

# PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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FRIDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2015

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

#### **Publication of reviewed list of candidates**

Provincial Notice 320: Publication of the reviewed list of the Democratic Alliance (DA), published in the *Provincial Gazette Extraordinary* 7493, dated 18 September 2015.

### COMMITTEE REPORT

Annual report of the Standing Committee on Cultural Affairs and Sport for the 2014/15 financial year dated 24 June 2015, as follows:

#### **Members**

The Committee comprises the following members:

RD Mackenzie (Chairperson)  
BD Kivedo  
P Makeleni  
RT Olivier  
MM Wenger

## **Alternative members**

LJ Botha  
CM Dugmore  
AJD Marais  
PJC Pretorius

### **1. Introduction**

The mandate of the Committee is to:

- 1.1 Maintain oversight over the executive member and the Department concerning the way in which they perform their responsibilities, including the implementation of legislation, and to hold them accountable to the Western Cape Provincial Parliament.
- 1.2 Consider and report on legislation, other matters and the annual reports referred to it by the Speaker.

In fulfilment of its mandate the Committee must:

- 1.3 Facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other processes of the Committee.
- 1.4 Conduct its business in a fair, open and transparent manner.
- 1.5 Promote cooperative governance.
- 1.6 Report regularly to the House.

### **2. Reporting department and entities**

- 2.1 Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport
- 2.2 Heritage Western Cape
- 2.3 Western Cape Language Committee
- 2.4 Western Cape Cultural Commission

### **3. Overview of committees activities**

The Committee held 13 meetings, three public hearings and three oversight visits.

### **4. Oversight activities**

In August 2014 the Committee conducted an oversight visit to the Western Cape Archives and Records Service. The visit was preceded by an introductory briefing about the facility. The inspection included witnessing the digitisation of records, the repair and restoration of old and damaged records and several other facilities on the premises.

During September the Committee formed part of the delegation of the National Council of Provinces (NCOP) visit week and conducted an oversight visit to the Vredendal Secondary School's Mass Opportunity and Development (MOD) Centre. A week earlier, the Department

of Cultural Affairs and Sport held a presentation on its MOD programme. This briefing proved to be good preparation for the Committee's involvement in the NCOP visit week.

In November 2014 the Committee considered in the annual report of the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport as well as of the entities, namely Heritage Western Cape, the Western Cape Language Committee and the Western Cape Cultural Commission.

The Committee also hosted a cocktail lunch in recognition of the Western Province Rugby Football Union's (WPRFU) Currie Cup success of 2014. The attendees included several high-profile persons from the provincial rugby fraternity, officials of the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport, members of the Sports Council and executive members and players of the WPRFU. Cape Rugby TV was also in attendance and broadcasted interview footage of the event on its weekly show aired on Cape Town TV.

In November the Committee also invited several organisations to provide introductory briefings. These organisations were the South African Institute for Drug-free Sport (SAIDS), Pool Billiards South Africa (PBSA), the African Regional Office of the World Anti-doping Agency (WADA), and the South African Rugby Legends Association (SARLA). In addition, Blind Cricket South Africa gave a presentation on its readiness for hosting the Blind Cricket World Cup in Cape Town.

In February 2015 the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport gave a presentation on its second and third quarterly performance reports. The Committee also conducted an unannounced oversight visit to the Cape Medical Museum. The Museum is fairly small; however, its exhibits are pertinent to the preservation of the medical history of the Cape. The acting manager explained the challenges faced and the strategies used to attract and maintain the number of visitors to the museum.

## **5. Legislation**

### **5.1 Provincial Bills**

5.1.1 Vote 13: Cultural Affairs and Sport in the Schedule to the *Western Cape Appropriation Bill* [B 2–2015].

5.1.2 Vote 13: Cultural Affairs and Sport in the Schedule to the *Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill* [B 5–2014].

### **5.2 NCOP Bills (Section 76)**

None.

## **6. Facilitation of public involvement and participation**

The Committee has oversight over three entities and, as a result, there was public interest when matters pertaining to these entities were raised during meetings. The Committee also invited several sports organisations to make presentations on their respective challenges, successes and community programmes.

**7. Financial particulars**

The Standing Committee was allocated a budget of R129 650.

At the close of the 2014/15 financial year, expenditure attributed to the activities of the Standing Committee on Cultural Affairs and Sport accumulated to an amount of R89 041,32. The underspending of R40 608,68 was as a result of the fact that the majority of committee meetings were held in the parliamentary precinct and, therefore, the Committee did not incur significant costs.