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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICE OVERSIGHT, COMMUNITY SAFETY, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SPORT

(Community Safety Portfolio)

Tuesday, 11 October 2023 (08h00), Chamber, 6th Floor, 7 Wale Street

(Discussion on 2022/23 Annual Reports of the DoCS, WCPO and WCLA)

Democratic Alliance

Bosman, G (Chairperson)

Baartman, DM

Pretorius, G

African Christian Democratic Party

Christians, FC

African National Congress

Bans, AP

Additional Members

Kama, M (ANC)

Windvogel, R (ANC)

Apology

Cassiem, A (EFF)

See attached register for persons in attendance.

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed all and allowed for brief introductions. He set the context for the meeting which was to discuss the 2022/23 Annual Reports of the Department of Community Safety (the Department), the Western Cape Police Ombudsman (WCPO), and the Western Cape Liquor Authority (WCLA). The delegation was led by Minister RI Allen and Head of Department Adv Y Pillay. Maj Gen OD Reddy, as the Ombudsman, led the WCPO, and Messrs S George, as Chief Executive Officer, and Mr R Kingwill, as chairperson of the WCLA Governing Board, led their delegation.

2. Minister's opening remarks

The Chairperson allowed Minister Allen, and Adv Pillay, to provide opening comments.

3. Discussion on the 2022/23 WCPO Annual Report

The Chairperson tabled the WCPO's Annual Report. The Committee duly deliberated on the Report.

4. Discussion on the 2022/23 WCLA Annual Report

The Chairperson tabled the WCLA's Annual Report. The Committee duly deliberated on the Report.

The Chairperson thank the WCPO and WCLA officials for their contributions, excused them from the meeting should they no longer wish to attend.

The meeting was briefly adjourned for 15 minutes.

5. Discussion on the Department of Community Safety's Annual Report

The Chairperson tabled the Department's Annual Report. The Department duly responded to the Committee's questions.

6. Public hearing on the 2022/23 Department, WCPO and WCLA Annual Reports

The Chairperson opened the platform for comments and submissions by members of the public.

Mr L Phitho gave a verbal submission focusing safety concerns within the broader Kraaifontein region.

7. Requests for information

The Committee requested that the Western Cape Police Ombudsman to submit the following:

- 7.1. A breakdown of the 520 complaints received, more specifically of the cases pertaining to alleged failure by the SAPS to close known drug houses, and the SAPS' failure to address kidnapping and extortion cases, in the Western Cape.

The Committee requested that the Western Cape Liquor Authority to submit the following:

- 7.2. A comparative breakdown of inspections conducted in township and rural areas to those conducted at established businesses, for the 2022/23 financial year.

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

- 7.3. With reference to the Department's Annual Report, page 58 paragraph 5, provide the number of people that attended the 89 Neighbourhood Watch training and capacitation sessions.
- 7.4. With reference to the Department's Annual Report, page 59, paragraph 2, provide the number of Neighbourhood Watch structures that received first responder training.
- 7.5. With reference to the key findings and recommendations of the Policy and Research reports mentioned on page 38, paragraph 1, provide a summary of these reports.
- 7.6. With reference to page 38, paragraph 2, submit the copies of the activity data of the Law Enforcement Advancement Plan (LEAP) programme.
- 7.7. Submit a list of any interventions that are being made in the five areas where the murder rate increased. The areas are Delft, Nyanga, Philippi East, Mitchells Plain and Philippi.
- 7.8. With reference to page 43, paragraph 4, submit the monitoring report/s on the LEAP's financial performance.
- 7.9. Provide a breakdown of the curriculum of the 77-day training programme given to Law Enforcement Advancement Plan officers.

8. Resolutions

The Committee resolved to: -

8.1. Schedule a briefing by the Department of Police Oversight and Community Safety on Firearm Harm Reduction Strategy and the Anti-Gang Implementation Plan.

9. Recommendation

9.1. The Committee recommended that the South African Police Service presents on how it responds to the findings and reports submitted to them by the Western Cape Police Ombudsman.

The Chairperson thanked all officials, guests and Members for their participation and attendance.

The meeting adjourned at 13h15.



MR G BOSMAN, MPP

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

Annexure A: Attendance register

WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

COMMITTEE SECTION

Standing Committee on Police Oversight & Community Safety-Annual Report Discussion



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