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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (Health)**

Friday, 3 March 2017, (at 10:30 & 14:00) at Kalksteentfontein Community Hall and Site C in  
Khayelitsha

**PRESENT**

**Members**

**Democratic Alliance**

Botha, LJ (Chairperson)  
Mitchell, DG  
Kivedo, BD (Alternate)

**African National Congress**

Makeleni, P  
Gillion, MN

**Additional Members**

Gopie, D (ANC)  
Lekker, PZ (ANC)

**Apology**

Wenger, MM (DA)  
Professor Mbombo: Minister of Health  
Dr Engelbrecht: Head of Department  
Dr J de Vries: Head of Emergency Medical Services (EMS)  
Mr PD Papu: Provincial EMS Manager

**Persons in attendance**

(See attached list of departmental officials and members of the public who were in attendance).

**1. Opening and Welcome**

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed Members of the Committee, Departmental officials and the members of the public.

**2. Public Hearing on the continuous attacks of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel in the province**

The Chairperson gave a brief background information on the purpose of the stakeholder forum meetings.

The Committee proceeded to a presentation by Mr. Taylor on the continuous attacks of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel in the province.

The Members of the public were given an opportunity to give input on the impact that these attacks have on communities.

The following persons made verbal submissions during the stakeholder forum meeting at Kalksteefontein.

- a) Ward Councillor Esam, C
- b) Mr January, C
- c) Ms Isaacs, C
- d) Mr Africa, S
- e) Ms Kleinsmith, E
- f) Ms Truter, J
- g) Ms Netreg, S
- h) Brigadier Jones, C
- i) Ms Robertson, D

The Committee deliberated on the presentation by the Department of Health and on the submission made by the members of the public.

### **3. Concern**

Although the stakeholder forum meetings were advertised extensively in the mainstream and community newspapers. The meetings were poorly attended, especially in Khayelitsha.

Mr. Ndibongwe, the Chairperson of the Health Forum in Khayelitsha raised his concerns with regards to the poor attendance of the Khayelitsha meetings and informed the Committee that the Khayelitsha Health Forum has been waiting for the Minister of Health, Professor Mbombo to engage them on this issue.

### **4. Resolution**

The Committee RESOLVED:

- 4.1 To conduct follow-up stakeholder forum meetings on the attacks of EMS personnel in the province at Kalksteefontein and in Khayelitsha respectively, on Tuesday, 18 and 25 April 2017 from 18:00 -20:00. Due to poor attendance of the meetings of Friday 3 March 2017, the Committee decided to hold follow-ups meetings that will be attended by all community members and community leaders of these areas.
- 4.2 No cost will be incurred during the follow-up meetings, the Committee decided that, the meetings will not be advertised on newspapers, notices of the meetings will be distributed in various communities, police stations and community libraries. Catering will not be provided in these meetings.
- 4.2 To broaden the scope of the meetings, by inviting different stakeholders and representatives from the provincial Departments. The following stakeholders will be invited, the Department of Health, Social Development, Community Safety, Local Government especially the Planning Section, Human Settlement, Provincial Traffic Department and the business sector.

4.4 The Chairperson of the Committee, to discuss the follow-up stakeholder forum meetings with the other Chairpersons of the abovementioned Departments and ensure that they also come on board and attend these scheduled meetings.

## 5. Recommendations

The Committee RECOMMENDED that:

- 5.1 The Kalksteenfontein community members must organise themselves and form street committees in order to fight crime and bring order in their community.
- 5.2 The communication strategy of the Department should be strengthened, to successfully communicated matters that directly affect the communities
- 5.3 The Department should work close with community leaders and conduct a door to door awareness in all the red zone areas, and educate communities on the impact that these continual attacks on EMS personnel have on communities.
- 5.4 The Bishop Lavis SAPS should profile all criminals in Kalksteenfontein and the surrounding communities to ensure that a general crime statistics of these communities is kept up to date at all times to ensure that criminals are convicted.

## 6. Information requested by the Committee

The Committee REQUESTED that:

- 6.1 The Kalksteenfontein Ward Councillor, Mr Charles Essau should provide it with the profile of his Ward and a list of organisations that work in his Ward.
- 6.2 Mr Vellem, the Councillor of Ward 87 in Khayelitsha, should provide the Committee with the profile of his Ward and a list of organisations that work in his Ward.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 in Kalksteenfontein and at 15:00 in Khayelitsha.



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MS LJ BOTHA, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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