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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Tuesday, 25 April 2023 (at 09:00), Virtual meeting via MS Teams

PRESENT

Members

Democratic Alliance

Sileku, I (Chairperson)
Murray, C
Maseko, LM

African National Congress

Marran, P

Apologies

Dugmore, CM (ANC)
Klaas, TM (EFF)

The following persons were in attendance:

Department of Local Government

Mr G Paulse, Head of Department
Ms E Barnard, Chief Director: Municipal Performance Monitoring and Support
Ms N Zamxaka, Chief Director: Integrated Service Delivery
Mr H Magerman: Director: Community Development Worker Programme
Mr M Pretorius, Director: Service Delivery Integration
Mr C Mitchell, Director: Public Participation
Mr N Rylands, Director: District and Local Performance Monitoring

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Mr J Coetzee, Procedural Officer
Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant

1. Opening and welcome

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

2. Briefing by the Department of Local Government on the successes and challenges of the Community Development Workers Programme (CDWP)

Mr Magerman briefed the Committee on the CDWP and highlighted that his Directorate coordinate the CDWP in the Western Cape. The programme has a footprint in each of the Local Municipalities in the Western Cape and the primary focus is to ensure that communities have access to government services and information.

The Committee deliberated.

3. Briefing by the Department on the Indigent Policy at municipalities, whether there was an increase in the pay-outs of indigent grants over the past two years and the process that is followed to revise the list of beneficiaries

Mr Rylands briefed the Committee on the Indigent Policy at municipalities and highlighted the legal framework, COGTA guidelines, which is currently under review and the objective and scope of the policy.

The Committee deliberated.

4. Consideration of Draft Committee Minutes

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Minutes of 28 February 2023, 16 March 2023 and 11 April 2023, which were considered and adopted.

5. Consideration of Draft Committee 3rd Quarter (October 2022 – December 2022) and 4th Quarter (January 2023 – March 2023) Reports

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee 3rd Quarter (October 2022 – December 2022) and 4th Quarter (January 2023 – March 2023) Reports, which were considered and adopted.

6. Consideration of Draft Committee Annual Activity Report 2022 – 2023

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Annual Activity Report 2022 – 2023, which was considered and adopted.

7. Consideration of Committee Tracking Document as at 25 April 2023

The Chairperson submitted the Committee Tracking Document, which was considered and adopted.

8. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED that it would in future:

- 8.1 Engage the Department of Local Government to include as an CDWP objective to be aware of possible legislation envisage by the Western Cape Government and to assist their communities with the legislative process; and

8.2 The Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs brief the committee on the revised Indigent Policy Guidelines

9. Information Requested

The Committee REQUESTED that:

9.1 The Department provides it with the following:

9.1.1 The number of residents or individuals that manage to come out of the indigent support programme as a result of improved socio economic circumstances;

9.1.2 What type of support did they received; and

9.1.3 What percentage of persons that have applied for indigent support the past ten years have manage to come off the support.

9.2 All municipalities provide the committee with their latest Local Economic Development Plans.

The meeting adjourned at 10:42.

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MR I SILEKU, MPP
CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT