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Report of the Standing Committee on Human Settlements on its oversight visit to Transhex Housing Project, as follows:

Delegation

The delegation consisted of the following members:

Maseko, LM (DA) (Chairperson)
Sileku, I
Klaas, T

The following staff attended the oversight visit:

Jones, S; Procedural officer
Barends, A; Driver

1. Introduction

The Standing Committee on Human Settlements, accompanied the Minister of Infrastructure, Mr Simmers to the Transhex Housing Handover event in Worcester on Wednesday, 15 March 2023.

2. Overview

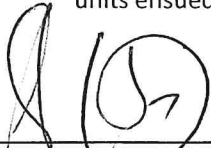
The Committee met with the Breedevallei Municipality, the Ministry of Infrastructure, and the Department of Human Settlements.

3. Transhex Housing Project

3.1 Background

The Committee previously conducted an oversight visit to the Transhex Housing Project on 24 February 2023. The aim was to observe the Transhex Housing Project, one of the largest projects in the Breede Valley and one of the province's eight catalytic projects for transformation in the Breede Valley. A total of 192 units, which formed part of Phase 1 of the project, was set for completion at the end of May 2022. Due to community dynamics, no handover took place. The R2,2 billion housing project was approved on 31 August 2017 and comprised of a mix-use development that was to consist of various types of housing opportunities, including Breaking New Ground (BNG), Finance Linked Individual Subsidy Programme (FLISP), affordable housing and rental accommodation. The objective for the development of the Transhex housing project was to alleviate the housing backlog of approximately 575 000 in the Breede Valley.

On 15 March 2023, the Provincial Minister of Infrastructure, Mr Simmers, handed over 190 houses at the Transhex Housing project in Worcester. Beneficiaries were able to take ownership of their new homes immediately. Minister Simmers praised the local municipality and the Department of Human Settlements for working tirelessly to ensure that the units were ready for hand over to beneficiaries despite the number of challenges. He informed the beneficiaries that catalytic projects like Transhex would create safer communities close to economic opportunities and public services for the residents of Transhex. A tour of the units ensued, and members, were able to interact with the beneficiaries.



MS LM MASEKO (MPP)

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

DATE:

29/06/2023