

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

MEETING MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE PREMIER AND CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS Friday 3 March 2023 (14:00) Hybrid Meeting via MS Teams and the Chamber

PRESENT

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Fry, C (Chairperson) Baartman, D Pretorius, G

African National Congress

Dugmore, CM

Additional Members:

Sayed, K (ANC) Lekker, P (ANC) Schafer, B (DA)

Apologies

Klaas, T (EFF) Ngaka, M (Department of Home Affairs)

Western Cape Provincial Parliament

Achmat, W (Procedural Officer) Cloete, L (Senior Procedural Officer)

1. Welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the Committee Members.

2. Briefing by the Department of Home Affairs on matters relating to systems, operational hours, staffing and any other related matters at the Home Affairs offices in the Western Cape

The officials from the Department briefed the Members on the subject at hand.

The Committee engaged the officials on the content of the presentations.

3. Briefing by Legal Unit on the consideration to amend the Constitution to increase the number of seats in the legislature

Advocate le Roux briefed the Committee on the subject at hand.

4. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Committee Meeting Minutes of 28 November 2022

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Minutes of a meeting held on 22 November 2022, which was considered and adopted.

5. Consideration and adoption of the draft Committee Quarterly Report

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Quarterly Report (July to September), which was considered and adopted with amendments.

6. Resolutions/Actions

- 6.1 The Committee REQUESTED a report with the following information:
- 6.1.1 When will the Department of Home Affairs introduce the appointment system for the collection of passport and Smart card ID applications;
- 6.1.2 Which home affairs offices have designated queues for each service and how many home affairs offices must still introduce this system;
- 6.1.3 It was reported that chairs were purchased for the Barrack Street clients due to long lines, however, clients reported that they are still renting chairs and buying space in the queue, how is this being managed by the Department;
- 6.1.4 4552 learners who were undocumented as per the April 2022 report, how many remains outstanding and the reasons thereof;
- 6.1.5 A list of the high client volume offices, indicating individual figures per day over the past two months and a copy of the improvement plan to mitigate these client volumes.
- 6.1.6 In relation to the generators at all front offices:
- 6.1.6.1 how many hours of loadshedding can the generator handle at a time;
- 6.1.6.2 the amount of diesel the generators require;
- 6.1.6.3 What is the monetary amount spent on the diesel for the generators on an average for the month;
- 6.1.6.4 How many less applications (in total, across services) in percentage are being processed due to the impact of loadshedding?
- 6.1.7 In relation to the Mitchells Plain offices:
- 6.1.7.1 If there are plans to upgrade the office as it does not have adequate space to service all the clients, if so, by when?
- 6.1.7.2 A copy of the organogram and a list of the vacant post.
- 6.2 The Committee RESOLVED to draft a report to the House that recommends "Draft Policy One" for amending Section 13 of the Provincial Constitution, this would entail to: –

- 6.2.1 add a formula for the determination of seats;
- 6.2.2 add an upper limit for the number of seats;
- 6.2.3 provide a mechanism for determination of the number of seats; and
- 6.2.4 amend the heading of the Clause.

The meeting adjourned at 17h45.

MR CFRY, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE PREMIER AND CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS DATE: 15 March 2023

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE REGISTER

TITL E	INITIALS	SURNAME	DESIGNATION POSITION	DEPARTMENT INSTITUTION
Adv	А	Le Roux	Senior Legal Advisor	WCPP
Ms	I	Michaels	District manager: Cape Winelands, West Coast and Mitchells Plain Office	DHA
Mr	В	Sakawuli	District Manager: Cape Metro and Overberg	DHA
Ms	А	Van der Berg	Secretary of the Provincial Manager	DHA
MS	S	Davids	District Manager: Cape Metro and Overberg	DHA
Ms	А	Khanyile	Member of Parliament	National Assembly
Mr	R	Adams	Secretary of Parliament	WCPP
Mr	М	Njoko	Intergovernmental	DHA
Mr	Т	Mokhode		DHA