



Wes-Kaapse Provinsiale Parlement
Western Cape Provincial Parliament
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Wednesday, 04 March 2015 (at 14:00), Committee Room 1

PRESENT

Members

Democratic Alliance

Max, LH (Acting Chairperson)
Hinana, NE

African National Congress

Dyantyi, QR

APOLOGIES

Paulsen, N (EFF)
Mnqasela, M (DA)

The following persons were in attendance:

Provincial Treasury

Mr Z Hendricks, Deputy Director: Local Government Accounting
E Johannes, Deputy Director: Local Government Finance
Ms B Galant, Deputy Director: Local Government Revenue and Expenditure Group
Mr A Hardien, Provincial Accountant - General

Department of Local Government

Dr H Fast, Head of Department
Ms N Sesi, Director: Service Delivery Integration

Media

Mr A De Klerk, Journalist (Times Media)

Members of the Public

Ms J Van Wyk, Democratic Alliance

1. Election of Chairperson

In terms of Western Cape Provincial Parliament Standing Rule 77(2) the Committee proceeded to the election of an acting Chairperson.

Mr Hinana moved: That Adv. Max be acting Chairperson.

Motion seconded by Mr Dyantyi.

Motion agreed to.

2. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed all in attendance.

3. Briefing by the Department of Local Government on its Thusong Centre Programme

Ms Zamxaka briefed the Committee on the Thusong Programme with specific reference to:

- 2.1 The different Thusong Programme formats as well as the services offered as part of the Programme.
- 2.2 The development of an instrument, to measure the impact of services offered via the Thusong Services Programme, on persons accessing these services.

The Committee deliberated on the presentation.

4. Briefing by Provincial Treasury on an Update to the Municipal Budget Performance Update

Mr Johannes briefed the Committee on:

- 4.1 Measures the Department has instituted and will continue to implement to support municipalities with regards to debt recovery.
- 4.2 The payment plans developed for municipalities who are currently defaulting on their payments to creditors.
- 4.3 A delineation of the debtor categories and the amount of debt that these categories are currently responsible for, for the respective municipalities in the Province.
- 4.4 The Measures taken by municipalities in addressing debtors and the plans in dealing with creditors within the regulated legislative framework.
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The Committee deliberated.

5. Committee recommendations

The Committee members who were present proposed that the following recommendations be considered for ratification at the next Committee meeting:

- 5.1 That Provincial Treasury provide the Committee with the delineation of debtor categories for the respective municipalities across the Province.
- 5.2 That Provincial Treasury submit a report on the Hessequa Rates Tariff Policy, together with an explanation of its implications for owners of holiday homes.

5.3 That Provincial Treasury, with regards to the City of Cape Town Municipality, submit the number of debtor households within the R0 – R200 000 and R200 001 - R300 000 municipality valuation categories together with the geographical spread across sub councils.

The meeting adjourned at 15h30.

L MAX (MPP)

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ACTING CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

26 March 2015

