powers of other municipal policing officers, be it the Cape Town Metropolitan Police Department officers or Law Enforcement officers.
- v. The scope of the LEAP officers' jurisdiction and duties in respect of policing, investigation, arrests, and crime intelligence;
- vi. The relationship of municipal policing and law enforcement units with the provincial South African Police Service.
- i. The criteria that the Department uses to determine the funding allocation to the LEAP;
- ii. The legislative framework guiding any oversight and monitoring role that the Department has over the use of the funding;
- iii. The collective funding allocated to the LEAP since its inception;
- iv. The projected number of financial years in which the funding will continue;
- v. The Department's stance to extend funding to similar programmes in other provincial municipalities that are enabled with its own municipal policing and/or law enforcement structures; and
- vi. The scope of the Department's role in determining the deployment of LEAP officers, as well as the areas to which these officers are deployed;

4. Requests for information

The Committee requested the Department of Police Oversight and Community Safety to submit:-

- 4.1. A breakdown of the funds that have been used, for (a) salaries, (b) facilities and equipment resources, and (c) training and recruitment, that form part of the Department's business plan for the LEAP.
- 4.2. Details of the rollout of K9 Units, as well as the criteria that guide the decision to allocate these units to specific areas. Provide information on the type of support given to K9 Units that have already been established.
- 4.3. The presentation on the LEAP officer Powers according to the Criminal Procedure Act s334.

The Committee requested the City of Cape Town to submit:-

4.4. A list of the number of LEAP officers allocated per area overall, and, per shift.

5. Consideration of draft committee documents

The meeting adjourned at 11h00.

MR G BOSMAN

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SAFETY, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORT