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THURSDAY, 11 JUNE 2020

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# PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

[Virtual online sitting held through Microsoft Teams]

The House met at 14:15.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLING AND COMMITTEE REPORTS - see p. 1597

#### **BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members! Hon members, mindful of the rights and values enshrined in our Constitution and our responsibilities as public representatives, to nurture, protect and advance those values, I now call on hon members to join me in observing a moment of silence for all victims and survivors of racism, discrimination and violence in whatever form they manifest themselves. The moment of silence starts now. Will you please join me, hon members.

[Moment of silence observed.]

The SPEAKER: I thank you. Thank you, hon members, for observing this moment of silence. Thank you very much.

I now wish to bring to the hon members the very obvious matter, which is not so obvious in many cases, because some members are sitting in vast rural areas in their homes in the far-flung areas, but I trust that you have now joined the sitting in terms of Rule 1(a) of the Standing Rules and doing so remotely by means of the electronic means.

The WCPP remains fully operational as we have been doing since we started off, and we have been doing this in our committees. As you know the *ad-hoc* Committee that we established as this Parliament to look after COVID-19 matters, has been fully operational and also the other Standing Committees have been working since 17 April 2020.

Hon members, please allow me to highlight some of the important directives, which will help this sitting:

- The Secretary and his administration will ensure that there is ongoing support at all times during this sitting. If you have a problem with your devices, there will be technical support to support you.
- The quorum requirements for the sittings, hon members, are as provided for in the Constitution and the Standing Rules.
- Unless there is an indication of unanimous concurrence, voting will take place by members present and entitled to do so and cast their votes by clearly identifying themselves to the Presiding Officer verbally and expressing their votes in that way.
- Hon members who are present have all the privileges and immunities imparted to them by law.
- Hon members, who are considered to be out of order by the Presiding Officer, will have their microphones muted and called to order.
- Attendance of members will be recorded by the Serjeant-at-Arms for this sitting.

In instances where these directives do not cover a particular eventuality, the Standing Rules must apply. In instances where the Rules cannot be applied, hon members, what will happen is that the ruling by the Presiding Officer becomes final.

Hon members, all your microphones have now been muted. You are requested to only unmute your microphone when you need to raise a point of order in terms of the Standing Rules. You should then first state your name and surname in order for the Presiding Officer to recognise you. I think now we know how to do it. We have been doing it since, and this is our seventh sitting. That means you have been practicing since, including myself. You should then first state your name and surname in order for the Presiding Officer to recognise you, and when you do speak, hon members, make sure that your mic is unmuted and when you are done speaking, just mute your mic again so that we are able to allow other members to speak and be heard.

Hon members, we have invited the members of the Fourth Estate, the media, in this meeting. I would like to request the members of the media that you are observers, as you have always done in the House.

This is a House of Parliament. Please do not activate your microphone or your camera. Just do as you have always been doing since the first sitting and in doing so it will help us, because we do not have to take you out of the meeting, because that is not what we are here for. We want to participate through democracy. That includes you being part of that.

Hon members, as you would expect that we should have translation and ability for members to speak in their languages, we have not been able to defeat this hurdle, so I would like to request hon members to be sensitive in this regard in the use of language and that we do not in any way create a situation that members will not be able to understand what you are saying, as much as we want to promote all languages in the province. We apologise for this and I do hope that the hon members will be kind enough to accept this and in this regard I also need to request that the hon members respect the ruling that I made as the Speaker on 3 April 2020, that there will be no interjections permitted in this debate in the sitting, and of course that the hon members also read this together with Rule number 40 of our Standing Rules. At this point I would like to thank you, hon members, and wish you well for this sitting and that we can have democracy live in action.

#### MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Ms L M MASEKO (DA): Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. In October 2019, the National Public Works Minister, Patricia de Lille, announced that the Government identified 20 land parcels in the Western Cape to [Inaudible. – connection lost] for the purposes of human settlements.

What she failed to include in the responsibility of her Department is to enable both provincial and municipal structures to properly access the land. I visited Bredasdorp and the provincial housing development there. 165 units have already been delivered. Minister Simmers, I look forward to returning to see the full 569 units ready for occupation.

However, I was [Inaudible. – connection lost]. The Theewaterskloof's housing project is just not ready. It would meet the needs of so many, but the project is linked to basic services and it is purely because Minister de Lille's Department continues to sit on the land without releasing it to the municipality for the municipality to implement the basic services that go with the project.

The Western Cape is the only province to have accelerated housing [Inaudible. – connection lost] due to COVID-19. On the other hand, Gauteng has underspent its housing budget by R85 million. I am also aware that the City of Johannesburg, under ANC Mayor Makubo, is now giving houses to individuals not on the beneficiary list, including foreign nationals and many more without any proof of [Inaudible. – connection lost].

Yes, ANC colleagues, go speak to your mayor about plot [Inaudible. – connection lost] and also ask Minister Sisulu why she [Inaudible. – connection lost] to pass off very old housing projects as if they were suddenly devised during the pandemic.

Hon Deputy Speaker, if [Inaudible. – connection lost] achieve so much with limited resources during the pandemic ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member, your time is up.

Ms L M MASEKO: Okay, let me wrap up. How many people will be able to have dignified homes if Minister De Lille and her ... [Inaudible. – connection lost]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you.

Ms L M MASEKO: ... this land so we can build and equip homes. I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. [Time expired.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. We move over to the ANC.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, can I go ahead with my statement?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, you may.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION (ANC): Thank you very much. The ANC in the Legislature welcomes the intervention and support from President Ramaphosa. What we need now is maximum unity in the fight against COVID-19. Resources, effort and energy must be combined and integrated. The President's intervention will assist in promoting cooperative governance in our province.

This has been sorely missing and lacking in the Zille years, from 2009 to 2019. The DA has cynically resorted to the politics of "blame and complain". These were indeed wasted years when the living conditions of the majority of our citizens worsened; crime and gangsterism increased; education outcomes of the matrics declined; and the abuse of women and children reached shocking levels; the economy remained untransformed and inequality deepened.

We now need to make a decisive break from the destructive politics of the last 10 years. We need to move away from the politics of fear and racial polarisation.

We have to embrace a new dawn in our province. We are not a separate state. The Western Cape is part of a united South Africa. It is a pity that some leaders in the DA have described the President's intervention as a coup. Our President is also the President of every citizen in the Western Cape. Fortunately, these dissenting voices in the DA are few.

I know that Premier Winde is committed to working with National Government. [Interjection.] The deployment of Ministers ... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: ... will boost our fight against ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: One minute, hon member. Hon members, can you please mute your microphones? You may proceed hon member Dugmore.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Sorry. The deployment of Ministers will boost our fight against the pandemic. Such deployment is also happening in other provinces. Have those provinces described this as a coup?

What is behind the anonymous comments is evidence of divisions within the DA. There are people who want to sabotage our Premier and his efforts to work with those who support him, together with our President, and put party politics aside.

Let us welcome our President's intervention. This faction within the DA still find themselves in the Zille Institute of Race Relations cabal, a faction which can only survive through fanning divisions and conflict.

I call on Premier Winde to ignore the noise from the saboteurs within his own party. It is them who want to topple the Premier. I urge the Premier to stay strong ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Your time has expired, hon member.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: ... focused and to work with our President. [Time expired.]

Mr M XEGO (EFF): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The EFF welcomes the resignation of the Parklands College School teacher who made learners draft a racist school assignment.

This follows the complaints of parents of the Grade 7 learners at the school, whose children were tasked by the teacher to create an advertisement for a slave trade auction as part of their assignment.

Moreover, the resignation comes after intense calls from some learners' parents, as well as the broader community, demanding that the teacher vacates his position with immediate effect.

The EFF calls on the Western Cape Education Department MEC, hon member Schäfer, to launch a broad investigation into racism at schools across the province, and that those found to be in the wrong, be fired on the spot.

The effects of racism are deeply entrenched in our communities, both locally and internationally, as it has been noticed in the past few days. In order to win a war against this inhuman, barbaric behaviour, we will need to deal with it headon, and uproot it viciously and without any compromise. Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. As the Premier says, we need to measure in order to manage. This is especially true in the case of the COVID-19 pandemic, and this is why the shortage of testing capacity by the National Health Laboratory Service is cause for serious concern.

In a press statement on 25 March 2020, the NHLS said that the testing capacity will:

"Increase to 15,000 in 24 hours in April. At the end of April, the NHLS will be able to process approximately 36,000 tests in 24 hours."

However, at the end of April the NHLS only processed 54,000 tests in a full week, which is an average of 7,714 per day, which is only 20% of their stated capacity. Instead of 36,000 tests per day, 7,000 were conducted.

Hon Deputy Speaker, according to the information provided to the National Parliament a few days ago, the first week of June was the first time the NHLS reached 105,000 tests in a week, which is where we were supposed to be in early April.

As we reach the peak of the virus, the testing capacity which were supposed to be available, is not. What is even more concerning is that the number of tests in the second week of June dropped from 105,000 to only 14,000.

The failure of being able to process tests means that the Provincial Government had to make the difficult decision to strategically limit testing to ensure early detection for those at the highest risk of dying and ensure greater protection for healthcare workers.

Hon Deputy Speaker, it is our plea to the National Government that urgent support is provided to the NHLS to ensure that it can increase capacity to meet testing demand, and enable best practice guidelines, so that we can receive test results in 48 to 72 hours.

We also implore all residents who suspect they have contracted the virus, or who are awaiting test results, to self-isolate to stop the spread. Thank you.

Mr B N HERRON (GOOD): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Deputy Speaker, it is shocking that the City of Cape Town's leadership brought a High Court application to interdict the South African Human Rights Commission from conducting its constitutional mandate in respect of the Strandfontein Camp for the Homeless.

The mandate of the Human Rights Commission, as contained in our Constitution, is to promote a respect for human rights, and a culture of human rights; promote the protection, development and attainment of human rights; and monitor and assess the observance of human rights.

The Strandfontein Camp was a predictable and massive disaster from conception to implementation. Many of us warned that the approach of the City to providing support and housing to the homeless people in response to the lockdown, was inhumane and would fail.

Those of us who visited the camp observed that the rights, safety and health of those interred there, were completely disregarded. Despite these observations, our provincial Social Development Department failed in its duty to intervene, and to exercise its social development mandate.

It fell to Opposition members of this House, civic organisations, Doctors Without Borders, and the Human Rights Commission, to champion the rights and safety interests of those dumped in Strandfontein.

This week we learned that the City had brought a High Court interdict application to prevent the Human Rights Commission and others from monitoring the camp for human rights violations.

It is unbelievable how far the City's leadership has strayed from rationality, legality and decency. The DA is in courts ostensibly to champion the protection of our constitutional rights in the face of lockdown regulations. Yet at the same time its flagship municipal government is trampling on the rights of the most vulnerable amongst us and pursuing draconian and wasteful efforts to avoid scrutiny and accountability. Thank you.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS (ACDP): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. In recent weeks we have seen an uproar in America and in South Africa over the killing of George Floyd, and rightly so. What happened to Mr Floyd was unacceptable, cruel, and inhumane.

We must remember whether it is black on black violence, white on white, black on white, or white on black, every life matters. In every person, irrespective of colour, there is good and bad. The problem is when a person gives action and utterance to the bad, the bad will prevail, and likewise the same, when a person gives action and utterance to the good, the good will prevail. Maybe the fight is good against bad.

We must all stand together, irrespective of race. As a country and as a province we must mourn every death that succumbs to violence. When a farmer is killed, we must rise up against it. When a person is killed by crossfire in gang violence, we must rise up against it. When a woman is raped and killed, we must rise up against it.

So, hon Deputy Speaker, we must all stand together irrespective of race, and fight the bad so that the good can prevail.

I just want to quote what is in Scripture, and the Scripture is very clear, and I want to conclude with two passages of Scripture. That is Romans 12:21:

"Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good."

Then Psalm 34:14 says:

"Turn away from evil and do seek peace and pursue it."

I thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. I recognise the ANC.

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS (ANC): This year marks 21 years after the gang rape and gruesome killing of 14-year old Valencia Farmer on 27 June 1999.

She was brutally murdered by a teenage gang in Beverley Park, Eerste River. I humbly plead with the Commissioner to name her office in memory and honour of Valencia Farmer.

It is these kind of cruel crimes against children that brought into the spotlight the plight of children in the Western Cape. Such focus culminated into the need for a Commissioner for Children, to champion the needs and interest of children in the Western Cape.

After relentless efforts, for over a decade, by the ANC and other progressive civic organisations for the establishment of the Office of the Commissioner for Children, we are happy that June 2020 marked an important milestone when Professor Nomdo addressed the Legislature for the first time after her appointment as Commissioner for Children.

As she is busy setting up her office, she will have her work cut out to ensure the safety of children, and to champion their interests. As gangs continue to torment communities, children need a champion to fight for an end to gangsterism. Just last week 15-year old Dwayne Tyman, from Hanover Park, died when gangsters opened fire on a group of children standing around a fire last week.

As she takes up this fight to ensure the safety of children, she must expect resistance from the DA, which wants to reduce her office to a ceremonial position. We know that to them the establishment of this office was just a PR exercise, in the same way as the establishment of the Zille Commission, which wasted millions of taxpayers' money. I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): On a point of order, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, what is your point of order, Deputy Chief Whip?

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. In the statement just delivered by the hon member, she referred to the "Zille Commission". According to my knowledge there is no such thing as the "Zille Commission".

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Deputy Chief Whip.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): That is misleading the House.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes. Okay, that is in the statement, and I cannot rule on that here. I will give the Ministers the opportunity, should they so wish, at the end to respond to any of the statements. I now recognise the DA.

Mr A VAN DER WESTHUIZEN (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, the COVID-19 pandemic has been the final nail in our economic coffin, to push unemployment to a predicted 50%, the highest in the world. Yet the potential for economic growth in South Africa is immense.

We are blessed with some of the richest mineral deposits in the world; a wonderful climate; a young population, and well-developed financial markets. Even with these positives other developing countries have outperformed us over the last decade in terms of economic growth.

It is clear, the ANC-led Government has lost the plot as they continue to take our country on a downward spiral. Damaging interference in the economy; failed state projects; the deployment of incapable cadres; wasting taxes on Stateowned Enterprises; wide state capture; holding onto monopolies; and a lack of electricity planning, all contributed to the sharp downturn in economic growth. We lack investment in the economy.

The Ad Hoc Committee in the National Assembly's call to amend Section 25 of the Constitution was recently disbanded. This is a step in the right direction. If the ANC wants to rebuild the economy post COVID-19, we must immediately stop expropriating assets without compensation.

Agriculture was thankfully allowed to, by and large, continue during the COVID-19 lockdown. In a recent presentation, agriculture in the Western Cape was predicted to even grow this year due to increased exports. Agriculture has shown that it can and will contribute to economic growth, to foreign valuta, and to job creation.

Can you just imagine how agriculture will flourish if this ANC Government would take its knee off the neck of agriculture, by assuring investors that their investments will be safe. I thank you.

Mr P J MARAIS (FFP): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The Freedom Front Plus, noting the hard work and tireless efforts of the Premier and members of his Cabinet to combat and halt the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, given limited provincial powers to do so, commit ourselves to supporting and contributing constructively to finding solutions to save the province from economic disaster, and continued escalation in the loss of all lives. Thank you.

Ms W F PHILANDER (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, one thing that the COVID-19 pandemic has exposed is the systemic flaws in South African society. It has exposed crises related not only to health, but inequality in the economy, and existing fractures in our communities across the country.

Hon Deputy Speaker, heroism is defined as bravery and selflessness during these trying times in the face of personal danger and still providing a service to others.

Now why is National Government's failure to adequately plan for the supply of well-trained, cared for and supported doctors and nurses such an issue? It cannot be, hon Deputy Speaker, that South Africa faces a shortage of 50,000 nurses over the next eight years. These are nurses we need right now to support our COVID-19 patients, those with comorbidities, and thousands more suffering from other illnesses.

The South African Hospital Association has continuously lobbied National Government to amend the process of registering nurses. Yet from President Zuma to Ramaphosa, no change has been seen. The red tape still exists, despite a health system in crisis. What kind of a so-called "new dawn" is this then, hon Deputy Speaker?

President Ramaphosa announced in October last year that a staggering R22 billion has been lost due to corruption in the healthcare sector. Again, it cannot be that we enter this historic crisis on the backfoot. The President is quite right, that the loss of these funds do indeed cost lives, but he is entirely misguided to believe that a flawed National Health Insurance will fix the system, when it costs R230 billion, and will centralise yet another State-owned Enterprise under a National Health Ministry which cannot save itself from corruption.

Hon Deputy Speaker, how will our National Government pay R239 million in salaries to recruit foreign doctors, if the ANC cannot or will not fix our broken system?

Hon Deputy Speaker, I call on President Ramaphosa to make good on his pledge to provide the Western Cape with these funds and the resources we need to supply in the critical care shortage. If there indeed is a new dawn, then, hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Finish off, hon member, your time is up.

An HON MEMBER: ... may it be one where promises are kept, lives and livelihoods upheld, and a broken national health system repaired. I thank you. [Time expired.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. Hon members, that brings us to the end of statements. In terms of Rule 145.6, I give a Minister an opportunity to speak for no more than five minutes on one of the statements. Is there a Minister that would like to address the House?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hon Deputy Speaker, if I may I would like to avail of the opportunity.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: You may, hon Minister Fernandez.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hon Deputy Speaker, I have been listening intently and following the debate, and I think from the onset I need to state for the record that the work that happens, especially in the Department of Social Development, must not and should not be politicised.

There are a couple of statements that have been made that, I need to state for the record, are not completely true. We have, as DSD, in the province assisted in all shelters. We have received support from National DSD to support our shelters in five district municipalities. Within the City of Cape Town, the City fed the homeless from their own funds. We have been providing substance abuse treatment, psychosocial support and trauma counselling for victims of genderbased violence. DSD Mitchells Plain office has been working actively in the Strandfontein Camp, and in other shelters, assisting across the province. I do want to state that.

Then I am equally disturbed around the increase in gender-based violence, and I was in a sitting this week where we welcomed the Children's Commissioner, and I expressed my intention to work very closely with, and collaborate with the Children's Commissioner. I think it is important that we do not politicise the role of the Children's Commissioner, but what I do want to put a challenge to the Opposition is let us get a Children's Commissioner established in every other province, because murder, child murder and GBV, do not only happen in this province. It is a pandemic; it is something that happens across the country. I am particularly concerned about the impact of drug abuse, teenage pregnancies and how our children are being maimed in the issue of gangsterism.

In Child Protection Week last week, three children were shot at. We must stop politicising, because unfortunately rape, gender-based violence, even COVID-19, do not wear a red, green or blue t-shirt. It can affect anybody.

I would like to appeal to the House, let us work together, and the hon member Bakubaku-Vos, the shadow Minister, she and I enjoy a very good working relationship where we resolve issues, but let us not politicise the lives of our people in this process. I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

# LOCKDOWN: CRIME RATE

(Notice of Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the increase in the crime rate under lockdown Level 3.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the increase in the crime rate under lockdown level 3.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# **COVID-19 CASES IN SCHOOLS**

(Notice of Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the number of COVID-19 cases in our Western Cape schools. I thank you.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the number of COVID-19 cases at Western Cape schools.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

#### SCHOOLS: SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

(Notice of Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House debates the growing number of Western Cape schools affected by the rampant spread of the coronavirus. I thank you.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House discusses the growing number of Western Cape schools affected by the rampant spread of the coronavirus.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

#### **COVID-19: READINESS OF HOSPITALS**

(Notice of Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the readiness of the Western Cape Health Department when it comes to the readiness of hospitals when the Western Cape hits its peak with COVID-19. I thank you.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the readiness of hospitals for when the Western Cape hits its peak with COVID-19.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# **COVID-19: IMPACT ON LOCAL AND REGIONAL ECONOMIES**

(Notice of Motion)

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House notes and calls for the Provincial Department of Economic Development to investigate and report to the Ad-Hoc Committee the impact of COVID-19 on the local and regional economies in the province, and further presents protective measures and economic recovery plans in place to support these economies during and post COVID-19. I so move. Thank you.

#### [Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House calls on the provincial Department of Economic Development to investigate and report to the Ad-hoc Committee on the impact of COVID-19 on the local and regional economies in the province and on the protective measures taken and economic recovery plans put in place to support these economies during and post-COVID-19.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# COVID-19: HIGH ELECTRICITY AND WATER BILLS

(Notice of Motion)

Mr L L MVIMBI: I give notice that I shall move:

That the House notes that the DA's very pale bosses keep a knee on the neck of the working class with high electricity and water bills and that certain communities are treated badly in the COVID-19 lockdown, and that Oudtshoorn Mayor Colan Sylvester says he can no longer stay under that knee and resigned this week as the DA continues to devour itself. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House notes that the DA's very pale bosses keep a knee on the neck of the working class with high water and electricity bills; further notes that certain communities are treated badly during the COVID-19 lockdown; and notes that Colan Sylvester, mayor of Oudtshoorn, says he can no longer stay under that knee and resigned this week as the DA continues to devour itself.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

#### BRYAN HABANA, SIYA KOLISI AND GARY KIRSTEN HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS

#### (Motion)

#### Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House thanks former Springbok, Bryan Habana, Springbok captain, Siya Kolisi, and former international cricketer, Gary Kirsten, for their continued humanitarian work during the COVID-19 epidemic; Springbok legend Bryan Habana donated 400 face masks to the pupils of the Chris Hani Arts and Culture School in Macassar, Khayelitsha; Gary Kirsten, a former Protea cricketer who has a 7-year relationship with the school, has continued with his humanitarian work at the school and Siya Kolisi also donated food parcels to various schools; Deputy Speaker, as the ACDP we want to wish them well – Bryan Habana, Siya Kolisi and Gary Kirsten, and wish them well in their future endeavours, as they help the needy. I thank you.

#### [Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House thanks Bryan Habana, Siya Kolisi and Gary Kirsten for their continued humanitarian work during the COVID-19 epidemic: Springbok legend Bryan Habana donated 400 face masks to the learners at the Chris Hani Arts and Culture School in Makhaza, Khayelitsha; Gary Kirsten, former Protea cricketer, who has a seven-year relationship with the school, has continued his humanitarian with the school; Bok skipper Siya Kolisi also donated food parcels to various schools; and wishes Bryan Habana, Siya Kolisi, and Gary Kirsten everything of the best in their future endeavours.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE SHAHIED AJAM

#### (Motion of condolence)

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends its condolences to the family and loved ones of the late District Six Working Committee Chairperson, Mr Shahied Ajam; Mr Ajam was known for his love for serving his community and his commitment in uplifting Hanover Park, as well as hope for the restitution of District Six; I further move that this House notes that during the nationwide lockdown Mr Ajam served in a project which fed approximately 9 000 people per day in 10 vulnerable communities. May his soul rest in peace. I so move.

#### [Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its condolences to the family and loved ones of the late Mr Shahied Ajam, Chairperson of the District Six Working Committee; notes that Mr Ajam was known for his love for serving his community and for his commitment to uplifting Hanover Park, as well for giving hope for the restitution of District Six; and further notes that Mr Ajam served in a project which fed approximately 9 000 people per day in 10 vulnerable communities during the nationwide lockdown.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### **COVID-19: VULNERABLE WORKERS**

#### (Motion)

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that on 3 June 2020 COSATU reported to the Department of Employment and Labour a case of non-compliance of Darling Romery (Pty) Ltd, 5 Caledon Street, Darling, where an allegations of two positive COVID-19 cases were spotted and the company continued with business as usual, operating with no sanitisers, no social distancing, no protective masks as basic requirements of Health and Safety in work spaces; notes further that following its investigation on 4 June 2020, the Department of Employment and Labour found non-compliance and served the Darling Romery with enforcement notices; and calls on the Provincial Department of Economic Development and Tourism to direct its efforts towards enforcing compliance of Health and Safety including its guidelines for work spaces in its drive of opening the economy, that must include protecting lives of the vulnerable workers from the reckless behaviour of companies and setting clear targets for industry in flattening the curve. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Objection. Please [Inaudible – connection lost] the National Minister.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper and hon member Nkondlo that was a bit long, close to a statement. Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that on 3 June 2020 COSATU reported to the Department of Employment and Labour a case of non-compliance by Darling Romery (Pty) Ltd, 5 Caledon Street in Darling, where it is alleged that two positive COVID-19 cases were spotted and that the company continued business as usual, operating with no sanitisers, no social distancing and no protective masks, the basic requirements of health and safety in workspaces; further notes that the Department of Employment and Labour, following its investigation on 4 June 2020, found non-compliance and served Darling Romery with enforcement notices; and calls on the provincial Department of Economic Development and Tourism to direct its efforts towards enforcing compliance with health and safety, including its guidelines for workspaces and by setting clear targets for industries in order to flatten the curve, in its drive to opening the economy while protecting the lives of vulnerable workers from the reckless behaviour of companies.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# LATE NALEDI PHANGINDAWO AND LATE TSHEGOFATSO PULE

(Motion of condolence)

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends its deepest condolences to the family and loved ones of Naledi Phangindawo and Tshegofatso Pule; Naledi was brutally murdered on Saturday whilst attending a cultural function near Mossel Bay; Tshegofatso who was pregnant, was stabbed and hung in a field in Gauteng; whilst fighting the pandemic, we are still fighting the scourge of gender-based violence and femicide; can the men of this country please stand up as we women know each other who are raped and attacked; you should know these men that are torturing and killing us; I condemn these acts in the strongest terms and hope that in a time where the nation is facing many adversities we do not have to deal with fearing for our lives and that the law enforcement agencies will swiftly and harshly deal with these perpetrators accordingly; these grave injustices and criminal activities tear apart our communities and families; it simply cannot be the case that we tend to forget until the next time; may the souls of Naledi and Tshegofatso and that of her unborn child rest in peace as our thoughts and prayers go out to their loved ones. I so move.

#### [Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any objections to the motion being moved without notice? No objections? Motion agreed to. Hon Philander, it is also a bit long. I think we need to work on the difference between statements and motions without being disrespectful to the content of any motion, but we need to keep our motions without notice shorter.

Ms W F PHILANDER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its deepest condolences to the family and loved ones of Naledi Phangindawo and Tshegofatso Pule; notes that Naledi was brutally murdered on Saturday while attending a cultural function near Mossel Bay and that Tshegofatso was stabbed and hanged in a veld in Gauteng; and notes that these grave injustices and criminal activities tear apart our communities and families. May Naledi and Tshegofatso rest in peace as our thoughts and prayers go out to their loved ones.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# COVID-19: ECONOMIC RECOVERY

(Motion)

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes and calls for the Provincial Government to prioritise economic recovery in the declared hotspot areas to include rapid and urgent intervention of the pre-existing socio-economic conditions that subject these communities to poverty, unemployment and deep levels of under-development. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and calls on the Provincial Government to prioritise the economic recovery in the declared hotspots areas and to include rapid and urgent interventions in the pre-existing socio-economic conditions that subjected these communities to poverty, unemployment and deep levels of underdevelopment.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE NONTSIKELELO DYASI

(Motion of condolence)

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House sends its sincerest condolences to the family of the late Nontsikelelo Dyasi, resident and beneficiary of the Boys Town Project; Nontsikelelo was gunned down on 27 May 2020 and it is alleged that her death is linked to her role as Community Liaison Officer in the project; and hereby expresses its condolences and wishes Nontsikelelo's family and friends comfort and strength during this difficult period. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House sends its sincerest condolences to the family of the late Nontsikelelo Dyasi, resident and beneficiary of the Boys Town Project; notes that Nontsikelelo was gunned down on 27 May 2020 and it is alleged that her death is linked to her role as community liaison officer in the project; and expresses our condolences and wishes Nontsikelelo's family and friends comfort and strength during this difficult period.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# **COVID-19: CURB OF INFECTIONS IN WORK SPACES**

(Motion)

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House calls on the Premier to attend and engage employers both in the public and private sector regarding the concerns of workers across the province where employees are forced to keep quiet about the numbers of positive cases, lack of PPE and adherence to basic health and safety, and general conditions to curb infections of the Coronavirus in work spaces; further notes that this poses a serious threat to the public health system and may bear negative and undesirable effects in the fight to flatten the curve in this province. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House calls on the Premier to attend to and engage with employers, both in the public and the private sector, regarding the concerns of workers across the province where employees are forced to keep quiet about the numbers of positive cases, lack of PPE, adherence to the basic health and safety regulations, and general conditions to curb virus infections in workspaces; and notes that this poses a serious threat to the public health system and may have negative and undesirable effects on the fight to flatten the curve in this province.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### LATE JOHANNES WILLEMSE

(Motion of condolence)

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends its sincerest condolences to the family and loved ones of the late Mr Johannes Willemse; Mr Willemse from Touws River was a valued member of the Western Cape Traffic Law Enforcement Directorate since 1 September 2016; he served with great pride and a strong sense of duty; Mr Willemse passed away on 6 June 2020; our thoughts and prayers are with his wife and four children and all of his other loved ones during this extremely difficult time. I so move. Thank you, Deputy Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D AMERICA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its sincerest condolences to the family and loved ones of the late Mr Johannes Willemse; notes that Mr Willemse was a valued member of the Western Cape Traffic Law Enforcement Directorate since 1 September 2016 and that he served with great pride and a strong sense of duty; and notes that Mr Willemse passed away on 6 June 2020. Our thoughts and prayers are with his loved ones during this difficult time.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### SHIREEN GALLIE AND RONALD BANTOM

#### (Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the Settlers High School Principal, Ms Shireen Gallie, who tested positive for COVID-19 is now treated in ICU, whilst Kasselsvlei High head teacher Mr Ronald Bantom also contracted the dreaded Coronavirus and spent 13 days in ICU and that the House wishes them a speedy and full recovery. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Mrs Shireen Gallie, Principal of The Settlers High School, who tested positive for COVID-19, is now being treated in ICU, while Mr Ronald Bantom, head teacher of the Kasselsvlei High School, also contracted the dreaded virus and spent 13 days in ICU; and wishes them a speedy and full recovery.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### LATE PASTOR THOMAS PEDRO

(Motion of condolence)

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness the passing of Pastor Thomas Pedro; that we commemorate the church leader with a heart for the masses of Paarl and Drakenstein; a true inspiration to young and old; Pastor Thom was most loved as the Chairperson of the Reformed Rebirth Church and a guardian of four congregations; the airwaves will be quiet on Judah Sundays, a local radio program on Radio KC; finally, that we convey our prayers to Ms Shirley Pedro, their children, the church community and Drakenstein at large. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms W F PHILANDER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness and shock the passing away of Pastor Thomas Pedro, a church leader with a heart for the masses of Paarl and Drakenstein and a true inspiration for young and old; further notes that the airwaves will be quiet on Judah Sundays, a program on Radio KC, that Pastor Tom will be remembered fondly for; and conveys our prayers to Ms Shirley Pedro, their children, the church community and Drakenstein at large on this loss.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### LATE SHAHIED AJAM

(Motion of condolence)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House commiserates with the family and friends of the District Six Working Committee Chairperson, Mr Shahied Ajam, who died at 62 years of a heart attack and notes that he aided with the restoration of the land to the people who were evicted from this area by the erstwhile apartheid regime. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commiserates with the family and friends of Shahied Ajam, chairperson of the District Six Working Committee, who died at the age of 62 of a heart attack; and notes that he helped with the restoration of land to people who were evicted from this area by the erstwhile apartheid regime.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### AUDIT REPORT: DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

(Motion)

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the ruling by the Western Cape High Court to set aside the Auditor-General's qualification of the Audit Report on the Western Cape Department of Agriculture for the 2017 and 2018 financial cycles; furthermore, that this House recognises and welcomes the Court's confirmation of the excellent financial governance architecture of the Provincial Agriculture Department and that this ruling presents a victory for constitutional democracy and the supremacy of the rule of law. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the ruling of the Western Cape High Court to set aside the Auditor-General's qualified audit reports on the Western Cape Department of Agriculture; notes that the court ruled in favour of both the 2017 and 2018 financial cycles; and further recognises that the court's decision confirms the Department's commitment to ensuring and maintaining a strict and transparent record of sound financial governance.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### WORLD OCEANS DAY

(Motion)

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the commemoration of World Oceans Day which took place on 8 June 2020; World Oceans Day is a movement which has been created in order to protect at least 30% of all oceans by 2030 through protected conservation areas; furthermore that this House recognises with concern the decline and almost extinction of our great white shark population that has not been spotted on our coasts in a number of years and which has been linked to overfishing of sharks. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the commemoration of World Oceans Day, which took place on 8 June 2020; further notes that World Oceans Day is a movement that has been created in order to protect at least 30% of all the oceans by 2030 through protected conservation areas; and recognises with concern the decline and almost extinction of our great white shark sea family that has not been spotted on our coasts for a number of years and that has been linked to the overfishing of sharks.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### **COVID-19 CASES**

(Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes 2 433 new COVID-19 cases were reported yesterday in South Africa, with 48 more related deaths; 37 in the Western Cape, 9 in the Eastern Cape and 2 from KwaZulu Natal. I thank you, Deputy Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that 2 433 new COVID-19 cases were reported in South Africa yesterday with 48 more related deaths: 37 in the Western Cape, 9 in the Eastern Cape and 2 in KwaZulu-Natal.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES FOR OLDER PERSONS

(Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and welcomes the additional support provided by the Provincial Department of Social Development towards the Western Cape residential facilities for older persons; the elderly deserve our care, support and attention and more so during this current pandemic; it is therefore appropriate and appreciated that 15 000 masks in excess of R1,7 million has been made available by the Department towards old age homes during the COVID-19 pandemic. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and welcomes the additional support provide by the provincial Department of Social Development to the Western Cape's residential facilities for older persons; further notes that the elderly deserve our care, support and attention, even more so during the current pandemic; and therefore appreciates the 15 000 masks and in excess of R1,7 million that has been made available by the Department for old-age homes during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# COVID-19: READINESS OF THE WESTERN CAPE

(Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes President Cyril Ramaphosa and a senior Cabinet deputation visited the Western Cape last week and that he was concerned with the high number of COVID-19 patients in the Western Cape, namely two-thirds and three-quarters of deaths coming from this province and that it might not have enough beds in emergency hospitals erected, even in the CTICC, to deal with the disease. I thank you, Deputy Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that President Cyril Ramaphosa and a senior cabinet deputation visited the Western Cape last week and that he was concerned about the highest number of COVID-19 patients in South Africa coming from this province, namely two-thirds of patients and threequarters of deaths, and that the province might not have enough beds to deal with the disease, even in the emergency hospitals and in the CTICC.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# CHRISTINA NOMDO: CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONER

(Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends a warm welcome to Ms Christina Nomdo as she has recently commenced her role as the first Children's Commissioner in South Africa; that this House further notes that the Office of the Children's Commissioner has autonomy to carry out its duties free from any political interference; further, that it is greatly welcomed that Ms Nomdo has prioritised the mental wellbeing of our children as they return to school; and that Ms Nomdo has the full support of the members of this House in the execution of her duties. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends a warm welcome to Ms Christina Nomdo, who recently commenced her role as the first Children's Commissioner in South Africa; notes that the Office of the Children's Commissioner has autonomy to carry out its duties free from any political interference; further notes that it is greatly welcomed that Ms Nomdo has prioritised the mental wellbeing of our children as they return to school; and confirms that Ms Nomdo has the full support of the Members of this House in the execution of her duties.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# COVID-19 INFECTIONS: YOUTHS

(Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes more than 1 700 youths in the Western Cape under 20 years old have COVID-19 and of the 140 admitted to hospitals, 33 are still treated there as admitted last week by the Provincial Department Operational Head, Dr Kariem. I thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that more than 1 700 young people under the age of 20 in the Western Cape have COVID-19; and notes that 140 have been admitted to hospital and that 33 are still being treated there, as admitted last week by Dr Sadiq Kariem, the operational head of the provincial Department of Health.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# COVID-19 FIELD HOSPITAL: CTICC

(Motion)

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the opening of the first COVID-19 facility at the CTICC aptly named as the Hospital of Hope; the Hospital of Hope is now the largest COVID-19 field hospital in Africa and has already admitted its first patients; furthermore I move that this House extends its gratitude and best wishes to the doctors, nurses and medical personnel as well as non-clinical staff at the facility, noting the great sacrifices they make to help bring hope during this exceptionally challenging time, and finally, that the House wishes a speedy and full recovery for all COVID-19 patients at the Hospital of Hope, as well as elsewhere. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms W F PHILANDER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the opening of the first COVID-19 facility at the CTICC, aptly named the Hospital of Hope; further notes that the Hospital of Hope is now the largest COVID-19 field hospital in Africa and has already admitted its first patients; furthermore extends its gratitude and best wishes to the doctors, nurses and medical personnel at the facility, noting the great sacrifices that they are making to help bring hope during this exceptionally challenging time; and wishes a speedy and full recovery to all COVID-19 patients at the Hospital of Hope and elsewhere.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# ACCOMMODATION SECTOR JOBS: LOSS OF

(Motion)

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that at least 112 000 accommodation sector jobs will be lost in the Western Cape by the end of the year, unless National Government does more to safeguard and stimulate the tourism industry; this industry contributes nearly 9% to the entire country's economy, with many thousands of families depending on tourism; further, this House urges National Government to safely open the tourism industry within a phased approached in time for the beginning of the tourism season and before jobs are lost, in addition to the service providers who are already greatly suffering. I so move. Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. Are there any objections to the motion being moved without notice?

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that at least 112 000 accommodation-sector jobs will be lost in the Western Cape by the end of the year unless the national government does more to safeguard and stimulate the tourism industry; further notes that South Africa's tourism industry contributes nearly 9% to the entire country's economy, with many thousands of families depending on tourism, with many professionals standing to lose their income and with many service providers already suffering; and urges the national government to open the tourism industry safely with a phased approach in time for the beginning of the tourism season and before jobs are lost.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### PROVINCIAL HOUSING PROJECTS IN EERSTE RIVER DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

(Motion)

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House condemns in the strongest terms the violence, vandalism, intimidation, and any destruction of property at provincial housing projects in Eerste River; that the House denounces any criminal activity which incites violence and threatens construction teams. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House condemns in the strongest terms the violence, vandalism, intimidation and any destruction of property at provincial housing projects in Eerste River; and denounces any criminal activity that incites violence and threatens construction teams.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# HOMELESS RAIN SHELTER: REMOVAL OF

(Motion)

Ms P Z LEKKER: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the heartless DA-run City of Cape Town that has removed two marquee tents that were put up by Observatory resident Terna Gyuse as a heavy rain shelter for homeless people during the present cold and wet storm, and that law enforcement was sent in to take it down. I so move, Deputy Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. That motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

Ms P Z LEKKER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the heartless DA-run City of Cape Town removed two marquee tents – taken down by law enforcement – that were put up by Observatory resident Terna Gyuse as a heavy rain shelter for homeless people during the present cold and wet stormy conditions.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# **#BLACKLIVESMATTER GLOBAL CAMPAIGN**

(Motion)

Ms P Z LEKKER: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the theme against the pandemic of racism now is called "I cannot breathe", which is added to the #BlackLivesMatter global campaign, and further notes this theme has also sprung up in the Western Cape. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

HON MEMBERS: Objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections.

An HON MEMBER: All lies.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: It will be printed on the Order Paper. Hon Lekker, would you like to do hon Bans' motion?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Just a point of order.

Ms P Z LEKKER: Thank you, Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: A point of order, Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: One minute, hon Lekker. Hon Fritz, what is your point of order?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Is it allowed for someone who is not there to do someone else's motions? I just want to check.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: She can hand it over, hon Fritz, because we do not normally know who the motions are from.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Oh. Okay, thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes. Hon Lekker, you may proceed.

Ms P Z LEKKER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the theme of the campaign against the pandemic of racism is now "I can't breathe", which has been added to the Black Lives Matter global campaign; and further notes this theme has also sprung up in the Western Cape.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# COVID-19: WESTERN CAPE: HIGHEST NUMBERS

(Motion)

Ms P Z LEKKER: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the Western Cape further increased its lead in South Africa with the highest numbers of COVID-19 infections and patients killed in the pandemic, as this province now has about 80% of the deaths as it stands on the 40 000 infections and 1 000 deaths mark this week. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms P Z LEKKER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Western Cape further increased its lead in South Africa with the highest numbers of COVID-19 infections and number of patients killed in the pandemic, as this province now has about 80% of all those residents who have died and has reached 40 000 infections and 1 000 deaths this week.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# ALCOHOL: SAFE CONSUMPTION OF

(Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House implores all residents to safely and responsibly consume alcohol; during the nationwide pandemic our hospitals and medical facilities are pushed to capacity; excessive use of alcohol too often leads to further hospitalisation and exacerbates the strain on our medical system, including the healthcare professionals; I move that all members of the House commit themselves to spreading the message of safe alcohol consumption and responsible behaviour as even more critically important during the COVID-19 pandemic. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House implores all residents to consume alcohol safely and responsibly; notes that, during the nationwide pandemic, our hospitals and medical facilities are pushed to capacity and that the excessive use of alcohol too often leads to further hospitalisation and exacerbates the strain on our medical system, including on our healthcare professionals; and requests that all Members commit themselves to spreading the message of safe alcohol consumption and responsible behaviour, something that is of even more critically importance during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# WESTERN CAPE SAFETY STRATEGY

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that the presentation by the Department of the Premier and Community Safety on the Western Cape Safety Strategy once again exposes that the R1 billion plan is still to be seen; and also notes that of the promised 3 000 Leap enforcement officers only 1 000 will be deployed; and further calls on the Western Cape to stop its obsession with a provincial police force and join hands to develop an integrated safety plan which will give back to a deliberate effort for radical economic transformation and urban redesign than just "boots on the ground". I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. It will be printed on the Order Paper. Hon Philander.

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the presentation by the Department of the Premier and the Department of Community Safety on the Western Cape Safety Strategy once again exposed that the R1 billion plan is still to be seen; further notes that only a 1 000 of the promised 3 000 additional law enforcement officers be will deployed; and calls on the Western Cape to end its obsession with its own police force and rather to join hands in the development of an integrated safety plan for radical socio-economic transformation and urban redesign, instead of just putting more "boots on the ground".

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# COVID-19: GROOTE SCHUUR TESTING AND TRIAGE CENTRE

(Motion)

Ms W F PHILANDER: Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the opening of the Groote Schuur testing and triage centre which commenced operations on 9 June 2020; dedicated areas for separate testing, screening, and triage are critical for stopping the spread of COVID-19, whilst also allowing health facilities to continue their support for all patients in the safest way possible; furthermore, that the House eagerly anticipates the additional 14 new testing and triage sites in the City of Cape Town, as well as the extra 20 in non-metro regions. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms W F PHILANDER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the opening of the Groote Schuur testing and triage centre, which commenced operations on 9 June 2020; notes that dedicated areas for separate testing, screening and triage are critical for stopping the spread of COVID-19 while allowing health facilities at the same time to continue their support for all patients in the safest way possible; and eagerly anticipates the additional 14 new testing and triage sites in the City of Cape Town, as well as the extra 20 new testing sites in non-metropolitan regions.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# SAFETY PLAN: GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the Western Cape Safety Plan has yet to deservedly make the fight against gender-based violence a priority in the province; and calls on this Provincial Government to make serious haste as more killings are recorded almost every day. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections to the motion being moved without notice?

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

That the House notes that the Western Cape Safety Plan has yet to make gender-based violence deservedly a priority in the province; and calls on this provincial government to make serious haste as more killings are recorded almost daily.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# ECD CENTRES: SAFE OPENING

#### (Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House urgently requests the National Minister of Social Development, Minister Lindiwe Zulu, to allow the safe opening of Early Childhood Development Centres in the Western Cape; both Section 28 of the Constitution of the Republic as well as the National Lockdown Regulations clearly define childcare as an essential service; furthermore, thousands of children rely on ECD Centres for nourishment and care; without this, vulnerable children are exposed to hunger, poverty and potential abuse; may we all, including Minister Zulu, make good on our promise to leave no child behind: †vangasali. [no one left behind.] I so move.

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House urgently requests the national Minister of Social Development, Lindiwe Zulu, to allow the safe opening of early childhood development centres in the Western Cape; notes that both section 28 of the Constitution of the Republic and the national lockdown regulations clearly define childcare as an essential service; further notes that thousands of children rely on early childhood development centres for nourishment and care and that vulnerable children, without this service, are exposed to hunger, poverty and potential abuse; and wishes that all of us, including Minister Zulu, make good on our promise to leave no child behind (Vangasali Campaign).

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE SIBONGISENI GABADA

(Motion of condolence)

Ms P Z LEKKER: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House commiserates with the family and friends of Sibongiseni Gabada (34) years, of Khayelitsha who was missing for two weeks before her body was discovered, stuffed into a bag, not far from where her friend stays; and calls on the investigators to leave no stone unturned in such a case. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms P Z LEKKER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commiserates with the family and friends of Sibongiseni Gabadwa (34) of Khayelitsha who had been missing for weeks before her body was discovered stuffed into a bag not far from where a friend stays; and calls on investigators to leave no stone unturned in this case.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# SAPS: SEIZURE OF ILLEGAL FIREARMS

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House commends the South African Police for its sterling work which resulted in the seizure of more than 20 illegal firearms and the arrest of more than 35 suspects in the past week and its dedicated officers who put life and limb on the line to save their communities. I so move.

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commends the South African Police Service for its sterling work that has resulted in the confiscation of more than 20 illegal firearms and the arrest of more than 35 suspects in the past week; and notes that its dedicated officers put life and limb on the line to serve their communities.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

### **COVID-19 INFECTIONS: SCHOOLS**

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Provincial Education Department has acknowledged that 66 staff members were infected by the Coronavirus in the first week since schools reopened and that it affected 32 schools. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the provincial Department of Education acknowledged that 66 staff members had been infected with the coronavirus in the first week since schools reopened, and that it has affected 32 schools.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# SAFETY PLAN: FOCUS ON CAUSATIVE FACTORS OF CRIME

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the good work of SAPS could be augmented by the better execution of the Premier's Safety Plan; calls for the focus of the Safety Plan to be shifted to address the causative factors of crime in the province and not just training and deploying the so-called "boots on the ground". I so move.

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the good work of the SAPS could be augmented by the better execution of the Premier's Safety Plan; and calls for the focus of the Safety Plan to be shifted from just training and deploying "boots on the ground" to addressing the causative factors of crime in the province.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

### **COVID-19: FAIRMONT HIGH SCHOOL**

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Fairmont High School in Durbanville is today yet again undergoing decontamination for COVID-19 as a third teacher has been diagnosed with the Coronavirus since the school reopened last week, with a further 6 learners subsequently diagnosed and that the House wishes all a speedy and full recovery. I thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Fairmont High School in Durbanville is today again undergoing decontamination for COVID-19 as a third teacher has been diagnosed with the virus since the school reopened last week, with a further six learners subsequently being diagnosed; and wishes all a speedy and full recovery.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# **BLOEKOMBOS HIGH SCHOOL: VANDALISM**

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the Bloekombos High School in Kraaifontein has last night been vandalised by criminals; further notes that this is one of the schools which is regularly plundered as the fence is not up to scratch and calls on the Education Department to act swiftly in updating the safety of poor schools and not to ignore, please, to assist. I thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Objection.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Bloekombos High School in Kraaifontein has been vandalised by criminals last night; further notes that this is one of the schools that is regularly plundered as the fence is not up to scratch; and calls on the WCED to act swiftly to update the safety of poor schools and not to ignore pleas for assistance.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### LATE CHARLES MALGAS, LATE SIVE MAYA, LATE MS MKHALALI AND LATE ZOLA MTWISHA

(Motion of condolence)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes Mr Charles Malgas of Masiyile High, Ms Sive Maya of Inkanini Primary, Ms Mkhalali of Manyano High and Zola Mtwisha at Chumisa Primary all succumbed to COVID-19 over the weekend as this virus spreads like wild fire; and that we express our condolences to the family and friends of these staff members during this trying time. I thank you.

#### [Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Mr Charles Malgas of the Masiyile High School, Ms Sive Maya of the Inkanini Primary School, Ms Mkhalali of the Manyano High School and Zola Mtwisha of the Chumisa Primary School all succumbed to COVID-19 over the weekend as the virus spread like wild fire; and consoles the families and friends of these staff members in this difficult time.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## LATE CONSTABLE ASANDA SIYOKI

(Motion of condolence)

Ms P Z LEKKER: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House sends condolences to the family and friends of Nyanga police officer, constable Asanda Siyoki, who was shot and killed in the line of duty this week. May her soul rest in peace.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms P Z LEKKER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House sends condolences to the family and friends of Constable Siyoki, a Nyanga police officer, who was shot and killed in the line of duty this week. May her soul rest in peace.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

### **COVID-19: DECONTAMINATION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS**

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes concerns by staff and parents that school buildings are merely disinfected and not put under quarantine or lockdown with COVID-19 outbreaks; also notes that staff feel pressurised to immediately go to work there in the same buildings, even before they are properly cleaned like at various schools in the province such as those in Philippi... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC):

There is one particular school in Philippi, Intsebenziswano High where four teachers and two cleaners tested positive and Vuyiseka High School in Philippi East and calls on the WCED to assist people to understand the process better. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections to the motion being moved without notice?

HON MEMBERS: Yes!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the concern expressed by staff and parents about school buildings that are merely disinfected and not put under quarantine or lockdown after COVID-19 outbreaks; further notes that staff feel pressurised to go back to work immediately in the same buildings even before they have been properly cleaned, as at the Intsebenziswano Secondary School in Philippi where four teachers and two cleaners tested positive and at the Vuyiseka Secondary School in Philippi East; and calls on the WCED to assist people to understand the process better.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE SCHOOLS SPEAKING OUT

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): I move without notice:

That the House lauds learners of former Model C schools like Rustenburg High School and Milnerton High School and private schools like Bishops, for speaking out against racism and gender-based violence in Cape Town Schools; and in some instances even implicating principals and school governing bodies as perpetrators; calls for the House to commission an urgent inquiry into racism and gender-based violence in the province's schools to ensure accountability and consequences for perpetrators; the WCED and in particular the Education MEC, the hon Debbie Schäfer for their complicity in this regard. I thank you. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections to the motion [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Objection.

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House lauds learners at former model C schools, such as Rustenburg and Milnerton, as well as at private schools, such as Bishops, for coming out against racism; and calls on the WCED not to allow any school to operate like an island.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# LATE FAIZEL ADAM

#### (Motion of condolence)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes a Florida High School teacher in Ravensmead, Mr Faizel Adam, has lost his life due to COVID-19 and that we express condolences to the family and the school as well, which lost its second teacher to this pandemic. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Mr Faizel Adam, a teacher at the Florida High School in Ravensmead, lost his month-long battle with COVID-19; and send condolences to his family and the school, which has now lost its second teacher to the pandemic.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LULEKA PRIMARY SCHOOL: CLOSURE DUE TO COVID-19

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the governing body of Lukela Primary School in Khayelitsha closed the school as key components of the health and safety regulations for reopening were not ensured by the Department; notes that the ANC has long been warning of the failure to fix broken fences, not only placing our schools in poor communities at the mercy of criminals, but now during COVID-19 it compromises the attempts to do proper screening and control of those who enter schools and calls on WCED to without delay fix the broken fences at all schools at risk. I so move.

HON MEMBERS: Objection.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the School Governing Body of the Lukela Primary School closed the school as key components of the health and safety regulations for reopening were not ensured by the WCED; further notes that the ANC has long been warning of the failure to fix broken fences, because it not only places our schools in poor communities at the mercy of criminals, but now during COVID-19 it also compromises attempts to do proper screening and to control those who enter schools; and calls on the WCED to fix the broken fences at all schools at risk without delay.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

Ms P Z LEKKER: Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes, hon Lekker.

Ms P Z LEKKER: Deputy Speaker ...[Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I hear you [Interjection.]

Ms P Z LEKKER: I have drawn your attention to the fact that earlier I have written on behalf of member Bans that I will be delivering a motion.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes.

Ms P Z LEKKER: I am not sure, because you did not give me an opportunity ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Oh, the second one?

Ms P Z LEKKER: Yes, Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay. You may do the second one, hon Lekker.

Ms P Z LEKKER. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Just give me a second. I am trying to look for it now. My apologies for the inconvenience.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No problem.

An HON MEMBER: Deputy Speaker, objection in advance.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Lekker, did you find it?

Ms P Z LEKKER: I am on it now. Give me one more second.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay.

#### DEPLOYMENT OF MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS FROM GAUTENGTO ASSIST THE WESTERN CAPE

#### (Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the deployment of nurses and medical care professionals from Gauteng to assist the people of the Western Cape during the COVID-19 disaster. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the deployment of nurses and medical care professionals from Gauteng to assist the people of the Western Cape during the COVID-19 disaster.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members, that concludes Motions without Notice. That also concludes the business of the day. The House is adjourned, and the Secretary will now end the meeting.

The House adjourned at 16:56

ANNOUNCEMENTS TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

FRIDAY, 12 JUNE 2020

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of bill to committee in accordance with Rule 217:

#### Standing Committee on Social Development

Social Assistance Amendment Bill [B 8B-2018] (NCOP) (Section 76 Bill).

FRIDAY, 19 JUNE 2020

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of document to committee in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

#### Parliamentary Oversight Committee

**Western Cape Provincial Parliament** – Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 31 May 2020.

#### TABLINGS

#### The Speaker:

1. Tabling of document in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

**Western Cape Provincial Parliament** – Monthly financial statements (Inyear Monitoring Report) for the period ended 31 May 2020.

#### 2. Letter: Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities

In compliance with section 147(1)(b) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003) (MFMA), for the Kannaland Municipality.

- (a) Latest progress report (Annexure A) on the implementation of the Financial Recovery Plan (FRP).
- (b) Progress reports for the periods June to September 2019 (Annexure B) and October to December 2019 (Annexure C). The completion of these reports were delayed due to the turnover of the personnel supporting the intervention at the Municipality, a matter which has now been resolved.

THURSDAY, 25 JUNE 2020

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

#### Assent of bill by the Premier

Western Cape Appropriation Act, 2020 (Act 2 of 2020), assented to and signed by the Premier on 24 June 2020.

#### FRIDAY, 26 JUNE 2020

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker:

1. Referral of document in terms of section 17(2)(c) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009) (FMPPLA): The Executive Authority must table in Parliament, for referral to the oversight mechanism, the draft adjustments budget at least one month before the adjustments budget must be submitted to the National Treasury.

### Parliamentary Oversight Committee

Submission of the first draft adjustments budget for 2020/21.

2. Referral of bill to committee in accordance with Standing Rule 217:

Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport

Recognition of Customary Marriages Amendment Bill [B 12–2019], NCOP-proposed (section 76).

### TABLINGS

#### The Speaker:

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Submission of the first draft adjustments budget for 2020/21.

2. Report of the Public Service Commission

Report on the unannounced inspections of schools in the Western Cape regarding compliance with health and safety regulations for mitigating the impact of COVID-19.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Annual Report of the Standing Committee on Local Government for the 2019/20 financial year, dated 1 May 2020, as follows:

#### Members

The Committee comprised of the following members:

America, D (DA) (Chairperson) Makamba-Botya, N (EFF) Maseko, LM (DA) Smith, D (ANC) Van der Westhuizen, AP (DA)

#### Alternate members

Allen, RI (DA) Marran, P (ANC) Mitchell, DG (DA) Lili, A (ANC) Schäfer, BA (DA) Xego, M (EFF)

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The mandate of the Committee is to:
- 1.1.1 Maintain oversight over the executive member and his Department, including the implementation of legislation, and to hold them accountable to the Western Cape Provincial Parliament;
- 1.1.2 Consider and report on legislation, other matters and annual reports referred to it by the Speaker;
- 1.1.3 Evaluate the performance of municipalities and municipal entities in the province through the review of:
- 1.1.4 The annual reports submitted to the Provincial Parliament in terms of section 132(1) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003);
- 1.1.5 The oversight reports adopted by the respective municipal councils on those annual reports;
- 1.1.6 Any reports issued by the Auditor-General on the affairs of any municipality in the province;
- 1.1.7 The consolidated statements on the state of municipalities' budgets referred to in section 71(7) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003; and
- 1.1.8 Any other report or statement concerning the affairs of a municipality referred to the committee by the House.
- 1.2. In fulfilment of its mandate the Committee:
- 1.2.1 facilitated public participation and involvement in the legislative and other processes of the Committee;
- 1.2.2 conducted its business in a fair, open and transparent manner;
- 1.2.3 promoted cooperative governance; and
- 1.2.4 reported regularly to the House.

#### 2. **Reporting department**

Department of Local Government

#### 3. **Overview of Committee's activities**

- 3.1 Number of committee meetings 9 2
- 3.2 Number of oversight visits
- 3.3 Number of provincial bills considered 2 3
- 3.5 Number of public hearings

#### 4. **Oversight activities**

Being an election year the Committee conducted only one meeting during the first quarter. At its first meeting the Committee elected a chairperson in accordance with Standing Rule 82 (1).

The Standing Committee on Local Government's second meeting was a briefing by the Department on its 2019/20 Annual Performance Plan, organisational structure, mission, vision and core functions, key programmes and envisaged legislation. The briefing provided the members with an overview of the operations and core functions of the Department as well as a better understanding of the various programmes in the Department.

The Committee conducted four meetings during the third quarter. The Committee was briefed by the Auditor-General on the 2017/2018 Audit Outcomes of Municipalities in the Western Cape which was followed by a discussion with the Department of Local Government and Provincial Treasury on corrective measures at underperforming municipalities. The Committee also received the Department's 1st Quarterly Performance Report for April 2019 - June 2019. The Committee also deliberated on the Department of Local Government's Annual Report for the 2018/2019 financial year. The Committee further deliberated on Vote 14: Local Government, in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6-2019] after which the Committee adopted its Report on the Schedule to the Bill.

During the fourth quarter the Committee conducted an oversight visit to Westridge Gardens and Lentegeur PTI (Informal Trading Area) and deliberated on Vote 14: Local Government, in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 3-2020]. The Committee supported the Vote and the report was adopted. The Standing Committee on Local Government was part of the Cluster B oversight visit to the Central Karoo and Garden Route Regions on the impact of the drought in these Regions. The Cluster visit took place from 2 – 6 February 2020.

#### 5. Legislation

In the 2019/20 financial year, the Committee dealt with the following legislation:

## 5.1 Provincial bills

- 5.1.1 Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6–2019]: Vote 14
- 5.1.2 Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 3–2020]: Vote 14

# 6. Financial particulars

At the close of the 2019/20 financial year, expenditure attributed to the activities of the Committee accumulated to R 97 500.

# 2. Annual Report of the Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works for the 2019/20 financial year, dated 1 May 2020, as follows:

# Members

The Committee comprised of the following members:

Mitchell, DG (DA) Chairperson America, D (DA) Herron, BN (GOOD) Mvimbi, LL (ANC) Van der Westhuizen, AP (DA)

### Alternate Members

Baartman, DM (DA) Dugmore, CM (ANC) Nkondlo, ND (ANC) Maseko, LM (DA) Schäfer, BA (DA)

# 1. Introduction

# **1.1** The mandate of the Committee is to:

- 1.1.1 Maintain oversight over the Executive member and his Department and its Entity, including the implementation of legislation and to hold them accountable to the Western Cape Provincial Parliament; and
- 1.1.2 Consider and report on legislation, other matters and Annual Reports referred to it by the Speaker.

# **1.2** In fulfillment of its mandate the Committee:

- 1.2.1 Facilitated public participation and involvement in the legislative and other processes of the Committee;
- 1.2.2 Conducted its business in a fair, open and transparent manner;
- 1.2.3 Promoted co-operative governance; and.
- 1.2.4 Reported regularly to the House.

#### 2. **Reporting department**

Department of Transport and Public Works.

#### 3. **Reporting entity**

Government Motor Transport

#### 4. **Overview of Committee's activities**

- 4.1 8 Number of committee meetings 2
- 4.2 Number of oversight visits
- 2 4.3 Number of provincial bills considered 3
- 4.5 Number of public hearings

#### 5. **Oversight activities**

- 5.1 Being an election year the Committee conducted only one meeting during the first quarter. At its first meeting the Committee elected a chairperson in accordance with Standing Rule 82 (1).
- 5.2 The Standing Committee on Transport and Public Work's second meeting was a briefing by the Department on its 2019/20 Annual Performance Plan, organisational structure, mission, vision and core functions, key programmes and envisaged legislation. The briefing provided the members with an overview of the operations and core functions of the Department as well as a better understanding of the various programmes in the Department. During the Committee's meeting on 30 July 2019 at the Gene Louw Traffic College at Brackenfell the Committee was briefed on the Department's Road Safety Strategy and Public Transport Hub for the Western Cape. The Department also provided a demonstration of the in-vehicle technology that will assist Traffic Officers executing their duties. The Committee also received a briefing by the Department on the Provincial Property Committee's Annual Report for 2018 and the Premier's Annual Report for 2018 relating to provincial state land.
- 5.3 During the second quarter the Committee deliberated on the Annual Reports of the Department of Transport and Public Works and Government Motor Transport for the 2018/2019 financial year. The Committee further deliberated on Vote 10: Transport and Public Works, in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6-2019] after which the Committee adopted its Report on the Schedule to the Bill.
- During the fourth quarter the Standing Committee on Transport 5.4 and Public Works was part of the Cluster B oversight visit to the Central Karoo and Garden Route Regions on the impact of the drought in these Regions. The Committee also conducted an oversight visit to Mitchells Plain Train Station where the Committee met with Mr R Maseko, Acting Chief Executive Officer of Prasa and deliberated on Vote 10: Transport and Public Works, in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 3-2020]. The Committee supported the Vote and the report was adopted.

## 6. Legislation

In the 2019/20 financial year, the Committee dealt with the following legislation:

## 6.1 Provincial bills

- 6.1.1 Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6–2019]: Vote 10
- 6.1.2 Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 3–2020]: Vote 10

# 7. Financial particulars

At the close of the 2019/20 financial year, expenditure attributed to the activities of the Committee accumulated to R 46 757.

3. Report of the Standing Committee on Local Government on its oversight visit to Westridge Gardens and the Lentegeur Public Transport Interface (PTI) (Informal Trading Area) on Tuesday 18 February 2020 as follows:

### Delegation

The delegation consisted of the following Members:

America, D (Chairperson) (DA) Maseko, LM (DA) Van der Westhuizen, AP (DA)

Apologies were received from Members Makamba-Botya, N (EFF) and Smith, D (ANC).

# 1. Introduction

The Standing Committee on Local Government embarked on an oversight visit to Westridge Gardens and the Lentegeur Public Transfer Interface (PTI) (Informal Trading Area) on 18 February 2020. Mr R Williams, the Head of Recreation and Parks, briefed the delegation on the history of Westridge Gardens and accompanied it on a tour of the gardens.

At the Lentegeur PTI (Informal Trading Area), the delegation was briefed by Councillor E Jansen and Mr S Ngondo from the City of Cape Town's Department of Economic Development, after which it undertook a tour of the newly developed Public Transport Interface.

# 2. Westridge Gardens

# 2.1 Overview of the visit

Westridge Gardens is situated in the residential part of Mitchells Plain and features a variety of significant botanical flora, including indigenous Cape Fynbos. There are also pathways for walks and enough grassy areas for picnics and for the taking of wedding photographs. A skateboard ramp situated in the park attracts the younger section of the population. Community concerts and festive programmes are held here annually, which include the popular summertime Concerts in the Park and the Mitchells Plain Festival.

# 2.2. Findings and observations

At the official opening of the Rose Garden on 19 April 2011, a member of the Executive Mayoral Committee stated that Westridge Gardens was a model for the transformation of a public park and that the beautiful, peaceful, well-kept and well-utilised gardens could be regarded as the benchmark for future park improvement projects.

Westridge Gardens has been undergoing continuous changes over the last few years and has received funding from the Urban Renewal Fund and from ward allocations in Ward 78. Part of this funding was used for the establishment of a rose garden, which is now in full bloom.

The public open space at Westridge Gardens can be hired for events and small functions and it is frequently used for weddings and children's parties. Westridge Gardens offers the following:

### Features

- Variety of flora, including Cape Fynbos
- An indigenous dune
- A rose garden
- Water feature

# **Facilities**

- Play equipment that includes facilities for children with physical disabilities
- Skateboard ramp and park
- Grassed area
- Public toilets
- Benches
- Footpaths/tracks
- Cycling allowed
- Dogs on leashes allowed
- Parking
- Fenced-off/enclosed area

One of the main events hosted at the gardens is the DStv–Michells Plain Festival featuring more than 60 local artists, entertainers and DJs spread across two stages. More than 40 000 people attend the event and there are a variety of food, fashion, electronics and gadget stands. A massive military display featuring the SANDF is one of the highlights. All funds that are generated through these events are paid over to Recreation and Parks at the City of Cape Town. Security at the gardens is one of the main challenges and, even though there is 24-hour security, the gardens often fall victim to vandalism. Proper high-mast floodlight systems would assist security guards during their night patrols.

All maintenance is budgeted for by Recreation and Parks and the Ward Committee. Boreholes and water tanks are used to irrigate the garden.

# 2.3. Acknowledgements

The Standing Committee wishes to commend the City of Cape Town and in particular all councillors, ward councillors and officials involved with Westridge Gardens and notes the positive impact that the gardens has had on the community.

# 3. Lentegeur Public Transport Interface (PTI) (Informal Trading Areas)

# 3.1 Overview of the visit

In light of the above, the Standing Committee visited the Lentegeur Public Transfer Interface (PTI) (Informal Trading Area) in Mitchells Plain and met with councillors and officials from the City of Cape Town.

# 3.2. Findings and observations

The Lentegeur PTI is situated near the Lentegeur Station and it initially started as an informal trading area without any formal licensing or control. When the City decided to construct the public transport interface there was a public participation process that included existing shop owners, informal traders and stakeholders. There are currently 177 trading bays, which were approved and there are about 200 traders.

The main aim of the project was to formalise the informal trading. An Area Coordinating Team was also established as part of the PTI, which is responsible for the coordination of the Lentegeur Business Hub area.

The Area Coordinating Team meets monthly and is chaired by Cllr Elton Jansen. The Area Coordinating Team provides a platform where informal traders can raise their concerns.

Some of the main challenges are vandalism and the safety of the traders as well as the community. The area is used by vagrants to sleep in and that creates an unsafe environment but this has not yet been addressed. The Area Coordinating Team plays an important role in creating synergy between the South African Police Service in Lentegeur, City Law Enforcement and local security to ensure a safe environment for all.

Informal traders are often asked by drug dealers to keep illegal substances with the promise to be rewarded later, and that contributes to the stigma attached to informal traders.

It was highlighted that traders follow customers (feet). Informal traders are prepared to trade in areas that are not serviced because that is where the most pedestrians are. Traders will move from an area because there is no public transport to an area where either the taxis or busses operate from. That is why it is important to consult with informal traders and to get their input on the developing of trading areas.

The City uses a system called the Informal Trading Permit System (ITPS), which is information-technology-driven and which requires very little human interaction. When a person applies for a permit, it is all captured on the system and the system will determine who gets a licence based on the captured information. It also assists the City to build a database of all the traders. The concern is that the information is not regularly updated and not everybody has access to technology and emails.

The Committee proceeded with the site visit to the newly constructed trading areas and interacted with some of the traders.

### 3.3. Acknowledgements

The Standing Committee wishes to commend the City of Cape Town and in particular all councillors, ward councillors and officials involved with the Lentegeur PTI and notes the positive impact it has had on the informal traders and the community at large.

4. Report of the Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works on its oversight visit to the Mitchells Plain Train Station on Wednesday 19 February 2020 as follows:

#### Delegation

The delegation consisted of the following Members:

America, D (DA) Mitchell, D (Chairperson) (DA) Van der Westhuizen, AP (DA)

Apologies were received from Members Herron, B (GOOD) and Mvimbi, L (ANC).

#### 1. Overview of the visit

The Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works conducted an oversight visit to the Mitchells Plain Train Station (MPTS) on Wednesday 19 February 2020. During the visit a meeting was held with Mr R Maseko, the Acting CEO of Prasa Western Cape. The purpose of the visit and the meeting was to observe what was happening at the MPTS, what the infrastructure damages were, to discuss the way forward and the plans Prasa had to turn the situation around. The visit to MPTS was followed by a visit to the Mitchells Plain Transport Hub to see the impact of the lack of rail transport on the taxi and bus transport services and on the community of Mitchells Plain.

### 2. Findings and observations

Mr Maseko highlighted that the central line has not been operational since 3 November 2019 due to continued vandalism. The rail network is a system and Mitchells Plain, Kapteinsklip and Lentegeur are unfortunately at the lower end of the rail network and the community of Mitchells Plain is therefore affected by the damages that occur at the upper-end of the rail network. All the overhead cables, which supply power to the trains between the Bonteheuwel and Philippi stations, have been stolen. The stations that are affected are Netreg, Heideveld, Nyanga, Philippi, Lentegeur, Mitchells Plain and Kapteinsklip.

Prasa had two major programmes to improve the Metro Train Service before the service was suspended in November 2019. The first was the re-signalling programme, which would have ensured better control for trains to move at higher speeds. The second was to provide newer trains that were suitable to operate on these lines. The trains that Prasa currently have were designed in the United Kingdom in 1957.

Prasa had discussions with various stakeholders and the community at large regarding possible solutions to the problems. The two major solutions were to secure the rail reserve by building a wall to limit movement within the rail reserve and the rebuilding of the rail network from Bonteheuwel to Philippi.

Currently Prasa is busy with the procurement process for the building of the wall and the procurement process will be completed by April 2020, and it would also include the rail reserve between Cape Town and Woodstock. The height of the wall will be approximately 3,6 metres, of which 0,6 metres would be under the ground to prevent tunnelling.

The wall has been tested at the Nyanga station and Prasa envisages to have the central line back in limited operation by no later than September 2020.

Mr Maseko further highlighted that a major challenge has been the protection services and security contracts, and Prasa was in the process of establishing a more formalised security contract. When the security contract was cancelled, Prasa was left very vulnerable and that was when the vandalism increased.

It was also highlighted that Prasa has been extremely unstable at the top and this has had a negative impact on its operations and responsibilities.

The Committee expressed its concern at the lack of action by Prasa when the vandalism started. The fact that there was no electricity on the central line made it easy for criminals to steal cables. The Committee was informed that a dedicated prosecutor has been allocated by the National Prosecuting Authority to Prasa to attend to cases relating to cable theft and Prasa-related matters.

Cables are clearly marked with Prasa stamps but once the cables are melted the stamps cannot be identified.

The Committee proceeded with the site visit to the Mitchells Plain Transport Hub.

### 3. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED that it would invite Prasa and the Administrator of Prasa to brief the Committee regularly on its recovery plan and turnaround strategy.

### 4. Acknowledgements

The Standing Committee wishes to thank Mr Maseko, Acting Chief Executive Officer: Prasa, for the briefing on the current situation at the Mitchells Plain Train Station and the envisaged corrective measures. The Committee also welcomed his willingness to meet with the Standing Committee at future dates.

#### 5. REPORT OF THE SOCIAL CLUSTER VISIT WEEK 11 TO 14 FEBRUARY 2020

#### 1. Introduction

The Social Cluster Visit Week is a key mechanism established by the Western Cape Provincial Parliament to achieve its constitutional oversight mandate in the province. It is intended to ensure that Members of the Provincial Parliament, through its standing committees, continuously keep abreast of developments and delivery issues in the province.

It also affords the opportunity to undertake oversight visits and to interact with communities in order to get first-hand information on the needs and challenges that are confronting people. The delegation also visited projects that are implemented by various government departments in the province. The Social Cluster Visit Week afforded the Social Cluster's standing committees the opportunity to visit the West Coast area. The following standing committees were part of the Social Cluster Visit Week:

Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport;

Standing Committee on Education;

Standing Committee on Health;

Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters; and Standing Committee on Social Development.

# 2. The delegation

The delegation of the Social Cluster Visit Week included the following Members:

Mackenzie, RD (DA) (Leader of the delegation) Allen, RI (DA) BakuBaku-Vos, NG (ANC) Bans, AP (ANC) Bosman, G (DA) Botha, LJ (DA) Christians, FC (ACDP) Kama, M (ANC) Philander, WF (DA) Sayed, MK (ANC) Windvogel, R (ANC)

# 3. Oversight visit to the Riebeeck Valley Special Needs School in Riebeeck West on Tuesday 11 February 2020

The delegation was welcomed by:

Mr A Arendse, Head of Inclusive and Specialised Learner and Educator Support (ISLES);

Mr J Benjamin, District Director for the Cape Winelands Western Cape Education Department (WCED) District Office;

Mr J Petersen, Principal of the Riebeeck Valley Special Needs School;

Mr JC van Wyk, Service Manager at the Education District Office on the West Coast;

Mr NV Garka, Circuit Manager for the area;

Mr R Manuel, Provincial Programme Manager of the Riebeeck Valley Special Needs School;

Mr R Rickett, Deputy Principal of the Riebeeck Valley Special Needs School;

Ms F Samson, Chairperson of the School Governing Body (SGB); and Ms Rossouw, Counsellor at the school.

The Chairperson opened proceedings and allowed for brief introductions.

# 3.1 Salient points pertaining to the Riebeeck Valley Special Needs School

- 3.1.1 The motto of the Riebeeck Valley Special Needs School (the School) is "If a child cannot learn the way you teach, maybe you should teach the way they learn: Ignacio Estrada".
- 3.1.2 The School's vision is to become "a special school of excellence". The mission is to allow each learner to discover and develop skills at their highest possible level to enable them to become responsible citizens who can make a meaningful economic contribution to society.

- 3.1.3 The School was registered as a section 21 school, which means it manages its own finances.
- 3.1.4 The school complement consists of 358 learners and 54 staff members (including 23 staff teachers). Currently, there are 25 learners from farm schools admitted for the year.
- 3.1.5 The School has in-migration learners from various areas. The School also accommodates referrals from different circuits, across districts and provinces, and transfers from other schools.
- 3.1.6 The teacher–learner ratio is 1:35. There are mild to moderate intellectually challenged learners and severely intellectually disabled learners.
- 3.1.7 The School Admission Management Information (SAMI) system is designed for learners between the ages of 14 to 18. The School has implemented training sessions since 25 February 2020 to teach learners to utilise the SAMI system.
- 3.1.8 The School provides support to high-needs learners in line with the Department of Education's policy "Education White Paper 6: Special Needs Education", which promotes building an inclusive education and training system for all learners. Learners who apply as "high-needs learners" must submit an application that is processed by district psychologists and sifting panels headed by the Provincial Coordinator. However, final approval is given by the Provincial Director for Special Education Support.
- 3.1.9 The School's nutrition programme includes five meals per day: Breakfast is served at 07:00, all learners receive sandwiches at 10:00 and all learners are served lunch at 14:00. Learners who live in the hostel are given dinner at 17:15 and then a sandwich and a beverage at 19:30. This is supplemented by in-season vegetables from the mixed farming and feeding scheme garden.
- 3.1.10 The School does not have a budget for learner transport. The School is responsible for the maintenance of its fleet and the drivers receive a stipend, which is covered by contributions made by parents. Transport is provided to learners who live within a 100 kilometre radius of the School.
- 3.1.11 The After-School Game Changer programme includes sporting codes such as rugby, soccer, netball, swimming classes presented by the National Sea Rescue Institute, cricket, table tennis and drama.
- 3.1.12 The School has three hostels, which can accommodate 250 learners.
- 3.1.13 In terms of the School Safety Plan, the SGB was in negotiations with a new armed response unit to assist the School. The Safer Schools Programme provides the School with security during the school holidays. School perimeters are closed off as part of a school project and a skills development initiative by its welding department.

## 3.2 Key achievements

- 3.2.1 The School received the Premier's award for the bestimplemented programme or project in 2015 and the School won the Provincial Secondary School leadership category in 2018.
- 3.2.2 In terms of sport, the School represents Boland, the Western Cape and National Athletes in different sporting codes every year. The School has also hosted the National Cross Country Championship for under 16s and under 18s.
- 3.2.3 The School won the National Feeding Scheme Garden Completion in Category A in 2012, 2013 and 2019.
- 3.2.4 In 2019, the School achieved 100 per cent in terms of placement of final-year learners either to jobs and/or Further Education and Training (FET) colleges.
- 3.2.5 The School continues to partner with the private sector and educational institutions for experimental learning programmes and/or placements of learners.
- 3.2.6 Four years ago, a company called Lidenberg Racing approached the Headmaster of the School to offer a learner, Mr Ruben Adonis, the opportunity to be an intern at the company. After a year, the company offered Mr Adonis a full-time job. Currently, another learner has also been offered a six-month internship at the same company.

### 3.3 Challenges reported by the School

- 3.3.1 The School does not have the funds to maintain and/or replace old vehicles. Additionally, the School receives many referrals of learners from farm schools, which create transport challenges in terms of access to farms, and more specifically, inaccessible roads to farms. Parent involvement in trying to resolve this matter is practically non-existent for various reasons. However, if learners utilise the hostel, transport challenges are alleviated.
- 3.3.2 The School's infrastructure is more than 150 years old and needs urgent repair, specifically in terms of plumbing, new roofing of the hostel buildings and electrical rewiring.
- 3.3.3 The School has applied to the Municipality to close the road between the School's different premises. This is an urgent matter to safeguard learners as the road has created the opportunity for criminals to access the school building. However, the School has not received a response to this request.
- 3.3.4 The School has also requested relief from the Municipality regarding its monthly bills from Eskom, which averages at R180 000 per month. So far, the request has not been approved.
- 3.3.5 Medical care for learners in the hostel is non-existent.
- 3.3.6 In terms of the hostels, the following needs urgent attention:
  - 3.3.6.1 fixing of rooms and ceilings;
  - 3.3.6.2 plumbing and electrical work (listed for 2021 on the list of the Department of Public Works);
  - 3.3.6.3 resurfacing of the road to the girls' hostel; and
  - 3.3.6.4 inadequate ablution facilities for the girls' hostel.

#### 3.4 **Resolutions and actions**

#### 3.4.1 The delegation resolved that:

- 3.4.1.1 The delegation studied the recommendations that were made by the Social Cluster in its Visit Week reports from the Fourth and Fifth Parliaments' visits to the West Coast.
- 3.4.1.2 The WCED should brief the Standing Committee on Education on the special needs schools in the province.
- 3.4.1.3 The Standing Committee on Education to conduct an oversight visit to Graafwater High School to inspect the school and see how this benefits the neighbouring communities once it has been converted to a school of skills as proposed by WCED West Coast District.
- 3.4.2 The delegation **recommended** that the WCED, together with the West Coast District Office, should encourage the Riebeeck Valley Special Needs School to engage with other special needs schools to replicate the strategies utilised by other schools when seeking funds from companies and industries.

#### 3.4.3 The delegation REQUESTED the following information:

- 3.4.3.1 A breakdown of the number (provided in percentages) of learners who enrolled in 2015, the number of learners who passed in 2019 and the number of learners who dropped out of the School. This breakdown should apply to levels 1 to 4.
- 3.4.3.2 A breakdown of the number of learners who completed level 4 and who have been absorbed into the workforce over the past three years, as well as the number of learners who enrolled at FET colleges.
- 3.4.3.3 A report detailing what the WCED is doing to credit or assess the courses at special needs schools or schools of skills.
- 3.4.3.4 A brief report detailing whether the two teachers mentioned by the Principal of the School, who have been approached to teach learners at the School, are registered and whether they have been assessed by the WCED.
- 3.4.3.5 A breakdown of the 54 staff complement, indicating the number of WCED posts and School Governing Body posts.

#### 4. Oversight visit to the Radie Kotze Hospital on Tuesday 11 February 2020

The Social Cluster delegation visited the Radie Kotze Hospital (the Hospital) in Piketberg, a district hospital in the Malmesbury health district of the West Coast region. Dr Harwkridge, Regional Manager, and other departmental officials welcomed the delegation.

# 4.1 Salient points pertaining to the Radie Kotze Hospital.

- 4.1.1 The Radie Kotze Hospital, a district hospital, is a level 1 hospital that renders a full package of level 1 care-related services. The Hospital is a 45-bed hospital. Currently it has a total of 31 beds that consist of 7 beds for surgical, 8 beds for paediatric, 2 beds for maternity and 14 medical beds.
- 4.1.2 During the 2019/20 financial year, the average length of stay of patients was 3.0 days, while there was a 72% emergency centre intake. The bed-utilisation rate of the Hospital was 98%.
- 4.1.3 The delegation was informed that HIV and Aids, tuberculosis and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) were relatively high and these diseases were the leading causes of premature mortalities in the West Coast Sub- district. In addition, assault with a sharp object and transport motor vehicle accidents were also reported as leading causes of mortalities in the district.
- 4.1.4 The current budget expenditure of the Hospital is R19, 815m, with a deficit of R2m a month during the 2019/20 financial year.
- 4.1.5 The Hospital reported that it recorded a total headcount of 3 894 for the Outpatient Department (OPD), a headcount of 10 524 for the emergency centre, 209 deliveries in the facility, and 543 operations for tonsils, endoscopies, and colposcopies were also performed at the facility during the 2018/19 financial year.
- 4.1.6 The delegation was informed that, in 2017, after the fire that destroyed 70% of the Swartland Hospital, the Radie Kotze Hospital had to take on a significant extra load, including violent psychiatric patients for seclusion and 72-hour observation.
- 4.1.7 The Hospital also admits referrals from the Moorreesburg Primary Healthcare Centre.
- 4.1.8 The Hospital further reported that there are no child morbidity and mortality cases for children under 5 since 2016 and no current maternal deaths in the current financial year.

# 4.2 Challenges relating to the Radie Kotze Hospital

- 4.2.1 The hospital has a shortage of staff and this has led to staff burnout, low staff morale and under resourcing.
- 4.2.2 The Hospital could not obtain locum support staff due to budget constraints
- 4.2.3 There is a lack of senior on-site supervisors for medical, nursing and corporate staff.
- 4.2.3 The Hospital operates for 24 hours a day, but there are no administrative staff members on duty during the night shift.
- 4.2.4 Staff attitude and customer service were reported as major challenges at the Hospital. The delegation was informed that community members were not happy with the treatment they received from staff members. Unfortunately, members of the public were not able to lodge their grievances in writing.
- 4.2.5 The aging workforce was also highlighted as a challenge as senior experienced staff members were retiring.

- 4.2.6 The waiting area at the Emergency Centre has only one sister and one staff nurse, and one doctor on call.
- 4.2.7 There is an increase in mental health patients from the surrounding communities due to substance abuse.
- 4.2.8 The aging infrastructure was reported as a major challenge and the facility needs to be upgraded. Furthermore, there are no ventilators and air-conditioners in the seclusion room.
- 4.2.9 The driving distance to referral hospitals in Paarl or Cape Town is 150 km.
- 4.2.10 X-rays are only done five days a week, from Monday to Friday. On weekends the office is closed and emergency patients are referred to Paarl.
- 4.2.11 There is a high rate of TB treatment defaulters that can be ascribed to migration. Due to the seasonal nature of farm work, it makes it difficult for the Department of Health to trace farm workers for treatment.
- 4.2.12 Security was also reported as a challenge at the Hospital.

# 4.3 **Resolutions and actions**

#### 4.3.1 The delegation **RECOMMENDED** that:

- 4.3.1.1 The Hospital must consider putting a complaints and compliments box in a place that is easily accessible to patients and the public.
- 4.3.1.2 The Hospital must activate a complaints hotline and the details must be put on notice boards to allow patients who cannot write to call and lodge their grievances.

#### 4.3.2 Information requested

- The delegation requested the following information from the Department of Health:
  - 4.3.2.1 A staffing plan for the West Coast Region.
  - 4.3.2.2 Detailed information on the vacancy rate of the Hospital.
  - 4.3.2.3 Detailed information on a strategy in place to deal with staff and patient satisfaction at the Hospital.
  - 4.3.2.4 A breakdown of the cost of the damage caused by mental patients in the past three years.
  - 4.3.2.5 A detailed report on the number of complaints that were lodged and resolved during the 2019/20 financial year.
  - 4.3.2.6 The total cost of the security company contract for the Radie Kotze District Hospital, the number of security officers on duty per shift and how the ratio of security on duty is determined.
- 5. Oversight visit to the West Coast Regional Office of the Department of Social Development (DSD) on Wednesday 12 February 2020

The Social Cluster delegation visited the DSD regional office in Vredendal. Dr Rossouw, DSD Regional Manager, and Mr Macdonald, Social Worker Manager, on the West Coast welcomed the delegation and led the presentation on the basket of services that are offered by the DSD in Vredendal and the surrounding areas.

# 5.1 Salient points pertaining to the DSD West Coast Regional Office

- 5.1.1 The DSD regional office in Vredendal falls under the Matzikama Municipality and provides services to 18 towns with 20 000 households and a total of 71 045 residents in accordance with the 2007 population data by Statistics SA.
- 5.1.2 The core responsibilities of the office are to provide services to persons living with disabilities, older persons, and substance abuse programmes, after-hour child protection services, registration of ECDs in collaboration with Grassroots and ELRU, probation services, victim empowerment services and community development services.
- 5.1.3 The Department also provides services that include child protection services, social crime prevention and victim empowerment programmes, safety placements, foster-care placements and family preservation services. During the visit, the Department reported that they were also working with teen parents, fathers, mothers and grandmother-headed families and foster families.
- 5.1.4 The regional office has a total staff establishment of 120 personnel of which 29 officials are allocated to the DSD Vredendal office.
- 5.1.5 The funded NGOs in Vredendal have a total of 10 social workers:
  - 5.1.5.1 Badisa has three for children and families;
  - 5.1.5.2 MADA has three for substance abuse and VEP programmes;
  - 5.1.5.3 Onse Kaia has one for the shelter;
  - 5.1.5.4 Olifantsrivier APD has two for disabilities; and
  - 5.1.5.5 Namaqua Treatment Centre has one for the substance abuse programme.
- 5.1.6 The Department reported that it is planning to revisit its working agreement with the NGOs to cover the vast majority of the geographic areas, especially the farms in outlying areas.
- 5.1.7 It was also reported that the region has an additional five social workers at sector departmental level, that consist of:
  - 5.1.7.1 One social worker for the Department of Education;
  - 5.1.7.2 One social worker for SAPS; and
  - 5.1.7.3 Three social workers for Correctional Services.

- 5.1.8 A child protection online course for all DSD social workers in the region was rolled out to assist social workers to manage records online.
- 5.1.9 It was reported that training on the Screening, Identification, and Assessment and Support (SIAS) document was not always implemented for the DSD offices in the West Coast Region.
- 5.1.10 The DSD office in Vredendal has an allocation of 11 vehicles in total that consist of one Bakkie, one kombi, and nine sedan GG vehicles. It was reported that 23 DSD official drivers share the 11 vehicles.
- 5.1.11 The office reported that it also links young people to opportunities by continuously supporting and recruiting young people for the Chrysalis Academy, the Huguenot College, universities, the West Coast College, the PAY internship, linking young people with the EPWP and CWP programmes and employment opportunities at Shoprite Checkers.
- 5.1.12 Furthermore, the office has established successful collaboration and partnerships with various stakeholders in the region, such as a close working relationship with Landelike Gemeenskapsontwikkeling since the establishment of the NPO to arrange life-skills training for the EPWP interns.
- 5.1.13 The Department is also part of the Drought Humanitarian Relief Work Stream Project that was established in January 2018. The aim of the project is to identify households and beneficiaries in the Matzikama SDA that were affected by the drought in the Matzikama Municipality. Furthermore, the DSD office also participates in the Citizen Interface Project that is led by the Department of Local Government to focus on ECD and economic development, and it also participates in the IDP processes of the Matzikama Municipality.
- 5.1.14 The child health and immunisation statistics in the West Coast Region are low.
- 5.1.15 It was reported that 14% of the population in the West Coast Region are HIV positive and 24% has TB.
- 5.1.16 There is a need for Community Development Practitioners and Assistant Development Practitioners in the West Coast Region to assist the NGOs in providing services in the outlying areas.
- 5.1.17 The Department reported that there was a discussion with the Department of Community Safety to conduct a feasibility study for the establishment of the Chrysalis Satellite Academy in Vredendal.
- 5.1.18 There is a need for a special focus on the Substance Abuse Programme and the Victim Empowerment Programme in the West Coast Region.

#### 5.2 Challenges as reported by the West Coast DSD office

5.2.1 There is a shortage of social workers at the DSD West Coast Regional Office. Currently, the office has 9 social workers, 3 auxiliary workers, and 3 Assistant Community Development Practitioners.

- 5.2.2 It was reported that the norm, as proposed for the ISDM model for the province, is 1 social worker: 4 500 population and the supervisor ratio of social workers is 1:6. However, due to the shortage of staff, the office has 1 social worker supervisor who manages 8 social workers. Furthermore, the caseload of social workers in the DSD Vredendal office is 1 social worker for 8 282 of the population instead of 1 for every 4 500. In addition, the long driving distances need to be taken into account when serving clients who live in farming communities.
- 5.2.3 The counselling room in the DSD office is not suitable to conduct interviews with clients. A special room in a discreet area away from the noise and distraction is needed.
- 5.2.4 The school dropout rate in the region is high.
- 5.2.5 It was reported that teenage pregnancy is relatively high and accounts for 17% of births in the area.
- 5.2.6 There is high rate of illegal immigrants with improper documentation in the area.
- 5.2.7 The DSD reported that there was a high number of children in the area who did not have a birth certificate. This makes it difficult for the children to attend school and to apply for SASSA grants.
- 5.2.8 The placement of young people in job opportunities is a challenge due to their inadequate skills and a lack of mentorship. However, it was reported that Chrysalis was busy compiling a database for the placement of young people in the area.

## 5.3 Resolutions and actions

## 5.3.1 The delegation resolved that:

- 5.3.1.1 Officials of the Western Cape departments of Social Development, Health and Education be invited to brief the Standing Committee on Social Development on how government departments manage and share data with each other with a special focus on who manages the different categories of government data.
- 5.3.1.2 The Department of Transport and Public Works brief the Social Cluster on the allocation of government vehicles to government departments in the province.

## 5.3.2 Information requested

The delegation requested the DSD to submit the following information:

- 5.3.2.1 A copy of the staffing assessment report and the request for additional staff for the West Coast Region submitted to the DSD head office in 2018.
- 5.3.2.2 A detailed report on the number of children not in school and the number of the children who are SASSA grant beneficiaries.

- 5.3.2.3 A report on the number of social workers in the DSD Moorreesburg office and detailed information on the case backlog of the office.
- 5.3.2.4 A copy of the Screening, Identification, Assessment and Support document.
- 5.3.2.5 A report on the school dropout rate in the West Coast Region, the causes for the dropout and the challenges faced by young people in the region.
- 5.3.2.6 Detailed information on the number of children who are currently placed in foster care and who cannot attend the schooling system due to not having a birth certificate.
- 5.3.2.7 Detailed information on the vehicle allocation for the DSD offices in the West Coast Region.
- 5.3.2.8 Detailed information on the number of child-headed households in the West Coast Region.
- 5.3.2.9 Detailed information on the DSD programmes that aim to combat Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder in the region.
- 5.3.2.10 The Department of Social Development must provide the geographic spread of the areas where the workshops or community engagements on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

Disorder were conducted in the current financial year and set out the future plans of the Department to deal with the problem.

# 6. Oversight visit to the Vredendal Cape Access e-Centre on Wednesday 12 February 2020

Mr H Arendse from the Department of the Premier and Ms J Stewe, the Centre Manager, delivered a presentation to the delegation.

The need for an e-centre at the Thusong Service Centre was identified by all the stakeholders in Vredendal. The role players were the Western Cape Government, the Matzikama Municipality, different government departments, community organisations and the community. A community questionnaire was conducted by the Thusong Service Centre and the study showed that there was an urgent need for this service in the community. After successful negotiations between the Thusong Manager and Cape Access, the Vredendal Access e-Centre was opened in 2015.

#### 6.1 Salient points pertaining to the Vredendal Cape Access e-Centre

- 6.1.1 There are 18 computers at the Cape Access e-Centre.
- 6.1.2 The e-Centre assists citizens to make use of computers, gives access to the internet, provides basic computer training, offers accredited e-skills training and provides access to government information and services.
- 6.1.3 The e-Centre provides training courses that are accredited by Microsoft.
- 6.1.4 The International Certificate in Digital Literacy (ICDL) training is provided to citizens who are focused on developing the community.

- 6.1.5 All trainers are trained according to uniform standards for ICDL.
- 6.1.6 Training at the e-Centre takes place on Wednesdays from 09:00 to 10:00.
- 6.1.7 Educational Early Childhood Development Training takes place every Thursday for Grade R to Grade 7 learners.
- 6.1.8 All positions at the e-Centre are on a contract basis.
- 6.1.9 The e-Centre has about 120 users per day.
- 6.1.10 The e-Centre is in partnership with Unisa, Digital Learner Adviser and the Parenthood Academy.

## 6.2 Challenges as reported by the Vredendal Cape Access e-Centre

- 6.2.1 The e-Centre does not have enough paper for all the requests for printing made daily.
- 6.2.2 The space of the e-Centre is small and cannot accommodate the number of people who wish to attend training.
- 6.2.3 The e-Centre currently has 155 people on the training waiting list.
- 6.2.4 The portable air-conditioning system does not function properly for the set-up of the e-Centre.
- 6.2.5 The college students do not utilise the computer rooms at the college and this creates an influx of people at the e-Centre.

## 6.3 Information requested

- 6.3.1 The delegation requested the Department of the Premier to provide the following information:
  - 6.3.1.1 A breakdown of the cost for sustaining the Cape Access e-Centre.
  - 6.3.1.2 A copy of the Service Level Agreement between the Department of the Premier and the Matzikama Municipality.
  - 6.3.1.3 The plan of action to increase the space for training rooms and the installation of a proper air-conditioning system.
  - 6.3.1.4 A report on how the location of e-Centres is determined.
  - 6.3.1.5 Copies of the latest audit reports for all the Cape Access e-Centres.

# 7. Oversight visit to the Clanwilliam Child and Youth Care Centre (CYCC) on Wednesday 12 February 2020

The Clanwilliam CYCC is a DSD facility situated in Clanwilliam. The facility currently accommodates 60 boys between the ages of 12 and 21. It can accommodate up to 100 residents. The services of the centre were previously outsourced and were rendered by Bosasa, a service provider that was liquidated in October 2019. After the liquidation, the Department of Social Development took over and is providing the services in-house. The Clanwilliam facility is a registered CYCC that provides care to boys between the ages of 12 and 17 who are awaiting trial in terms of the Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005), and to boys between the ages of 18 and 21 who display challenging behaviour in terms of the Child Justice Act, 2008 (Act 75 of 2008).

It was reported that the boys are kept in groups according to levels: boys in level 1 are least restricted and once they are released from the centre, some are reunited with their families while others are placed in foster care homes and community-based care; boys in level 2 are placed in children's homes; boys in level 3 are placed in a secure environment and are dealt with in terms of the Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005); and boys in level 4 are dealt with in terms of the Child Justice Act, 2008 (Act 75 of 2008). The function of the Clanwilliam CYCC is to provide care services, empowerment and development services, support services and sustainability services. In all CYCC in the province, the activities and education are structured to ensure that children are able to continue their participation outside of the facility.

## 7.1 Salient points pertaining to the Clanwilliam CYCC

- 7.1.1 In October 2019, the contract of Bosasa with the DSD was terminated by liquidators before its initial termination date of May 2020.
- 7.1.2 The DSD reported that once the Bosasa corruption scandal broke, the Department started the migration process from outsourcing to insourcing the services of the centre.
- 7.1.3 On 1 November 2019, the DSD migrated its services from outsourcing to Bosasa to insourcing. The transition was successful and was done without disrupting the residents.
- 7.1.4 The Clanwilliam CYCC building belongs to the Department of Transport and Public Works.
- 7.1.5 The DSD appointed staff members to provide the services from mid-October to November 2019. The newly recruited officials received training and a second recruitment drive is in process.
- 7.1.6 The DSD informed the delegation that it retained 100 of the 190 personnel who were previously employed by Bosasa.
- 7.1.7 The DSD also reported that Bosasa educators were not fully trained. Some of those who were working at different CYCCs in the province had criminal records and unsuitable qualifications. This resulted in the Department not appointing them.
- 7.1.8 The DSD reported that it bought everything that Bosasa previously owned in all the provincial CYCCs, including vehicles. However, the cars and buses bought from Bosasa are standing still due to some government transport issues. The centre is currently leasing the cars and the buses.
- 7.1.9 The DSD is providing training in diversion programmes to all Social Workers at CYCCs in the province.
- 7.1.10 The DSD is planning to roll out approved registered programmes to all CYCCs in the province.
- 7.1.11 The Department is establishing efficient reporting mechanisms and safety audits for all children in the CYCCs.
- 7.1.12 The delegation was informed that the DSD is busy with a pilot programme to ensure that Grade 11 learners continue with their schooling curriculum while in the CYCCs. It was reported that 12 girls have been given access to a public school through this programme.

- 7.1.13 One of the biggest successes of the Clanwilliam Child and Youth Care Centre is its brass band music choir.
- 7.1.14 The delegation was informed that the cost per child in a CYCC for holistic care is approximately R33 000 per month.

## 7.2 Challenges reported by the Clanwilliam Youth Care facility

- 7.2.1 The new building within the facility has not been officially handed over to the DSD by the Department of Transport and Public works because the locks were damaged by the contractor. The handing over of the new building was scheduled for December 2019 due to the damaged locks. The Department of Transport and Public Works undertook to hand over the building at the end of February 2020.
- 7.2.2 The space at the Clanwilliam CYCC is inadequate and there is limited office and storage space.
- 7.2.3 The Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) phones are not connected due to poor the internet connection.
- 7.2.4 There is a challenge regarding educators at the Centre. The Department is struggling to attract and retain educators due to the difference between the salaries and benefits offered by the DSD and the Department of Education. OSD is not provided for educators at CYCCs due to the prescripts of the Department of Public Service and Administration.
- 7.2.5 The Department reported that educators appointed by the Western Cape Education Department are getting better salaries and benefits as compared to the educators at the DSD. Furthermore, educators at the DSD are working in a high-risk environment and do not get danger allowance.
- 7.2.6 A court case by NEHAWU was reported as a challenge for the CYCCs across the country. The Department reported that the former national Minister of Social Development promised Bosasa officials that they would be protected and would not be dismissed or retrenched if they embarked on a strike.
- 7.2.7 The Department reported that NEHAWU did not want the Department to do a background check of staff, although some employees had criminal records. They wanted the Department to absorb all employees who were employed by Bosasa at CYCCs.
- 7.2.8 The Department highlighted that Bosasa was a private company and the transfer of staff was allowed between private companies if one company is liquidated. However, there is no legislation that governs the transfer of staff from a private entity to a government department.
- 7.2.9 The centre needs the urgent installation of the air-conditioners and a prefabricated structure that will be used as a roofing shade over an open space next to the new building.
- 7.2.10 The dormitories require an upgrade and new mattresses are also needed.
- 7.2.11 During the visit the delegation was informed that some of the children did not want to be released from the facility.

They opted to commit petty crime or to misbehave to get punishment so that their stay could be extended.

#### 7.3 Resolutions and actions

7.3.1 The delegation resolved to visit the CYCCs in the Cape metropolitan area.

#### 7.3.2 The delegation recommended that:

- 7.3.2.1 There is an urgent need to lobby for better salary structures for all educators at the CYCCs.
- 7.3.2.2 The Department should consider installing the airconditioners and a prefabricated structure that will be utilised as a roofing shade over an open space next to the new building.
- 7.3.2.3 The centre needs additional new mattresses.
- 7.3.2.4 The Department must consider upgrading the dormitories.

### 7.3.3 Requested information

The delegation requested the Department of Social Development to submit the following documents:

- 7.3.3.1 A report on integrating children back into communities and on the support that is available to them once they exit the facility.
- 7.3.3.2 A detailed report on the incident of the child who refused to be released from the Clanwilliam CYCC. Did the Department conduct an inspection at the home of the boy to determine the reason behind his refusal to be reunited with his family? The report should include how the Department protect children who do not want to exit the facility.
- 7.3.3.3 Detailed information on how the Department caters for religious and cultural differences and the rights of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning/queer clients at CYCCs.
- 7.3.3.4 A report on the measures used by the Department to determine the success of the CYCCs in the province.
- 7.3.3.5 A report on children placed in terms of the Children's Act, 2008 (Act 75 of 2008) to ensure that the system is not giving up on them.
- 7.3.3.6 A copy of the Safety Audit Report for children in the Clanwilliam CYCC once the audit is completed.
- 7.3.3.7 A detailed report on the complaints received from children at the Clanwilliam CYCC through the complaints box.
- 7.3.3.8 A detailed budget allocation of CYCCs in the Cape metropolitan area versus the CYCCs in rural areas, and the monthly expenses of children in rural areas versus the monthly expenses of children in the CYCCs in the metropolitan area.

### 7.3.4 Recommendation

The WCPP Research Unit to conduct research on the management, sustainability and success of CYCCs in Africa.

# 8. Oversight visit to the Velddrif High School on Thursday 13 February 2020

The delegation was welcomed by Ms A van der Westhuizen, the Principal of Velddrif High School. She was accompanied by Mr J Van Wyk, ICT Service Manager for the Education District Office on the West Coast, Mr A Retief, and Circuit Manager for the Education District Office on the West Coast. They were accompanied by Ms Sandra Crafford, Chairperson of the School Governing Body (SBG), Mr E Karolus, Deputy Chairperson of the SBG, Ms Z de Koker, Treasurer of the SGB, and Ms D Turner, Member of the SBG.

The Chairperson opened proceedings and allowed for brief introductions.

#### 8.1 Salient points pertaining to the presentation of the Velddrif High School

- 8.1.1 In 2017, Saldanha Bay had 23 ordinary public schools, accommodating 17 584 leaners. No-fee schools accounted for 52,2% of all schools, while 10 out of 23 schools (43,5%) had library facilities, and the learner-teacher ratio was 53:5.
- 8.1.2 The district's matric pass rate was 84,3% in 2017, which was above the province's average matric pass rate. The pass rate is, however, declining as it was 87,9% in 2015. The Grade 12 dropout rate in 2017 was 31,3%.
- 8.1.3 The Velddrif High School (the School) is an Afrikaans-medium section 21 school that was founded in 1890. The school caters for learners from Grade R to Grade 12, which makes it a combined school. There were 458 learners enrolled in 2019, which included 29 Grade R learners, of which 239 were female and 219 were male. The school fees are R850 per month for 10 months and all fees are paid before 31 January of each year. The total fee amount is R8 500 with a discount of 10%.
- 8.1.4 The School offers a very limited curriculum choice for a high school (only two subjects per group).
- 8.1.5 All 26 Grade 12 learners who were enrolled at the school passed matric in 2019. This includes 19 learners who achieved bachelor passes, four learners who achieved diplomas and three learners who achieved higher certificate passes.
- 8.1.6 The School has 17 classrooms, two science laboratories, a specialist classroom, a workshop, a computer laboratory and a library.
- 8.1.7 The School has 19 teachers. The school also employs a groundsman, two cleaners, a secretary and a financial officer. Two of the teachers teach both primary and high-school learners.

- 8.1.8 With regard to learner transport, four learners from Dwarskersbos and two learners from Kersefontein make use of school transport.
- 8.1.9 The school has no nutrition scheme, but there is a community project that feeds 15 learners per day.
- 8.1.10 The majority of Grade 8 learners attend boarding schools and the majority of Grade 9 learners attend the West Coast College.
- 8.1.11 The budget expenditure on maintenance projects was as follows:

2017	Maintenance	R50 575,94
2018	Maintenance	R36 006,28
2019	Maintenance	R39 287,79
	Vibracrete walls	<u>R12 000,00</u>
		R51 287,79
2020	Install CCTV	R155 585,80
	Slide gates for entry and	R12 360,00
	exit	R2 088,60
	Restore classroom ceiling	R4 500,00
	Repair cracked pillars	R70 000,00
	Painting and spraying of	<u>R8 250,00</u>
	roofs	R252 784,40
	Repair leaking toilets	

#### 8.2 Key achievements reported by the School

- 8.2.1 The School has achieved a 100% pass rate in its National Senior Certificate results in 2019 and has produced a number of candidate learners.
- 8.2.2 The School achieved outstanding systemic results in Grades 3, 6 and 9 for 2019.
- 8.2.3 The staff empowerment plan is in place.
- 8.2.4 The school participates in the SA athletes and cultural programmes, where they perform very well.

#### 8.3 Challenges reported by the School

- 8.3.1 The quintile classification needs to change as the area is not a quintile 5.
- 8.3.2 E-learning has not been set up at the school.
- 8.3.3 School safety and access control requires upgrading as there are problems in the afternoon when the learners leave the school premises: cars block the entrance of the school when learners are collected.
- 8.3.4 There is not much community involvement in the school.
- 8.3.5 The school was currently in Circuit 3, but then moved to Circuit 2 in 2019, which does not assist the school as this Circuit is further away in Piketberg and the cost implications have increased due to this.
- 8.3.6 The school has been left in limbo as it is unsure of what the WCED's vision for the school will be in the future.

- 8.3.7 A contractor was assigned to upgrade certain areas of the school, but only worked for a few months before abandoning the job. It has been four years and the WCED has not responded to this complaint.
- 8.3.8 Other major challenges for the school are the Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statement (CAPS) requirements and the Personnel Administrative Measures (PAM) allocation per post level. If these two programmes are implemented, there will be a shortfall of four educators if the current staff establishment of 12 educators for 2020 is to be upheld. This would mean that classes will be without educators, regardless of the learner-teacher ratio. The school's current lack of personnel is a constant battle. In terms of the school's finances, the school currently employs five educators from its own funds. As a fishing village, the income is seasonal and thus many parents qualify for exemptions from paying school fees. Therefore, the school is depended on its fundraising programmes to generate an income.

### 8.4 **Resolutions and actions**

8.4.1 The delegation resolved that the WCED must urgently investigate the maintenance contractor who allegedly abandoned work four years ago without completing the project at the School.

### 8.5. Requested information

The delegation requested the WCED to submit the following documents:

- 8.5.1 A report on whether a safety assessment has been conducted since the School is 130 years old.
- 8.5.2 A report on the alleged abandonment of the contractor, detailing what the tender was for, the contractor services, and the work that was completed and paid for.
- 8.5.3 A report on the number of learners, if any, who must still be placed in schools in the West Coast District area.

#### 9. Oversight visit to the Diazville Primary Mass participation; Opportunity and access; Development (MOD) programme on Thursday 13 February 2020

The delegation was welcomed by Ms C Valentyn (MOD Programme Officer), Mr C Cornelson (Acting District Manager: MOD Programme), Ms H Fisher (Acting Principal) and Mr M Cleophas (Diazville Primary Sport Coordinator). Following introductions, the delegation proceeded to a question-and-answer session during its walkabout at the MOD Centre.

# 9.1 Salient points pertaining to the Diazville Primary School MOD programme

- 9.1.1 The Diazville Primary School (the School) has 1 200 learners and 27 teaching staff.
- 9.1.2 The School has a quintile 4 rating and is listed as a no-fee school.
- 9.1.3 The MOD Centre is fully fledged in terms of its coaching and general MOD operational requirements.
- 9.1.4 Following engagements with private sector businesses, the School has had facilities for Grade R built on the premises and awaits approval for a proposed R1,6 million fully equipped sports centre.
- 9.1.5 There is also an agreement with Afrisam regarding the sourcing of limestone from the School's premises for the production of cement. In return, Afrisam offered to fund upgrades that will include two artificial surfaces for various sports codes, a mini athletics track, floodlights, upgrades to the current sports field and spectator seating.
- 9.1.6 Mr Cleophas, who himself was at the forefront of initiating the MOD programme, stated that the MOD programme is a powerful mechanism and, since its launch at the School, there have been several success stories of learners who have progressed to higher sporting honours. Learners achieved these feats across sporting codes, including rugby, football and kickboxing. The School is also considered a hub for the cross-country running code, indigenous games, as well as gymnastics.
- 9.1.7 The School's MOD programme offers roughly 10 codes, dependent on the season, and also offers activities in arts and culture.
- 9.1.8 The School's MOD Centre has a good relationship with the Western Cape Sports Academy for the West Coast District. The Academy is based at the nearby Saldanha Bay Sports Stadium.
- 9.1.9 During the holiday programmes, the MOD Centre uses assistance from local adolescent young people, many of whom have dropped out of the schooling system. These young people are themselves kept constructively occupied by assisting. The Department of Community Safety and the Department of Health have offered first-aid courses and promoted oral hygiene activities during the holiday programmes. The local adolescent young people have also benefitted from this training.
- 9.1.10 Due to its quintile rating, the School's feeding scheme only has enough provisions to feed 540 learners daily, despite a significantly larger number of learners who attend the MOD programme. This reality means that staff are left to allocate the meals, usually sandwiches, by alternating and/or selecting which learners to feed. Although the learners are asked to indicate who of them brought lunch meals to school for the day, so that those who did not bring any meals will get an allocation, the reality is that there are not sufficient provisions to feed all the learners. Additionally, the stigma among older learners of not being able to afford to bring a meal to school might well result in a learner not having any meal during the school day, and quite possibly, due to socio-economic reasons, no meals for the day.

- 9.1.11 The School reported that it has alerted the WCED of the need to review the School's quintile status.
- 9.1.12 The School is 50 years old and its ablution blocks and nine classrooms have been renovated recently. However, the School has submitted requests for emergency repairs and painting.

#### 9.2 Public input

Councillor Theresa Rossouw provided some input by referring to the potential of further partnerships between the School and the (large) local businesses for the establishment of a food garden.

### 9.3 **Resolutions and actions**

- 9.3.1 The delegation recommended that:
- 9.3.1.1 The WCED and the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport's MOD Programme urgently look into the Diazville Primary School's feeding scheme and to explore the possibilities of assisting the School in finding a corporate sponsor to increase the provisions for the feeding scheme to ensure that all learners are sufficiently fed.

## 9.3.2 Request for information

- 9.3.2.1 The Committee requests the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport to submit its plan to promote success stories from its MOD centres, such as those of previous Diazville Primary School MOD Centre attendees who have achieved higher sporting honours
- 9.3.2.2 The WCED to indicate whether or not the Diazville Primary School's quintile status has been reviewed, given the lack of provisions that the School's feeding scheme has to feed all its learners daily. If no such review has been undertaken, kindly provide details as to the reasons for not having the School's quintile status reviewed.
- 9.3.2.3 The WCED to provide a report on the maintenance and caretaking plan for the Diazville Primary School's building and premises.
- 9.3.2.4 The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport to provide the 2019/20 budget allocation for the West Coast region's MOD centres.
- 9.3.2.5 The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport to provide the number of coaches at MOD centres in Saldanha Bay.
- 9.3.2.6 The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport submit a list of key success achieved by the Diazville Primary School's MOD Centre attendees.
- 10. Oversight visit to the Saldanha South African Police Service Vredenburg Cluster, Thursday 13 February 2020

The delegation was briefed by the Deputy Cluster Commander, Col L Marx, and Capt K Hope, the Acting Station Commander. Following short introductions by all present, the meeting was briefly adjourned. The delegation proceeded with an inspection of the holding cells, the Community Service Centre (CSC), the Victim-friendly Room, and the 13 store rooms. Upon re-adjournment, Col Marx presented an overview of the Vredenburg Cluster in terms of crimes related to domestic violence (DVA) and the DVA register, drug- and gang-related crime, marine life poaching in relevant areas of the Cluster and measures taken to prevent it, as well as victim support structures. Col Marx also reported on the vehicle fleet management, staffing structures in the Cluster and the relationship between the SAPS and other stakeholders in combatting crime.

#### 10.1 Salient points pertaining to the discussion on the SAPS Vredenburg Cluster

- 10.1.1 The increase in domestic violence cases as well as in burglaries was largely attributed to substance abuse.
- 10.1.2 The SAPS confirmed its protocol for an on-duty social worker of the DSD and a member of the Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offences (FCS) unit to deal with cases where child victims of domestic violence and abuse have to be removed from a harmful environment. Any instances where there is a deviation from this protocol would have to occur under extreme circumstances.
- 10.1.3 The SAPS reported that it had to deal with many social issues that were beyond the scope of policing. The SAPS is thus not properly equipped to deal with the changing dynamics of social ills.
- 10.1.4 All SAPS members undergo basic DVA training, however, staff are encouraged to complete the additional five-day advanced course.
- 10.1.5 The SAPS has not sufficiently adapted to the challenges posed by the influx of people from other areas to the West Coast, especially into informal settlements. The population growth has increased by approximately 4,7%.
- 10.1.6 Gang and drug kingpins have expanded to outlying areas, such as the West Coast.

Other factors, such as the implementation of operations, including the deployment of the South African National Defence Force in the City of Cape Town, have led to increased gang and drug activity in areas outside of the metropolitan area. Crime kingpins own properties, hire persons to commit crimes and establish the drug trade. The increase in the population growth on the West Coast has, in part, also influenced the level of criminality across various crime categories.

10.1.7 Drug- and gang-related crime accounts for roughly 70% of the crime in the Vredenburg Cluster.

- 10.1.8 The SAPS reported an increase in TRIO crimes: these crimes include residential carjacking, robbery at residential premises and robbery at non-residential premises. The increase in population growth has resulted in the establishment of foreign business owners, many of whom retain cash on their business premises in the absence of official bank accounts.
- 10.1.9 The SAPS is part of a Saldanha Bay Safety Initiative that includes the municipality, provincial traffic and neighbourhood watches (NHWs).
- 10.1.10 Despite reported delays in accreditation by the Department of Community Safety, the Saldanha NHW is reaping success in its patrol and community crime-prevention activities because of good visibility. The SAPS reported that it has good cooperation with this NHW, but emphasised that it would need a dedicated officer assigned to the NHW.
- 10.1.11 The Vredenburg Cluster has seen significant improvement in the reduction of crime in the December 2019 to January 2020 period.
- 10.1.12 For the State of the Nation Address (SONA), held on 13 February 2020, 70 police officers from the Vredenburg Cluster were deployed for duty in and surrounding the parliamentary precinct. At least two thirds of the Cluster's vehicle fleet was deployed for use at the SONA operations.
- 10.1.13 The SAPS reported 343 hours of overtime work across its units in the 2019/20 financial year to date, further emphasising that there is little to no budget for overtime.
- 10.1.14 An increase in protest actions uses a lot of resources, which has led to staff being overworked.
- 10.1.15 The Detection Services Unit is the best rated in the Vredenburg Cluster. This is despite some stations, such as Langebaan SAPS, that have a branch commander who has a cased load of 160 dockets.
- 10.1.16 Marine life poaching is prevalent on the West Coast.
- 10.1.17 The Sea Border and SAPS Water Wing have not had a vessel since mid-2019. The SAPS Water Wing has also not had a vessel with a working engine to conduct coastal patrols and operations.

The lack of coastal policing resources has left the local marine life endangered and vulnerable to criminal activities.

- 10.1.18 All the police stations in the Vredenburg Cluster are equipped with a Victim-friendly Room.
- 10.1.19 All police stations in the Vredenburg Cluster have trained volunteers.
- 10.1.20 The Hopefield SAPS, the St Helena Bay SAPS and the Laaiplek SAPS are all occupying leased buildings used by SAPS.

- 10.1.21 All the stations are based in residential houses and consequently have limited space and resources expected of fully fledged police stations. The St Helena Bay SAPS has a generator that has been deemed irreparable in April 2019. In the interim, this station is using a roadblock generator that is only effective to power basic lighting.
- 10.1.22 During loadshedding periods the police station is at risk as the landline phones are not functional and policing is done by candlelight.
- 10.1.23 The Vredenburg Cluster has a significant understaffed personnel structure.
- 10.1.24 Some of the limiting factors that add pressure on staffing are cases of long-term incapacity leave, the lack of data capturers and overburdened charge offices.

At the time of reporting, there were seven members of the Vredenburg Cluster being investigated by the Independent Police Investigative Directorate.

#### 10.2 Input by stakeholders

- 10.2.1 Mr W Bezuidenhout represented the Department of Community Safety to provide input on the local Community Police Forum (CPF) and the Department's monitoring of police stations in the Vredenburg Cluster.
- 10.2.2 Mr C Maart, Chairperson of the Vredenburg CPF Cluster, confirmed that there was a good relationship with the SAPS. He added that the drug trade and abuse was problematic in the Cluster, police stations were understaffed and not properly equipped and that there was an overall lack of resources for both the CPFs and the SAPS. He added that the SAPS response times were affected by under-resourcing.
- 10.2.3 Councillor T Rossouw of the Saldanha Bay Municipality gave input stating that the launch of the Saldanha NHW focused on Saldanha town and did not include areas such Witteplek, Middlepos, and other outlying areas. She added that Witteplek had no vehicles for NHWs and members had to conduct foot patrols. She added that attributing the increase in crime to the influx of persons from the Eastern Cape was indicative of extreme racial profiling. Col Marx, however, stated the NHW was launched in all the areas of the Saldanha Bay Municipality.

Col Marx also responded to the allegations of extreme racial profiling by stating that the increase of the area's population was the result of persons moving from various locations. She added that this increase led to more crime, but also more opportunities for crime, and referenced the increase of robberies of foreign-owned businesses, domestic-violence cases, gang-related crime in the Cluster and protest action.

#### 10.3 Information requested

- 10.3.1 The delegation requested the South African Police Service to provide:
- 10.3.1.1 A breakdown of the number of Domestic Violence related incidents reported in the Vredenburg Cluster, indicating the province and/country of origin of the alleged perpetrators. This list should be for the 2018/19 financial year and for the current financial year to date.
- 10.3.1.2 A list of granted and actual posts per station in the Vredenburg Cluster for each unit, namely detection services, VISPOL and support services for 2019/20.
- 10.3.1.3 The number of cases of incapacity leave for the Vredenburg Cluster.
- 10.3.1.4 A full list of the Western Cape SAPS' resources deployed at the State of the Nation Address on 13 February 2020. The list should include the number of officers and their respective ranks, and the number of vehicles used.
- 10.3.1.5 A list of the cost of resources used for the State of the Nation Address (SONA) deployment. The information should state from which programme budget the cost of overtime for personnel and the cost of fuel was paid. And where feasible, provide the number of kilometres covered per vehicle that was used for deployment to the SONA 2020 operations.
- 10.3.1.6 A list of the following in respect of the South African Police Station Water Wing Unit for the West Coast:

10.3.1.6.1 The number of Water Wing officers;

10.3.1.6.2 The number of vessels deployed to the Water Wing;

10.3.1.6.3 The number of fully functional vessels used for operations; and

10.3.1.6.4 The number of vessels that require repair.

10.3.1.6.5 The delegation requested the Western Cape Police Ombudsman to investigate the lack of resources for coastal policing on the West Coast.

10.3.1.6.6 The delegation requested the Department of Community Safety to provide detailed reasons for the delay in the accreditation of neighbourhood watches in the Vredenburg and Vredendal clusters, a list of the required documentation that still need to be submitted, as well as a list of NHWs that still require accreditation. The Department should list the reasons per area and provide a timeline of when the accreditation process is expected to be finalised.

10.3.1.6.7 A report on the timeline of expected infrastructural repair and upgrades to the Hopefield SAPS, the Laaiplek SAPS and the St Helena Bay SAPS.

10.3.1.6.8 The delegation requested Councillor Theresa Rossouw to provide in writing the allegations of non-cooperative service from the South African Police Service in the Vredenburg Cluster, and to list the police stations to which she referred.

10.3.1.6.9 The written submission should include the dates, time and name of the police station and the officer on duty where the victims were refused service. The names of the male and female victims should not be provided.

### 10.4 Commendation

The delegation commended Col L Marx on the sterling crime-combatting efforts and initiatives in the Vredenburg Cluster.

#### 10.5 Resolutions and Actions

- 10.5.1 The delegation resolved:
- 10.5.1.2 to request the Provincial Commissioner of Police in the Western Cape to accompany the delegation on its follow-up visits to Vredenburg.
- 10.5.1.3 to send a letter of commendation to Col L Marx on the sterling crime-combatting efforts and initiatives in the Vredenburg Cluster.

# 11. Oversight visit to the Vredenburg Hospital on Friday 14 February 2020

The Social Cluster delegation visited the Vredenburg Hospital (the Hospital) in the Saldanha Sub-district of the West Coast Region. Dr Perez, Medical Manager in the Saldanha Bay Sub-district, welcomed the delegation. He informed the delegation that the Vredendal Hospital is a level 1 hospital which has 81 beds, however, due to the new infrastructure that was recently commissioned, they are in a process of submitting an application to increase the number of beds to 107. He mentioned that they opened a new paediatric ward last year that can take up to 26 patients and this year a psychiatric area with 16 beds on the extension of the general ward will be opened that will increase the number of beds to 107.

#### **11.1** Salient points pertaining to the Vredenburg Hospital.

- 11.1.1 The Hospital is a level 1 district hospital and offers a basic standard of care and a full pharmacy service.
- 11.1.2 The Hospital provides health services to an estimated population of 122 713. 23% of the population is aged 15 to 24 years; 53% of the population is aged 25 to 64 years and 9% of the population is 65 years and older.
- 11.1.3 The Hospital, apart from offering clinical services, is also the hub for surrounding primary healthcare facilities with regard to financial management, supply chain management, data management and infrastructure maintenance.

- 11.1.4 The Hospital also offers services that fall outside the standard district hospital package, namely a functional renal dialysis unit, which is operated by the Groote Schuur Hospital as a public-private partnership.
- 11.1.5 The renal dialysis unit targets private patients, however, the hospital takes up to six non-paying dialysis patients, and the unit will increase its capacity after it has moved to the new area.
- 11.1.6 The Hospital is receiving specialist outreach and support from the new Somerset Hospital, except for mental health outreach that it receives from the Paarl Hospital.
- 11.1.7 The Hospital is collaborating with the University of Cape Town (UCT) by providing practical training to final-year family-medicine students.
- 11.1.8 Currently, the Hospital does not have a full-time family physician, however, it has a joint appointment from UCT. The Hospital has no emergency-care specialist.
- 11.1.9 The delegation was informed that the Saldanha Sub-district enjoys support from five non-governmental organisations, which offer community-based care and intermediate care with 62 community-based cares.
- 11.1.10 Dr Perez reported that the hospital gets assistance from an NGO called Siyabonga, an intermediate care facility that has 12 beds, which are partially funded by the Department of Health.
- 11.1.11 In addition, Huis Isabella, a 24-hour mental healthcare institution that caters for patients with intellectual disability, is partially funded by the Department of Health.
- 11.1.12 The Saldanha Bay Sub-district has eleven primary healthcare facilities that consist of eight fixed clinics and one mobile, with an operating budget of R58 156 000.
- 11.1.13 The primary healthcare facilities are rendering comprehensive services, including women and child health, chronic disease management, emergency health and community health workers as part of the case-based surveillance (CBS).
- 11.1.14 The primary healthcare in the Saldanha Bay Sub-district has two community-oriented primary care sites in Laingville and Diazville. Their work involves wellness, health promotion, intersectoral collaboration and linking with the Whole of Society Approach initiative.
- 11.1.15 The delegation was informed that the last section of the Hospital was completed and will be in operation very soon.
- 11.1.16 It was reported that the new state-of-the-art paediatric ward is in operation.
- 11.1.17 The delegation was informed that the new admission area of the Hospital will be opened at the end of March 2020.
- 11.1.18 There were no maternal deaths reported at the hospital since 2018.
- 11.1.19 There were no child mortalities recorded in the last two quarters of 2019.

## 11.2 Challenges reported by the Vredenburg Hospital

- 11.2.1 The shortage of staff.
- 11.2.2 The Hospital urgently needs a quality assurance and public communication officer.
- 11.2.3 It was reported that only two porters are on duty at the Hospital during the week and no porters on weekends. There is an urgent need for the appointment of additional porters. Currently, doctors and nurses are pushing patients.
- 11.2.4 There is high absenteeism due to staff burnout.
- 11.2.5 It was reported that mental health illnesses were on the rise, both among health personnel and community members, due to substance abuse, poor coping mechanism and lack of social support.
- 11.2.6 In addition, kitchen staff are also needed.
- 11.2.7 The personal safety of staff in health facilities in the district was highlighted as a major challenge.
- 11.2.8 An increase in violence, especially on weekends, put severe pressure on the Hospital.
- 11.2.9 There is a rapid population expansion in the Saldanha Subdistrict with no significant growth of personnel, facilities and budget for the Department of Health.
- 11.2.10 There is an increase in immigration, both national and foreign, in the region without related facility growth and development.
- 11.2.11 High unemployment was reported as a challenge in the West Coast region. This has a direct impact on the health service because the majority of community members do not have medical aid and are dependent on the public health service.
- 11.2.12 There is an increasing rate of non-communicable disease and an increased complexity of patients. It was reported that health facilities on the West Coast have experienced increasing numbers of younger patients with lifestyle diseases, such as stroke and diabetes.
- 11.2.13 The TB and HIV incidence remains high with a high default rate among newcomers to the area.
- 11.2.14 Social media and the threat of legal action deteriorate the image of the Hospital.
- 11.2.15 Financial growth and development were reported as a challenge. Currently the operational budget of the Hospital is R112 million monthly, which is inadequate.
- 11.2.16 There is no mortuary facility at the Hospital, only has a cold room.

## 11.3 Public Input

During the meeting, councillors from various political parties in the Saldanha Sub-district were in attendance and gave input during the meeting. They highlighted various challenges experienced at various health facilities in the Sub-district – challenges such as:

a) The shortage of staff and an urgent need for doctors.

- b) There is a need for an awareness campaign to educate communities about the triage system in health facilities and the different services offered by different health facilities. This will assist in curbing the long queues at the Vredenburg District Hospital.
- c) Awareness of TB and TB treatment is needed. It was reported that young people were defaulting on their HIV and TB treatment.
- d) There was a high teenage pregnancy rate in the Sub-District and that awareness was also needed.
- e) The safety of staff members at health facilities in the Saldanha Sub-District was raised as a concern. It was reported that patients who are using substances became violent and attacked staff members.

The councillors highlighted a list of challenges at the Hanna Coetzee Clinic, such as the distance of the clinic from the communities. As a result of this distance, community members were robbed on their way to and from the clinic. Inadequate and poor infrastructure was also highlighted as a challenge. The councillors requested mobile clinics to be made available as a supplement to the Hanna Coetzee Clinic, as the clinic is facing many challenges that include a shortage of staff and high staff absenteeism, to name but a few. The poor response time of the ambulances in the various communities was also reported and it was reported that communities ended up the calling the police for assistance.

## 11.4 Resolutions and actions

11.4.1 The delegation resolved that the Standing Committee on Health conducts an oversight visit to the Hanna Coetzee Clinic in Vredenburg.

## 11.5 Information requested

11.5.1 The delegation requested the Department of Health to provide the Standing Committee on Health with a progress report on the request submitted by the Vredenburg District Hospital for the approval of the Quality Assurance position.

## 12. Conclusion

The delegation successfully concluded its oversight visit and took cognisance of the urgency of the challenges experienced at the various sites that were visited. The facilities visited need support in their endeavours to succeed against the backdrop of the challenges noted in this report.

# 12.1 For future Cluster Visits, the SOCIAL CLUSTER DELEGATION resolved that:

12.1.1 The distance and time be managed when chairpersons review the draft programme.

- 12.1.2 A day be dedicated to a specific portfolio to allow proper oversight by committees.
- 12.1.3 The programme be scheduled with only two activities a day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.
- 12.1.4 Procedural Officers work on their reports on the days when the other portfolios meet.
- 12.1.5 Notices of the Cluster Visit Week be forwarded to all senior managers of the facilities to be visited.
- 12.1.6 The Social Cluster delegation encouraged the use of email/sms/WhatsApp messenger to submit their resolutions for the Cluster Visit Report.
- 12.1.7 A motion be tabled by the Social Cluster Members to congratulate the Social Cluster officials on putting together a successful programme and a successful Visit Week.

## 13. Acknowledgement

The delegation thanked the management of the different facilities that were visited for their willingness to share valuable information with the Social Cluster delegation.

TUESDAY, 30 JUNE 2020

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Document referred to committee on membership of the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board.

## Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism

Evaluation of shortlisted applications for membership of the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board.

## TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. Letter: Tabling of document in terms of section 17 of the Interpretation Act, 1957 (Act 33 of 1957):

#### Minister of Transport and Public Works

Letter: Publication of Provincial Notice 71 of 2020 – Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works: Western Cape Toll Roads Act, 1999 (Act 11 of 1999): Levying of tolls for Chapman's Peak Drive, published in the *Provincial Gazette Extraordinary* 8248, dated 11 June 2020.

## 2. Publication of Act 2 of 2020

**Provincial Notice 48 of 2020:** Publication of the Western Cape Appropriation Act, 2020 (Act 2 of 2020), published in the *Provincial Gazette Extraordinary* 8257, dated 30 June 2020.

WEDNESDAY, 1 JULY 2020

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Report of the Parliamentary Oversight Committee, having considered the 4th Quarterly Financial and Performance information of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament (WCPP) for the 2019/20 financial year, dated 5 June 2020, as follows:

The Parliamentary Oversight Committee reports that it convened on 5 June 2020 and has concluded its deliberations on the 4th Quarterly Financial and Performance information of the WCPP for the 2019/20 financial year, which was referred to it in terms of Standing Rule 89(1). (See ATC 9, 25 and 33 of 2020.)

The Committee interrogated the WCPP in terms of its 4th Quarter Financial and Performance Information reports, which were tabled and referred to the Committee as legislated under section 54(1)(2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (FMPPLA).

In accordance with section 37(6) and 66(2) of the FMPPLA, the WCPP reported to the Committee that no instructions were issued for the 4th Quarter of the 2019/20 financial year.

2. Annual Committee Report of the Parliamentary Oversight Committee (POC) for the 2019/20 financial year. The Committee reports as follows:

#### Members

The Committee comprised of the following Members:

Ms MM Wenger (DA) Chairperson Mr RI Allen (DA) Mr RD MacKenzie (DA) Ms PZ Lekker (ANC) Mr M Xego (EFF)

#### **Alternate Members**

Ms LJ Botha (DA) Mr CM Dugmore (ANC) Ms N Makamba-Botya (EFF) Ms LM Maseko (DA) Mr DG Mitchell (DA)

## 1. Introduction

The mandate of the POC, as prescribed by the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009) (FMPPLA), is to:

- 1.1 Be the oversight mechanism of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament which must maintain oversight of the financial management of Parliament to:
  - (a) Consider instructions issued by the Executive Authority in terms of section 37(5);
  - (b) Consider the annual report submitted to Parliament in terms of section 60;
  - (c) Consider instructions issued by the Executive Authority in terms of section 66; and
  - (d) Perform any other functions specified in this Act or by the Rules of Parliament, or consistent with the objects of the FMPPLA.
- 1.2 Require the Accounting Officer and any other official of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament to appear before it.
- 1.3 Exercise the same powers that committees of Parliament have under sections 56 and 69 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa 1996.
- 1.4 Consider the quarterly and mid-year reports of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament.
- 1.5 Consider the Annual Report of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament.
- 1.6 Any audit reports issued by the Auditor-General on the affairs of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament; and
- 1.7 Any other financial statements or reports referred to the Committee by the House.

In fulfilment of its mandate, the Committee must:

- 1.8 Facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other processes of the Committee;
- 1.9 Conduct its business in a fair, open and transparent manner;
- 1.10 Promote cooperative governance; and
- 1.11 Report regularly to the House.

## 2. Reporting Institution

2.1 Western Cape Provincial Parliament (WCPP).

## 3. Overview of committee's activities

Number of Committee Meetings	
Number of Public Hearings	3
Number of International Study Tours	0
Number of Oversight Visits	0
Number of Provincial Bills considered	2
Number of NCOP Bills considered	0
Workshops/conferences attended	0

## 4. Oversight activities

The Parliamentary Oversight Committee was established on 3 June 2019, through the Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports (ATC) No 4 of the WCPP. The Committee convened thereafter on 4 June 2019 to elect a Chairperson.

During the financial year under consideration, the Parliamentary Oversight Committee conducted oversight mainly over the following information:

- 4.1. The Quarterly Performance reports of the WCPP;
- 4.2. The Financial Statement reports of the WCPP;
- 4.3. The Annual Report of the WCPP for the 2018/19 financial year; and
- 4.4 Budget and budget adjustments of the WCPP for 2019/20 and 2020/21.

The Committee commenced its oversight role by meeting with WCPP and engaging it on its structure, annual performance plan for the 2019/20 financial year; including the 4th quarter performance and financial reports which occurred in the 2018/19 financial year. The Committee also conducted oversight over the performance and financial reports of WCPP for the 1st quarter of the 2019/20 financial year.

During the 3rd Quarter of the financial year, the Committee met with the Institution to conduct oversight over its 2018/19 Annual Report, including the Schedule of the Institution in terms of the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6-2019]. The Committee made resolutions to the Institution in order to assist it in gearing towards meeting its constitutional mandate and its functional enhancement abilities which would ensure that WCPP operates optimally in delivering on its strategic plan over a 5year period. This included reporting back on the WCPP's media strategy, its occupational health and safety plans and its employment equity plan. Furthermore, the Committee wanted to ascertain the mechanism that the Institution had in place to preserve it heritage assets.

During the 4th Quarter, the Committee met with the Institution to be briefed on the 3rd Quarter financial and performance information, any instructions issued in term of section 37(6) and section 66(2) of the FMPPLA, and information on salary over- and under payments; including gratuity leave and staff leave. In respect of the oversight activity, the Committee resolved that the Institution provide provides reports on the successes of the functional enhancement project that was implemented by the institution in terms of vacancies created, as well as the inclusion of sign-language in the YouTube streamlining channel of the Institution. Further to this, the Committee was interested in the "app" which has been created by WCPP in order to host and provide the members with parliamentary papers.

## 5. Legislation

In the 2019/ 20 financial year, the Committee dealt with the following provincial legislation:

- 5.1. Vote 2: Western Cape Provincial Parliament in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6–2019]; and
- 5.2. Vote 2: Western Cape Provincial Parliament in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 3–2020].

## 6. Facilitation of Public Involvement and Participation

In line with its mandate to facilitate public participation as part of the legislative process, the Committee held one public hearing meeting during the Annual Report period. To give effect to this, the Committee's Annual Report meeting was advertised, informing and inviting the public and stakeholders to participate in public hearings. In addition, the Committee held two public hearing meetings on the following money Bills, the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 6–2019], and the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 3–2020], respectively, on Vote 2: Western Cape Provincial Parliament.

## 7. Financial particulars

At the end of the 2019/20 financial year, expenditure which attributed to the activities of the Committee accumulated to an amount of R40 339,75, from an allocated budget of R50 000,00. The expenditure was incurred on catering for the Committee's meetings during the financial year, as well as contributing to the adverts for the Appropriation, Adjustments Appropriation and Annual Report period.

3. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19, in performing oversight on the work of the provincial executive authority as it responds to the COVID-19 pandemic, including oversight over any part of the provincial executive authority, any provincial department, any organ of state and any provincial entity involved in activities dealing with the pandemic, on the themes covered for May 2020, as follows:

The Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 consists of the following Members:

Mr RI Allen (DA) Mr D America (DA) Ms DM Baartman (DA) Mr G Bosman (DA) Mr FC Christians (ACDP) Mr CM Dugmore (ANC) Mr BN Herron (GOOD) Ms P Lekker (ANC) Mr PJ Marais (FFP) Mr D Mitchell (DA) Ms WF Philander (DA) Mr AP van der Westhuizen (DA) Ms MM Wenger (DA)(Chairperson) Ms R Windvogel (ANC) Mr M Xego (EFF)

#### **Alternative Members:**

Ms LJ Botha (DA) Mr RI MacKenzie (DA) Ms LM Maseko (DA) Ms ND Nkondlo (ANC) Mr K Sayed (ANC) Mr D Smith (ANC)

### **Additional Members:**

Mr M Kama (ANC) Mr P Marran (ANC) Mr LL Mvimbi (ANC)

### **Procedural Staff:**

Ms Z Adams, Procedural Officer Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer Mr W Matthews, Procedural Officer

#### 1. Introduction and Background

The Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 (the Committee) was established by the Speaker of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament on 14 April 2020 in accordance with Standing Rule 119(1)(b) of the Standing Rules of Western Cape Provincial Parliament. The Committee was tasked with the responsibility to perform oversight over the work of the provincial executive authority as it responds to the COVID-19 pandemic, including oversight over any part of the provincial executive authority, any provincial department, any organ of state and any provincial entity involved in activities dealing with the pandemic.

The meetings have been held virtually, so as to comply with COVID-19 lockdown regulations issued by the national government, as well as a decision of the Programming Authority, to enforce social distancing rules.

### 2. Election of Chairperson, Adopted Themes and the Rules of Engagement

On 17 April 2020, Member M Wenger (DA) was elected to serve as the Chairperson of the Committee in accordance with Standing Rules 82(1) and 85.

The Committee adopted 12 themes around which it would address the COVID-19 pandemic, also agreeing to hold two meetings per week, given the urgency of the matter. Each meeting would primarily focus on one theme. The 12 adopted themes were as follows:

- 1. Health Department Responses and Preparations
- 2. Policing, Security and Police Brutality
- 3. Food Security
- 4. Protection of the Vulnerable
- 5. Disaster Management and Local Government Oversight
- 6. Economic Recovery, Support and Livelihoods
- 7. Transport and Infrastructure
- 8. Schooling and Education
- 9. Human Settlements
- 10. Citizen Surveillance
- 11. Intergovernmental Relations and Community Cooperation
- 12. Government Finance and Budgets

# Additionally, the Rules of Engagement during virtual meetings were indicated as follows:

- 1. All meetings would be open to members of the public and media via livestreaming;
- 2. All Members microphones must be muted at the beginning of the meeting to avoid background noise;
- 3. Members are to flag Points of Order in the Chat Function of Microsoft Teams (the application through which virtual meetings are held);
- 4. All videos and audio must be switched off to improve the quality of the connection; however, if a Member/Minister/HOD/Official is speaking, they may put on their audio and video;
- 5. Participants must switch off their microphones once they are finished speaking;
- 6. In terms of maintenance of order, in accordance with the "Directives for Sittings of the House and Meetings of Committees by Electronic Means", ATC'd on Friday, 17 April 2020, Section 8 states that "when a Member is considered to be out of order by the presiding officer, the presiding officer may mute the microphone of such a Member and call such a Member to order"; and
- 7. Section 10 of the Directives ATC'd on 17 April 2020 speaks to the application of Standing Rules. Section 10 states that "in instances where these directives are not clear or do not cover a particular eventuality in respect of sittings of the House or meetings of the committees by means of videoconferencing, the Standing Rules must apply as far as this is reasonably and practically possible and, in instances where they cannot be applied, the ruling by the presiding officer must be final".

## The themes covered in May 2020 included:

- Policing, Security and Police Brutality 29 April and 6 May 2020
- Schooling and Education 8 May 2020
- Disaster Management and Local Government Oversight 13 May 2020
- Economic Recovery, Support and Livelihoods 15 May 2020
- Transport and Infrastructure and Human Settlements 20 May 2020
- Government finance and budgets/Cooperative Governance 22 May 2020

## 3. THEME: Policing, Security and Police Brutality

## 3.1 Overview and background

The Committee requested briefings from the following stakeholders: (a) the Provincial Department of Community Safety, (b) the Western Cape Police Ombudsman (WCPO), (c) the Regional Commissioner of the Department of Correctional Services (DCS), (d) the South African Police Service (SAPS), (e) the Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID), and, (f) the South African National Defence Force (SANDF). The Department of Defence acknowledged receipt of the request, however, did not confirm the attendance of the SANDF for the two meetings held on 29 April and 6 May 2020 where the abovementioned theme was addressed.

The purpose of the meetings was to receive updates on the manner in which each of these stakeholders addressed concerns, and its contingency plans to remain fully operational during the COVID-19 pandemic in the Western Cape.

The Department of Community Safety informed the Committee on matters relating to community policing during the lockdown, information on the roll out of the Safety Plan during the lockdown, and, information on the suspension of liquor licenses for traders during the lockdown.

The WCPO focused on its operations during the lockdown, the mechanisms used by members of the public to contact the WCPO during the lockdown, and high alert levels, given restrictions on walk-in complaints, information on the number of policing complaints received during the lockdown, including (a) the nature of the complaints received, (b) from which areas, and (c) any recommendations made, and, information on any reports of police brutality received and whether these have been investigated.

The DCS focused on matters pertaining to the Correctional Service facilities in the Western Cape specifically on the number of positive COVID-19 cases of inmates and officials per facility; indicating whether or not these persons are hospitalised, in Intensive Care Units, quarantined or in self-isolation. The presentation also addressed the measures used to quarantine infected persons and/or facilitate self-isolation, sanitise the facilities and ensure that the risk of COVID-19 infections is lowered. The provision and quality of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for personnel and inmates were also discussed, as well as the conditions guiding the review of parolees within the context of the pandemic.

The SAPS briefing focused on updates on the policing environment during the lockdown, the impact of police resourcing, information on how police officers are protected and whether they have sufficient PPE, the contingency plans for SAPS facilities such as the 10111 call centre and stations closed due to COVID-19 infections. The presentation also addressed the number of arrests made during the lockdown; including a breakdown in what the arrests were for, and in which areas of the province. Further to that, the SAPS reported on the criteria for police issued permits and the number of permits. Complaints of police brutality were also addressed.

The IPID presentation addressed the degree to which the Western Cape IPID has been operational during the lockdown, its accessibility as a structure to the public, and related challenges. The IPID also reported on the number of complaints received during the lockdown, including the nature of the complaints received and in which areas, and whether or not any recommendations were made. The presentation also highlighted reports of police brutality and whether those incidents were investigated.

## 3.2 Observations and challenges

- 3.2.1 The Department of Community Safety availed 289 Chrysalis graduates as trained Peace Officers to assist at multi-stakeholder roadblocks, and to help in rural municipalities.
- 3.2.2 The Department of Community Safety had 87 staff who were office bound/or as part of security personnel. A total of 129 staff were working from home, 30 persons were placed on special leave.
- 3.2.3 At the time of reporting, four security guards stationed at the Tygerberg Hospital tested positive for COVID-19.
- 3.2.4 The Department of Community Safety stated that only after the publication of Level 4 Lockdown Regulations, will it be able to comment on the use of Neighbourhood Watches to patrol in communities.
- 3.2.5 The Department of Community Safety acknowledged that its implementation of the Safety Plan has shifted due to resources being geared towards its response to the COVID-19 lockdown.
- 3.2.6 The Department of Community Safety is monitoring court cases linked to COVID-19, including the Strandfontein Shelter rape case, as well as cases related to the dissemination of fake news within the context of the pandemic, and police misconduct through the IPID forum focussing on criminal cases against SAPS members during the lockdown period.

- 3.2.7 The Department of Community Safety has assisted stakeholders such as the SAPS across various operations, as the Department is a role player in the Provincial Joint Operations Centre spearheaded by the SAPS.
- 3.2.8 The Western Cape Liquor Authority (WCLA) inspectors have conducted 37 investigations.
- 3.2.9 The WCLA temporarily suspended 14 liquor licenses, however, licensees involved will be granted an opportunity to provide reasons why the order of the Liquor Licensing Tribunal (LLT) should not be permanent.
- 3.2.10 The Department of Community Safety stated that it is conducting a study, together with the Safety Secretariat, the Department of Transport and Public Works and the Institute for Security Study (ISS), to investigate the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown on safety.
- 3.2.11 The WCPO reported that its offices were closed for walk-in complaints, but staff continued to be operational throughout the lockdown period; subject to change on 1 May 2020, following updated regulations issued by the Presidency.
- 3.2.12 Complaints were received via email, social media and the WCPO's website.
- 3.2.13 The WCPO assured the Committee that its senior investigators were conducting telephonic and electronic follow ups to ongoing cases.
- 3.2.14 The WCPO reported a total of 68 complaints finalised during the COVID-19 lockdown. The statistics, prior to end April 2020, reflected that 25 complaints were unsubstantiated, four were withdrawn, and three cases were duplicate complaints. Thus the remaining 40 complaints were finalised as being either substantiated with recommendations (32) or substantiated and resolved (4).
- 3.2.15 The nature of the 40 complaints received during lockdown related to poor police visibility, especially where contraventions of lockdown regulations were reported, wrongful arrests and issuance of fines, brutality and/or unsavoury language use by law enforcement agencies and the SANDF, requests for permission to travel and the failure by law enforcements agencies in wearing PPE and adhering to social distancing conditions.
- 3.2.16 The WCPO has established a good professional relationship with the Military Ombudsman, especially since the WCPO received complaints about SANDF members.
- 3.2.17 Approximately 18 complaints were received from within the Cape Town Metropolitan area and 18 from rural areas in the province. The remaining four were from other provinces.
- 3.2.18 The DCS reported that there are 10 management areas that are managed by an area commissioner; these areas include 43 correctional facilities.

- 3.2.19 As of 6 May 2020, the Western Cape had 26 803 offenders, of which 12 474 and 14 329 are sentenced offenders.
- 3.2.20 There is sufficient space to accommodate about 19 000 offenders. In essence, the facilities are overcrowded by more than 7 000 offenders of its capacity to accommodate all offenders.
- 3.2.21 As of 6 May 2020, there were 7 342 probationers and parolees that were regularly being monitored.
- 3.2.22 The DCS' provincial staff complement was 6 847 at the time of reporting.
- 3.2.23 The DCS stated that its provincial facilities are not designed to deal with the current COVID-19 pandemic or any similar outbreaks.
- 3.2.24 The DCS stated only five of its provincial facilities were designed and built post 1994. These facilities are the Brandvlei Maximum Prison, the Vanrhynsdorp Medium Prison, the Warm Bokkeveld Medium Prison, the West Coast Medium Prison and the Goodwood Medium Prison. These five facilities are not as overcrowded as the facilities built prior to 1994. However, there is overall overcrowding by 147% across the DCS' provincial facilities.
- 3.2.25 Each facility has developed its own risk mitigation plan.
- 3.2.26 All facilities were deep cleaned, bedding was regularly changed, and there is daily screening of offenders and staff being conducted.
- 3.2.27 Initially, staff were infected before offenders due to the fact that staff were susceptible to infection whilst off duty and off-site.
- 3.2.28 At the time of reporting, 50 staff members tested positive for COVID-19. These officials were based at the Allandale Correctional Facility, the Worcester Female Facility in the Breede River Management Area, the Goodwood Facility, Pollsmoor Medium and Voorbrug Medium. The Warm Bokkeveld Prison registered 27 officials who tested positive.
- 3.2.29 Officials reside either on the premises of the facility where they are stationed, or in nearby towns.
- 3.2.30 Of the 50 officials who tested positive for COVID-19, 21 officials had recovered at the time of reporting.
- 3.2.31 The Brandvlei Correctional Facility is the designated isolation site for offenders, however, all 43 facilities have quarantine sites.
- 3.2.32 The isolation sites for offenders include, Pollsmoor Medium A (46), Pollsmoor Medium B (140), Old Brandvlei Hospital (45), Southern Cape Youth Centre in Mossel Bay (89), George Training Centre (45), Riebeeck Wes Prison (124) and Hawequa Prison (116).

- 3.2.33 The isolation sites for staff includes guest houses, on-site residences in the Management Areas of Pollsmoor, Drakenstein, Brandvlei, George and Mossel Bay. The Department of Correctional Services are engaging with the provincial Department of Health, as well as Municipalities, to accommodate staff in areas where there are no DCS facilities/guest houses.
- 3.2.34 The Department of Correctional Services has regular initiatives with the provincial Department of Health to visit to correctional facilities.
- 3.2.35 These initiatives assist with mass screening and testing of officials and offenders the facilities.
- 3.2.36 The Department of Correctional Services reported that there is a shortage of nursing staff across its facilities despite the addition of 77 nurses who were appointed on 1 May 2020.
- 3.2.37 To illustrate its nursing staff concerns, the Department of Correctional Services stated that the Pollsmoor Management Area has roughly 6 000 offenders, with only 37 nursing positions, eight off which are vacant. At the time of reporting, one nurse had tested positive for COVID-19 and 13 were isolated, leaving 15 operational nurses. The provincial Department of Health assisted with the alleviating the effects of the staffing shortage.
- 3.2.38 There is a marked shortage of PPE, with most of the bulk orders affected by backlogs that suppliers have due to high product demand. However, 29 000 face cloth masks were produced internally and each offender and staff member was issued with two such masks.
- 3.2.39 The South African Police Service (SAPS) established the Provincial Core Command Group (PCCG) which acts as an operational command structure. The PCCG consists of SAPS, and other law enforcements and policing agencies, the State Security Agency, the South African National Defence Force, power utility Eskom, the National Prosecuting Authority, and various provincial and national government departments.
- 3.2.40 The SAPS also developed a dashboard to monitor varying degrees of accessibility to PPEs by staff based at the 187 buildings that it uses, as well as the daily sanitisation of these premises. The buildings include 151 police stations and 36 satellite police stations in the Province. Additionally, this dashboard is also used to track the sanitisation of all SAPS vehicles.
- 3.2.41 The SAPS also presented its contingency plans for frontline services, such as the Community Service Centres, of all its police stations and satellite stations.

- 3.2.42 The frontline services offered will either operate from an alternative building within the station area, operate from a tent or nearby mobile point, or, services will be redirected to a neighbouring station. At the time of reporting, the SAPS had already implemented some of these contingency plans at stations where frontline service staff tested positive for COVID-19.
- 3.2.43 At the time of reporting, the SAPS registered 16 833 cases, with 17 059 accused for offences committed in terms of the National Lockdown Regulations.
- 3.2.44 The SAPS is only authorised to issue permits to the general public to attend a funeral of a cremation. The limitations are guided by the COVID-19 regulations in the Disaster Management Act no 57 of 2020.
- 3.2.45 The SAPS reported that only the station commander, an employee delegated by the station commander, and/or a head magistrate, may issue permits.
- 3.2.46 The SAPS reported 15 618 inter-provincial travel permits were submitted, and 5 193 for inter-municipal travel.
- 3.2.47 The SAPS reported that there was a clear lack of adherence to lockdown restrictions across communities.
- 3.2.48 The SAPS' resources were stretched having to police food distribution initiatives by relief organisations and individuals.
- 3.2.49 The restriction on force multipliers such as the Neighbourhood Watches, has also affected policing in general.
- 3.2.50 The SAPS' staffing contingent has also been affected with some of its members testing positive for COVID-19. Although this has not impacted the services rendered, there was a total of 153 staff members who tested positive, and at least five were hospitalised, at the time of reporting.
- 3.2.51 16833 cases had been made for offences in terms of the lockdown, of which 16494 were fines and 565 notices to appear in court.

#### 4. THEME: Schooling and Education

#### 4.1 Overview and background

The Committee requested a briefing from the Provincial Minister of Education, Ms D Schafer, and the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) on 8 May 2020, to discuss matters relating to the theme "Schooling and Education", in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive information on the re-opening of schools, distance learning and home schooling, school feeding schemes and assistance for special needs and vocational training institutions.

#### 4.2 Observations and challenges

- 4.2.1 The Minister stated that the Ministry and the WCED was feeling the weight of the responsibility on its shoulders as the education sector was a difficult space to be in during the COVID-19 pandemic. It was easy to close schools, but a difficult task to reopen schools as there were many factors that needed to be considered and many precautions that needed to be taken, especially when there was a lot of uncertainty around the decisions the National Command Council (NCC) would be making. However, the Minister thought that the Province had performed remarkably well during the lockdown period given the short notice, as the education sector is a large one that requires an extensive amount of planning, in addition to having to secure a large amount of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
- 4.2.2 Schools were closed on 18 March 2020 and will reopen to Grade 7 and Grade 12 learners on 1 June 2020. This was a total loss of 42 days of teaching and learning, which is a challenge because of the long term impact on the economy because of potential loss of earning capacity later in life. There are parents who have said that they do not want their children to attend school, and would not mind holding their children back a year, however, this poses a challenge to schools next year, when there will be new learners entering the school system.
- 4.2.3 The Head of the WCED informed the Committee that education will not be the same after the pandemic, on a global level, however, there were a number of positive factors that have emerged from the pandemic. Although the WCED has been working to limit the amount of inequality in the education system in the Western Cape, they have not been able to eradicate it completely. The WCED has been working on an e-learning strategy, which was a "pro poor strategy" for the Province, which is aimed at bridging the inequality gap faced by learners in the sector. The pandemic has allowed for technology enhancement to accelerate for learning, however, there is still a long way to go in the Province. Technology would not replace face-to-face learning, but the key was to implement a "blended" learning approach to education.
- 4.2.4 Grade 7 and Grade 12 learners were set to return to school on 1 June 2020, while the rest of the grades would be phased in with 15 July 2020 being the last date of return, however, this was unclear at the time of the briefing. Minister Schafer stated that it was feasible for learners to start returning to school on 1 June 2020 if the proper PPE was procured on time and all the necessary precautions were in place. The HOD of the WCED added that the decision to reopen schools was also based on the advice that young children were less susceptible to the effects of the virus. Teachers were more susceptible to the virus, however, no more so than if they were in a shopping mall or petrol stations.

- 4.2.5 During lockdown, the WCED continued its vision of education for the Province, which included quality education for each child, in every classroom and every school in the Western Cape. Teachers all over the Province have worked tirelessly to ensure that education continues through distance learning, including using WhatsApp messaging and videos to assist learners and parents. The WCED has also adapted the curriculum to focus on core concepts and competencies because the curriculum will need to be trimmed, given the number of school days that were lost.
- According to the National Department of Basic Education (DBE) 4.2.6 all School Management Teams (SMTs), non-teaching and cleaning staff would be expected to resume duty on 11 May 2020, teachers should return to schools on 18 May 2020, and Grade 7 and 12 learners should return to school on 1 June 2020. At the time of the briefing, 1 June 2020 was still a tentative date issued by the National Minister of Education, Ms A Motshekga, which still had to be approved by Cabinet. During this discussion period, the WCED advised the national government that they were concerned about foundation phase learners, who would have the longest break before being phased in to the schooling system again. These are the learners who needed to establish reading, counting and thinking patterns and skills. This was a gap that had to be addressed as it could continue into the rest of these learners' education and careers. The WCED had suggested that these learners return to school first as they were the least vulnerable to the effects of the pandemic. However, it was also understandable that Grade 7 and 12 learners would return first as they are the seniors of their schools and would play a leadership role once other grades return.
- 4.2.7 Once learners return to school there will be a need to adhere to COVID-19 requirements and safety guidelines for teachers and learners, especially around new teaching and assessment policy and protocols, in order to retain social distancing rules. The WCED would also pay close attention to teacher support, which includes wellbeing, psychosocial and mental support, as well as support in the form of lessons for teaching at home, Information, Communication and Technology (ICT) support and support for other methods of remote teaching.
- 4.2.8 The WCED has ordered sanitation and hygiene packs for all schools (approximately 1 500 schools), which include hand sanitisers, liquid soap, face masks, thermometers for screening and cleaning materials. The procurement for this was a challenge. The WCED needed approximately 2.4 million masks just for learners and teachers, which already amounted to over R50 million.
- 4.2.9 It was critical that both the learners and teachers were not overburdened by the curriculum due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Consequently, there was no such concept as "catching up" as it placed too much pressure on learners, teachers and parents. The curriculum needed to be adapted instead.

The WCED would look at extracting the core activities from the curriculum and explain to teachers the flexibility they have within that curriculum. There would also be more focus on improving access to ICT for teachers and students. There have been conversations about expanding free Wi-Fi hotspots that already exist in the country.

- 4.2.10 As at 4 May 2020, there were 82 reported cases of burglary and vandalism at schools in the Province. The WCED has added additional day security and doubled night security for schools in high risk areas. Additional security costs amounted to R6,1 million for 470 schools as at 11 May 2020. The majority of the cases were for minor acts of vandalism.
- 4.2.11 In terms of distance learning and e-learning, the e-learning portal has thousands of lessons for learners. In terms of non-digital learning, there have been educational broadcasts through radio and television, printed worksheets as well as workbooks and revision papers, which were handed to learners as they collected food at schools. The WCED was aware that not all learners had access to digital learning. Although 60% of learners had access to cell phones, the cost of data and connectivity was an impediment to accessing learning materials. However, many learners, even in poorer communities, had access to televisions. There were a number of educational broadcasts on television.
- 4.2.12 In total, 912 988 learners were fed by the WCED from 8 to 30 April 2020. An average of 65 213 learners have been fed per day in 284 sites. Social distancing was practiced during the feeding scheme, where learners had to queue with spaces of 1,5 m between each learner. Learners were instructed to wash their hands and to return home immediately once they received their meals. The WCED chose to feed learners with warm meals instead of food parcels as food parcels are between four and ten times more expensive that providing warm meals to learners. Secondly, food parcels have become a source of desire and are easier for people to loot.
- 4.2.13 In respect of fee exemptions, parents and guardians of learners may apply at any point if they are experiencing financial difficulty. Schools may also apply to be No Fee Schools, however, this depends on whether the WCED has the available funding to allow for it to happen.
- 4.2.14 The WCED has been assured that schools do not have to be deep-cleaned as they have been closed for six weeks and the Corona virus does not live on surfaces for that long. The areas where learner feeding took place have been cleaned. Normal cleaning of schools will continue to take place.
- 4.2.15 Regulations to be released by the national government will define the comorbidities associated with whether a person is considered high risk or not. For example, the regulations will not merely list "high blood pressure" as a risk, it will list the level of hypertension that is associated with being high risk, and this will have to be accompanied by a medical certificate. Schools have been asked to identify vulnerable/high risk teachers.

- 4.2.16 The ability to manage social distancing while at the initial stage of phasing in learners at school is possible, however, this will become increasingly more difficult once schools have four or more grades back at school. In this case, social distancing may have to be ruled out for schools altogether, but only if every learner can be screened before he/she enters the school every day, and if schools maintain safety protocols such as cleaning of hands and wearing of masks. If social distancing remains a rule for schools once more grades are introduced then schooling will most likely not be able to continue in the Province.
- 4.2.17 In terms of transport for learners and the safety thereof in terms of COVID-19 regulations, the national government had not released any guidelines or regulations for school transport at this point in time.

### 5. THEME: Local Government Disaster Management and Environmental Affairs

## 5.1 Overview and background

The purpose of the engagement on 13 May 2020 was to establish the response by the Department of Local Government (DLG), the Provincial Disaster Management structures and the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEADP). The Departments were requested to brief the Committee on support given to municipalities, the effects on the levels of service delivery, specifically water and solid waste removal during the lockdown, provision of PPEs to essential workers, the provincial disaster planning and coordination for the pandemic, the effect of the lockdown on the environment, with specific attention to air quality, volumes of solid waste and waste water generated.

## 5.2 Observations and challenges

- 5.2.1 The DLG reported that the command and coordinating structure is arranged to facilitate, political accountability via the Provincial Command Council, administrative accountability through the Provincial Command Centre and the coordination of the operational response via the Provincial Disaster Operations Centre.
- 5.2.2 The Joint Operations Centre (JOC) was activated on 24 March 2020, and is responsible for implementing the policy of the Provincial Command Council.
- 5.2.3 The JOC uses a cluster approach, and ensures a multi-agency response to combatting COVID-19.
- 5.2.4 There are six treatment/accommodation levels, ranging from hospitals to household isolation or quarantine to accommodate those affected by COVID-19.
- 5.2.5 The Department of Health applied to National Treasury for funding, as part of the Provincial Disaster Relief Grant, to the value of R53 338 667, however, only R52m was approved.

- 5.2.6 The breakdown of the application was divided into funding for Personal Protective Equipment, Medical Equipment, Sanitiser and Waste bags, and Ventilators.
- 5.2.7 The funding application was made in order to support 30 public health facilities across the province.
- 5.2.8 The DLG also applied for Municipal Disaster Relief Grant funding to the value of R239 359 300. However, only R7.9m was approved.
- 5.2.9 The DLG affirmed that its basic municipal services had not been disrupted by the response to COVID-19.
- 5.2.10 The DLG ensured installation of water tanks, and the distribution of soap and hand sanitiser to high density informal settlements.
- 5.2.11 All district municipalities facilitated initiatives to clean public open spaces. These initiatives are on-going.
- 5.2.12 The DLG also assists shelters for homeless people. This assistance is given in collaboration with the Department of Health, and there are mechanisms in place to improve screening, testing and speeding up test results.
- 5.2.13 The DLG availed R16.2m across municipalities for humanitarian relief. The City of Cape Town was not included as a recipient of this funding.
- 5.2.14 The DLG reported on the use of an Application (App) that helps to track and monitor the distribution of items across municipalities, aimed at humanitarian relief. The live dashboard is updated hourly, and requires Municipalities to record when and where the aid is distributed. In this way, the Department is able to monitor how municipalities use the funding that the Department avails.
- 5.2.15 The DLG reported that it was collecting data from municipalities to establish its plans for fatalities management, specifically regarding the capacity available at cemeteries, burial sites and with undertakers. Several intergovernmental stakeholders also form part of the discussions. These bodies include the Department of Local Government, Health, Environmental Affairs Development Planning, district municipalities, and the Department of Home Affairs.
- 5.2.16 The DEADP reported on its guidelines for waste management for households and the protocols for removing medical waste at designated isolation and quarantine sites.
- 5.2.17 The DEADP reported that the Western Cape has four licenced health care risk waste treatment plants.
- 5.2.18 There are 71 operational waste disposal facilities, and this includes a single high hazardous waste disposal facility.
- 5.2.19 The DEADP reported that if the pandemic escalates, other disposal and treatment options have been identified.
- 5.2.20 The DEADP stated that there was a marked decline in the waste generated during the Level 5 Lockdown. However, there was an increase in illegal dumping. The informal recycling industry has been negatively affected and thus the work done by waste pickers and recycling businesses has diminished.

- 5.2.21 The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment initiated a food voucher initiative for waste pickers. Corporate bodies also sponsored similar items.
- 5.2.22 In terms of water and waste water management, the DEADP reported a decline in water usage and generated waste water in the City of Cape Town, attributed largely to the closure of industries during Level 5 lockdown.
- 5.2.23 The DEADP reported that the quality of tap water is safe for human consumption.
- 5.2.24 The use of communal or shared facilities increases the risk of COVID-19. This risk is particularly concerning in households and areas with shared toilets and shared water tanks.
- 5.2.25 There are five main crematoria in the province, namely, Maitland Crematorium, Drakenstein Crematorium, Worcester Crematorium, Durbanville Memorial Park and George Crematorium. All of these facilities have been granted special permission to operate 24 hours per day and 7 days per week.
- 5.2.26 The Maitland Crematorium and the Durbanville Memorial Park have equipment that need repair.
- 5.2.27 The National Air Quality Index indicates that the air quality in the province is good.
- 5.2.28 There are indications of better air quality and therefore less air pollution during Level 5 lockdown due to the reduction in traffic activity and pollution from various industries in the province.
- 5.2.29 During Level 5 lockdown, all protected areas and parks were closed.
- 5.2.30 Staff responsible for conservation and enforcement were categorised as essential services and have continued to perform duties maintaining safety protocols.
- 5.2.31 Although revenue accrued from tourism and visitor activity to conservation areas has been halted during the restrictions, the budget to operate, maintain and protect the parks and marine resources have not been affected.
- 5.2.32 CapeNature reported that the pandemic has not impacted on all of its ecological projects as some are only expected to be undertaken later in the year. Projects include bird monitoring, post fire monitoring and invasive alien plant assessments. However, prolonged restrictions may impact on the completion of these projects.
- 5.2.33 CapeNature also stated that following the completion of the Post Fire Season Assessments, which are prescribed burns, are needed.
- 5.2.34 Since the commencement of the lockdown, there were six fires.
- 5.2.35 There is a total of 216 "green scorpions", formally referred to as Environmental Management Inspectors, who are responsible for enforcement patrols around marine reserves and coastal reserves. The number of coast patrols have been increased especially in poaching hotspots.
- 5.2.36 There were 15 to 20 reported transgressions of illegal access to Cape Nature Reserves and illegal fishing during the lockdown.

- 5.2.37 CapeNature also reported delays in projects where contractors are needed to carry out work, due to the limitations imposed by the lockdown.
- 5.2.38 CapeNature stated that even though there is less ecotourism during winter months, there are ongoing marketing projects to encourage tourists to postpone travel plans to the sites rather than to cancel bookings.
- 5.2.39 Given that tourism facilities are closed during Level 2 to Level 5 Lockdown, there is a projected revenue loss of up to R17 million, during the first two quarters of the 2020/21 financial year.

### 6. THEME: Economic Recovery, Support and Livelihoods

### 6.1 Overview and background

The Committee requested a briefing from the Provincial Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities, the Department of Economic Development and Tourism, the National Department of Small Business Development and the National Department of Employment and Labour, on 15 May 2020, to discuss matters within the theme "Economic Recovery, Support and Livelihoods" in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Minister and Provincial Department of Economic Development and Tourism (DEDAT) briefed the Committee on assistance provided to fresh food markets, informal traders and Small, Medium and Micro-sized Enterprises (SMMEs), red tape reduction strategies, and assistance provided to small-scale and large-scale agricultural businesses.

The National Department of Small Business Development (DSBD) briefed the Committee on the assistance provided to SMMEs, the informal trading sector and municipalities, and digital assistance for businesses and individuals during the lockdown period.

The National Department of Employment and Labour (DoEL) briefed the Committee on assistance to employees, employers and other workers on labour-related issues and relief measures for essential workers.

## 6.2 Observations and challenges

- 6.2.1 One of DEDAT's successes, as part of the Economic Cluster, has been its connection to the Risk Adjusted Strategy and its response to change as they have been happening in real time at a national level. DEDAT has engaged with 445 economic stakeholders across business and industry in the Western Cape, and has received over 40 submissions which were forwarded to the National Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA).
- 6.2.2 Because of the imminent need for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), DEDAT formed part of a team that developed a database of manufacturers/suppliers of PPE that was made available online.

DEDAT has also worked closely small businesses, local government and organisations that serve small businesses to look at the regulatory changes, the interpretation of those regulations and how small businesses would need to adapt to the regulations. DEDAT has lobbied COGTA to respond to concerns from SMMEs and other small businesses. An SMME forum was launched to support SMMEs and traders with various needs.

- 6.2.3 As t 17 April 2020, 3 333 permits had been issued by municipalities for traders. DEDAT hoped to see permitting become a digital activity like in Gauteng.
- 6.2.4 Level 4 regulations stated that hot, cooked food may only be sold through delivery. This means that traders operating from trading sites needed a delivery mechanism and could not sell food at trading sites or along the road side. Municipalities were only prepared to permit traders that were suitably vetted (and adhere to all health, safety and land-use requirements) pre-COVID-19 pandemic. Municipalities have also indicated that their institutions were not geared and fully operational under lockdown conditions to perform inspections. This has since changed and all traders may now apply for work permits. Small businesses are now also being issued special COVID-19 informal trade permits.
- 6.2.5 The Spaza Shop and General Dealers Support Scheme has been implemented through the DSBD's funding as well as Small Enterprise Finance Agency (SEFA) funding. The DSBD in partnership with Nedbank will provide financial support to spaza shops and general dealers/traditional grocery stores in townships and villages. The intervention will allow small businesses such as spaza shops, general dealers and traditional grocery stores to benefit from the Spaza Shop and General Dealer Support Scheme. Small businesses will have access to R7 000 of which R3 500 is a grant and R3 500 is given as a loan. DEDAT has been working with other banks to make this service more widely available. DEDAT has also been in the process of developing a "Safety Toolkit", which will provide approximately 3 000 small businesses with face masks, information about keeping the workplace safe, and sanitiser to ensure businesses are safe when they open to the public. DEDAT has also engaged with every municipality in the Province to better understand the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on all stakeholders and what their needs are.
- 6.2.6 In terms of approvals of spaza shops who have applied for assistance, only 23 applications had been submitted for the Western Cape, of which only 11 were approved. This number seemed to be very low, especially since there were so many spaza shops operating under difficult financial circumstances.
- 6.2.7 In terms of food insecurity in vulnerable communities, there was a concern about job losses and the ability of people to pay for food, rather than the availability of food.

In terms of restrictions on wine exports, it was concerning that there could be significant job losses within the wine industry amounting to a loss of approximately between 4 335 and 8 305 jobs in the next five years, and a loss of between 13 830 and 27 440 jobs in the total value chain in the next five years. However, wine has now been allowed to be transported for export purposes under level 4 regulations.

- 6.2.8 According to DEDAT's information, the economy is in the process of shedding more than 240 000 jobs this year. The tourism sector has been the hardest hit in the pandemic due to restrictions on foreign travel and closure of borders. It was predicted that approximately 60% to 80% of the jobs in tourism will be lost. DEDAT will put programmes in place to support the rebuilding of the tourism industry. One of the ways that the tourism sector has supported the Province is with the provision of quarantine and isolation facilities and accommodation, especially in terms of the reputriation of foreign nationals and South Africans who have returned to the country.
- 6.2.9 An estimated R1 billion per day was lost for each day of lockdown in the Western Cape during level 5. However, this amount decreases as the restrictions are lifted and as the country moves to lower level restrictions.
- 6.2.10 The DSBD was responsible for designing interventions that were responsive to the challenges faced by SMMEs. The main purpose of the interventions was to keep businesses afloat during the lockdown as they were not generating income to sustain their businesses and were therefore unable to protect jobs. The SMME Debt Relief Fund assisted SMMEs with working capital to ensure that they did not close their doors, and therefore, were able to retain employees. The SMME Debt Relief Fund received a budget of R200 million. SMMEs that applied for funding could receive a maximum of R500 000 depending on their needs. The Fund also allowed for loan facilities with an interest rate of prime plus 5%. The DSBD also created the Business Growth Facility, which would give local manufacturers and suppliers the opportunity to produce and strengthen their place in the market.
- 6.2.11 In terms of Occupational Health and Safety (OHS), between 30 March and 12 May, the DoEL has performed 3 094 OHS inspections in workplaces in the Western Cape, with an average of 111 inspections per day. So far, there was a general compliance level of 56%, however, the ideal situation would have been 100%.
- 6.2.12 In terms of the Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF) COVID-19 payment benefits, between the period of 26 March to 13 May 2020, 24 241 employers were covered in the Western Cape, while 362 129 employees were covered to the amount of R1 671 909 572.

6.2.13 There were a number of complaints from employees who said that their employers have applied for UIF on behalf of staff, however, only a few staff members receive payment while others did not. The UIF recently initiated a system that allows employees to view their employers' applications. The workers may use their own identity documents to access the system and check how far the application has gone, and whether they are covered.

## 7. THEME: Transport and Public Infrastructure; Human Settlements

## 7.1 Overview and background

On 20 May 2020, the Department of Transport and Public Works (DTPW) presented on matters related to focusing particularly on traffic officer and road user safety to prevent infection from the virus, sanitisation measures for transport interchanges and public transport vehicles, adherence to the regulations imposed by the national government under the National Disaster Management Act. Additionally, the briefing focused on the progress of quarantine sites in the Western Cape, the support to the construction industry, information sharing, updates on planned infrastructure projects, and the information on unspent transfers and subsidies.

The Department of Human Settlements (DHS) presented on the prohibition of evictions during lockdown, departmental measures for residences living in congested housing structures, the de-densification of priority areas to combat the spread of COVID-19, partnerships with the private sector and government departments to identify the targeted areas such as rural settlements and water scarce towns.

## 7.2 Observations and challenges

- 7.2.1 The DTPW, together with the taxi industry, launched the *Red Dot Service* on 18 May 2020, to transport essential health care workers to and from work during the current pandemic. The service is also used to transports COVID-19 patients to quarantine facilities.
- 7.2.2 Traffic officials have been equipped with sufficient PPEs.
- 7.2.3 The appointed service provider cleans the vehicles and these vehicles are sanitised once a week. However, officials also ensure that vehicles are sanitised at the end of their shift.
- 7.2.4 Traffic officials continue to use the buddy system, however, each official is assigned a vehicle and would then operate within close proximity of their respective on-duty partner.
- 7.2.5 The use of technology allows for briefings/debriefings and so maintain social distancing measures are practiced.

- 7.2.6 The use of technology allows for briefings/debriefings and through this, social distancing measures are practiced.
- 7.2.7 All roadside alcohol breath testing sampling was suspended on 15 March 2020. Persons suspected of being under the influence of alcohol beyond the legal limit are transported and blood tests administered at the nearest hospital.
- 7.2.8 All eight weighbridges have been repurposed as vehicle checkout points as part of the joint law enforcement operations.
- 7.2.9 The cost for the initial rental of the Cape Town Convention Centre (CTICC) as a temporary hospital is R47 million.
- 7.2.10 The DTPW projects that it will provide isolation facilities for 11 500 people, and quarantine facilities for 53 000 people between June and July, when the peak for infections in the provincial is expected to be reached.
- 7.2.11 The cost for the isolation and quarantine measures is estimated to be R3 billion.
- 7.2.12 The DTPW reported that repurposing hospitality facilities with ready to use beds will roughly cost R1 050 per bed, depending on the location. However, beds will cost R400 each if state owned facilities are used. These are the expected unit costs to fully equip quarantine and isolation facilities.
- 7.2.13 At the time of reporting, the DTPW indicated that there is capacity for 3 559 beds for the purposes of quarantine and isolation.
- 7.2.14 The DTPW developed an Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD) system to allow passengers to comment on compliance by transport operators. The system is free of charge and prompts passengers to comment on whether or not operators adhere to vehicle capacity restrictions, provide hand sanitiser on board the vehicles and whether or not the driver uses an appropriate face mask.
- 7.2.15 As of 18 May, the data reflects that 355 responses of the USSD system were completed, there were 285 responses about MBTs, and 226 responses stating that vehicles exceeded the 70% capacity requirement. The DTPW added that 31% of responses indicated that sanitisers were available for passenger use.
- 7.2.16 The DTPW stated that Mini-Bus Taxi (MBT) ranks and operations are monitored to ensure compliance at these interchanges. The surveillance of these sites is done at the Disaster Management Centre.
- 7.2.17 The DTPW stated that it distributed 8 000 flyers to create awareness of safety precautions and restrictions during the lockdown.

- 7.2.18 The DTPW reported on its role in the sanitisation and cleaning of facilities such as transport interchanges, bus stops and hygiene measures for the MyCiti, Georgelink, Golden Arrows Bus Service and SANTACO Western Cape vehicle fleet.
- 7.2.19 To date, the DTPW received donations of PPEs, in the form of hand sanitiser, from Distell, SA Taxi Finance and DMC Source.
- 7.2.20 The construction industry has been significantly impacted by the restrictions.
- 7.2.21 The DTPW reported on the criteria that contractors need to adhere to in order to qualify to be operational during Level 4 of the Lockdown.
- 7.2.22 The DTPW reported that maintenance of and renovations to Health Infrastructure was hindered by the restrictions on the global import and export industry. Given that countries initiated lockdown measures at different times, the procurement of necessary equipment was affected by indefinite delays. By way of example, an 11 KV Generator Panel Upgrade for Tygerberg Hospital and the installation of eight lifts for various health facilities in the province, were delayed. The monetary impact of these two instances on the 2019/20 financial year was R25 million.
- 7.2.23 There were 44 construction projects halted because of the Lockdown, however five essential projects continued.
- 7.2.24 The impact of the delays in construction was estimated to be R47 million.
- 7.2.25 The DTPW indicated that it planned to use the R2.271 million unspent transfers to offset expenditure on PPEs.
- 7.2.26 The DHS reported that of the 503 informal settlements in the province, three informal settlements were identified as areas that needed to be de-densified, in light of the COVID-19. These areas were Dunoon, with 1500 inhabitants, Kosovo, with 2000 inhabitants and Khayelitsha, with 300 inhabitants.
- 7.2.27 The DHS, in collaboration with the Housing Development Agency and the City of Cape Town developed an implementation plan for the de-densification of Dunoon, Kosovo and Khayelitsha. The DHS indicated that these areas were in fact identified for dedensification, prior to the Lockdown. The conceptual layouts for the structural upgrades to these areas were also briefly illustrated.
- 7.2.28 The DHS stated that the Rental Housing Tribunal (RHT) received approximately 159 complaints during the lockdown. The RHT investigates and hears complaints of illegal evictions related to the rental housing sector and therefore does not deal with matters pertaining to farm dwellers, illegal invasions of vacant land, or matters akin to these instances.

- 7.2.29 The nature if the 159 complaints sent to the RHT ranged from, inter alia, the issuance of unlawful notices, arrear rental, termination of municipal services, unlawful evictions and lockouts, and general queries.
- 7.2.30 The DHS explained its protocol in the event of positive cases of COVID-19 in the congested housing structures. The protocol includes ensuring that individuals isolate properly, informing the appropriate structures such as the Department of Health, contact tracing mechanisms and establishing how the infections occurred, preventing further infections and sanitising contaminated areas.
- 7.2.31 The DHS stated that the distribution across Provinces of the R20 billion Relief Funding has not yet been clearly defined.
- 7.2.32 The DHS partnered with the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) to provide water tanks to densely populated informal settlements.
- 7.2.33 The DHS highlighted that the District Municipalities needed additional Water Tanks. The Garden Route, Cape Winelands, Overberg and West Coast were identified as the areas that require additional water tanks, customised to address the impact of the COVID-19 in these areas.
- 7.2.34 The DHS is partnering with the DLG to support municipalities with janitorial services and cleansing.
- 7.2.35 The DHS indicated that identifying land for densification, decanting, isolation and relocation is a challenge.

## 8. THEME: Government Budget and Finances and Cooperative Governance

### 8.1 Overview and background

The Committee requested briefings from the Provincial Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities and the Head of the Provincial Treasury, on 22 May 2020, under the theme "Government Budget and Finance" within the context of the COVID-19 pandemic on 30 April 2020.

The briefing addressed the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the finances and budgets of the Province, the plan to adjust and allocate budgets, the financial support provided by the national government, funding for COVID-19 allocated to municipalities and spending by municipalities during the lockdown period, provincial reserve funds, goods and services procured under emergency procurement regulations, procurement of Personal Protective Equipment, actions taken by Provincial Treasury to manage relevant departments, the impact of the lockdown on predominantly tourist economies and the relief packages available to these areas, and an update on the Public Private Partnership framework for the Province.

The Premier and the Provincial Director-General were also requested to brief the Committee within the theme, "Cooperative Governance" within the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. The briefing focused on the Whole of Society Approach to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the aspects of legislation that assisted or hindered the efforts of various levels of government to fight the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic.

# 8.2 Observations and challenges: Government Budget and Finance

- 8.2.1 At the time of the provincial budget speech, the Province did not know the scale of the pandemic, nor the implications on the provincial budget. The Western Cape will have to make very deep budget cuts. The projections are subject to change over time, however, the provincial government estimates a R610 million own-revenue shortfall, at least a R3 billion provincial budget cut, and expenditure demand to fund the COVID-19 response to the amount of R2.4 billion in the Western Cape.
- To date the provincial government has committed R1.14 billion to 8.2.2 COVID-19 related expenditure, including but not limited to R628 million to the Western Cape Department of Health for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), laboratory tests, hospital beds and ventilators. R273 million was allocated to the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) for PPE, thermometers, sanitisers and cleaning materials. R168 million was given to the Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works for the setting up of quarantine and isolation facilities and the field hospital at the Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC). R35 million was allocated to the Western Cape Department of Social Development and R18 million was also allocated to the WCED for an initial humanitarian response, which included the provision of 50 000 food parcels, the re-initiation of school feeding schemes; and the delivery of 10 000 cooked meals per day for one month. R16,2 million was allocated to the Western Cape Department of Local Government in the form of a Local Government Support Grant to strengthen and support the current humanitarian initiatives within municipalities.
- 8.2.3 Provincial Treasury was committed to ensuring that healthcare workers and other frontline staff in the Province received proper PPE. The Provincial Treasury aimed to ensure that the healthcare system was had the necessary funding for acute and ICU bed facilities as well as quarantine and isolation facilities.
- 8.2.4 Provincial Treasury would continue to engage with the National Treasury on a weekly bases to ensure the Western Cape's actions were aligned with the national government's response. The national government will be tabling a mid-year adjustment budget in response to COVID-19, possibly on 24 June 2020.
- 8.2.5 Government is dealing with an unprecedented environment of both economic and fiscal uncertainty. The second quarter of the calendar year is likely to bring even greater economic disruption across the globe and there is massive financial market volatility, with resurgent trade tensions.

Global economic recovery is going to be dependent on pandemic pathways across various countries. In South Africa, the contraction in the economy comes on the back of structural weaknesses in the domestic economy, with growth projections of between -5,8% and -7,4% in the economy in the current year. The deficit is now projected at 11.6% for 2020/21 (R508 billion), and 9% for 2021/22.

- 8.2.6 Provincial Treasury has predicted that the tourism and construction sectors are going to be hit the hardest, with significant job losses. However, the agricultural sector might remain stable, particularly if there is a resumption in international agricultural exports, and if there is continued weakness in the Rand.
- 8.2.7 President Ramaphosa announced a national fiscal response package of R500 billion. The vast majority of the package is targeted to be directly transferred to households and firms. Only R40 billion of the package has been allocated to provinces and municipalities. The Western Cape's allocation was not clear at this point. In terms of financing this R500 billion package, R130 billion will be from reprioritisation, including R30 billion from provinces. Using the Provincial Equitable Share (PES) formula, the Provincial Treasury predicted that this would amount to R3,09 billion for the Western Cape, which the Province would be required to generate from savings.
- 8.2.8 There are a number of risks that remain for the current fiscal year in terms of expenditure management. Wage increases for the public sphere will have a significant impact on the provincial budget. There are emerging impacts in relation to regulatory requirements across departments, for example, with school readiness or even preparing government's administrative buildings for employees to return to work. The costs are not fully known but they are projected to be very high, and are continuing to rise. There are also emerging labour conflicts over returning to work and arrangements for PPE.
- 8.2.9 Provincial Treasury has received requests from various provincial departments for funding. There is still uncertainty in some of the major frontline departments regarding expenditure, however, Provincial Treasury has been working with the departments to determine the costs of the impact of COVID-19 on the departments. In terms of actual expenditure and commitments by departments, this has amounted to R1,148 billion so far, as at 19 May 2020. This amount increases every week. Of the R1,148 billion spent, 82% was for goods and services procured, for example, nebulisers, face masks, PPE, linen and sanitizing equipment. Expenditure for the Departments of Education and Transport and Public Works will increase significantly with the opening of schools.
- 8.2.10 There was confusion around procurement costs as the costs per department for goods and services that were procured varied considerably. This was partly due to procuring different sized units per department.

The different supply costs also contributed to the varied costs per department. Some suppliers could not supply the quantities needed within the timeframes that were required. The Provincial Treasury encourages efficiencies and competition, which means they cannot procure from only one supplier at one price point. Additionally, some of the frontline departments procured goods early when goods were at lower prices, while other non-frontline departments procured goods later when prices had already escalated. This would be clarified in an updated presentation.

The lockdown had and will continue to have a massive impact on 8.2.11 the local tourism sector. Tourism is a significant sector in the Province in terms of its contribution to Gross Value Added (GVA), as well as its contribution to employment. Provincial Treasury has predicted that there will be no international tourism for 12 months from the start of the lockdown and that the tourism sector could shed approximately 104 505 jobs, accounting for 43% of all employment losses. Many SMMEs in the tourism or tourismrelated sectors will be under extreme pressure and it is predicted that 50% of all tourism businesses will close down. However, there is a broader, fiscal relief function available under the national government for tourism relief, which is integrated into the national disaster response package. The provincial government's role is to support these businesses with access to relief packages, including UIF packages.

### 8.3 Observations and challenges: Cooperative Governance

- 8.3.1 The conversion of the CTICC into a temporary hospital facility will provide approximately 850 additional beds. The facility will include four wards medical, infectious disease, emergency and internal medicine specialists and volunteers will be available at the facility. It is estimated that 200 admissions and 200 discharges will be managed per day during the peak. Additional temporary hospitals will be opened along the R300 in the Metro, in Khayelitsha and in the Cape Winelands, which will provide an additional 616 beds.
- 8.3.2 So far, R350 million worth of PPE has been ordered so that healthcare workers have the protection they need to care for every sick person. The Red Dot Transport Service has also been launched, which will transport healthcare workers home when their shifts ends at 19:00.
- 8.3.3 The Covid-19 Content Centre for business was launched, aimed at supporting businesses by providing information that will ensure business continuity during the COVID-19 pandemic. Western Cape Government has produced a range of information material for employers and their staff to utilise in the workplace such as posters, checklists and decals that remind people of health guidelines to stop the spread of COVID-19. Businesses have also been assisted with procuring the necessary PPE required to protect employees.

WCG, together with the City of Cape Town and Wesgro, and in partnership with First National Bank/Rand Merchant Bank, launched a dedicated online PPE marketplace that provides a single place for small and large PPE manufacturers to promote their product ranges, and for businesses to secure masks and other PPE.

- 8.3.4 The COVID-19 Support Finder was launched together with the City of Cape Town and Wesgro to assist businesses to navigate and access the many support funds available to them. This online tool asks five questions, ranks the answers against predetermined criteria, and provides a list of funds that businesses may qualify for.
- 8.3.5 In terms of assistance for the agricultural sector, WCG procured 100 000 cloth masks and 1 000 litres of hand-sanitiser and distributed them to agri-workers across the Province. 35 198 masks were distributed to agri-workers in the Witzenberg region. The WCG has also approved protocols for the transport of essential seasonal workers in the agriculture sector from the Western Cape to other provinces.
- 8.3.6 WCG has supported municipalities by ensuring that the delivery of basic services in all municipalities continue without interruption and by ensuring that frontline and essential workers are operational so services can continue. A Local Government Support Grant of R16,2 million was distributed to municipalities aimed at augmenting and supporting humanitarian initiatives.
- 8.3.7 The COVID-19 pandemic has had a severe economic impact on the waste industry, especially on the informal waste industry and waste pickers. A relief program for waste pickers, in the form of food vouchers, has been rolled out to assist, with the support of the national government.
- 8.3.8 National testing and lab capacity has been under severe strain because of the sharp increase in cases in the Cape Metro region. This has affected testing for the Western Cape. There are a large number of undetected cases, which will continue to grow because of the limitations on testing. As the pandemic progresses, the limits of available capacity will ultimately be exceeded. In terms of rural districts, the Cape Winelands District has shown evidence of multiple clusters, which are fast spreading, having started in Witzenberg three weeks ago and having moved on to Drakenstein, Stellenbosch and Breede Valley in the past two weeks. Early clusters have been detected in Overberg and West Coast districts, however, there are many areas with no or sporadic cases.
- 8.3.9 All eight sub-districts in the City of Cape Town have established community transmission and have recorded increasing positive cases over the past month. Initial growth in cases has been linked to specific workplace clusters. Prioritised hotspots in the Cape Metro area include Tygerberg, Khayelitsha, Klipfontein, Dunoon and Hout Bay. The prioritised rural hotspot is the Cape Winelands (Drakenstein and Witzenberg).

- 8.3.10 In terms of the Hotspot Strategy, the identification for appropriate people for admission to designated isolation and quarantine facilities will have to be nuanced, in light of the testing capacity challenges, together with exploration of viable and feasible community-based isolation models (via community initiatives). Behaviour change in terms of social distancing, hand and surface hygiene and universal mask wearing, targeted in all areas of gathering in hotspot areas will be key to controlling the spread of the virus. Curbing the spread requires a Whole of Government Approach (WOGA) as well as a Whole of Society Approach (WOSA).
- 8.3.11 The Dunoon Metro Pilot project, if successful, will be rolled out to other hotspot areas. The approach looks at case management, quarantine and isolation, civil compliance, slowing the spread of the virus, humanitarian relief and food security and economic recovery. The biggest issue in this space is around funding uncertainty.
- 8.3.12 In terms of legislative challenges, the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act 57 of 2002), does not empower provincial governments and municipalities to issue regulations or directions to complement those issued at national level. It is a challenge for provincial governments to perform a supporting roles without any power to regulate where necessary. Additionally, there was minimum opportunity for citizens and businesses to raise queries or objections pertaining to regulatory matters.

## 9. Acknowledgements

The Committee thanked the Premier, the provincial Director-General, the various provincial Ministers, national departments, entities and provincial departmental officials for their willingness to meet with the Committee and to share information, especially during such a challenging time. The Committee also acknowledged the hard work and dedication of all frontline workers and officials during the lockdown period.

MONDAY, 6 JULY 2020

## TABLING

The Speaker:

## Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities

# Tabling of document in terms of section 25(1) of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999) (PFMA).

Letter: COVID-19 expenditure: R1,4 billion to be used in emergency situations by the following provincial departments:

Vote 6: Department of Health (R1 billion); and Vote 10: Department of Transport and Public Works (R400 million).

TUESDAY, 7 JULY 2020

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### 1. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM ON AN OVERSIGHT VISIT TO SALDANHA BAY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ZONE.

The Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism, having engaged with the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone Licencing Company SOC Ltd (SBIDZ - LC) and Transnet on 9 March 2020, reports as follows: **Delegation** 

The delegation comprised of the following Members:

Baartman, DM (DA) (Chairperson) Makamba-Botya, N (EFF) Nkondlo, ND (ANC) Van der Westhuizen, AP (DA)

#### Apologies

Mitchell, D (DA)

The Procedural Officer, Ms Z Adams, Senior Procedural Officer, Ms L Cloete, the Service Officer, Mr A Barends, and the interpreter, Mr W Thala, accompanied the delegation.

### 1. Introduction

The Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism (the Committee) had resolved to engage with the SBIDZ-LC at an oversight visit where the Committee could visit the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone (SBIDZ), which has been under development for the past few years. On 9 March 2020, the SBIDZ-LC gave the Committee an overview of the SBIDZ, an update on the infrastructure progress, a briefing on the Artisan Training Programme, and a brief description of legislative concerns they have experienced in the sector.

The Committee was also taken on a tour of the SBIDZ where Members were shown the port land area, the Access and Security Complex and sites where SBIDZ businesses were under development. The Committee was introduced to business owners whose buildings/facilities were under construction or being renovated.

During the second session of the day, the Committee was briefed by Transnet officials on Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) infrastructure, LNG collaborations in the Western Cape, and legislative concerns experienced by the entity.

# 2. Briefing by the Saldanha Bay IDZ Licencing Company SOC Ltd

The SBIDZ-LC informed the Committee that the SBIDZ is the first Southern African Special Economic Zone (SEZ) to include a port, and to secure land from Transnet National Ports Authority (TNPA) consisting of 356 hectares. The SBIDZ would serve as a special hub dedicated to the Oil and Gas Industry and the Marine Repair and Fabrication Cluster. The goal is to shape a vibrant marketplace where investors, local businesses and communities can unlock economic growth. The SBIDZ-LC's vision is to be Africa's premier oil, gas and maritime industrial and services centre, offering a world-class integrated engineering, fabrication, logistics and freeport environment to zone users and tenants.

In order to achieve the above, the SBIDZ-LC must promote, manage and market the zone, acquire and lease land, provide internal infrastructure to support investors in the zone areas, and facilitate the ease of doing business in the zone. The SBIDZ-LC partners with a number of local, provincial and national stakeholders in order to do so.

## 2.1 Local Positive Market Factors

In terms of marketing to investors and potential businesses, the following factors are noted:

- 2.1.1 South Africa is on one of three global trade routes (Suez, Panama and Africa);
- 2.1.2 The Port of Saldanha is within one day of the Africa global trade route;
- 2.1.3 The Port of Saldanha is the deepest and largest natural port in the Southern Hemisphere;
- 2.1.4 It is close to developed and undeveloped land;
- 2.1.5 30 000 vessels sail through South Africa's waters annually; and
- 2.1.6 89 percent of the total workforce in repair and maintenance are from the Western Cape.

# 2.2 Importance of the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone for Growth

A joint study was undertaken by the Saldanha Bay Municipality (SBM) and the SBIDZ-LC to understand the impact of the current economic fabric, the SBIDZ and economic "shocks". The study showed that the SBIDZ counters the negative growth and job losses of the metals products and equipment sector. Growth of the SBIDZ will mean growth for the financial, insurance and business services sector, the transport, storage and communications sector, the construction sector, the metals, products and equipment sector, and other sectors comprising of electrical machinery used during construction and transport equipment.

## 2.3 Strategic Priorities

The SBIDZ-LC has identified four strategic priorities:

- 2.3.1 Commercial sustainability, as being financially fit reduces the public fiscal burden;
- 2.3.2 Investment in catalytic infrastructure and facilities, as companies need infrastructure to build their businesses;
- 2.3.3 Local and industry readiness, which takes time. The SBIDZ-LC is building a Small, Medium and Micro-sized Enterprises (SMMEs) CoLab to assist small businesses; and
- 2.3.4 Building business, government and society partnerships.

The strategic priorities will allow the SBIDZ-LC to build a world-class, seamless zone and port centre, meeting Africa's maritime and industrial needs, and to achieve South Africa's re-industrialisation, growth, jobs and transformation priorities.

The SBIDZ's seamless zone and port experience will be modelled after Singapore's Keppel offshore and marine facility (shipyard) that will include building, repairing and recycling all types of vessels, manufacturing, engineering and repairing all types of components, processing and refining all types of consumable products, a headquarters for logistical services, diverse people offering solutions for all needs, and processes that will reduce red tape and encourage an ease of doing business approach.

### 2.4 **Progress: Infrastructure Projects**

The Department of Trade and Industry's (DTI) has funded all of the SBIDZ-LC's capital expenditure to date and will play a pivotal role in assisting the Entity to achieve its priorities over the next five years. So far, over R200 million value has been created for local construction companies.

Additional upgrades include a fully serviced north precinct, construction of a bridge, various upgrades and new builds to municipal infrastructure completed and transferred to SBM, construction of the south east precinct and access complex that is still in progress, and the construction of a top-side facility for a tenant that is still in progress.

### 2.5 Skills Programme and the Innovation Campus

A total of 2 199 individual training opportunities were created by the SBIDZ-LC since the 2014/15 financial year. This includes 1 695 local Saldanha Bay community members that enrolled in the training programmes, and who were vetted by the Community Skills and Training Committee. A total of 1 495 individuals completed the training, which indicated an 85 percent pass rate.

The Skills Programme included training for welding, boiler-making, fitting, electrical work and rigging. Learners who did not meet the requirements for entry into the apprenticeship programmes were accommodated through the SBIDZ-LC's skills programme, which enabled them to meet the minimum requirements for learnerships or apprenticeships.

The SBIDZ-LC's High School Engagement Programme is in partnership with the University of Stellenbosch, Wits University and the Western Cape Education Department. The goal is that the programme will become the bridge that will connect the Saldanha Bay communities to the SBIDZ-LC's Innovation Campus, which will develop the next generation of the workforce needed for the industry, and transform and align the Saldanha Bay community to future possibilities of the Oil, Gas and Metals Industry.

The SBIDZ-LC has been targeting six public high schools and three public primary schools across the Saldanha Bay area for implementing a new curriculum in Mathematics and Personal Leadership to strengthen local capabilities for innovation. Phase 1 of the project, which focuses in teacher development (training the teachers to teach the new course) will be rolled out in the near future. Phase 2 will focus on learner development, which will be rolled out for the remainder of the year.

## 3. Observations made at the Site Visit to the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone

- 3.1 On the way to the SBIDZ site, the Committee travelled on a provincial road that was upgraded by the Department of Transport and Public Works. The upgrades were financed by various provincial departments. There are a few more upgrades to be completed within the SBIDZ, therefore, the SBIDZ-LC is ensuring that the affected provincial departments are budgeting appropriately.
- 3.2 The port land area of the SBIDZ was from land purchased from the Industrial Development Corporation. Provincial government gave the SBIDZ-LC R100 million to purchase the land. The land is ready for investors to set up their factories.
- 3.3 The first tenant, a company called West Coast Corrosion Protection, is in the process of constructing their facility within the SBIDZ. The businesses is 100 percent black-owned. The owners of the business, Mr Charles Arendse and Mr Nathan van der Westhuizen, are local members of the Saldanha Bay community, who specialise in corrosion protection, mostly on structural steel. Their goal is to add value to the SBIDZ as they are the only business who specialises in corrosion protection within the SBIDZ. Currently, the business employs 25 people; however, once the facility is complete, they will employ an additional 35 local workers from Saldanha Bay. The company will train the employees so that they are able to provide for their families.

The owners have leased the property from SBIDZ-LC for 25 years, with an option to lease for another 25 years after the initial lease agreement comes to an end.

- 3.4 The majority of the businesses located within the SBIDZ will be South African-owned businesses, however, there will also be a few international businesses. These businesses will lease the property from the SBIDZ-LC, as the Entity controls the land according to legislation.
- 3.5 The Access Complex, which is still under construction, will be the access point to the zone, and will contain a customs control area. This is where security checks will take place. Additionally, the Access Complex will be a one stop shop for all services that investors will need. The space will also include office space, a clinic and a canteen. Businesses that occupy a space within the Access Complex will enter into a rental agreement with the SBIDZ-LC.
- 3.6 The SBIDZ-LC has been engaging with public entities through the DTI to explain that all relevant national departments and entities should be represented at the Access Complex to ensure ease of doing business for all investors and businesses coming to the SBIDZ.
- 3.7 The SBIDZ-LC's goal is to have 75 percent occupancy at the Access Complex within the next five years. The Entity hopes to complete the construction of the building in mid-April 2020. The Access Complex has been under construction for approximately 18 months because the SBIDZ-LC has tried to localise the work as much as possible, without compromising on quality.
- 3.8 Saldehco, a privately-owned Singaporean and South African company located in the SBIDZ, spans over 20 hectares and was established as a special purpose vehicle focusing on providing a marine service cluster to serve the oil and gas activity off the coast of West Africa in the Port of Saldanha Bay. This service was part of a concession issued by Transnet. The company will provide a vital service for the offshore gas and mining sector; it will serve as the first privately operated offshore supply base in South Africa. Saldehco will occupy offices previously owned by Transnet, however, these offices are in the process of being renovated. The company plans to build additional infrastructure and two warehouses on the land, however, these plans still have to be approved. In the meantime, Saldehco plans to move some of their services offshore until the land is ready for development. The company hopes to complete infrastructure construction by 2022.

### 4 Challenges identified by the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone Licencing Company SOC Ltd and Tenants of the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone

4.1 13 000 vessels dock at South Africa's ports annually; however, only five percent of these vessels are serviced locally.

- 4.2 Although the marine and subsea fabrication and manufacturing sector, as well as the specialised logistics sector, are fairly established sectors, the Province is still in need of a more developed rig, equipment and vessel fabrication and repair sector in order to complete a value chain that will allow the Province to receive the full opportunities offered by the oil and gas industry.
- 4.3 The SBIDZ shares health, safety and security services and facilities with the TNPA. This includes one fire station to service the entire area.
- 4.4 There is a skills gap in the Oil, Gas and Metal Sector due to the large number of imminent retirements, less young talent entering the industry, the changing skills profile and needs due to the Fourth Industrial Revolution, and the chronic shortage of women in the sector.
- 4.5 The SBIDZ-LC's 2019/20 target performance for learner training will be negatively impacted by the closure of ArcelorMittal South Africa (AMSA).

AMSA's closure will impact on local engineering companies and training service providers who host students for the workplace experience component of the Entity's training programme. The SBIDZ-LC's performance for its training programme will be impacted further by the delays with the implementation of a new National Skills Development Management System. The Manufacturing, Engineering and Related Services Sector Education and Training Authority (Merseta) system has experienced Information Technology challenges since July 2019, which meant learners were unable to be registered and therefore no payments could be made to training service providers.

- 4.6 There is a lack of regulatory processes in South Africa for the Oil and Gas Industry. Additional concerns within the industry, cited during stakeholder consultations, include corruption, poor physical/supporting infrastructure, and relatively long waiting times for crucial processes for setting up businesses.
- 4.7 As the SBIDZ grows, the town of Saldanha Bay will also grow, which means there will be a need for more transport infrastructure will. There is a concern about what the transport solution will be to address this growth in the future.
- 4.8 According to Mr Arendse and Mr van der Westhuizen, owners of West Coast Corrosion Protection, many businesses coming to the West Coast did not want to support local businesses as they were told they did not have a proper facility and/or enough experience. This was inaccurate, however, many chose to give their business to companies in Cape Town instead. Saldanha Bay businesses were also told to charge less money than businesses in Cape Town but this was not fair to local businesses when the quality of work was the same.
- 4.9 Local Saldanha Bay businesses complained that the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) grading was an impediment to entering the sector.

The SBIDZ-LC removed the CIDB grading requirement as an experiment, however, this approach was unsuccessful as many businesses still experienced challenges, and it was re-established that CIDB grading should remain a requirement.

### 5. Briefing by Transnet on its Natural Gas Networks Programme

Transnet informed the Committee about the Transnet Natural Gas Networks (NGN) Programme development of midstream infrastructure for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) importation into the Ports of Richards Bay, Ngqura and Saldanha Bay, and the transmission of natural gas to inland markets. Transnet's goal is to lead the design, construction, operation and maintenance of gas-to-market infrastructure, and to enable development of the natural gas economy, lower energy costs and reduce carbon emissions. The target date for landed LNG in South Africa is 2024, with LNG importation and re-gasification by 2024, as well as enabling gas-to-power generation in line with government's Integrated Resource Plan from 2024.

Transnet has been initiating conversations with various private and public stakeholders to find technical solutions to bringing LNG to the country.

Transnet serves a "midstream" role in bringing LNG into the country; they will focus on ports, LNG terminals and gas pipelines, as well as storage of gas, re-gasification and transmission of gas. Transnet and the Department of Economic Development and Tourism (DEDAT) entered into a Memorandum of Cooperation in November 2018, where the parties committed to collaborating in the support of the development of the West Coast LNG Importation Opportunity. The objective was to secure funding from the Infrastructure Investment Programme for South Africa, managed by the Development Bank of South Africa. Recently, Transnet and the Independent Power Producer (IPP) Office concluded a technical study for the Port of Saldanha Bay.

According to Transnet, except for PetroSA in Mossel Bay, most of the current gas market is supplied by Sasol Gas, either from Mozambique or Secunda in Mpumalanga. The rest of the country is using expensive alternative fuels such as diesel, Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) and heavy fuel oil, with no infrastructure. Transnet warned that the gas provided by Mozambique will start declining in the near future. Total has discovered gas offshore from the Western Cape, however, this gas will only be available in approximately five to ten years.

Transnet has started to look at diesel-using power stations that can be converted to gas-using power stations, as diesel is very expensive. It was reported that converting Ankerlig Power Station in the Western Cape from diesel to gas would save the country approximately 600 million US Dollars per annum, however, the full economic benefit will only be realised later. Currently, LNG is the cleanest fossil fuel, which would be environmentally beneficial for the Province.

### LNG Delivery Options and Cost Considerations

Transnet is considering the following two delivery options:

- Importing LNG through LNG iso-containers: This is the quickest delivery option to South Africa. South African ports can receive iso-containers at multipurpose terminals and container terminals. With this option, there are no regulatory impediments to LNG imports, however, the cost of molecules at the destination is high in iso-containers; and
- (ii) Importing through LNG carriers to LNG receiving terminals: This could be done through Floating Storage Units (FSU), land regasification, Floating Storage Re-Gasification Units (SFRU) or onshore storage and re-gasification. However, this requires regulatory approvals and demand scale for bankability. LNG loading facilities and re-gasification at the ports will allow for the use of pipelines, rail and road to transport gas to markets.

LNG receiving terminal development requires regulatory approvals, in particular, Section 79 of the National Ports Act, 2005 (Act 12 of 2005), to drive these developments, and Section 54 of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999), for Transnet to form joint ventures with other State Owned Companies (SOCs) and the private sector.

The least-cost solution for bringing gas into the country requires interport LNG delivery optimisation. Gas is an enabler for industrial and electricity challenges faced by South Africa. In order for the least-cost solution to work, it would require the development of appropriate LNG receiving infrastructure and the coordination amongst SOCs and government to plan the effective roll out of infrastructure.

### **Current Challenge**

Currently, most of the LNG infrastructure is located on the East Coast of South Africa, primarily because Sasol drove this infrastructure development for their industrial requirements. The challenge, currently, is to ensure LNG infrastructure availability for all gas users and for LNG development as a whole. Transnet wants to ensure that port infrastructure, pipeline infrastructure and accessibility for rail and road transport is made available for all gas users. The West Coast has not had this development over time. An additional challenge is that most of the skills needed for management of gas is highly concentrated in only certain parts of South Africa, particularly around Sasol developments. The Western Cape Government has been looking into skills development in this field, which requires a considerable amount of interaction with technical institutes where people can learn skills related to the gas sector. Locally, this has not been developed yet; however, it provides the Western Cape Government with the opportunity to bring these skills in to the Province.

## 6. Resolutions

- 6.1 The Committee RESOLVED to:
- 6.1.1 Request a briefing from the Department of Mineral Resources, the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition and the Department of Economic Development and Tourism on the regulatory processes for the oil and gas industry, and any gaps therein, at a date to be determined by the Committee;
- 6.1.2 In addition to the briefing above, the Committee will also request that the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy on the recently released draft regulations on energy and Independent Power Producers, that Transnet brief on its regulatory concerns, and that Eskom attend the meeting as well; and
- 6.1.3 Request a joint meeting with the Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works for a briefing by the CIDB on the challenges hindering contractors from participating in complex projects and the application process for construction tenders.
- 6.2 The Committee also REQUESTED the following:
- 6.2.1 A report from SBIDZ-LC on the support and funding for the development programme led by Mr P Lakabane in the SBIDZ-LC, detailing whether there has been any progress to date in terms of a funding model, also in terms of skills and the transformation function;
- 6.2.2 The joint study that was undertaken by the Saldanha Bay Municipality and the SBIDZ-LC to understand the impact of the current economic fabric, the SBIDZ and economic "shocks"; and
- 6.2.3 The technical study conducted by Transnet and the Independent Power Producer Office on the Port of Saldanha Bay.

The Chairperson thanked the SBIDZ-LC, Transnet and the ward councillors for availing themselves to address the Committee.

### 2. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM ON AN OVERSIGHT VISIT AND ENGAGEMENT WITH THE MITCHELL'S PLAIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND LOCAL BUSINESSES ON 18 FEBRUARY 2020.

The Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism, having engaged with the Mitchell's Plain Chamber of Commerce and local businesses on 18 February 2020, reports as follows:

### Delegation

The delegation comprised of the following Members:

Baartman, DM (DA) (Chairperson); Mitchell, D (DA) Mvimbi, LL (ANC)(Alternate) Nkondlo, ND (ANC)

### Apologies

Makamba-Botya, N (EFF) Van der Westhuizen, AP(DA)

The Procedural Officer, Ms Z Adams, the Service Officer, Mr A Barends, and the interpreter, Mr W Thala, accompanied the delegation.

### 1. Introduction

The Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism engaged with local business owners at a workshop hosted by the Mitchell's Plain Chamber of Commerce (the Chamber), on 18 February 2020. The Committee and attendees were welcomed by various founding members of the Chamber such as the Chairperson of the Chamber, Mr Sean Achim, Councillor Elton Jansen, and "Like a Boss" programme manager, Mr Howard Johnson.

Mitchell's Plain covers 84 square kilometres of land in Cape Town, consists of over 40 suburbs, and is one of the biggest contributors to the economy in terms of retail spend, residential investment and labour provision. In respect of businesses, Mitchell's Plain is home to many small businesses and informal traders who trade alongside major retailers, providing critical employment opportunities for the members of the Mitchell's Plain community. There are more than 2 000 businesses commercial hubs operating from within Mitchell's Plain, and approximately 4 000 businesses operating from homes within the area. These businesses are varied and range from software development companies, lawyers and accountants, to plumbers and electricians.

The Chamber was established in 2016 because of the growing need to reimagine, reinvent and rebuild the Mitchell's Plain area. The Chamber works closely with many Mitchell's Plain business owners whose vision is to see Mitchell's Plain as a thriving economic hub, and essentially, as a "coastal city". The Chamber's "Vision 2076" sees Mitchell's Plain as a thriving community, with a vibrant tourism hub and strong investment climate, a successful music and arts scene, a growing fish farming industry, and hosting multiple international events.

The engagement was hosted at Cedar High School, a performing arts school in Rocklands, Mitchell's Plain, who showcased their varied talents in between briefings and discussions.

## 2. The State of Mitchell's Plain Address

The Committee and attendees were briefed on the mission, vision and history of the Chamber, which includes creating ways to make conditions conducive for small businesses in Mitchell's Plain to thrive. Historically, Mitchell's Plain was known for gangsterism, crime and unemployment. However, this was an inaccurate description of the majority of the suburbs in Mitchell's Plain, which is home to vibrant communities, businesses, cultural and sporting activities, and a variety of indigenous flora and fauna.

Places of interest in Mitchell's Plain include Wolfgat Nature Reserve, Westridge Gardens, Westridge Dunes and blue flag beaches such as Mnandi Beach and Strandfontein Beach. Mitchell's Plain also hosts a variety of events such as the Mitchells' Plain DSTV Festival, which attracts over 40 000 guests over a three day period, and also results in a decrease in crime in the area over those days. Additionally, there are cycling events that attract thousands of cyclists every year, such as the Tour d'Plain, and running events such as the Mitchell's Plain Titans race (running club).

### 2.1 Economic Contribution to Gross Domestic Product

Combined, Mitchell's Plain and Khayalitsha contributed over R56 billion for the year ended December 2016. In terms of Gross Domestic Product per Cape Town suburb, the "Khaya/Plain" area contributes 15.9 percent, the second largest contribution after Tygerberg (17.74 percent). The Chamber's goal is to ensure that Mitchell's Plain is the single largest contributor to the Western Cape's Gross Geographic Product (GGP) by 2026. However, there are a number of challenges that need to be addressed for this goal to be realised.

The Chamber is focused on reimagining Mitchell's Plain as a "coastal city", that could attract foreigners in terms of yachting and sailing events. Aquaculture development is key in this vision, as Mitchell's Plain could be home to a thriving fish farming sector that could contribute further to the Western Cape's GDP.

Furthermore, the Chamber envisions that Mitchell's Plain will become a major tourism hub in the near future; however, this will require assistance from government. As this vision becomes a reality, it will also require that there are 1 200 beds (accommodation) available for tourists in Mitchell's Plain.

### 2.2 Challenges identified by the Mitchell's Plain Chamber of Commerce

- 2.2.1 There is limited to no spaces for community members and business owners to meet, plan and collaborate.
- 2.2.2 There are no business developments, international call centres and insufficient space for industrial parks to grow in Mitchell's Plain. Additionally, there are no Sector Education and Training Authorities (SETAs), and other government entities located in the area.
- 2.2.3 There are no research, planning and coordination funds for a local tourism information office, which Mitchell's Plain is greatly in need of to encourage growth in the tourism sector.

The Mitchell's Plain community requires a physical and digital map that will display all the "must see" locations in the area, a website that tracks events and places to visit, further development of events and services that will attract international guests, partnerships with tourism bodies that will assist with marketing Mitchell's Plain as a tourism hub, and short courses aimed at Mitchell's Plain youth that will focus on teaching entrepreneurial skills, performing arts, and how to attend to the needs of tourists. Once a tourism office is established, there will also be a need for an official to project manage the office.

- 2.2.4 There is no fibre or reliable internet access for homes or small businesses. Over the last three years, the Chamber has brought free Wi-Fi to Mitchell's Plain Town Centre through collaboration with Cell C and Facebook, however, more needs to be done to ensure the community has access to free Wi-Fi throughout the area. This will also address the challenge of unreliable and expensive data, which people cannot always afford.
- 2.2.5 Load shedding has had a negative impact on local businesses. Some businesses have been forced to close operations for days because it is not viable for them to remain open when the electricity is off twice a day. There is a need to discuss the usage of alternative energy sources, especially for small businesses, as well as the use of Independent Power Producers (IPPs).
- 2.2.6 There is a high rate of crime in certain suburbs in Mitchell's Plain, which affects the rest of the area.
- 2.2.7 There is a lack of support for schools, especially in terms of performing arts programmes and sport activities. Schools such as Cedar High School lack sufficient educators for the amount of learners enrolled at schools. Additionally, performing arts schools such as Cedar High have to use their own funds to purchase musical instruments for learners. There is a need for more investment in cultural and sport activities, especially in terms of competitions and exchange programmes.

### 3. Engagement with Members of the Mitchell's Plain Chamber of Commerce and Local Business Owners

Mr Fazloodien Abrahams, an attorney at MK Attorneys, informed the Committee that many people, within the Mitchell's Plain community and outside of the area, especially senior citizens, have been defrauded by Hajj and Umrah operators. Mr Abrahams called for government to impose stricter rules and regulations for operators involved in business activities in this industry. He urged the Committee to look at the South African Hajj and Umrah Council (SAHUC), who are not the official regulators of the Umrah and Hajj journeys. He reiterated that this is also a tourism issue, where there were many instances of fraud and corruption.

Mr Cyril Williams, Head of Tourism at the Chamber, requested that certain tourism laws and regulations be addressed, such as the regulations around obtaining a transport permit.

The process for obtaining permits for transporting tourists has been a tedious process. It has been three years since Mr Williams applied for a permit, but has not received anything yet, which means he cannot use his new vehicles. Mr Williams also stated that there should be more focus on schools and young learners who need intervention programmes that will allow them to thrive in and outside of Mitchell's Plain. Young learners should be encouraged to partake in performing arts, as this will be in demand when Mitchell's Plain becomes a tourism hub. Additionally, the government should implement training programmes for school leavers to become tour guides, thereby encouraging entrepreneurship and allowing community members to become ambassadors for the area. Tourists should know about the history of Mitchell's Plain.

Mr Igshaan Carstens, founding board member of the Chamber and Chairperson of the Strandfontein Business Development Forum, stated that the Committee and the rest of the Province should view Mitchell's Plain as a city, not as a suburb, as the area along with surrounding areas has great potential for economic activity, particularly in the tourism space, as well as in the aquaculture sector. Strandfontein was also included in this vision. These are areas that have been neglected in terms of investment. He reiterated the need for a tourism information hub and a tourism Small Enterprise Development Agency (SEDA) in the Mitchell's Plain area, as more tourism meant increased revenue and employment. There should also be more focus on sporting events, especially in Strandfontein, who already hosts various events. Strandfontein sports field has been earmarked for the biggest drone event in the Western Cape. This will happen later in 2020, and there is an expectation that the event will host approximately 50 000 to 60 000 people. This will be a big tourism opportunity for the area and members of the community.

Mr Carstens further informed the Committee that he is also an electrical contractor by trade. He asked that the Committee continue the discussion on the use of IPPs to address the challenge of load shedding in the country.

Mr Hankie McMarston, member of the Chamber and Chairperson of the Khaya-Plain Undertakers Forum, explained that this sector was not lucrative for small businesses as there were a lot of similar, more commercial businesses vying for the same job. Although Mitchell's Plain is a large area, it does not have its own mortuary, which is a concern. Additionally, there was very limited burial ground for Muslim and Coloured people. He wanted to encourage the use of smaller, local businesses instead of large, commercial businesses.

Ms Marian Trout, a business owner and psychologist who resides in Mitchell's Plain, requested that government assist the community and schools with additional resources and facilities for schools and sporting activities. There are no funds available for youth that excel at sport. Funding was needed for youth that are selected to play sports internationally. Ms Trout asked that there be more partnering between local businesses, schools and government to ensure that there are proper facilities and sufficient capacity so that the community is encouraged to participate in more sport codes. There are many talented sportsman in Mitchell's Plain, however, they need more investment at grassroots level.

Ms Kennethia Williams, from Business Breakfast Club and a business owner from Mitchell's Plain, informed the Committee that initially she could not open a business in Mitchell's plain because there was too much crime in the area at the time. This is an ongoing matter that had to be addressed. Load shedding was also a factor that affected small, local businesses and their revenue generation. For example, Ms Williams owns laundromats, which require consistent electricity for washing and drying services. However, when there is load shedding, it is not financially feasible for her business to remain open on certain days, especially if there is load shedding twice or thrice a day.

Mr Rozario Brown, community activist and organiser of the Mitchell's Plain Festival through Cycle of Life, proposed that the Committee meet with business owners once every quarter to discuss progress in Mitchell's Plain. He has been engaging with the Minister for Cultural Affairs and Sport because current laws and policies do not allow for the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport to fund privately organised events. This has been an ongoing discussion for quite a long time, however, the policies have not been amended. These events could create many jobs but there are too many red tape challenges hindering the process to host an event. For example, there are hundreds of pages to fill in when one needs to apply for a permit to host an event. Additionally, officials take very long to respond to the applications. This hinders job opportunities for entrepreneurs who would like to have their own stalls at these events. He asked that elected officials honour their commitments to the community, and address the departmental officials who are delaying events and awarding of permits.

Mr Achim stated that the business community of Mitchell's Plain was not interested in politics; they wanted to improve conditions in Mitchell's Plain. Most of the business owners and members of the Chamber did not receive a stipend for the work that they did; they were only interested in seeing the Mitchell's Plain community thrive. He urged the Committee to have a serious look at Mitchell's Plain and the potential it has. If the Morgenster Road in Mitchell's Plain is opened towards the Retreat area, it would create an entirely new economic hub. One could also relieve traffic on the roads if Mitchell's Plain became a business hub, rather than going to Century City or the Cape Town Central Business District. This had the potential to change the economic landscape of the Province. Mitchell's Plain could be the primary employer of the Western Cape, as well as a thriving investment space.

## 4. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED the following:

- 4.1 To send the businesses concerns to the departments under which those issues are dealt with, and to request that those departments report back to the Committee on the manner in which they have assisted those respective businesses;
- 4.2 To request a report from the Department of Economic Development and Tourism on it's framework or platform for engaging business chambers such as the Mitchell's Plain Chamber of Commerce;
- 4.3 A report from the Department of Economic Development and Tourism stating whether they have engaged with the Mitchell's Plain Chamber of Commerce on its vision for Mitchell's Plain in the future, particularly around the aspect of tourism, and whether the Department is able to assist the Chamber in this respect.

The Chairperson thanked the Mitchell's Plain Chamber of Commerce and other attendees for availing themselves to address the Committee on the challenges they have experienced as business owners in Mitchell's Plain.

TUESDAY, 14 JULY 2020

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of a National Council of Provinces matter to committee in accordance with Standing Rule 218:

## Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

The national norms and standards for the management of elephants in South Africa.

### TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. Tabling of a National Council of Provinces matter in accordance with Standing Rule 218:

The national norms and standards for the management of elephants in South Africa.

2. Letter: Tabling of document in terms of section 17 of the Interpretation Act, 1957 (Act 33 of 1957):

#### **Minister of Health**

**Letter:** Publication of Provincial Notice 49 of 2020 – Western Cape Department of Health: Uniform patient fee schedule regulations for health care services rendered by the Western Cape Department of Health, 2020, published in the *Provincial Gazette Extraordinary* 8260, dated 30 June 2020.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

[Virtual online sitting held through Microsoft Teams]

The House met at 14:15.

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The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

### **BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Deputy Speaker?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I can hear you. Is there a point of order?

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Ja, Deputy Speaker, it is a point of order. I am not sure, you know, and I am a little bit uncomfortable to raise a point of order after a prayer, but my listening to the prayer gave me the impression that instead of asking for the province to be protected that you actually said "the party" instead of "the province."

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No, definitely not.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Oh, did I mishear that?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: My apologies if you heard that, but definitely not.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Okay, maybe it was just that I misheard that, sorry.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much, hon member. So, hon members, I trust that everybody has been connected to participate in the sitting of this House in terms of Rule 1(a) of the Standing Rules with all our members in remote attendance by electronic means.

The Western Cape Provincial Parliament remains fully operational with members also doing their work in their constituencies to assist the general public in whichever way possible, as well as our committees playing their oversight role in an effective, efficient and a transparent manner.

Our sitting today will be conducted in terms of the Standing Rules and directives issued to me on 17 April 2020.

Allow me just to remind you and highlight some of the important directives, in this regard:

- Obviously the Secretary and his administration will ensure that we have dedicated technical support at all times during this sitting.
- The quorum requirements for the sitting of the House are as provided for in the Constitution and the Standing Rules, and unless there is an indication of unanimous concurrence, voting will take place by members present and entitled to vote, to cast their votes by clearly identifying themselves to the Presiding Officer, verbally expressing their votes.
- Members who are present have all the privileges and immunities imparted by the law.
- Microphones of members who are considered to be out of order by the Presiding Officer will be muted and called to order.
- Attendance of members will be recorded by the Serjeant-at-Arms.
- In instances where these directives do not cover a particular eventuality, the Standing Rules must apply.

Members, all your microphones have been muted and you are requested to only unmute your microphone when you need to raise a point of order in terms of the Standing Rules, and remember to first state your name and surname and to use the hand little icon on the chat function so that we can actually see you, and then the media have been granted access to this meeting as guests of the WCPP. However, the members of the media may not use a chat room, speak or activate their cameras. So as ruled by the Presiding Officer in a sitting of the House on 23 April 2020, no interjections shall be permitted during the debate and as there is no debate today, I also just remembered to draw your attention, hon members, to Rule 40 of our Standing Rules.

## STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Ms W F PHILANDER (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, residents of our country have been afflicted with discouraging news and plagued with concern.

In the DA-led Western Cape, as we approach the peak, we are able to turn our concern into courage. A capable province, that has made use of the lockdown period to enable all of its beds in field hospitals, to ensure that those residents that need in-hospital treatment, are cared for, and we remain ahead of the peak.

A written reply in the National Assembly revealed that the country will have 3,600 additional beds available. Already 1,268 of these beds have been provided by the Western Cape Government, ready for utilisation, whilst in other provinces the majority of the remaining beds are still under completion.

The ANC has let us down with ambiguous commitments, unrealistic regulations, and play politics by undermining our approach. The President with fanfare announced R20 billion available for health responses. We now see provinces having to fend for themselves.

Gauteng and the Eastern Cape now have over 50% of cases in the country, with only 700 beds available. This is nothing to rejoice in, but again highlights the incompetence of the ANC National Government.

We commend the Western Cape Government that ensures systems are adequately prepared and livelihoods sustained.

Hon Deputy Speaker, COVID-19 is real, and we cannot sweep the disregard for human life under the carpet. This is the reality and unfortunately so.

I wish those in health facilities and at home a speedy recovery and extend my sincere condolences to those who have succumbed to COVID-19. Let us take courage as the only way we can stop this pandemic is by responsible behaviour of every government sphere, business entity, and individual. I thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. As the African National Congress we salute the community of Hangberg for its successful court battle against the DA-led City of Cape Town, that will make the City think twice before terrorising vulnerable communities again.

The African National Congress demands action be taken against the councillors and all officials involved in this unlawful act, which the Cape High Court said was heartless and done with scant regard to the safety, security, and health, particularly in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, to one resident, Mr Ginola Phillips.

Councillors, including Mayco members, who were behind this raid on the night of Friday, 19 June 2020, need to face disciplinary action.

Hon Deputy Speaker, the DA's right-wing forms the hidden hand behind the City's war on the poor. It is inconceivable that the City's unlawful actions could have been executed without the political approval from the DA's backroom, white boys club.

The African National Congress hopes that the cost order against the Mayor of the City of Cape Town and against the City itself, will serve as a lesson. It must still be calculated how much the total disrespect for the Constitution is costing the City and its Mayor, and which legal firms are making a fortune out of the City's lawfare.

The African National Congress wants to commend Hangberg activists, Rosco Jacobs, Lee Smith, and Neil Williams, for uniting and mobilising this community. They have shown that a united community can use the courts to stop the DA and its war on the poor. The DA must be forced to take its knee off poor people's necks.

The African National Congress will place illegal evictions and Metro Police brutality on the agenda for discussion in the COVID-19 Ad Hoc Committee of the Provincial Legislature, and call City politicians and officials to account. Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA (EFF): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The EFF calls on Premier Alan Winde to remove Mr Anton Bredell from his position as the Western Cape Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning with immediate effect.

This follows a series of poor performance by his Department, the latest being the 2018/2019 Municipal Audit Report, which paints a picture that under his leadership the state of municipalities in the province has regressed, with zero progression whatsoever.

Under his leadership and guidance, municipalities in the Western Cape have incurred irregular expenditure totalling to R2,7 billion, with irregular expenditure of the City of Cape Town alone standing at R950 million.

The majority of municipalities in the province, 55%, failed to comply with legislation, procurement regulations, and contracts as required by Section 116 of the Local Government Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003, and these deviations by municipalities bear a direct impact on other projects that seek to benefit the poor.

The Auditor-General found that supply chain management prescripts in municipalities have been disregarded altogether, resulting in contracts running way over their expiry dates, while contractors continue to fill their pockets with millions of Rands.

The City of Cape Town resulted in an underspending of R1,3 billion, money which would have been used the advance the housing projects in the province. Because of the Minister's incompetence and negligence to properly oversee these municipalities, today people in informal settlements remain in structures that float in water as storms sweep in.

The municipalities failed in their constitutional duty to use their available resources to bring about progressive realisation of the right of housing as required by Section 26 of the South African Constitution, therefore the Minister must fall. I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Mr G BOSMAN (DA): Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Deputy Speaker, we find ourselves in the middle of Psychosocial Disability Awareness Month, a month that reminds us that the COVID-19 pandemic contributes to increased anxiety, depression, and poor mental health for many already battling exceptionally tough circumstances.

Hon Deputy Speaker, it also reminds us of the urgency to care for those who are most vulnerable. As we return from this constituency period, we expected much more to have been done on the social development front, but we have a frighteningly stark contrast in terms of what the National Government has done, and what the Provincial Government has done.

The primary agency charged with providing support and safety to vulnerable residents, SASSA, refused to address the Provincial Standing Committee on Social Development this week.

Minister Zulu refuses to answer our letters, and we still have no explanation for the more than R1 billion of irregular expenditure incurred by SASSA.

On the other front we see ground-breaking work being done by our Provincial Department of Social Development. The Department has supported and funded residential care facilities, they have subsidised the salaries of caregivers involved in day-cares, and for the elderly, over 15,000 masks have been made available to old age homes.

Hon Deputy Speaker, to make even clearer the contrast between these two fronts, let us consider ECDs, spaces that provide care and learning for many young people, but it has taken a court order to get Minister Zulu and her Department to allow ECDs to open.

The Province, in contrast, has provided food for more than 50,000 children. Minister Zulu has been forced to go to court on these matters. It says a lot about our country, and it says a lot about our Ministry of National Social Development, if these matters have to be sorted out in court. We have to ask where the leadership is when disability grants are not paid, because of the shortage of doctors within SASSA, and we have to ask where is the political will and the direction when SASSA's finances are poorly managed? Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker.

Mr B N HERRON (GOOD): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Weeks before this Parliament approved its current Budget, the Wesgro Board and the Wesgro CEO, Tim Harris, concluded a new contract of employment that provided for a whopping salary increase for Harris.

That salary increase was subsequently amended, but it still provides for a 43% increase in the CEO's cost of employment package. His package will now go from R2,1 million to R3,1 million; an increase of R947,000, including the performance bonus.

The CEO's new contract provides a salary increase of almost half a million Rands in this financial year, plus the promise of 3% above inflation increases for the next two years. A 139% increase in the CEO's bonus, to more than half a million Rands, and that bonus of R520,000 that is provided in this financial year will increase to R650,000 next year, and to almost R800,000 in 2022.

On 3 April this year, Minister Maynier responded to a number of questions I raised about the reappointment of Harris as the CEO of Wesgro, and section 10 of the Wesgro Act provides for the appointment of a CEO in consultation with the Minister, but Minister Maynier said he was not consulted as required by the Act.

Minister Maynier also said that he believed firmly in the need for fiscal prudence in the current economic climate, and that he was taking steps to investigate. From my calculations we are committing R10 million in salary and bonuses to the CEO for the next three years, and this funding was provided for in the Minister's budget. At a time when our country and the world is in a massive and growing recession, excessive state-funded salaries are immoral.

So, has the Minister concluded this investigation and what was the outcome? And if the Minister was not consulted, then the appointment is *ultra vires*, and I call on the Minister to take the steps to set the contract aside, and to conclude a new contract that is more obviously in line with his belief in fiscal prudence. Thank you.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS (ACDP): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The South African Democratic Teachers Union, SADTU, and the National Professional Teachers Organisation of South Africa, NAPTOSA, have called for schools to be closed until after the peak of the Corona virus.

We, as the ACDP in the Western Cape, have called for schools to open in a responsible way. Of course, this call was based on schools adhering to all the health protocols as required by law.

As part of my oversight visit with the Standing Committee of Education, as well as colleagues of the ACDP, to schools within the Western Cape, we engaged principals, teachers, pupils, and parents.

Hon Deputy Speaker, it is important to state the following: some of our schools I visited have outstanding principals and teachers. Principals who are providing excellent leadership during this extremely difficult time. Due to their leadership the schools are excelling. However, what was very obvious was that the opening of our schools is not a smooth sailing task. There are still many issues that need to be dealt with, and I call on the Provincial Minister of Education to make sure that these issues brought to her attention by principals, are adhered to.

Hon Deputy Speaker, to get back to the unions in question, namely SADTU and NAPTOSA. Instead of giving leadership and direction, they are causing confusion and division, and I wonder will SADTU and NAPTOSA also call teachers who do not want to work for a no work, no pay approach. No work, no pay. We cannot allow our children to lose an entire academic year. This will have an incredible negative snowball effect.

We were told, and we know, that 100,000 new pupils wait to enter our schooling system next year. What will happen to them?

Our learners in our communities and township schools will be the losers in this case. The former model C and independent schools ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: ... are fully functioning. The gap between the two extremes is already too big ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: ... if we close our schools. I thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. I think hon member Lili, you are waiting for your chance. It is now the ANC.

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: One minute – okay. It is fine. Just one minute. Hon member Lili, your hand is up, but there is only one opportunity here for the ANC coming up, so I am not quite sure who is taking this opportunity?

Ms A LILI: Can you hear me? Hon Deputy Speaker, I am just indicating that I am part of the meeting. After struggling for a very long time.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I am sorry you struggled and thank you hon member Lili.

Ms A P BANS (ANC): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. As cases of genderbased violence and femicide continue to rise in our country, we need the judiciary to send out a clear message that the country does not tolerate GBV.

In this regard I would like to take the opportunity to welcome the life sentence given to 53-year old Luvuyo Hendricks, who was found guilty of raping a mentally disabled girl in 2016, who he was transporting to and from school. We commend magistrate K Pillay for sending out a clear message to perpetrators that GBV will not be tolerated.

Many families of victims are unhappy alleged perpetrators are walking free in the communities. For instance, this week a modelling agency boss accused of raping teen girls was granted bail by the Cape Town Magistrate Court. As the ANC, we are of the view that there should be no bail for rape accused.

Tomorrow the ANC will support the planned carcade and picket in Moorreesburg against GBV. Residents are up in arms against recurring GBV cases in the area. They want to raise awareness as well as put pressure on the judiciary to speed up investigation and prosecution against an alleged perpetrator who was charged with raping and indecently assaulting young girls in 2019. I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Ms D M BAARTMAN (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, on 10 July 2020, Stage 2 loadshedding resumed due to generation supply constraints. One would have thought that with more than three months of lockdown, and with demand for energy reduced amongst business and households, Eskom would have had sufficient time to work on critical maintenance at its stations.

Luckily, if you live in the City of Cape Town and on the City grid, you would have experienced Stage 1 loadshedding during Stage 2, and no loadshedding at all during Stage 1, thanks to the spare generation capacity for the Steenbrasdam. The City of Cape Town is also the only city in the country that has a dam with hydropower. It is this kind of forward-thinking and political will needed from leadership when we fight not only loadshedding, but also COVID-19, poverty, maladministration, and every other massive challenge we face. Hon Deputy Speaker, winter does not simply pitch up, winter occurs every single year, and despite a three month energy consumption holiday by consumers, Eskom has woken up and realised that its maintenance is not up to scratch, and that we need more energy in winter than in other months. Surprise!

This year will be the 13th year since loadshedding commenced in South Africa. In fact I remember in 2007 and 2008, studying accounting for my Grade 11 and Grade 12 exams with a faithful candle by my side during loadshedding, desperately attempting to make my books balance, which it never did since the national curriculum of education always had mistakes in their papers.

Since the 2020 State of the Nation Address from President Ramaphosa, Minister Mantashe and Minister Gordhan have had a horrible energy track record. The President promised that the bid window 5 of the renewable energy IPP programme would open up. This has yet to occur. The President promised that measures will be put in place for municipalities in good financial standing to procure power from IPPs, and despite the new regulations being gazetted regarding these municipalities, the regulations are so vague and do no provide any clarity. They might as well not have been gazetted, and similarly we are still waiting for Eskom to be restructured. If Eskom cannot provide electricity ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Finish off.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: ... then we must do so ourselves. Hon Deputy Speaker, I thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. Hon member Marais, you finally are on course to speak. Over to you.

Mr P J MARAIS: Better late than never, hey?

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, my hand was up.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No, I have – one minute, hon member Marais. Hon member Smith, I have a list, and the ANC is complete. I have Al Jama-Ah, and then I have another DA.

Mr D SMITH: I have a point of order, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay, apologies. What is your point of order?

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, my point of order is do the Rules allow a member to get emotional in her statement or her speech?

An HON MEMBER: Oh, come on.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: That is not a point of order.

†'n AGB LID: Asseblief, asseblief. [An HON MEMBER: Oh please, oh please.] The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Smith. Can we move over to hon member Marais? He has waited patiently for his chance. Over to you, hon member Marais.

Mr P J MARAIS (FFP): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The Freedom Front Plus advocates the devolution of power to the lowest most effective level of government, and note the DA's resolve, as reported recently by the Minister of Agriculture, the hon Dr Ivan Meyer, that the DA supports a policy of subsidiarity, which equates to federalism.

It is heartening to hear that the spirits of former leaders like Dr Zach de Beer, Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, Harry Schwartz and Colin Eglin are still alive in the DA, and welcomes the DA to the fight to join the Freedom Front in the fight for a federal dispensation for the Western Cape. We are very heartened by this declaration for favourably considering subsidiarity.

We would not be in the mess we are now on various fronts, from education, to local government, to agriculture, to police, if the Western Cape had the power and authority to decide for themselves what is in the best interest of the people of South Africa. I thank you.

Mr R I ALLEN (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, on Sunday during the President's address to the nation on the COVID-19 pandemic in South Africa, President Ramaphosa reiterated the call for saving lives as our first priority.

On 3 March 2020, before South Africa reported its first case ... [Interjection.] On 3 March, before South Africa reported its first case, the international COVID-19 death toll was already alarming. World stock exchange prices dropped dramatically.

On that very same day 58 people were murdered in our country, but it appeared that we continued with business per usual.

Hon Deputy Speaker, during the current month, 12 people have already lost their lives due to gang violence. Just last week a young life was claimed by a stray bullet in Kraaifontein. The loss of lives due to gang violence is not unknown to our President, nor to the National Minister of Police, and in terms of the 2019 crime stats, the biggest causative factors of murder in the Western Cape are gang-related, as 83,75% of all gang-related murders in the country occur here in the Western Cape.

Furthermore 34% of all drug-related crimes in South Africa occur in our province. In 2017/2018 the figure was 36%.

These stats contribute to citizens losing faith in our criminal justice system, making them feel unsafe in their homes and communities. Extreme and immediate action needs to be taken in order for us to start keeping citizens safe.

The aim, hon Deputy Speaker, is not to divert attention away from the severity of the COVID-19 crisis, but a call towards the recognition of the safety of each and every citizen.

COVID-19 also highlighted the heavy-handedness of police and how the system continued to fail women and children.

My call today, hon Deputy Speaker, is that we begin to prioritise lives lost due to crime as much as we try to save lives during this pandemic.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Finish off, hon member.

Mr R I ALLEN: We cannot accept a rate of 58 murders per day. Every resident in our province, each life is valuable, and every effort should be made to ensure that our communities are safer. Thank you.

MR G BRINKHUIS (AL JAMA-AH): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Under this very trying situation we are aware that much strain is placed on our healthcare facilities. We have heard complaints from various people attending day clinics about the long queues which are putting strain on the elderly and those not feeling well.

At the Lotus River Day Hospital people reported that during the bitterly cold and stormy weather this week, they had to stand in long queues outside the hospital without any cover and seating. We are calling on citizens to adhere to the COVID-19 regulations, and they are trying their best.

I am sure this scenario at the Lotus River Day Hospital is the same at other hospitals. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members, in terms of Rule 145, I now give one Minister an opportunity to respond to one of the member statements. Any Minister?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you very much. I would just like to particularly respond to hon member Christians' statement, and thank him for his view supporting the opening of schools, which we agree with, in the manner in which it has been done, and also just to agree with him completely.

The quality of leadership at schools is crucial in ensuring that all the procedures are properly followed, and it is very disappointing when processes are not actually properly followed.

I also agree that the calls of SADTU and NAPTOSA, they are for me rather concerning, because we have already lost about three months of schooling at the moment, which not only has very, very dire educational consequences for the children themselves, but also for our economy, and when you look at the actual figures of people who have been infected at schools, there is absolutely no evidence at all that the virus is being spread to people at schools.

So, I think the calls really need to be extremely carefully weighed up when you look at the actual facts, not broad statements and allegations that are made by unions that are representing generally teachers only. Thank you very much.

[The Speaker takes the Chair.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Good afternoon, hon members. Almost I can say good evening and thank you for the opportunity.

#### **RECENT TAXI VIOLENCE**

(Notice of Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, Speaker and welcome. Hon Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the recent taxi violence in the Western Cape. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the recent taxi violence in the Western Cape.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# SCHOOLS: CALL FOR CLOSURE OF

(Notice of Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you. Hon Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the ongoing call on the South African Democratic Teachers Union to close the Western Cape schools with immediate effect. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the ongoing call by the South African Democratic Teachers Union (SADTU) to close Western Cape schools with immediate effect.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

## WESTERN CAPE MUNICIPALITIES AUDIT OUTCOMES

(Notice of Motion)

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, hon Speaker and welcome. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the 2018/2019 contents of the Auditor-General's Report as far as it relates to the audit outcomes of the Western Cape municipalities, the report titled "Not Much To Go Around, Yet Not The Right Hands Until". Thank you, Speaker.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Hon Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the 2018/19 contents of the Auditor-General's report titled "Not much to go around, yet not the right hands at the till" as far as it relates to the audit outcomes of Western Cape municipalities.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# **COVID-19: CLEANERS AND PORTERS**

(Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you Speaker. Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House emphasises and points out our unsung heroes not seen. While we all rightfully give honour to our medical professionals and essential workers, today we as the ACDP want to honour and acknowledge other hospital staff such as cleaners and porters. We are referring to a recent article highlighting these unsung heroes whose daily sacrifices were not recognised, even though they play a pivotal role in contributing to the stemming of the COVID-19 virus which is approaching its peak. To be specific, hon Speaker, cleaners get up in the early hours of the morning to keep our hospitals clean. Porters move numerous medical equipment between various areas, and they are most of the times not mentioned. So, on behalf of the ACDP we would like to honour our porters and our cleaners, for the long hours that they work. Thank you, hon Speaker.

# [Motion as moved by Member.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Christians. I would like to draw your attention to your motion, hon Christians. It is more of a statement, but I have allowed you to proceed. I just want to draw your attention to that specific area, but I am sure in future you will understand. I am fine with what you have done, but for the future, hon Christians.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: You are welcome, sir. I

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and wants to emphasise today the unsung heroes who are not seen – yes, we give honour to the medical professionals and all the essential workers, but the workers we want to highlight today as the real unsung heroes are the cleaners and porters – and, referring to a recent article which highlighted these unsung heroes whose daily sacrifices have not recognised, who play a pivotal role in contributing to the stemming of the COVID-19 disease now reaching its peak, such as the cleaners who get up in the early morning to keep the hospitals clean and the porters who move patients, equipment and numerous other pieces of medical equipment between the various areas of a hospital to ensure that hospitals run smoothly; and further honours our cleaners and hospital porters who work long hours and who are putting their lives at risk in doing so.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### **COVID-19: FRONTLINE AND ESSENTIAL WORKERS**

(Motion)

Mr G BRINKHUIS: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the AI Jama-ah would also like to thank our frontline workers, like the nurses and doctors and the administrative and cleaning staff of our hospitals and clinics and all those in private practice and also our essential workers who keep our country running smoothly despite all these challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Thank you, Speaker.

[Motion as moved by member.]

Mr G BRINKHUIS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House thanks our frontline workers, like the nurses and doctors and the administrative and cleaning staff of our hospitals and clinics and all those in private practice and also our essential workers who keep our country running smoothly despite all these challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

# LATE ZINDZI MANDELA

# (Motion of condolence)

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness the untimely and unexpected passing of the struggle icon and youth activist Mama Zindzi Mandela; we further note that her passing has deprived our nation of an activist for liberation and democracy who would have loved to see the resources of this country being shared evenly amongst the majority of our people; the EFF acknowledges that we must learn and emulate the bravery and selflessness demonstrated by the struggle icon Mama Zindzi Mandela; we convey our condolences to her sister Zenani, her children and the rest of the Madikizela and Mandela family. Lala ngo xolo Madlomo. [Rest in my peace my mother.] I so move, thank you.

[Motion as moved by member.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness the untimely and unexpected passing away of the struggle icon and youth activist Mama Zindzi Mandela; further notes that her passing away has deprived our nation of an activist for liberation and democracy, who would have loved to see the resources of this country be shared evenly among the majority of our people; we acknowledge her bravery and courage to speak the truth to power, which was shaped by the very injustice she received at the hands of the apartheid regime; born from the hero and heroine, Nelson Mandela and Winnie Madikizela-Mandela, each act of victimisation and oppression the apartheid regime exerted on her parents was the pain she had to bear and endure; she refused to be simply the daughter of Africa's most powerful revolutionary and political couple, and took on a political and revolutionary identity of her own by speaking openly, courageously and inspiringly against the apartheid regime and all its murderous activities - who will forget her act of bravery when she took a centre stage in 1985 at the Johannesburg Jabulani Amphitheatre to deliver Nelson Mandela's message to PW Botha and inspire the masses in the process; acknowledges that we must learn and emulate the bravery and selflessness demonstrated by the struggle icon Mama Zindzi Mandela; and conveys our condolences to her sister Zenani, her children and the rest of the Madikizela and Mandela families. Lala ngo xolo Madlomo (rest in peace, my mother).

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

#### COVID-19: TESTING FOR DIABETES

#### (Motion)

Mr P J MARAIS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House resolves to request the health and social ministerial cluster to launch a campaign whereby people are tested for diabetes and warned of its dangers as the second largest cause of the high death rate amongst COVID-19 infected people, as reported yesterday by the Head of the Health Department in the Western Cape; secondly, that the availability and supply of chronic medication at all state health facilities be investigated and reported on by the relevant Ministers, especially the Minister of Health, to stop the high death rate amongst COVID-19 infected people. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr P J MARAIS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House resolves and requests the Health and Social Development ministerial cluster to launch a campaign whereby people are tested for diabetes and warned of its dangers as the second largest cause of the high death rate among COVID-19-infected people, as reported yesterday by Dr Keith Cloete, Head of the Department of Health in the Western Cape; and investigates the availability and supply of chronic medication at all state health facilities in the Western Cape and that the results be reported to this House by the relevant Ministers, especially the Minister of Health, to lower the high death rate among COVID-19-infected people.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### LATE ZINDZISWA MANDELA

(Motion of condolence)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends its deepest condolences to the Mandela and Madikizela family on the passing of Zindziswa "Zindzi" Nobutho Mandela; Hon Speaker, our nation will never forget the bravery of Zindzi in reading her father's letter before the entire country when rejecting the apartheid Government's conditional release of the late Nelson Mandela. Hon Speaker, I further move that the House notes Zindzi Mandela's contribution as an activist, poet and ambassador for the country and that we are all the poorer for this loss. I so move.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its deepest condolences to the Mandela and Madikizela families on the passing away of Zindziswa "Zindzi" Nobutho Mandela; notes that our nation will never forget the bravery of Zindzi in reading her father's letter before the entire country when the apartheid government's conditional release of the late Nelson Mandela was rejected; and further notes Zindzi Mandela's contribution as an activist, poet and ambassador for the country, and that we are all the poorer because of this loss.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### LATE DR IBRAHIM KHAN

(Motion of condolence)

Ms A P BANS: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes COVID-19 spares no-one and claims the lives of professional people like judges, celebrities, heroes like sport stars and workers alike; also notes the tragic death of another Cape Town medical doctor, well-known Dr Ibrahim Khan, who had his practice in Salt River and treated many of his patients for free; further notes that the 70-year old died in a high care unit on Monday and that the Legislature sends condolences to all his family and friends. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms A P BANS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that COVID-19 spares no-one and claims the lives of professional people, such as judges, celebrities, heroes and sport stars, and workers alike; also notes the tragic death of another Cape Town medical doctor, the well-known Dr Ibrahim Khan who had his practice in Salt River and treated many of his patients for free; further notes the 70year-old died in a high care unit on Monday; and sends condolences to all his family and friends.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

#### LATE THANDI MPAMBO-SIBHUKWANA

(Motion of condolence)

Mr G BOSMAN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends its heartfelt condolences to the family and loved ones of the late Member of Parliament, Ms Thandi Mpambo-Sibhukwana. Hon Speaker, Thandi was an outstanding public servant with a sincere conviction for the upliftment of all South Africans; she tirelessly served at both the National Council of Provinces and most recently the National Assembly; Thandi will be remembered for her active fight against poverty, inequality, and her determination to see the housing backlog eliminated and her deep compassion for persons with disabilities. Hon Speaker, I move that this House further extends its condolences to the constituents of Saldanha, Drakenstein and Oostenberg South, all of whom Thandi served with great care during her time as a public representative. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its heartfelt condolences to the family and loved ones of the late Member of Parliament, Thandi Mpambo-Sibhukwana; notes that Thandi was an outstanding public servant with a sincere conviction for the upliftment of all South Africans; notes that she tirelessly served at both the NCOP and most recently the National Assembly; notes that Thandi will be remembered for her active fight against poverty, inequality, her determination to see the housing backlog eliminated, and her deep compassion for persons with disabilities; and further extends condolences to the constituents of Saldanha, Drakenstein and Oostenberg South, all of whom Thandi served with great care during her time as a public representative.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

# **COVID-19: EDUCATORS**

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes many educators who had contact with Coronavirus positive patients, regardless of clear departmental protocols, are continuing to attend school and that even some principals are said to be continuing to work and that they are not basically isolating to prevent further contamination as is the case at the Brooklands Primary School in Northpine, and we call on the hon Education ME, Debbie Schäfer, to ensure compliance by all the WCED policies in this serious medical emergency and pandemic. I thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Sayed. Hon members, are there any objections to the motion being read without notice?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Yes, that is incorrect.

The SPEAKER: Alright. There is an objection. The motion will be recorded in the Order Paper. Thank you very much.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Not surprised.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that many teachers, who had contact with patients who tested positive for the coronavirus, clear departmental protocols and continue to attend school, and that even principals are said to be forced to continue work instead of isolating themselves to prevent further contamination; and calls on the Minister of Education, honourable Debbie Schäfer, to ensure compliance with the WCED policies on this serious medical emergency and pandemic by all.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### LATE HENRY JANSEN

(Motion of condolence)

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends its sincerest condolences to the family and loved ones of the late Langeberg Municipality's Mayor, alderman Henry Jansen; hon Speaker, Mayor Jansen was a valued member of the Western Cape Government for many years; most recently taking his position as Mayor in 2016; furthermore Mayor Henry Jansen passed away on 14 July 2020; our thoughts and prayers are with his loved ones and we wish comfort and strength to his family in this difficult time. I so move. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D AMERICA: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its sincerest condolences to the family and loved ones of the late Langeberg Mayor, Henry Jansen; notes that Mayor Henry Jansen was a valued public representative for many years, most recently taking his position as Mayor in 2016; notes that Mayor Henry Jansen passed away on 14 July 2020; and our thoughts and prayers are with his loved ones during this difficult time.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### SCHOOLS: STORM DAMAGE

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you very much, Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the serious structural damages to schools with the recent storms and rains like at Nomzamo High School in Strand, Blue Mountains Primary in Durbanville; Kleinberg Primary and Saint Mark's Primary. Hon Speaker, we call on the Department of Education to urgently effect repairs to these schools and that we ensure that permanent structures are erected at these particular schools as they have been waiting for far too long for permanent buildings. Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the serious structural damage to schools caused by the recent storm at the Nomzamo High School in Strand and Prince Alfred Hamlet's St Mark's Primary School; calls on the WCED to effect repairs to these schools urgently; and requests the WCED to erect permanent structures in Strand instead of just replacing the many damaged and unsafe temporary structures, which have been there for far too long because calls for permanent buildings have been ignored for years.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# COVID-19: DEATHS OF TEACHERS AND STAFF MEMBERS

(Motion of condolence)

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice on behalf of the Democratic Alliance:

That the House extends our sincere condolences to the families, friends and colleagues of our teachers and staff members within the WCED who have lost their lives at this time; further that this House notes their dedication to have taught our learners and their invaluable service to our school communities. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends our sincere condolences to the families, friends and colleagues of the teachers and staff members in the Western Cape who have lost their lives at this time; and notes their dedication to teaching learners and their invaluable service to communities.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

#### COVID-19: LEARNERS WITHOUT FACE MASKS

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes no child must be refused or sent home alone if they come to school without a face mask, that especially poor learners must be assisted in a way that their education is not interrupted and notes too that this instruction came from National Minister Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma after a Grade 7 learner was turned away by her KZN school and raped. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr D SMITH: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that no child must be refused access or be sent home alone if they come to school without a face mask; requests that poor learners especially must be assisted in a way in which their education is not interrupted; and notes that this instruction comes from Minister Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma after a Grade 7 learner was turned away by her KZN school and raped.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### COVID-19: DEATHS OF HEALTH CARE WORKERS

(Motion of condolence)

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends our sincere condolences to all health care workers who have lost their lives to COVID-19 whilst working on the frontlines and serving patients; we will long remember their dedicated and brave service to the people of our province, especially in the light of the severity of this pandemic; our thoughts and our prayers are with their loved ones, their friends and their colleagues. I so move.

Ms W F PHILANDER: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends our since condolence to healthcare workers who have lost their lives to COVID-19 while working on the frontlines and serving patients; notes that their dedicated and brave service to the people in our province, especially in the light of the severity of this pandemic, will long remember; and our thoughts and prayers are with their loved ones, friends and colleagues.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE SHAIK SERAJ HENDRICKS

(Motion of condolence)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the death of Shaik Seraj Hendricks who succumbed to COVID-19 a week ago; also notes the 64-year old Hendricks was a revered Islamic scholar and Imam at the Azzawia Mosque and Institute in Cape Town's Walmer Estate and that this Legislature sends condolences to his family and friends. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the death of Shaik Seraj Hendricks who succumbed to COVID-19 a week ago; also notes that the 64-year-old Hendricks was a revered Islamic scholar and imam at the Azzawia mosque and institute in Cape Town's Walmer Estate; and sends condolences to his family and friends.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE GAYLIN CUPIDO

(Motion of condolence)

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends our deepest condolences to the family of Gaylin Cupido who was sadly killed by a stray bullet in Kraaifontein on Saturday, 11 July 2020; that this House notes the innocent life that has been lost due to the ongoing gang violence in our province. I so move.

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice on behalf:

That the House extends its deepest condolences to the family of Gaylin Cupido who was killed by a stray bullet in Kraaifontein on Saturday 11 July 2020; and notes that another innocent life has been lost due to ongoing gang violence in our province.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# COVID-19: CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS DUE TO

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that up to 20 schools per day in the Western Cape are closed due to COVID-19 related problems; that not a day goes by without another person falling ill and that we also note that almost 100 members of staff and 2 000 learners are infected according to WCED figures themselves and that we call on WCED to protect the health and safety of every learner entrusted to them as the pandemic reaches new heights. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that up to 20 schools per day in the Western Cape are closed due to COVID-19-related problems; notes that not a day goes by without another person falling ill; also notes that almost 100 members of staff and 2 000 learners have been infected according to WCED figures; and calls on the WCED to proceed with extreme caution and care with a view to protect the health and safety of every learner entrusted to them as the pandemic reaches new heights.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

# LATE MARIE FRITZ

(Motion)

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House sends its sincerest condolences to Mr Albert Fritz, member of the Executive, responsible for Community Safety, on the passing of his sister, Marie Fritz on Monday 13 July 2020; hon Speaker, this follows the recent passing of Minister Fritz's mother. We wish Minister Fritz and his family strength and courage in dealing with these losses at such a difficult time; our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family and other loved ones. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House sends its sincerest condolences to Mr Albert Fritz, Minister of Community Safety, on the passing away of his sister, Maria Fritz, on Monday, 13 July 2020; notes that this follows the recent passing away of Minister Fritz's mother; wishes Minister Fritz and his family the strength and courage to deal with these losses at such a difficult time; and our thoughts and prayers are with the family and loved ones.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# EMIL WEDER SECONDARY SCHOOL: TRANSPORT

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Emil Weder Secondary School in the Overberg was successful in restoring transport for learners and that we congratulate all in that rural community who worked tirelessly to ensure that these children of farm workers can further their education and lives and that we also commend the Department of Education in the Province for the hard work that it has done in this regard and for cooperating with the African National Congress and for their positive responses. I thank you, hon Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Sayed. Hon members, are there any objections to the motion being read without notice?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Yes. The African National Congress ... [Inaudible. – audio connection lost.]

The SPEAKER: Is that an objection, hon Minister Schäfer?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Oh, alright.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): There was cooperation, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: There is an objection. [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Speaker, the Minister, I commend the Minister. [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: The objection is noted, and the motion will be reported on the Order Paper.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the Emil Weder Secondary School in the Overberg was successful in restoring transport for learners; and congratulates everyone in that rural community who worked tirelessly to ensure these children of farm workers can further their education and lives.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### LAND INVASIONS: POLICE BRUTALITY

(Motion)

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the removal of Bulelani Qholani from his home in Khayelitsha and the subsequent investigation underway; that the House condemns all forms of police brutality, the violation of human rights and dignity, and condemns violent protests which threaten life or property or vandalise municipal assets; and that this House condemns the actions of those who profit from the sale of illegally invaded land and who instigate land invasions and protests to protect vested and criminal financial interests. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon Allen must submit to the police the evidence.

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the removal of Bulelani Qholani from his home in Khayelitsha and the subsequent investigation that is underway; condemns all forms of police brutality, the violation of human rights and dignity and violent protests that threaten life or property or vandalise municipal assets; and further condemns the actions of those who profit from the sale of illegally invaded land and who instigate land invasions and protests to protect vested and criminal financial interests.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE ESTELLE MOUTON

(Motion of condolence)

Ms A BANS: Hon Speaker, on behalf of the ANC I move without notice:

That the House notes the passing of Estelle Mouton and sends condolences to her sister, boss of Bush Radio Station, Brenda Leonard of Mitchells Plain, their friends, family and comrades. I so move.

[Motion as moved by member.]

Ms A BANS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the passing away of Estelle Mouton and sends condolences to her sister Brenda Leonard, boss of the radio station Bush Radio of Mitchells Plain, their family, friends and comrades.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# COVID-19: PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES TESTING POSITIVE

(Motion)

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House wishes Premier Alan Winde of the Western Cape a speedy and full recovery after testing positive for COVID-19; that we nonetheless thank the Premier for his leadership in fighting the pandemic in the province; that we further wish a speedy and full recovery for the Premier of the North West Province, hon Jacob Mokgoro, the Premier of the Gauteng Province, David Makhura, member of the Western Cape Windvogel, Rachel and all other affected Parliament, public representatives who have tested positive for COVID-19 and that we sincerely thank the healthcare workers for their continued fight on the frontlines and wish those all who are infected a speedy recovery and extend condolences to the families who have been hit hardest by the loss of lives due to COVID-19. I so move. Thank you.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House wishes Premier Alan Winde of the Western Cape a speedy and full recovery after testing positive for COVID-19; thanks the Premier for his leadership in fighting the pandemic in the province; further wishes Job Mokgoro, Premier of North West, David Makhura, Premier of Gauteng, Rachel Windvogel, Member of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament, and all other affected public representatives who have tested positive for COVID-19 a speedy and full recovery; thanks healthcare workers sincerely for their continued fight on the frontlines; wishes those who are infected a speedy recovery; and extends condolences to the families who have been hit the hardest by loss of lives due to the virus.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# YUSUF KIRIBOTO

(Motion)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the brave attempt by Yusuf Kiriboto who a week ago fell into the strong flowing storm water canal in the Athlone informal settlement of Vygieskraal, trying to save the 8-year old Abieda Paulse and notes both are missing and presumably drowned. Enkosi, [Thank you], hon Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the brave attempt by Yusuf Kiriboto who jumped into a strong-flowing stormwater canal in the Athlone informal settlement of Vygieskraal a week ago while trying to save the 8-year-old Abieda Paulse; and notes that both are missing and have presumably drowned.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# **COVID-19: DISRUPTION AND SHUTDOWN OF SCHOOLS**

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House condemns the attempted disruptions and shutdown of several schools across the province and notes with concern that these disruptions violate the rights of learners who wish to attend school and further hampers the process of a safe return. I so move.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Botha.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Objection.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, are there any objections to the motion being read without notice?

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Yes. There is a motion... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Yes.

The SPEAKER: Alright, thank you. There is an objection. The objection is noted, and the motion will be recorded on the Order Paper.

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House condemns the attempted disruptions and shut down of several schools across the province; and notes with concern that these disruptions violate the rights of learners who wish to attend school and further hampers the process of a safe return.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### LATE MARK JANSEN

(Motion of condolence)

Mr L L MVIMBI: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House commiserates with the family, friends and comrades of the Western Cape Director of Transport Safety Management, Mark Jansen, who succumbed to a COVID-19 related disease. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr L L MVIMBI: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commiserates with the family, friends and comrades of Mark Jansen, Western Cape Director of Transport Safety Management, who succumbed to a COVID-19-related disease.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

#### MANDELA DAY

#### (Motion)

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes and celebrates Mandela Day taking place this Saturday 18 July; Hon Speaker, Mandela Day is celebrated by providing 67-minutes of service towards others; I further move that this House encourages all residents to actively participate in helping others at this time and to do so in keeping the five golden hygiene rules and social distancing in mind at all times. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and celebrates Mandela Day, which takes place this Saturday, 18 July; notes that Mandela Day is celebrated by providing 67 minutes of service towards others; and moves to encourages all residents to participate actively in helping others at this time, while keeping the golden hygiene rules and social distancing in mind at all times.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# **PSYCHOSOCIAL DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH**

(Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that July is Psychosocial Disability Awareness Month; hon Speaker, the month is an opportunity to reflect on the impact of the current pandemic on those suffering from mental health challenges, and a reminder for us all to do our utmost to care for affected family members and loved ones who face depression, anxiety, and other mental illnesses. Mr Speaker, I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that July is Psycho-Social Disability Awareness Month; and notes that the month is an opportunity to reflect on the impact of the current pandemic on those suffering from mental health challenges and a reminder to us all to do our utmost to care for affected family members and loved ones who face depression, anxiety and other mental illnesses.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

# LATE ZINDZI MANDELA

(Motion of condolence)

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness the death of a 59-year old, Denmark Ambassador, Zindzi Mandela, just a few days ago, before the world on Saturday celebrates the Mandela Day of Goodwill on her late father's birthday commemoration; and notes President Cyril Ramaphosa's remark of this daughter of the father of our nation and the late Winnie Mandela-Madikizela, that princess Zindzi was a fearless political activist, a leader in her own right and notes her son Zodwa revealed to SABC that she tested positive for COVID-19. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Mr Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness the death of Zindzi Mandela, our 59year-old Denmark ambassador, just a few days before the world celebrates Mandela Day on Saturday in commemoration on her late father's birthday; notes President Cyril Ramaphosa's remarks on this daughter of the father of our nation and the late Winnie Madikizela-Mandela that princess Zindzi was a fearless political activist and leader in her own right; and notes that her son Zodwa revealed to SABC that she tested positive for COVID-19.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# WCED: SMART CLASSROOMS

(Motion)

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that Laingsburg High School has been approved by the Western Cape Department of Education as a "No-Fee" school and that it will be receiving a public wi-fi point which will not only benefit the learners but also the surrounding communities; the wi-fi will be received from the Department of the Premier; further notes that the Western Cape Department of Education approved 10 new smart classrooms to be installed in Acacia Primary School; this installation includes 10 laptops, 10 white e-Boards, 10 e-Beams and 5 e-Readers for interactive digital learning; also notes that the Department of the Premier is installing a public wi-fi point at the primary school, which means learners, teachers and surrounding community members can access 3GB per device per month for free, and thanks the Department of the Premier and the Department of Education for assisting children in our rural communities moving into the digital age. Thank you. I so move.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Laingsburg High School has been approved by the Western Cape Department of Education as a no-fee school and that it will be receiving a public Wi-Fi point, which will not only benefit the learners but also the surrounding communities; further notes that the Western Cape Department of Education has approved the installation of 10 new smart classrooms at the Acacia Primary School and this installation will include 10 laptops, 10 e-whiteboards, 10 e-beams and 5 ereaders for interactive digital learning; also notes that the Department of the Premier is installing a public Wi-Fi point at this primary school, which means that learners, teachers and surrounding community members can access 3 GB per device per month for free; and thanks the Western Cape Department of the Premier and the Department of Education for helping our children and our rural communities to move into the digital age.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# SOLIDARITY FUND

#### (Motion)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House commends the Solidarity Fund for its donation to hospitals within the Western Cape, the Eastern Cape and Gauteng, amounting to millions of Rands, which will be directed at improving and supporting the conditions of various hospitals in these three provinces. I so move.

#### [Motion as moved by Member.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the government's Solidarity Fund has allocated more than R4 million to upgrade public hospitals in the three COVID-19 hotspots, namely the Western Cape, the Eastern Cape and Gauteng.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

# LENA LULAMANDLA: MISSING CHILD

(Motion)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the communities of Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain are still searching for Lena Lulamandla who a week ago got into a taxi to Eastville Primary School, but never reported there. I so move, Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the communities of Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain are still searching for Lulamandla Sithonga, a learner who got into a taxi to the Eastville Primary School a week ago but never arrived there.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# CHRYSALIS ACADEMY: NEW INTAKE

#### (Motion)

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the new intake of students at the Chrysalis Academy on Saturday 11 July 2020; that this House wishes each and every enrolled student well on their 10 week journey at the Academy and that this House further notes the 20 years of existence of the Academy and the life changing effects it has had on the young lives of many in our province. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the new intake of students at the Chrysalis Academy on Saturday 11 July 2020 after the lockdown; wishes each of the enrolled students well on their 10-week journey at the academy; and notes the 20 years of existence of the academy and the life-changing effects that it has had on young lives in our province.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

## COVID-19: ALCOHOL RESTRICTIONS

(Motion)

Ms A P BANS: Thank you. Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the daily alcohol related trauma incidents treated in five Western Cape hospitals dropped by 40% to 50% during the previous lockdown ban and National Health Minister, Dr Zweli Mkhize says that the up to 160 cases then fell to an average of 89 incidents per day; the House further commends the Government for bringing back alcohol restrictions during the height of the epidemic. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Bans. Hon members, are there any objections to the motion being read without notice?

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

The SPEAKER: The objection is noted and the motion will be recorded on the Order Paper.

Ms A P BANS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the daily alcohol-related trauma incidents treated at five Western Cape hospitals dropped by 40% to 50% during the previous lockdown ban and that the national Minister of Health, Dr Zweli Mkhize, said that up to 160 cases fell to an average of 89 incidents per day in that time; and commends the government for bringing back alcohol restrictions during the height of the pandemic.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### MUNICIPALITIES: CLEAN AUDITS

(Motion)

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House congratulates all municipalities that received clean audits within the Western Cape as they continue to build sound financial trust within local government; several of these municipalities have received clean audits for the first time, all of these being DA-led municipalities; hon Speaker, that this House further notes that these victories have been achieved for the benefit of all citizens within the Western Cape. I so move.

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An HON MEMBER: Objection.

The SPEAKER: Hon members, there is an objection. The motion will be recorded on the Order Paper. The objection is noted.

Mr D AMERICA: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates all the municipalities in the Western Cape that received clean audits, as they continue to build sound financial trust in local government; notes that several of these municipalities have received clean audits for the first time, all of these being DA-led municipalities; and further notes that these victories have been achieved for the benefit of all the citizens of the Western Cape.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# LOCKDOWN: DEMOLISHING OF PROPERTIES

(Motion)

Mr A LILI: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House condemns the actions of the City of Cape Town demolishing people's properties during lockdown. I so move. Thank you very much.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Lili. Hon members, are there any objections to the motion being read without notice?

Mr D AMERICA: Objection.

The SPEAKER: The objection is noted and the motion will be recorded on the Order Paper.

Mr A LILI: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House condemns the actions of the City of Cape Town demolishing people's properties during lockdown

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### PHILIPPI EAST ATTACKS: ARREST OF SUSPECTS

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House commends the SAPS for arresting and taking to court another two young male murder suspects, both aged 19, bringing the number of suspects to five, after last month's killing attacks in the area of Philippi East. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commends the SAPS for arresting and taking to court another two young male murder suspects, both aged 19 years; and notes that these suspects are linked to an attack last month's that claimed five lives in Philippi East.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## WESTERN CAPE TOURISM PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT FUND

(Motion)

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the announcement of the newly launched Western Cape Tourism Product Development Fund by the Provincial Department of Economic Development and Tourism; recognises that the initiative pledges a total of R5 million to both current and new tourism products in the province; notes that the funding initiative which will be utilised for tourism related activities since this is one of the industries that have been negatively impacted by COVID-19 pandemic; further notes that the aim of this fund is to ensure that adequate support is provided for the establishment and promotion of sustainable tourism within the Western Cape; also notes that the National Minister of Tourism and the Presidency have backtracked on regulations which would have allowed much more of the leisure tourism to safely operate; and calls upon the National Minister of Tourism to announce a comprehensive tourism relief package for the tourism sector as a whole and gazette regulations to open up leisure accommodation. I so move.

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the announcement of the newly launched Western Cape Tourism Product Development Fund by the provincial Department of Economic Development and Tourism; recognises that the initiative pledges a total of R5 million to both current and new tourism products in the province; notes that the funding initiative which will be utilised for tourism-related activities since this is one of the industries on which the COVID-19 pandemic has had a negative impact; further notes that the aim of this fund is to ensure that adequate support is provided for the establishment and promotion of sustainable tourism in the Western Cape, as we find ourselves in times that require incredible innovation and creativity; also notes that the national Minister of Tourism and the Presidency have backtracked on regulations which would have allowed a much larger part of the leisure tourism industry to operate safely; and calls upon the national Minister of Tourism to announce a comprehensive tourism relief package for the tourism sector as a whole and to gazette regulations to open up leisure accommodation.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# FOREST VILLAGE: DISRUPTION OF HOUSING HANDOVER

(Motion)

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House condemns in the strongest possible terms the intimidation of housing beneficiaries; hon Speaker, on 7 July 2020 a group of disruptive Joe Slovo informal settlement community members, in Langa, blocked 56 other residents from the opportunity to move to their homes in Forest Village; part of those that should have been moving are two disabled people of which one is 62-years old, and a 63-year and 71-year old in this group; hon Speaker, that the House notes we will not allow criminal acts to incite violence and endanger innocent residents; we welcome the South African Police Services to conduct a full investigation into the violent and criminal activities to ensure that those responsible face the full might of the law. I so move.

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House condemns in the strongest possible terms the intimidation of housing beneficiaries; notes that on 7 July 2020 a group of disruptive community members from the Joe Slovo informal settlement in Langa blocked 56 other residents from the opportunity to move to their homes in Forest Village; further notes that some of those who were about to move were two disabled people, of whom one is 62-year-old, while there are also a 63- and 71-year-old in this group; further notes that criminal acts that incite violence and endanger innocent residents will not be allowed; and requests the South African Police Service to conduct a full investigation into the violent and criminal acts to ensure that those responsible face the full might of the law.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## LATE SIYABULELA SISWANA

(Motion of condolence)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House commiserates and sends its condolences to the family, friends and comrades of the SACP's Brian Bunting regional secretary, comrade Siyabulela Siswana, who was 44 years of age and his 6-year old daughter, Banele, who were murdered in a hail of bullets in a hit at his Mfuleni house in which his wife, Nokwanda, was seriously wounded by gunshots; and wishes her a speedy recovery while sending our sincerest condolences to comrade Siswana. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commiserates with the family, friends and comrades of Siyabulela Siswana (44), the SACP's Brian Bunting regional secretary, and his 6-year-old daughter, Banele, who were murdered in a hail of bullets in a hit at his Mfuleni house in which his wife, Nokwanda, was seriously wounded by gunshots; and wishes her a speedy recovery.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

# LATE BRIDGENAY SLINGERS: MURDER

(Motion)

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes yet another woman recently died at the hands of a person that should care for them and notes that 21-year old Roderick Botha appeared in the Hermanus Court after the body of his former girlfriend, 18-year old Bridgenay Slingers, a Gansbaai school learner, was found murdered. I so move, hon Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N G BAKUBAKU-VOS: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes yet another woman recently died at the hands of a person that should care for them and notes that 21-year old Roderick Botha appeared in the Hermanus Court after the body of his former girlfriend, 18-year old Bridgenay Slingers, a Gansbaai school learner, was found murdered

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# DUTCH CONSULATE: DONATION OF FOOD PARCELS

(Motion)

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends its gratitude to the Dutch Consulate for donating 530 food parcels in Mitchells Plain and further welcomes their commitment alongside with Runs4Schools in the Netherlands to help families in need who are coping with reduced income during this time of COVID-19; that this House also extends its gratitude to the local retailer Yebo Fresh for initiating these food drives. I so move. Thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its gratitude to the Dutch Consulate for donating 530 food parcels to people in the Mitchells Plain area; further welcomes their commitment, along with Runs4School in the Netherlands, to helping families in need and people who have to cope with reduced incomes during this time; and extends its gratitude to Yebo Fresh, a local retailer, for initiating these food drives.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

## LATE AMOREI VERMAAK AND LATE STEPHEN FLECK

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House urges SAPS to speed up the murder investigation of a George couple, 26-years old Amorei Vermaak and 31-year old Stephen Fleck, whose bodies were found with gunshot wounds on Friday in a Bergsig house. I so move, Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M KAMA: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House urges the SAPS to speed up the murder investigation after a George couple, 26-year-old Amorei Vermaak and 31-year-old Stephen Fleck, was found with gunshot wounds in a Bergsig house on Friday.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## STELLENBOSCH: SAFE TRAVELS STAMP

(Motion)

Mr D M BAARTMAN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that Stellenbosch is the first African destination to be awarded the "Safe Travels Stamp" during the COVID-19 pandemic by the World Travel and Tourism Council; further notes that the WTTC works with private sector tourism across 185 countries and have developed World-Class Protocols for adoption by municipalities, tourism bodies and establishments at this time; also notes that the accreditation of the "Safe Travels Stamp" requires adherence to stringent hygiene and safety protocols. An application process to the WTTC is followed in which applicants must demonstrate health and safety processes, staff training, flexibility in reservation terms and compliance with the "new normal" guidelines from the global body; and congratulates Stellenbosch Municipality for this achievement. I so move.

Mr D M BAARTMAN: Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Stellenbosch is the first African destination to be awarded the "Safe Travels Stamp" during the COVID-19 pandemic by the World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTC); further notes that the WTCC works with private-sector tourism in 185 countries and has developed world-class protocols for adoption by municipalities, tourism bodies and other establishments at this time; also notes that the accreditation for the "Safe Travels Stamp" requires adherence to stringent hygiene and safety protocols and an application process to the WTTC is followed in which applicants must demonstrate health and safety processes, staff training, flexibility in reservation terms and compliance with "new normal" guidelines from the global body; and congratulates the Stellenbosch Municipality on this achievement.

#### [Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Baartman. Hon members, at this point I would like to draw your attention to the following:

We have this session in a virtual platform, meaning that any movement or sound whilst your microphone is on, disrupts the session and this is something I would like you to correct so that your phone is either on mute or if you cannot keep it on mute for whatever reason, at least make sure that it is not on loud. So find any other alternative. I do not want to say switch it off, just try and keep it on mute so that it does not go off or make a sound whilst we are in the meeting. Now, I see hon the Chief Whip. Is that a point of order?

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): In not so many words, Mr Speaker, I would like to draw your and the House's attention to the fact that there is a Budget Committee scheduled at 17:30 as well as a Standing Committee on Community Safety and Cultural Affairs and Sports at 18:00. Both of these are regarding legislation with briefings from the NCOP and national departments. Both deal with legislation with very tight deadlines, especially in the case of the DORA. So given so, I hope that we might enjoy the support of the House and I would like to then propose on a motion without notice:

#### (Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That any motions without notice that have not been tabled by 17:30 please stand over to our next sitting.

#### [Motion as moved by Member.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Chief Whip, thank you very much for drawing my attention to that. That is the question I would like to put to the House. Hon members, are there an objections to the proposal by the Chief Whip?

Mr P J MARAIS: I do not oppose at all. [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: No objections.

The SPEAKER: Agreed to. Thank you, hon members. It is now half past. All the motions that have not been moved will now stand over to the next sitting and shall therefore be entertained at that stage. At this point hon members, I would like to really thank you for having endured up to now. It has been a great sitting, as always.

For the next sitting, we will have a hybrid approach, where some members will be in the House and some will be on the virtual platform and I will certainly be in the House in the Speaker's seat, because this one is a virtual seat as you can see. And I look forward to seeing all of you, those who will be virtual or those that will be in the House with me.

The communication in this regard will be forthcoming from myself and the administration. At this point, thank you very much, the sitting is adjourned. Thank you. Have a great evening.

The House adjourned at 17:30.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

THURSDAY, 16 JULY 2020

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of bill to committee in accordance with Rule 217:

#### **Budget Committee**

Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 9–2020], NCOP (proposed section 76(1) Bill).

#### TABLING

The Speaker:

# Bill received from the National Council of Provinces and tabled in accordance with Rule 217:

Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 9–2020], NCOP (proposed section 76(1) Bill).

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The Speaker:

# Consolidated general report on the local government audit outcomes

The Auditor-General's Consolidated general report on the local government audit outcomes, MFMA, 2018/19 [RP208/2020].

MONDAY, 20 JULY 2020

# ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of document to committee in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

# Parliamentary Oversight Committee

**Western Cape Provincial Parliament** – Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 30 June 2020.

# TABLING

The Speaker:

Tabling of document in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

**Western Cape Provincial Parliament** – Monthly financial statements (In-year Monitoring Report) for the period ended 30 June 2020.

TUESDAY, 21 JULY 2020

# **COMMITTEE REPORT**

*(Negotiating Mandate stage)* Report of the Budget Committee on the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 9–2020], dated 16 July 2020, as follows:

The Budget Committee, having considered the subject of the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 9–2020] (NCOP) referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 217, confers on the Western Cape's delegation in the NCOP the authority to not support the Bill for the following reasons:

The Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 9–2020] (NCOP) and Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B 10–2020] was tabled on 24 June 2020 by Minister Tito Mboweni, which modified much of the 2020 budget. R130 billion was cut, R30 billion of which will be cut within respective provincial budgets (excluding conditional grants). There are currently no changes to the provincial equitable share in the Bill – thus the previous equitable share remains.<sup>1</sup> The cuts will come from within the respective provincial budgets. Thus, each province will have to fund their own COVID-19 response.

Reprioritisations for COVID-19 expected within provincial budgets <sup>2</sup>						
R Thousand	Equitable Share	Funds reprioritis	Total			
		Health	Other Sectors			
Western Cape	10.3%	1 538 426	512 809	2 051 234		
National Total	100%	15 000 000	20 000 000			

Thus, the Western Cape province will need to cut R2 051 234 000/> R2 billion within its own budget.

Local Government will receive an addition of R11 billion to its equitable share (See Table below)<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 08 July 2020. National Treasury Briefing to NA Standing Committee on Appropriations and NCOP Select Committee on Appropriations. COVID-19 Response: Division of Revenue Amendment Bill, 2020. 5 24 <u>http://pmg-assets.s3-website-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/200708UPDATED\_NT\_presentation.pdf</u> (Accessed 14 July 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Republic of South Africa. Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B9 – 2020]. 14 64. <u>http://pmg-assets.s3-website-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/B09-2020 Division of Revenue Amendment Bill.pdf</u> (Accessed 14 July 2020).

#### SCHEDULE 3

			Na	National Financial Year					
				Column A					
Number		Municipality	2020/21 Main Allocation	Main Adjustment					
			R'000	R'000	R'000				
WES	STERN CA	PE							
A	CPT	City of Cape Town	3 081 195	428 395	3 509 590				
в	WC011	Matzikama	60 792	8 222	69 014				
в	WC012	Cederberg	53 069	7 698	60 767				
в	WC013	Bergrivier	48 940	6 415	55 355				
в	WC014	Saldanha Bay	96 832	12 781	109 613				
в	WC015	Swartland	102 195	14 209	116 404				
С	DC1	West Coast District Municipality	96 113	3 134	99 247				
Tota	l: West Coa	st Municipalities	457 941	52 459	510 400				
в	WC022	Witzenberg	101 915	14 170	116 085				
в	WC023	Drakenstein	164 466	22 866	187 332				
в	WC024	Stellenbosch	149 804	20 828	170 632				
в	WC025	Breede Valley	127 591	17 739	145 330				

#### DETERMINATION OF EACH MUNICIPALITY'S EQUITABLE SHARE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SPHERE'S SHARE OF REVENUE RAISED NATIONALLY

в	WC026	Langeberg	85.039	11 449	96 488
c	DC2	Cape Winelands District Municipality	238 441	444	238 885
Total: Cape Winelands Municipalities			867 256	87 496	954 752
в	WC031	Theewaterskloof	103 419	15 364	118 783
в	WC032	Overstrand	117 318	17 004	134 322
в	WC033	Cape Agulhas	32 155	4 305	36 460
в	WC034	Swellendam	34 118	4 579	38 697
С	DC3	Overberg District Municipality	74 636	2 912	77 548
Tota	l: Overberg	Municipalities	361 646	44 164	405 810
в	WC041	Kannaland	29 803	4 208	34 011
в	WC042	Hessequa	47 294	6 2 3 6	53 530
в	WC043	Mossel Bay	101 192	14 163	115 355
в	WC044	George	163 760	22 768	186 528
в	WC045	Oudtshoorn	78 568	11 222	89 790
в	WC047	Bitou	104 346	17 322	121 668
в	WC048	Knysna	94 039	13 957	107 996
С	DC4	Garden Route District Municipality	162 480	3 227	165 707
Tota	l: Garden F	toute Municipalities	781 482	93 103	874 585
в	WC051	Laingsburg	17 704	1 948	19 652
в	WC052	Prince Albert	22 985	2 940	25 925
в	WC053	Beaufort West	67 109	10 371	77 480
С	DC5	Central Karoo District Municipality	31 965	827	32 792
Tota	l: Central k	Caroo Municipalities	139 763	16 086	155 849
Tota	I: Western	Cape Municipalities	5 689 283	721 703	6 410 986

Every District and Local Municipality in the Western Cape will see an increase in their equitable share, amounting to a total of R721,7 million. Thus, out of the R11 billion increase for all local governments in South Africa, Western Cape province municipalities will receive a total of 6.56%.

Provincial grants are adjusted down by R7.2 billion and local government conditional grants by R3.6 billion.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 08 July 2020. National Treasury Briefing to NA Standing Committee on Appropriations and NCOP Select Committee on Appropriations. COVID-19 Response: Division of Revenue Amendment Bill, 2020. 10 24 <u>http://pmg-assets.s3-website-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/200708UPDATED\_NT\_presentation.pdf</u> (Accessed 14 July 2020).

R138,5 million from the Provincial Disaster Relief Grant for drought relief has been approved. The National Treasury claims that the amounts allocated reflect the severity of drought in the different provinces.<sup>5</sup> Thus, the Western Cape will receive R25 million for drought relief (See Table below).

Provincial Disaster Relief Grant Allocations 2020/21 <sup>6</sup>					
R'000 2020/21 Allocations					
Western Cape	25 000				
National Total	138 489				

Adjustments to Western Cape provincial Grant Allocations:

National Dept (Vote)	Name of Allocation	Type of Allocation	2020/21 Main Allocation	Adjustment	2020/21 Adjustment Allocation
			R'000	R'000	R'000
Basic Education (Vote 16) <sup>7</sup>	Education Infrastructure Grant	General conditional allocation to Provinces	1 091 162	(159 441)	931 721
Transport (Vote 40) <sup>8</sup>	Provincial Roads Maintenance Grant	General conditional allocation to provinces	1 067 344	(161 654)	905 690
Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (Vote 29) <sup>9</sup>	Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme Grant	Conditional allocation	111 555	(21 212)	90 343
Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (Vote 29) <sup>10</sup>	Ilima/Letsema Projects Grant	Conditional allocation	50 464	(9 084)	41 380

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Ibid. 16 24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Republic of South Africa. Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B9 – 2020]. 15 64. <u>http://pmg-assets.s3-website-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/B09-2020 Division of Revenue Amendment Bill.pdf</u> (Accessed 14 July 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Ibid. 17 64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Ibid.

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Basic Education (Vote 16) <sup>11</sup>	HIV and Aids (Life Skills Education Grant)	Conditional allocation	19 878	(4 802)	15 076
Basic Education (Vote 16) <sup>12</sup>	Maths, Science and Technology Grant	Conditional allocation	35 479	(5 069)	30 410
Health (Vote 18) <sup>13</sup>	HIV, TB, Malaria and Community Outreach Grant <sup>14</sup>	Conditional allocation	1 867 472	552 220	2 419 692
Human Settlements (Vote 33) <sup>15</sup>	Human Settlements Development Grant	Conditional allocation	1 907 551	(202 265)	1 705 286
Human Settlements (Vote 33) <sup>16</sup>	Title Deeds Restoration Grant	Conditional allocation	67 952	(44 432)	23 520
Sports, Arts and Culture (Vote 37) <sup>17</sup>	Community Library Services Grant	Conditional allocation	186 126	(34 700)	151 426
Sports, Arts and Culture (Vote 37) <sup>18</sup>	Mass Participation and Sport Development Grant	Conditional allocation	83 491	(22 684)	60 807

The total grant increases to the province amount to R577,22 million (of which the majority of the amount is for the 'COVID-19' component of the 'HIV, TB Malaria and Community Outreach Grant')<sup>19</sup> and the total grant decreases to the province amount to R634,113 million. Thus, there is a net decrease of R56,893 million in grants to the Western Cape province.

<sup>17</sup> Ibid. 22 64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Ibid. 18 64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Ibid. 19 64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Note that this grant may seemingly not be used for infrastructure; appointment of permanent staff; ventilators or oxygen, based on the conditions of the grant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Ibid. 20 64.

<sup>16</sup> Ibid. 20 64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Ibid. 60 64.

The following tables highlight adjustments to allocations in Western Cape municipalities.

Allocations to Municipalities to supplement the funding of functions funded from Municipal Budgets<sup>20</sup>:

National Dept (Vote)	Name of Allocation	City	2020/21 Main Allocation R'000	Adjustment R'000	2020/21 Adjustment Allocation R'000
Human Settlements (Vote 33)	Urban Settlements Developmen t Grant	City of Cape Town	1 481 604	(144 459)	1 337 145

Supplementary and Specific Purpose Allocations to Municipalities:

Name of Grant	Category	Municipality	2020/21 Main Allocatio n	Adjustment	2020/21 Adjustment Allocation
			R'000	R'000	R'000
Energy	A	City of Cape Town	10 000	(1 000)	9 000
Efficiency and	В	Swartland	4 000	(400)	3 600
Demand Side Management	В	Theewaterskloof	4 000	(400)	3 600
Grant <sup>21</sup>	В	Hessequa	4 000	(400)	3 600
	В	George	5 000	(500)	4 500
	В	Cederberg	22 754	(5 754)	17 000
Integrated	В	Bergrivier	3 000	(1 000)	2 000
National	В	Saldanha Bay	5 000	(2 000)	3 000
Electrification Programme	В	Swartland	7 652	(2 000)	5 652
(Municipal) Grant <sup>22</sup>	В	Drakenstein	27 000	(10 000)	17 000
	В	Stellenbosch	16 200	(4 200)	12 000
	В	Breede Valley	22 097	(5 097)	17 000

<sup>20</sup> Ibid. 16 64.

<sup>21</sup> Ibid. 45 64.

<sup>22</sup> Ibid.

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	В	Langeberg	3 000	(1 000)	2 000
	В	Theewaterskloof	6 737	(1 737)	5 000
	В	Overstrand	8 000	(2 000)	6 000
	В	Mossel Bay	12 000	(2 000)	10 000
	В	George	7 000	(1 000)	6 000
	В	Bitou	5 000	(1 000)	4 000
	В	Knysna	5 000	(5 000)	-
	В	Beaufort West	6 400	(1 186)	5 214
Public Transport Network Grant <sup>23</sup>	В	George	153 645	(24 388)	129 257

Allocations-in-Kind to Municipalities:

Name of Grant	Category	Municipality	2020/21 Main Allocatio n	Adjustment	2020/21 Adjustment Allocation
			R'000	R'000	R'000
Municipal Systems Improvement Grant <sup>24</sup>	В	Kannaland	1 900	(265)	1 635
	A	City of Cape Town	76 547	(27 411)	49 136
Integrated	В	Saldanha Bay	3 892	(3 892)	-
National	В	Swartland	885	(2)	883
Electrification Programme	В	Stellenbosch	2 548	(6)	2 542
(Eskom) Grant <sup>25</sup>	В	Breede Valley	15 203	(5 410)	9 793
	В	Theewaterskloof	8 073	780	8 853
	В	George	2 852	(707)	2 145
Regional Bulk	В	Cederberg	36 587	15 000	51 587
Infrastructure Grant <sup>26</sup>	В	Kannaland	30 000	(30 000)	-

<sup>23</sup> Ibid.
<sup>24</sup> Ibid. 52 64.
<sup>25</sup> Ibid.
<sup>26</sup> Ibid.

Project Name	Categor	Municipality	2020/21 Main Allocation	Adjustment	2020/21 Adjustment Allocation
			R'000	R'000	R'000
Citrusdal Waste Water Treatment Works	В	Cederberg Local Municipality	-	15 000	15 000
Calitzdorp and Ladismith Waste Water Treatment Works	В	Kannaland Local Municipality	30 000	(30 000)	-

Regional Bulk Infrastructure Grant Allocations to Municipalities (per project)<sup>27</sup>:

The total grant increases to Western Cape municipalities amount to R30.78 million and the total grant decreases to Western Cape municipalities amount to R314.214 million. Thus, there is a net decrease of R283.434 million in grants to Western Cape municipalities.

In summary, the reasons for non-support for the Bill:

- 1. Despite the increase in the equitable share of Western Cape local governments (R721,7 million); President Ramaphosa promised R20 billion to Local Government across South Africa.
  - a) According to the FFC presentation to the NA and NCOP, *"[t]he* Adjusted Budget provides for only R11 billion additional funds, while the remaining amount is secured through repurposing funds within various LG grants."<sup>28</sup>
  - b) Essentially, R9 billion will come from cuts to local government budgets nationally.
- 2. The Western Cape is receiving an increase in HIV, TB, Malaria and Community Outreach Grant for the COVID-19 component (R552,22 million); however, this grant seemingly does not allow the provincial Health department to use the funding for infrastructure; appointment of permanent staff; procuring ventilators or oxygen, based on the conditions of the grant.
- 3. The Western Cape welcomes the Drought Relief Funding amounting to R25 million from the Provincial Disaster Relief Grant; however this amount is wholly inadequate to address the drought in the Western Cape.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Ibid. 58 64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> 09 July 2020. Financial and Fiscal Commission. Briefing to the Standing and Select Committees on Appropriations on the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill and Adjustments Appropriation Bill. Slide 33 43. <u>https://pmg.org.za/committee-meeting/30630/</u> (Accessed 15 July 2020).

- 4. Despite receiving grant increases to the following three Western Cape municipalities; the increases are but a drop in the ocean based on the cuts to local government grants in the Western Cape as a whole cuts which will critically affect infrastructure and economic growth.
  - a) Increase in Integrated National Electrification Programme (Eskom) Grant to Theewaterskloof Local Municipality amounting to R780 000.
  - b) Increase in Regional Bulk Infrastructure Grant to Cederberg Local Municipality amounting to R15 million.
  - c) Increase in Citrusdal Waste Water Treatment Works to Cederberg Local Municipality amounting to R15 million.
- 5. Zero Change to Western Cape equitable share in the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill (DORA) 2020 budget. Thus, previous concerns have not been addressed.
- R2 051 234 000/> R2 billion will need to be cut from within the Western Cape provincial budget – of which R1 538 426 000/> R1.538 billion will be allocated to the provincial Health portfolio. "Reprioritised funds is actually a "cut" in the budget. These cuts will directly impact on frontline service delivery.
- 7. Western Cape province fundamentally disagrees with the current equitable share formula.
  - a) The Provincial Equitable Share (PES) formula does not adequately make provision for learners moving across provinces for better education each year. Further, the PES formula does not adequately provide for learners who require special education.
  - b) The FFC has noted with concern the quality and reliability of data used in the calculation of different components of Human Settlements grant (drawn from 2010 Household Survey and 2011 Census) and in transport sector grants.<sup>29</sup>
  - c) In the review of the Provincial Equitable Share formula, the above factors need to be considered.
- 8. **Net** decrease in grant allocations to the Western Cape province **(R56.893 million).** This will critically affect the building of new infrastructure (such as schools and roads) and will impact economic growth. There also seems to be no criteria to determine which grant allocations will be cut.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Ibid. 37 43.

- a) The FFC indicated that, *"[t]he criteria for* 1733*reprioritizing the R20 billion is not clearly determined and this may result in unevenness in the services delivered by provinces. In the absence of a uniform criteria it is important for provinces to report to Parliament on the* 1733*reprioritization criteria used."*<sup>30</sup>
- b) There are no impact indicators that exist for measuring the success of grants.
- 9. Uncertainty regarding the Unallocated amounts in provincial grants (Total: R1 042 280 000 / > R1 billion)
  - a) School Infrastructure Backlogs Grant<sup>31</sup> (Total: 185.445 million)
  - b) National Health Insurance Grant<sup>32</sup> (Total: R856.835 million)
    - i. Health Facility Revitalisation Component: R4.583 million
    - ii. Personal Services Component: R175.32 million
    - iii. Non-Personal Services Component: R676.932 million
- 10. **Net** decrease in grant allocations to the Western Cape local governments (R283.434 million).
- 11. Local Government in South Africa (Incapable State, Corruption, Maladministration and Cadre Deployment).
  - a) Only 20 of 257 municipalities in South Africa have received a clean audit, and the bulk of clean audits come from the Western Cape;
  - b) 28 municipalities in South Africa could not be audited because they didn't even have financial statements to submit;
  - c) Across 200 municipalities, R2 billion was lost to corruption and unaccounted for expenditure;
  - d) R32 billion was classified as irregular expenditure at local government level;
  - e) Municipalities are spending over R1-billion a year in consultants, which is only made necessary as a result of appointing politically connected staff who cannot do their jobs; and
  - f) Provincial and Municipal debt in South Africa to Eskom amounts to 37-billion Rands.
- What is the purpose for the Air Defense budget receiving an adjustment increase of R239 million in the Adjustments Appropriation Bill [B10 2020]? <sup>33</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Ibid. 27 43.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Ibid. 62 64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Ibid. 64 64.

- 13. SAA Business Rescue / Bailout
  - a) It has been reported that the creditors of SAA have approved its business rescue plan. The airline last made a profit in 2011. SAA indicated that it required R26.7 billion (of which 10.3 billion will be a new request to National Treasury) in order to restructure – to settle the airline's debt, to fund the restart of its operations, and pay retrenchment packages to workers and creditors. SAA has previously received R36.9 billion in bailouts already spent over the years.
  - b) National Treasury is requested to indicate where the R10 billion for the SAA restructure will be sourced from?
- 14. Eskom loadshedding "For the economy to work, Eskom must work!"
  - a) The President promised during his SONA 2020 that Bid Window 5 of the renewable energy Independent Power Producers (IPPs) would open up. This is yet to occur.
  - b) The President promised during his SONA 2020 that measures will be put in place to enable municipalities in good financial standing to procure their own power from IPPs. Despite new regulations being gazetted regarding municipalities procuring energy directly from independent power providers, the regulations are vague and do not provide clarity.
- 15. Western Cape provincial government already previously committed the following adjustments within its own budget:
  - a) Vote 6 Health: An additional R1 billion required by the Department of Health to be spent on COVID-19 activities related to staff and facilities.<sup>34</sup>
  - b) Vote 10 Transport and Public Works: An additional R400 million required for the hiring of venues and facilities and the purchasing of associated services for quarantine and isolation purposes as a key component of the Health strategy to combat and deal with Covid-19.<sup>35</sup>
- 16. Education
  - a) Previous concerns were not addressed in DORA 2020 Budget (Money does not follow learners and infrastructure).

46 – 2020. Second session, Sixth parliament. *Tabling in terms of section 25(1) of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999) (PFMA).* 133 133. <sup>35</sup> Ibid.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Republic of South Africa. Adjustments Appropriations Bill [B10 – 2020]. 9 20. <u>http://pmg-assets.s3-website-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/B10-2020</u> Adjustments Appropriation.pdf (Accessed 14 July 2020).
 <sup>34</sup> 06 July 2020. Parliament of the Western Cape. Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports. No

- b) In fact, in the DORA 2020 Budget, the following provincial Education grants will be cut:
  - i. Education Infrastructure Grant R159.441 million cut
  - ii. HIV and Aids (Life Skills Education Grant) R4.802 million cut
  - iii. Maths, Science and Technology Grant R5.069 million cut
- c) Further, the cuts will cripple the provincial Education portfolio as the provincial Education Department is already using the existing infrastructure grant for COVID 19 relief, amounting to approximately **R650 million**.
- 17. Health
  - a) Previous concerns not addressed in the Adjustment Budget (Money does not follow patients and infrastructure).
  - b) President Ramaphosa promised extra funds for Western Cape for COVID 19 health response, indicating "cost no issue". The President indicated that the government would direct R20 billion towards fighting the pandemic. However, the R20 billion would come directly from cuts from programmes within respective provincial budgets. Further, the President promised that the Department of Defense and Military Veterans will bring in defense personnel who will be able to come to the Western Cape province immediately to assist.
  - c) The funding for the Western Cape shortfall for the COVID-19 relief response was not received as mentioned by the President at the extended Cabinet meeting that took place at the CTICC.
- 18. Transport
  - a) In the DORA 2020 Budget, the following provincial Transport grant will be cut:
    - i. Provincial Roads Infrastructure Grant R161.654 million cut.
- 19. Agriculture
  - a) In the DORA 2020 Budget, the following provincial Agriculture grants will be cut:
    - i. Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme Grant R21.212 million cut; and
    - ii. Ilima/Letsema Projects Grant R9.084 million cut.
- 20. Human Settlements
  - a) In the DORA 2020 Budget, the following provincial Human Settlements grants will be cut:

- i. Human Settlements Development Grant R202.265 million cut; and
- ii. Title Deeds Restoration Grant R44.432 million cut.
- 21. Sports, Arts and Culture
  - a) In the DORA 2020 Budget, the following provincial Sports, Arts and Culture grants will be cut:
    - i. Community Library Services Grant R34.7 million cut; and
    - ii. Mass Participation and Sport Development Grant R22.684 million cut.
- 22. Police & Safety

Previous concerns were not addressed in the Adjustment Budget (the Western Cape is using their own budget to fund the national mandate).

23. District Command Councils

National government is attempting to deploy Ministers and Deputy Ministers to local and provincial governments as part of the Command Council system. It is further unclear what powers and responsibilities the deployed District Champions will have; may duplicate and / or supersede current constitutional structures; and is likely unconstitutional.

24. International Loan Term Agreements

National Treasury must publish the details of the South African-IMF, World Bank and BRICS Bank loan term agreements for COVID-19 relief; including whether any racial criteria is being used for the disbursement of the relief.

#### **Minority View**

In terms of Standing Rule 90, the African National Congress expressed its minority view that it supports the Bill.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

[Hybrid sitting held with some members present in the House and some in virtual attendance through Microsoft Teams]

The House met at 14:15.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLING AND COMMITTEE REPORTS - see p. 1787

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

#### **BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

The SPEAKER: You may all be seated. Order, hon members! Welcome in this sitting. I would like to draw the hon members' attention that today we will be using a hybrid model for the sitting. As you can see, I am here in the House with the hon members seated here, but also other hon members are part of the sitting in their homes. Hon members, also you can see there is Table staff in this session. Instead of the three that we normally have, there are two, to ensure that we observe the health protocols and ensure that the social distance is observed correctly. So for the attention of the hon members the Chamber has therefore been connected to the Microsoft Teams and of course the hon members present here and those that are sitting at home will participate fully with the same rights and privileges as we always do.

Hon members, I trust that everybody has been connected to participate in this regard in terms of Rule 1(a) of the Standing Rules, which all our members in remote attendance by electronic means and those present here understand.

The WCPP remains fully operational as you all know, and I can say that with full confidence that we have executed our mandate and business since the beginning of the lockdown, so this Parliament never locked down.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Hon Speaker, I apologise for disturbing. Just a point of order, there is somebody putting their camera on all the time, Mr Raymond Pretorius, and members are watching it. I am seeing his face on the camera.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Mackenzie. I would like to draw the attention of any other person who is not a member of the House to please refrain from activating their cameras and microphones. So our sitting today would be conducted in terms of the Standing Rules and directives, hon members, as we have done since 17 April 2020, and allow me to highlight some of the important directives in this regard.

- That the Secretary and his administration will ensure dedicated technical support at all times during this sitting.
- The quorum requirements for this sitting are as provided for in the Constitution and the Standing Rules.

- Hon members, unless there is an indication of unanimous concurrence, voting will take place by members present and entitled to vote, to cast their votes by clearly identifying themselves to the Presiding Officer, verbally expressing their votes.
- Members who are present both here in the Chamber and through Microsoft Teams have, as I indicated earlier, all the privileges and immunities imparted by law.
- Hon members who are considered to be out of order by the Presiding Officer, their microphones will be muted and the hon members will be called to order.
- Attendance of members will be recorded by the Serjeant-at-Arms.

Hon members, the Serjeant-at-Arms and the Compliance Officer appointed in terms of the relevant Disaster Management Regulations will ensure that we comply with the health and safety requirements. Hon members who are in the Chamber are requested at all times to maintain social distancing and wear their face masks. This makes it easier for us to receive the necessary support that we need in case of any eventuality, that we do not subject ourselves to unnecessary risks and exposure.

By this I mean that hon members may have to speak a bit louder than usual in order to be audible. I am sure you can hear me even though I am wearing my mask. So if I am audible I am sure you too will be audible.

In instances where these directives do not cover a particular eventuality, the Standing Rules must apply and in instances where the Rules cannot be applied, the ruling by the Presiding Officer is final.

All microphones have now been muted for purposes of this sitting, so hon members who are participating in this sitting of the House via Microsoft Teams are requested to please use the raised-hand functionality. I know there are some members who said they are using a cell phone and do not have this function. You will just need to indicate in the chat room, then we will be able to pick up your wishes to speak or participate, and when you desire to raise a point of order you do the same as you have done, but also we have allowed members to raise a point of order easily through this platform.

Hon members, I would like to bring it to your attention that for those of us who are present in the House, who wish to raise a point of order, you may address the Presiding Officer directly, hon member Mitchell, you are here. Honourable, the Leader of the Opposition, you are here, and hon member Kama is here, and hon member Mackenzie is here so you do not have to press that button in the computer. You can address me, and hon member Baartman and of course the Minister of Finance. I also wish to say to the hon members that your microphones here will work when you press it, but if you do not use it do not press it, otherwise it will create confusion in the system.

The media, I have already indicated that, please, let us just observe the process and the deliberations here. Do not participate otherwise we are going to remove you from the meeting and that is not what we want to do. For the purposes of this sitting I am requesting that the hon members be sensitive to the language question but we have made provision for the sign language, hon Minister and hon members here, that when we say we do not have translation services, interpretation services, it is because of the limitations of the system we are using, but with this kind of an arrangement now the sign language and the deaf community would be able to understand what we are discussing, what is being dealt with here in this Chamber, and that is in keeping with the statutes of the land to respect and ensure we include people with disabilities in everything we do.

Now as ruled by the Presiding Officer in the sitting of the House on 23 April 2020, via Microsoft Teams, any interjections, hon members, are not allowed and this then also allows me to draw attention as well to Rule 40 of the Standing Rules that you must try and make sure that the hon members, as they speak, that there is no running commentary because then that disturbs the entire system and it may collapse the meeting. Thank you, hon members, and welcome again.

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker, I move without notice:

That notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20(1), precedence be given to the Order of the Day.

Agreed to.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Speaker, just a point of order. I would just like to salute you for arranging this hybrid session. What I just want to ask is that normally when we attend the session, we have the Order Paper and the Question Paper on the table. Is there a ruling in that regard because I actually have not noticed that those are tabled? Could you just indicate or clarify for us? Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you honourable, the Leader of the Opposition. Mr Secretary.

The SECRETARY: I just want to make sure that ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: I am just consulting with the Secretary quickly. Thank you, Mr Secretary, hon members and hon the Leader of the Opposition, the copies will be made available to the hon members. What I would like to request though, hon members, we all have a hand sanitiser. Please, hon members, we are in the middle of a catastrophe so let us preach and practice what we preach. You have got that and please when you get the paper that you are going to get, the person that delivers them will be wearing gloves. I am sure they are wearing gloves so that there is no contact between yourself and the paper. Does it make sense, hon members? So I am just talking to the hon members in front of me, hon members, as well as in the MS Teams, so that we respect the process. As a result we are not going to have the glasses here today. Each hon member received bottled water and the hand sanitisers. So we are all safe here. Let us utilise the system that is here before us.

### WESTERN CAPE ADJUSTMENTS APPROPRIATION BILL (COVID-19 BILL) (2020/21 FINANCIAL YEAR) [B 4 –2020]

(Introduction and First Reading)

The SPEAKER: Hon members, now I recognise the hon Minister of Finance.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, before you proceed, let me just make a disclaimer. There are screens in front of each member sitting here, and therefore the hon Minister may speak without his mask. There is a screen in front of him and all of us have got screens. I choose to wear the mask for now, because I can, but each one has got a screen in front of them, so we may proceed.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon Speaker. Hon Speaker and Deputy Speaker, hon Premier and Cabinet colleagues, hon Leader of the Opposition, hon Leaders of Opposition parties, Executive Mayors and Deputy Mayors, hon members of the Western Cape Legislature, members of the Consular Corps, Heads of Department, municipal managers, special guests and of course the people of the Western Cape.

We could not have imagined the size and the ferocity of the storm on the horizon when we tabled the Main Budget in Parliament. When the Main Budget was tabled, we committed to supporting the Health Department should COVID-19 reach the Western Cape.

We learned of the first COVID-19 infection just one day after the Main Budget was tabled in Parliament. When the storm hit, its size and ferocity were beyond anything we had experienced before in the Western Cape. We now have 86 372 people who have been infected; 71 491 people who have recovered; 1 622 people who are in hospital and regrettably 2 746 people who have died as a result of COVID-19 in the Western Cape.

We have seen some signs that the storm may be subsiding, but while we are hoping for the best, we have to plan for the worst in the Western Cape. We have a plan, and we are executing that plan, which is why we are tabling a Budget to Beat COVID-19 in the Western Cape today in this Parliament, which supports the immediate health response, humanitarian response and economic response in the fight against COVID-19 in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, what Government and the people in government have achieved in the fight against COVID-19, is nothing short of extraordinary, in the Western Cape. We have from the start followed an evidence-based and data-led approach to the fight against COVID-19 in the Western Cape.

We have built three temporary hospital facilities capable of providing 1 248 beds. We have built 19 testing and triage facilities with seven more due to come online, in the Western Cape. We have provided 41 quarantine and isolation facilities capable of providing 4 766 beds.

We have screened 900 000 people. We have tested 370 000 people for COVID-19, in the Western Cape. We have employed an additional 620 healthcare workers to care for the sick. We have distributed 130 000 food parcels to households across the Western Cape. We have distributed two million meals through the school feeding scheme. We have responded to 3 833 direct enquiries for assistance from businesses in the Western Cape. We have begun the process of rolling out 11 000 COVID-19 Business Safety Kits in the Western Cape.

We have supported the repatriation of 14 095 people on 97 international flights. We have rolled out the most comprehensive communication campaign designed to stop the spread, and we have a coordinated, whole-of-government response to the fight against COVID-19, concentrated in hotspots across the Western Cape.

To make much of this possible, we have provided emergency funding in terms of Section 25 of the Public Finance Management Act, including:

- To the Department of Health for the mobilisation of field hospitals, testing and screening, and more bed-capacity: R1 billion;
- To the Department of Transport and Public Works for the mobilisation of quarantine and isolation facilities: R400 million, and
- To the Department of Education for the mobilisation of school feeding schemes across the Western Cape: R18 million.

We did the right thing and can be proud of the fact that we opened our school feeding schemes during the lockdown, that despite pressure from National Government, we refused to close our school feeding schemes, which provide nutrition to vulnerable children across the Western Cape.

However, this is not all, because Government and the people in Government have been innovative, finding new ways to deliver services more efficiently, including:

- Our innovative Bed Bureau System, the first of its kind in the country, which allows us to monitor and track in real time the availability of beds throughout the healthcare system;
- Our automated ChatBot Application System, developed by Aviro Health, which uses WhatsApp to confirm home delivery of chronic medication and allows high-risk chronic patients to confirm existing appointments before going to healthcare facilities, so they do not have to wait in long queues;
- Our partnership with Uber, which delivers chronic medication to community healthcare workers who then distribute it directly to patients' homes; and
- Our sophisticated data system to track COVID-19 infections, which makes information publicly available on the COVID-19 dashboard on our website, and provides a model that can be applied to the management of other diseases in the Western Cape.

We could not have done this without strong partnerships with the private sector and with non-governmental organisations, but what Government and the people in Government have achieved in the fight against COVID-19, is nothing short of extraordinary in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, when the Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, tabled his Supplementary Budget on 24 June 2020, he described his primary fiscal objective as "closing the mouth of the hippopotamus", or reducing the difference between revenue and expenditure in order to stabilise national debt in South Africa, which is not surprising given the fact that national debt is set to explode to R3,97 trillion or 81,8% of GDP, in 2020/21.

What this means is that debt service costs will skyrocket to R236,4 billion in 2020/21 in South Africa, which, to put the figure in context, is about 3.5 times the size of the provincial budget in the Western Cape. We are facing a pandemic which is not only costing lives, but is also costing livelihoods. We have not been spared and now estimate we will lose 10,2% in gross value-add, lose R720 million in revenue and lose an estimated 167 000 jobs in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, when President Cyril Ramaphosa opened the Hospital of Hope at the Cape Town International Convention Centre, he was clear that cost is not the issue when it comes to the fight against COVID-19 in the Western Cape.

However, when the Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, tabled his Special Adjustments Budget, the Provincial Budget was effectively cut at the point of greatest need by R113,1 million in the Western Cape.

Yes, the HIV, TB, Malaria and Community Outreach Grant was increased by R552,2 million to support the fight against COVID-19 in the Western Cape, but the increase was financed principally by cutting the Human Settlements Development Grant, the Education Infrastructure Grant and the Provincial Roads Maintenance Grant in the Western Cape.

What this means in the end, is that we are effectively on our own when it comes to the fight against COVID-19 in the Western Cape, which will be dealt with in a three-phase budget process designed to reprioritise expenditure over time, including:

- Phase 1: focusing on identifying savings from cost containment ahead of this 2020 Special Adjustments Budget;
- Phase 2: focusing on identifying deeper savings from reprioritisation ahead of the 2020 Medium Term Budget Policy Statement; and finally
- Phase 3: focusing on identifying even deeper savings as a result of institutional reform ahead of the 2021 Main Budget in the Western Cape.

So today we kick off the three-phase budget process by tabling a budget to beat COVID-19 in the Western Cape, which is a Special Adjustments Budget to support the immediate response to COVID-19 in the Western Cape.

We have worked hard to mobilise every cent available, and have allocated R3,05 billion to support the fight against COVID-19 in the Western Cape. We have allocated funding inter alia as follows:

- to the Department of Health for personal protective equipment, temporary field hospitals, testing and screening, and additional bed capacity: R1.8 billion;
- to the Department of Transport and Public Works for the hiring of venues and the purchase of services for quarantine and isolation facilities: R400 million;
- to the Department of Education for personal protective equipment and the sanitisation of schools: R310 million;
- For humanitarian relief: R84 million, including:
  - to the Department of Social Development for an emergency food relief programme: R25,9 million;
  - to the Department of Education for an emergency school feeding scheme: R18 million;
  - to the Department of Local Government for an emergency food relief programme: R17,8 million;
  - to the Department of Local Government for the coordination and implementation of the response to the pandemic in hotspots: R27 million;
  - to the Department of Economic Development and Tourism to support small businesses, workplace safety, and the screening of passengers at George Airport: R14 million, and
  - to the Department of Social Development for personal protective equipment and operational support to old age homes and Early Childhood Development Centres across the Western Cape: R12 million.

We have funded the allocation:

- by committing R1,4 billion from the provincial reserves, set aside for unforeseeable and unavoidable expenditure, service load pressures, and fiscal stabilisation to fund emergency expenditure provided for in terms of Section 25 of the Public Finance Management Act;
- by committing R1 billion in savings realised from baseline reductions, implemented by departments and public entities as a result of reduced spending on travel, on subsistence, on communication, on catering, on consultants and other funds that could not be spent as a result of the lockdown regulations;
- by committing R605,5 million in national conditional grants made to support the response to the pandemic, including the HIV, TB, Malaria and Community Outreach Grant and the Provincial Disaster Relief Grant; and
- by committing R27.2 million in funds rolled over or retained during the 2019/20 financial year, in the Western Cape;

which results, after taking into account reductions in national conditional grants of R665,3 million, and baseline reductions of R1,2 billion, in a net upward

adjustment to the Main Budget of R1,1 billion in the 2020/21 financial year in the Western Cape; which leaves us with R376 million in the provincial reserves for unforeseeable and unavoidable expenditure, which is the minimum required to mitigate further disaster related risks in the 2020/21 financial year in the Western Cape.

We would simply not have been able to support the fight against COVID-19 to the extent that we have, had we not held the fiscal line and built R1,8 billion provincial reserves in the Western Cape.

We still, hon Speaker, have a significant fiscal mountain to climb and going forward we will have to put in place new measures to limit spending, especially on compensation of employees, by ensuring that the only vacancies that are filled are critical vacancies in departments and public entities, and by maintaining or extending upper limits on spending when it comes to compensation of employees in departments and in public entities in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, we have invested significant amounts of money on personal protective equipment for staff on the frontline of the fight against COVID-19 in the Western Cape. We must, of course, be vigilant because there are always risks, and so we have put in place a number of new measures designed to mitigate these risks, including establishing a Central Procurement Advisory Committee to provide support and advice to the main procuring departments; enhancing the surveillance of procurement of personal protective equipment, including mobilising our internal auditors to scrutinise and monitor procurement transactions; and, most importantly, implementing a new Procurement Disclosure Report in the Western Cape.

We are pleased to announce that, for the first time, we will begin making public, regular, standardised automated reports on a monthly, quarterly and annual basis, on the procurement of personal protective equipment in the Western Cape. We will begin by releasing information about the name of the department, a description of the item, the name of the supplier, the unit price per item and the total price in relation to procurement of personal protective equipment in the Western Cape. We consider the Procurement Disclosure Report as a best-in-class example of transparency and another innovative step towards maintaining clean government in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, we know that municipalities have experienced major revenue shocks as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic in the Western Cape. We will continue to monitor vulnerable municipalities, and work with all municipalities to assess the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on municipal finances in the Western Cape.

Hon Speaker, we know there are those who simply dismiss Government, and the people in Government in the Western Cape. However, when we look back, many stories will be told, but I hope that the story of the Hospital of Hope will be remembered, because it is a remarkable story. [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: When the project was finally scoped, finally costed, finally planned and finally approved, there were just 17 days left to build the Hospital of Hope. Working together was a team from the Western Cape Government, from the City of Cape Town, from the Cape Town International Convention Centre and from the private sector, who put in long hours, working seven days a week to meet the deadline to deliver the Hospital of Hope.

What many of us do not know is that teams designed and built on the move, mocking up bed-pods on one side of the hall, while building bed-pods on the other, and what emerged in record time... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister...

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: ...as a result of this team effort, was an 850-bed temporary hospital, called the Hospital of Hope. [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, there is a point of order, will you please take your seat? Hon, the Leader of the Opposition?

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you, hon Speaker. I would just like to ask whether the MEC would take a question in regard to the Hospital of Hope.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister, will you take a question?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: No, I will not take a question. I have a speech to complete.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister, you may proceed. [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: How much are you paying for rent?

An HON MEMBER: There is a Budget Committee after this.

The SPEAKER: You may proceed, hon Minister.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon Speaker. What many of us do not know is that the Hospital of Hope comprises of 1,6 kilometres of dry-walling; two kilometres of copper piping; 1,4 kilometres of rubber matting, 150 electrical distribution boards, with a 1000 plug-points; 13 nursing stations; five storerooms; five treatment rooms; five offices; a linen room; a donning room, a doffing room; a discharge room and a full pharmacy; a fully WiFi-enabled environment so patients can video chat with loved ones, and almost every part of the hospital is reusable, so when the hospital is no longer required its many parts will not be wasted, but instead will be used to support exhibitions and conferences that will take place when we are ready to open again in the future in the Western Cape. What this illustrates is what Government and the people in Government have achieved, fighting COVID-19 in the Western Cape, and so we would like, hon Speaker, to present a Budget to Beat COVID-19 in the Western Cape to you today, because it is a budget that funds field hospitals; that funds isolation and quarantine facilities; that funds emergency food relief; that funds school feeding schemes; that funds schools opening safely; that funds businesses opening safely; and, in the end, saves lives and saves livelihoods in the Western Cape.

So now I wish to table the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation COVID-19 Bill, the First Adjusted Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure, 2020; the Draft Provincial Notice on Amended Allocations to Municipalities and my speech, for discussion and deliberation and debate by this Parliament.

I also wish to thank David Savage, Head Official of the Provincial Treasury, together with Team Finance for all the hard work, especially through weekends, which does not go unnoticed and which is much appreciated by myself and by members of the Cabinet in the Western Cape Government, and I also wish, hon Speaker, to take a moment to pay tribute to all the people inside and outside Government who have found or find themselves on the frontline in the fight against COVID-19, because they are the true heroes in the Western Cape. We salute you.

I thank you. [Applause.]

HON MEMBERS: Hear-hear! Hear-hear!

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear, well done, David!

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. Hon members, that tradition has been long missed in the system, so it is back now, hon, the Leader of the Opposition. May I request, hon members, the Secretary to read the Bill the first time?

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID–19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year).

The SPEAKER: Hon members, thank you, Mr Secretary. The Bill, together with the papers tabled, will be referred to the relevant committees for consideration and report. Thank you, hon members. [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Hon the Leader of the Opposition?

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you, hon Speaker, just on a point of order, you mentioned now that the documents referred to by the Provincial MEC for Finance would now be referred to the Committee, but I would just like to ask, where are those documents, because normally when we had the budget tabled earlier this year we had a Budget Book and we normally also have the Adjustment Budget, the speech and so on, so could I ask how will we who are at this hybrid session get hold of those copies, and secondly, how will the members who are at home actually receive? Are we going to courier those to members? How will they actually reach the members and when, given, Chairperson, that we have a challenge in that the various committees actually begin to meet tomorrow, so I would like to ask you for some direction and information on that. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon, the Leader of the Opposition. All the documents have been sent electronically to hon members.

An HON MEMBER: Just read your email.

An HON MEMBER: It is in your inbox.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: When?

The SPEAKER: I do not want that voice. Let me simply respond to the question, of when? I am just asking the administration now to indicate on the "when" so that I give you the specifics, but I have been assured that it was sent to the hon members.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: I thank you, hon Speaker.

An HON MEMBER: It is already in our inbox.

An HON MEMBER: It is in your inbox.

An HON MEMBER: Just read your email.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Yes, read your email.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you hon members. I am told that it is somewhere in your inbox, hon, the Leader of the Opposition, so hon members, I am sure it is there. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: It arrived at 14:56. [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Speaker, on a point of order of clarity, so we are not going to receive hard copies this year at all? That is my question.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you.

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] Use it!

The SPEAKER: Order, hon members! I have requested that we limit the circulation of hardcopies for obvious reasons. I would not want a situation where there is too much paper going around, given the contact between the paper and the person. So that is one of the instructions from the Speaker that let us not expose members and staff to an unnecessary risk during this COVID-19 period. So as a result then, the copies will be sent to a member on request in a hard copy form, but that is not the intention to bring the hardcopies to members unnecessarily, but it is something that we would be able to do if a member requests that, hon Leader of the Opposition.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you, hon Speaker, I just think this is an important point to clarify. I personally, and I do not speak on behalf of other members, would appreciate a hard copy and that is why my question again is – by when can I receive that?

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon the Leader of the Opposition. That request has been carried and you will get that copy. I would definitely make sure that it reaches you at the end of the House, even whilst we are still here you might get that copy. May I please proceed, hon members? [Interjection.]

Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Yes, hon member?

Ms N D NKONDLO: Can I make a request that, like member Dugmore, I would request a hard copy and would have appreciated that when that decision was made by the Speaker, at least it would have been communicated, saying through an email so that those that would request these books, we help in the processing, because now we are going to have a meeting and tomorrow we are starting with the debates of the different votes, so whilst I appreciate the rationale behind it, I think it would have helped also to provide us that right to make the decision, that we would be able to get these books on time. Thank you very much, but I register my request also for my books hand-delivered, if they can. Thanks.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Nkondlo. You are referring to the Blue Book, hon member Nkondlo, let me recognise, thank you hon member Nkondlo. I recognise hon member Mackenzie, followed by hon member Mitchell.

Mr R D MACKENZIE: Thank you, hon Speaker. If you go to westerncape.gov.za the documents are available online. We are living in a new environment – to send books around the whole province to every member – it is available online, westerncape.gov.za, so that those of us who have access to the internet can enter it. Members are not going to receive the document by tomorrow. It is common sense for the drivers not to drive around the whole province. It is available online, westerncape.gov.za.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Sorry, Chairperson, I do not want to delay, on another point of order. [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you.

Ms N D NKONDLO: It is common to a common brain.

The SPEAKER: Order, order hon member Nkondlo. Thank you, hon member Mackenzie. I recognise hon Dugmore.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Yes, hon Speaker, I do not want to delay this meeting, but I asked a question about whether the hard copies were available.

The response that I received was that they are available and that you would ensure that by the end of this session my request for a hard copy would be met. I note it now that hon member Nkondlo has asked the same. I think the reality is that we will obviously be able to access these documents online but we also request, because it is often very useful when one is sitting, to make hard comments on these, so the issue is so far we have had two requests, from myself and hon member Nkondlo, to get a hard copy. So all I want to request is that those requests by us are honoured and obviously if other members request, then I am sure you would assist them, but I really do not think it is for hon member Mackenzie to indicate to us how we should or should not work. We have sanitisers, we will take the necessary care, but if the books are available, it makes absolute sense that those members who want them should be able to access them. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon the Leader of the Opposition. Hon Chief Whip?

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, Mr Speaker. The matters that are being raised are regarding the Standing Committees and Budget Committees that could easily be raised after the sitting or electronically on email or via phone call to the administration. I do not think that they should form part of the sitting, and I humbly request that we proceed with the orders of the day.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Chief Whip. I would like to carry that suggestion, the proposal that you are making, with the understanding to the hon members that the arrangement for those members who are able to come through to the building, the copies may be made available, but we are not going to go around the province to deliver them to homes of hon members.

#### STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Deputy Speaker, I condemn in the strongest terms the alleged attack of motorists on the N2 and the R300. The visuals tell the shocking story of intolerance and a serious lack of due consideration for others occupying the shared space that is our roads.

Whilst protest action is a right, we ought to respect that these acts of criminality cannot be tolerated and infringe on the rights of our law-abiding citizens. Our law enforcement agencies must ensure strong action has been taken against perpetrators and anyone responsible for these actions must be brought to book and prosecuted.

We cannot remain silent, hon Deputy Speaker, when residents intimidate and threaten innocent motorists. Now is the time to stand together and to provide support to community members who are returning to work and helping to rebuild our economy.

Hon Deputy Speaker, I also want to take this opportunity to applaud the good work of the Provincial Transport Department. We have witnessed an increase in sanitisation efforts of taxis in the province.

This helps to keep commuters safe and to reduce the risk of transmission of the Corona virus. The proactive approach of the Provincial Department is further exemplified in its ongoing engagements with the taxi industry. I applaud the work of Minister Madikizela in providing this bridge between the different taxi organisations that will ultimately lead to enable us to realise a long-lasting working relationship between these organisations, their management, drivers, and further promote the safety of our commuters.

This is a sterling example, hon Deputy Speaker, of working in collaboration with key stakeholders within the transport industry. I thank you.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The audio recordings provided to the Opposition by a whistleblower provide clear evidence of the systematic and selective targeting of certain DA councillors and local government officials under the direct instruction of MEC Bredell. The overall conduct of the DA, under the leadership of Bredell, clearly shows that they are hell-bent on capturing elements in the Hawks and the Public Protector in the Western Cape.

The targeted individuals are the former Mayor of George, Melvin Naik, as well as the current MM, Mr Trevor Botha. We also now see an attempted pushback by MEC Bredell, who constantly harasses ANC-led councils. The ANC has now taken over seven municipalities in the province as DA factional battles increase and DA voters become disillusioned. In George we have a situation where the CFO was found guilty for his role in unlawful facilitation of an investment of R350 million of municipal funds with Old Mutual.

The question is: why have criminal charges not been investigated? The DA Mayco member of Finance, Stag Cronjé, whose son benefited from the unlawful Old Mutual investment, was not pursued at all. Why did MEC Bredell and HOD Paulse not request the Hawks to investigate as they did with Melvin Naik and Trevor Botha?

I am pleased to report to the House that the Public Protector has apologised for not investigating my complaint against MEC Bredell and have now interviewed me yesterday. There is no doubt in my mind at all that MEC Bredell has breached the Code of Ethics. In these recordings, Head of Department Paulse is heard to say: "The Minister is breathing down my neck to say you are not helping me. You are not helping me because, besides all of the other stuff, I am under political pressure."

The ANC has outlined a set of eight steps to take to follow up on these damning revelations, including that our MPL for Local Government has written to Derrick America. We are writing to the NCOP and we will provide a full dossier to the Minister of Police. In conclusion, we want to appeal to every official of this Government to come forward with information and expose the rot and corruption within the DA. [Time expired.]

Mr M XEGO [EFF]: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The EFF calls for the Western Cape DA-led Government to desist from conducting illegal evictions against residents in the Western Cape informal settlements.

The EFF calls for the DA-led Government to stop utilising law enforcement structures in the province to conduct these illegal evictions against our people.

Instead of offering our poor people houses and land for occupation, the DA-led Government has instead illegally deployed law enforcement agencies, masquerading as apartheid security forces, to brutally, forcefully humiliate and remove our people from their homes. They do all this in total disregard and disrespect of South African laws aimed at regulating and prohibiting the illegal evictions against land occupiers, as confirmed by the High Court in the Helderberg and Emfuleni rulings.

The conduct of these DA officials is further confirmed in a media release, dated 22 July 2020, by Ward 13, Vredenburg, Saldanha Municipality DA Ward Councillor, Elderman Van Tura, who ... [Inaudible.] that in her resignation from the Municipality and the party, outlined the powers of DA white *baasskaps* within the party leadership who took unilateral decisions to cut housing projects meant for poor communities such as ... [Inaudible.]. She also outlined how our people or the indigenous people in the province within the DA live in constant fear to challenge the decisions of the DA within the cabal that is leading the Province.

We welcome her decision and that of the entire DA Executive Committee, 13 members, who resigned from the DA. Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker.

Mr D AMERICA (DA): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. You know, George Orwell said, and I quote:

"The party seeks power entirely for its own sake. We are not interested in the good of others; we are interested in solely power."

It is those in power who sometimes selfishly use a proverbial good crisis for their own ends to achieve more power and for its own sake. We see worrying signs of this through the backdoor entry of the so-called District Development Model by the National Government.

Without due consideration to the Constitution, the ANC has begun to deploy its National Ministers and Deputy Ministers to municipalities as so-called political champions ... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: It is across the whole country ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order.

Mr D AMERICA: Well, they assume. The ward-based Corona virus ... [Inaudible.] [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Just an interjection, not a point of order.

Mr D AMERICA: ... structure for National Government to dictate to municipalities. This seems to be an attempt to create a parallel set of governance by taking advantage ... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: It is called cooperative governance.

Mr D AMERICA: ... of the current lockdown under the ... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, hon members.

Mr D AMERICA: We do not know the scope of the mandate for District and Provincial Command Councils. Hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: It is called the District Development Model.

Mr D AMERICA: Hon Speaker, we need to consider the purpose of these command councils. We cannot allow the centralisation of power and encroachment of National Government onto the local sphere. Neither can we subvert the rule of law and flout basic tenets of a democratic state, [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: We are trying to help everyone.

Mr D AMERICA: Municipalities in the Western Cape have mustered some sterling efforts in their fight against COVID-19. These include business relief, provision of food parcels, support for the homeless and the rollout of sanitation facilities. It is my urgent appeal that we all, as public representatives, remember where our mandate derives from. It is not a mandate rooted in the pursuit of power. [Time expired.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members, if I can just ask you to be mindful because it seems that the microphones in the House are much louder than the ones on the screen. So if there are interjections, which is fine, be mindful that I cannot actually hear the person speak. We are moving over to GOOD.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Maybe the mask will help, if I use the mask when I interject.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: No, it will help if you do not interject.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS (ACDP): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Deputy Speaker, the ACDP strongly condemns the torching of a Grade 5 classroom and the library of the Marconi Beam Primary School in Democracy Way, Milnerton.

Hon Deputy Speaker, the ongoing destruction of schools and vandalism of our schools put the Western Cape in a peculiar manner, being that it is detrimental to the wellbeing of society. Our children need education in these trying times and breaking down our schools does not help.

Where the WCED must spend money to repair schools, they cannot improve our school facilities because of fences being broken down, buildings being burnt down and, hon Deputy Speaker, the call from the ACDP is that communities will have to stand together in order to stop the destruction and vandalism of our schools.

Hon Deputy Speaker, in the Western Cape we are struggling with classroom space. We are struggling to have learners in our schools and have classes under 30 and 35 ratios. But, hon Deputy Speaker, communities will have to come forward and to point out, because communities know who the perpetrators are, they need to point them out so that they can be caught and sent to jail where they belong. I thank you.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The ANC condemns the wanton destruction of property associated with the ongoing land evictions against [Inaudible - connection lost].

Hon Deputy Speaker, the ANC caucus in the Western Cape Legislature condemns the wanton destruction of property [Inaudible. - connection lost] illegal land invasions in various parts. The ANC acknowledges the genuine cries of people for housing, opportunity and dignity which they have been denied by the Democratic Alliance [Inaudible.] racial and systematic under-development of poor communities in the province, who remain extremely disturbed by this invasion as they rob other poor people because these pockets of land are earmarked for development and [Inaudible.]. We are vehemently opposed to criminal elements that have hijacked and tarnished the genuine struggle of the poor for their narrow, selfish interests.

The DA has failed to produce a master plan for human settlement and land release in the city. Instead, they continue to sell public land to private individuals. We demand an immediate suspension of the sale of public land. We call for the City to produce this master plan and table it for discussion in the Council.

Of major concern to me is that these invasions are taking place [Inaudible – connection lost] and coronavirus virus and consequently presents a major risk of widespread community transmission. In this regard we call on the Provincial Government and the City of Cape Town to put measures in place to prevent the widespread transmission [Inaudible.] in others who have not had basic sanitation since last year.

A case in point is a pocket of land near Philippi Plaza which has been occupied since last year. The owner of the land is willing to engage with the State to find common ground that will allow the City of Cape Town to render services and water and sanitation, but the City of Cape Town refuses to engage and therefore, as the ANC, we demand the master plan ... [Interjection.] [Time expired.] I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Ms L J BOTHA [DA]: Hon Deputy Speaker, I am afraid that the vacillating decision-making process by National Government on the reopening of schools sets learners up for precarious futures, delays and uncertainty and existing anxiety at this time.

In the absence of decisive leadership evident in the DBE's indecision, I understand the worries of some parents in sending their children to school. National Government should be joining the provincial efforts to reassure families of safety and undertaking of all necessary precautions. Mixed signals incite fear during an already uncertain time.

Last week the media informed the nation that Cabinet would deliberate on a decision to close schools, after which it was reported that the National Minister of Education is still locked in meetings. One can only wonder if the Minister is deliberating in the best interests of schoolchildren or the whims of party and union colleagues who have already announced victory.

Hon Deputy Speaker, I hereby welcome the WCED's situational analysis as the World Health Organisation agrees with us in saying that each context should be viewed in light of its own circumstances. This analysis of the Western Cape shows that only 0.1% of learners have tested positive and under 1% of teachers and numbers are currently decreasing.

The Standing Committee conducted oversight visits and confirmed that the majority of these schools have found extraordinary and innovative ways to promote learner safety to continue learning in our province.

The closure of schools will have devastating effects on learners for years to come. It is vital that we take decisions in the best interests of the next generation's future, not in the interests of the next election.

I wish to thank teachers who are now the frontline tools, who go over and beyond their mandate to ensure we continue teaching and keep learners safe, and call on National Government to fulfil their obligation towards the rights of learners. I thank you.

Mr P J MARAIS (FFP): Thank you so much, hon Deputy Speaker. The Freedom Front Plus, noting the escalation of land invasions in the Western Cape and the absence of effective law enforcement to prevent such lawlessness, wishes to express its serious concerns and calls for harsher penalties to be imposed for such illegal actions, as such unlawful actions are in direct conflict with Section 25 of this country's Constitution regarding security of land tenure. Thank you.

Mr G BRINKHUIS (AL JAMA-AH): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The Al Jama-ah wants to call on the Western Cape Government and condemns the inequality existing in the Western Cape and make sure that each and every ward gets its own own budget. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Ms L M MASEKO (DA): Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Deputy Speaker, we are witnessing the unprecedented spike in land invasions. We have continued to see an increase in the torching of public property and invasion of land which is, in many instances, earmarked for public housing. Land invasion is wrong, intolerable and unconstitutional. It has the capacity to disrupt our economy, divide communities and bring about tremendous instability.

On a very practical level, it delays the handing over of homes to beneficiaries, many of whom have been on the waiting list for years. Law-abiding residents are already frustrated and stressed in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. What we do not need now is fuel added to the fire by criminal elements, a minority who would rather not see the good progress continued to be made by this Government and are determined to destabilise the province.

The spate of illegal land occupations in the Western Cape must be addressed before it spirals out of control. It is an effort that requires all three spheres of government to work together. Instead of cooperation from National Human Settlements, we have double standards from Minister Lindiwe Sisulu. The Minister sought any opportunity to attack the Western Cape for upholding the rule of law in efforts to curb land invasions. It is worrying when national leaders hold on to double standards, but hypocrisy becomes incredibly clear.

Where was Minister Sisulu's outcry over evictions in Johannesburg and Ethekwini in March and April? Why did she not turn to Twitter then and threaten legal action as she did to the City of Cape Town?

The evictions in Kokotela, Merenthal, Cato Manor and other areas in and around Durban and Johannesburg were illegal in light of the regulations gazetted by Minister Sisulu's own Government. We urge National Government to support our efforts. I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. [Time expired.]

### ILLEGAL LAND INVASIONS

(Notice of Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the illegal land invasions in the Western Cape. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the illegal land invasions in the Western Cape.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

# COVID-19 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT INTERVENTIONS

(Notice of Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the efficacy of Social Development interventions during the COVID-19 pandemic, with particular reference to the support of vulnerable children, persons with disabilities and the elderly. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the efficacy of social-development interventions during the COVID-19 pandemic, with particular reference to the support of vulnerable children, persons with disabilities and the elderly.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# HOUSING CRISIS FOR THE POOR

(Notice of Motion)

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the housing crisis for the poor in the Western Cape. Thank you.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N M4AKAMBA-BOTYA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the housing crisis for the poor in the Western Cape.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

#### **COVID-19: DECONTAMINATION OF SCHOOLS**

(Notice of Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the ongoing unease of all parties at public schools in the Western Cape with the perceived inefficiency by the Western Cape Education Department to timeously deal with decontamination after a Corona-positive patient is discovered and the frustration of people like that at Riviersonderend Primary who waited for five days to get their facility closed and cleaned. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the ongoing unease of all parties at public schools in the Western Cape regarding a perceived inefficiency of the WCED to deal timeously with decontamination after the discovery of a COVID-19-positive patient and the frustration of people, as at Riviersonderend, who waited for five days to get their facility cleaned.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# **GENDER-BASED AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

(Notice of Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House at its next sitting debates the crisis of gender-based violence and domestic violence in this province. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the crises of gender-based and domestic violence in the province.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

# PROLONGED SCHOOL CLOSURES

(Notice of Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the effects of prolonged school closures on the economy and future opportunities of our youth. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the effects of prolonged school closures on the economy and future opportunities for our young people.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# **PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS: INSOURCING**

(Notice of Motion)

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the insourcing of all workers who work in the Provincial Government departments of the Western Cape. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M XEGO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the insourcing of all the workers who work in the provincial government departments.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# WINE SALES BAN: IMPACT OF

(Notice of Motion)

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House at its next sitting debates the impact of the recent wine sales ban on the economy, job creation and the future of SMMEs in the province. I move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the impact of the recent wine sales ban on the economy, job creation and the future of SMMEs in the province.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# **COVID-19: CHALLENGES FACED BY HEALTH FACILITIES**

#### (Notice of Motion)

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the challenges faced by our provincial health facilities in the fight against COVID-19. Thank you.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the challenges faced by our provincial health facilities in the fight against COVID-19 so far.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# ILLEGAL EVICTIONS

(Notice of Motion)

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the illegal evictions carried out by the Democratic Alliance Government in the Western Cape Province. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M XEGO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the illegal evictions carried out by the Democratic Alliance government in the Western Cape.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

# INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS WATER AND SANITATION

(Notice of Motion)

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the provision of water and sanitation in all informal settlements in the Western Cape. I so move.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M XEGO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House debates the provision of water and sanitation to informal settlements.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Notice taken.

# DA DOUBLE STANDARDS: CUBAN PROFESSIONALS

(Notice of Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the double standards of this DA Government that uses Cuban professionals like engineers, to deliver services to the poor, but badmouths Cuban medical staff and even refuses Western Cape students to be trained at medical schools in Cuba. I thank you.

[Notice of motion as moved by Member.]

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House discusses the double standards by the DA in government that uses Cuban professionals, such as engineers, to deliver services to the poor, but bad-mouths Cuban medical staff and even refuses Western Cape students to be trained at medical schools in Cuba.

[Notice of motion as printed on Order Paper.]

#### LUNAMANDLA SITHONGA: MISSING CHILD

(Motion)

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that our prayers are with the family of Lunamandla Sithonga, a Grade 6 pupil at the Eastville Primary School in Mitchells Plain, who went missing on 9 July 2020. To date there is still no word about her whereabouts. She was last seen by her mother, boarding her transport in front of their house on the way to school. She lives in Site B, Khayelitsha. We as the ACDP pray that she will be found unharmed and reunited with her family. I thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House consoles the family of Lunamandla Sithonga, a Grade 6 learner at the Eastville Primary School in Mitchells Plain, who went missing on 9 July 2020; and notes that little Lunamandla Sithonga was last seen by her mother, Anela Jack, boarding her learner transport in front of their Site B home in Khayelitsha.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes South Africa's Rugby Captain, Siya Kolisi, is named as World Ambassador in the fight against women abuse and violence; also notes that this appointment was made by the United Nations Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres, at the Nelson Mandela lecture and celebrations over the weekend; further notes that it is part of the United Nations' spotlight initiative to engage other men in fighting the global scourge of violence against women and young girls, and pledges our support against this pandemic threatening our mothers, sisters and daughters. I so move, Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: My apologies. I got thrown off there for a second. I did not hear the whole thing. So I will actually – I wonder if I should actually get hon Kama to say it again, so that for the record I can agree to or ask the question. Please may I ask you?

## SIYA KOLISI: WORLD AMBASSADOR AGAINST WOMEN ABUSE AND VIOLENCE

#### (Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House notes South Africa's Rugby Captain, Siya Kolisi, is named as World Ambassador in the fight against women abuse and violence; also notes that this appointment was made by the United Nations Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres, at the Nelson Mandela lecture and celebrations over the weekend; further notes that it is part of the United Nations' spotlight initiative to engage other men in fighting the global scourge of violence against women and young girls, and pledges our support against this pandemic threatening our mothers, sisters and daughters. I so move, Deputy Speaker.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that South Africa's rugby captain, Siya Kolisi, has been named as world ambassador in the fight against women abuse and violence; also notes that this appointment was made by the United Nations' Secretary General Antonio Guterres at the Nelson Mandela Day lecture and celebrations over the weekend; notes too that it forms part of the United Nations Spotlight Initiative to engage other men in fighting the global scourge of violence against women and girls; and pledges our support for the fight against this pandemic that threatens our mothers, sisters and daughters.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## LATE KAUNDA NTJUNA

(Motion of condolence)

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the tragic passing of award winning rugby commentator and former Junior Springbok captain, Kaunda Ntunja. Kaunda passed away on Monday 20 July 2020. His passing comes just four days after he buried his father on Thursday 16 July 2020. Ntunja gained popularity in South African rugby through his work as a former anchor of the SuperSport Xhosa commentary team. His animated commentary, nuanced with popular Xhosa poetic phrases and expression, made him a household name in South Africa as he delivered rugby right into the people's homes. We send our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends and colleagues. May his soul rest in peace. I so move.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the tragic passing away of the award-winning rugby commentator and former junior Springbok captain, Kaunda Ntunja; notes that Kaunda passed away on Monday 20 July 2020; notes that his passing comes just four days after he buried his father on Thursday 16 July 2020; notes that Ntunja gained popularity in South African rugby through his work as a formidable anchor of the SuperSport Xhosa commentary team; notes that his animated commentary nuanced with popular Xhosa poetic phrases and expression made him a household name in South Africa as he delivered rugby right into people's homes; and conveys our heartfelt condolences to his family, friends and colleagues; may his soul rest in peace.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

(Motion)

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the Neighbourhood Watch Safety Improvement Project that was launched on Saturday 11 July 2020 by the Provincial Department of Community Safety in Khayelitsha. I further note that this project aims to advocate social distancing, encourage the use of protective equipment and creates awareness of community compliance with safety protocols and especially welcomes the ability to patrol during the new curfew to promote the safety of our residents. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the Neighbourhood Watch Safety Improvement Project that was launched on Saturday 11 July 2020 by the provincial Department of Community Safety in Khayelitsha; notes that the project aims to advocate social distancing, to encourage the use of protective equipment and to create awareness of community compliance with safety protocols; and especially welcomes the ability of neighbourhood watches to patrol during the new curfew to promote the safety for our residents.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE ISITWALANDWE ANDREW MLANGENI

(Motion of condolence)

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House joins the country in celebrating a life well lived, the life of Isitwalandwe Andrew Mlangeni who passed on at the age 95-years old on Wednesday morning; that Mlangeni's passing represents the end of a long era characterised by selfless, courageous and morally upright freedom fighters; despite the sacrifices he has made, that Mlangeni never felt entitled to any form of positioning and benefits. He is part of the generation that took a vow to fight and realised freedom in their lifetime; an essential inspiration we take as the EFF. May his soul rest in peace. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M XEGO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House joins the country in celebrating a life well-lived: the life of Isitwalandwe Andrew Mlangeni who passed away at the age of 95 on Wednesday morning; notes that Baba Mlangeni's passing away represents the end of a long era characterised by selfless, courageous and morally upright freedom fighters; notes that he was one of the first combatants of umKhonto weSizwe, a generation that took arms against a murderous racist apartheid regime; notes that he was last of the Rivonia Trial accused who were found guilty and sentenced to life imprisonment for taking up arms against the regime; notes that, despite the sacrifice he made, Baba Mlangeni never felt entitled to any state positions or benefits, noting that he was part of a generation that took a vow to fight and realise freedom in their lifetime; and further notes that we, as the EFF, take him as essential inspiration and aspiration; may his soul rest in peace.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE CHANTELLE MATTHEWS

(Motion of condolence)

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness the death of Chantelle Matthews, aged 8, of Hillside, Grabouw. She died after stepping on an open live wire as a result of illegal electricity connections, whilst playing with her sister and friends. We send our deepest condolences to her family and friends and loved ones; we further wish a speedy recovery for her younger sister, Chante, aged 7, who sustained electrical burns on her hands while trying to pull her sister away from the live wire. May her soul rest in peace. I so move.

Ms L M MASEKO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with sadness the death of Chantelle Matthews (8) of Hillside, Grabouw; notes that she died after stepping on an open, live wire, the result of illegal electricity connections, while playing with her friends; sends our deepest condolences to her family, friends and loved ones; and further wishes a speedy recovery to her younger sister, Chante (7), who sustained electrical burns on her hands while trying to pull her sister away from the live wire.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCHES ROGUE VIGILANTE GROUPS

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes this DA-led Government overreaches to extend the rule of party political aligned Neighbourhood Watches, elevating them by putting such rogue and vigilante groups with private arms and even legitimises and authorises their use of flashing lights, but contemplates banning legal flashing lights like that used by escorting police vehicles. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

HON MEMBERS: Objection!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections, the motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that this DA-led government overreaches to extend the role of political parties aligned with neighbourhood watches by elevating them and by putting such rogue and vigilante groups with private arms on plinths and even by legitimising their excesses, such as authorising the use of flashing lights, but contemplates banning legal flashing lights, such as those used by escorting police vehicles.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

## CATHERINE DOROTHY NEWMAN RECOVERY FROM COVID-19

(Motion)

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House takes notice of the recovery of 93-year old Catherine Dorothy Newman from COVID-19; Aunty Dorothy was born in 1926 in Claremont and over the nine years she has been a resident of Huis Nuweland, a home of the elderly. On 2 June she started feeling ill and upon testing, it later transpired that she had tested positive for COVID-19. Her health deteriorated over time and she was admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital and later transferred to Cape Town International Convention Centre Hospital, where she was cared for until she was fully recovered. Aunty Dorothy remains the oldest survivor of COVID-19 and we wish her well; EFF would like to thank the medical staff at those two hospitals and also the caregivers at Huis Nuweland for their hard work and their continued support. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House takes notice of the recovery of the 93-year-old Catherine Dorothy Newman from COVID-19; notes that Aunty Dorothy (as she is affectionately known) was born in 1926 in Claremont, and over the last nine years she has been a resident of Huis Nuweland (a home for the elderly); notes that she started not feeling well on the 2 June and upon testing it later transpired that she had tested positive of COVID-19; notes that her health deteriorated over time and she was admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital and later transferred to the Cape Town International Convention Centre hospital where she was cared for until she was fully recovered; notes that Aunty Dorothy remains the oldest survivor of COVID-19; and wishes her well and thanks the medical staff at those two hospitals, and also the care givers at Huis Nuweland, for their continuous hard work.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## LATE ABEDAH PAULSE AND LATE YUSUF KIRIBOTO

(Motion of condolence)

Mr G BOSMAN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House extends its sincerest condolences to the families and loved ones of the 8-year old girl Abedah Paulse, who drowned in the Vygieskraal Canal in Athlone; that the House further extends condolences to the family and loved ones of Mr Yusuf Kiriboto who bravely attempted to save Abieda but also tragically passed away. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its sincerest condolences to the families and loved ones of the 8-year-old girl, Abedah Paulse, who drowned in the Vygieskraal canal in Athlone; and further extends condolences to the family and loved ones of Mr Yusuf Kiriboto who bravely attempted to save Abedah, but also tragically passed away.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

### LATE DAMEON AND KAYLIE DE VRIES

(Motion)

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House expresses its heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of 7-year old Dameon and 5-year old Kaylie de Vries; the young children of André and Odette De Vries who tragically drowned in a dam on the farm Vlooikraal in the Baardskeerdersbos area near Gansbaai on Sunday, 19 July 2020. It is our prayer that André and Odette, their families and friends find solace and strength during these trying times of bereavement. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms D M BAARTMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House expresses its heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of 7-year-old Dameon and 5-year-old Kaylie de Vries, the young children of André and Odete de Vries, who tragically drowned in a dam on the farm Vlooikraal in the Baardskeerdersbos area near Gansbaai on Sunday 19 July; and prays that André and Odete, their families and friends find solace and strength during these trying times of bereavement.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# CECIL JOHN RHODES STATUE: BEHEADING OF

(Motion)

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the excitement of the EFF at the beheading of the statue of the colonial par-excellence Cecil John Rhodes on the Rhodes Memorial Site; as the EFF we have for the longest time been calling for the Government to remove these colonial and apartheid symbols, as they continue to inflict untold pain and suffering of the families of those who have for centuries been violated by the murderers who are represented through these symbols; the EFF calls for the removal of all colonial symbols and changing of all towns and street names across the Western Cape Province. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M XEGO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with excitement the beheading of the statue of the colonial past par excellence, Cecil John Rhodes, at the Rhodes Memorial site; notes that we, as the EFF, have been calling on the government to remove these colonial and apartheid symbols for the longest time because they continue to inflict untold pain and suffering on the families of those who have for centuries been violated by the murderous people who are represented by these symbols; notes that the decapitation of Cecil Rhodes is the reminder that revolution "is not like an apple that falls when it's ripe, you have to make it fall", as Che Guevara put it; and further calls for the removal of all colonial symbols and the changing of all town and street names across the Western Cape.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## COVID-19: IMPACT ON LOCAL AND REGIONAL ECONOMIES

(Motion)

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes and call for the Provincial Department of Economic Development to investigate and report to the Ad Hoc Committee the impact of COVID-19 on local and regional economies in the province and further presents the hotspot strategy, in particular in reference to how that strategy is rescuing small businesses in the Cape Flats. I so move.

Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes and calls on the provincial Department of Economic Development to investigate and report to the Ad-hoc Committee on the impact of COVID-19 on the local and regional economies in the province; and further presents the protective measures and the economic recovery plans that are in place to support these economies during and post COVID-19 period.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

# LATE ABRAHAM JACOBUS STEPHANUS RICHTER

(Motion of condolence)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends our sincere condolences to the family and friends of former councillor Abraham Jacobus Stephanus Richter, affectionately known as "Oom Apie Richter". He served in the Bergrivier Municipality from 2001 to 2006 and also served two full terms as a ward committee member. His service to his community is sincerely appreciated and our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Riana, and the rest of the family. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends sincere condolences to the family and friends of former Councillor Jacobus Stephanus, affectionately known as Oom Apie Richter; notes that he served the Berg River community from 2001 to 2006 and served two full terms as a ward committee member; and sincerely appreciates his service to the community; our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## LATE MNCEDISI MBOLEKWA

(Motion of condolence)

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House conveys its condolences to the family of the Western Cape Police and Prisons Civil Rights Union Secretary, Mncedisi Mbolekwa and friends and also notes that he recently fell ill and succumbed on the morning of 16 July 2020 in hospital. I so move.

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House sends condolences to the family, friends and comrades of Mncedisi Mbolekwa, Popcru secretary in the Western Cape, who died of COVID-19-related problems.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## LATE MIEMIE STRYDOM

(Motion of condolence)

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its deepest sympathies to MEC Anroux Marais, her family and loved ones on the passing of her mother Miemie Strydom; Mrs Strydom passed away last night at the age of 96-years and was cared for by Minister Marais in her last years. We wish the MEC and her family much strength and comfort at this time. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends deepest sympathies to Minister Anroux Marais, her family and loved ones after the passing away of her mother, Miemie Strydom; notes that Mrs Strydom passed away last night at the age of 96 and was cared for by Minister Marais in her last years; wishes the Minister and her family much strength and comfort at this time.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## VICTOR MOLOSI: ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

(Motion)

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that today, 23 July 2020, marks the second year since ANC councillor and leader Victor Molosi was brutally gunned down for his relentless efforts to fight against corruption, especially in the Knysna Municipality; further notes that former councillor of Ward 4, Velile Waxa, who had close relations with the DA and former municipal official Mwanda Makala and Vela Patrick Dumisa, were convicted for his murder; we also remember comrade Malosi as a revolutionary and a selfless leader who was committed to the cause to emancipate and develop his people and to root out DA corruption in municipalities; we also call for the Knysna Municipality to be renamed after him to honour and appreciate all he stood for. I so move.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections to the motion being moved without notice?

An HON MEMBER: Yes, yes, Objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. It will be printed on the Order Paper.

Mr P MARRAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that today, 23 July 2020, marks the second year since ANC leader and councillor comrade Mzukisi Victor "Freeze" Molosi was brutally gunned down for his relentless efforts to fight corruption, especially in the Knysna municipality; notes further that Velile Waxa, former councillor of ward 4 who had close relations with the DA and former municipal official Mawanda Makhala, and Vela Patrick Dumile were convicted for his murder; remembers comrade Freeze as a revolutionary and a selfless leader who was committed to the cause of emancipation and development of his people and of rooting out DA corruption at municipalities; and calls for the Knysna municipality to be renamed after him to honour and appreciated everything that he stood for.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# **METRO AREA: DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY**

(Motion)

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House strongly condemns the surge of attacks on public facilities and infrastructure in the Metro Area over the last number of days; that we further call for urgent public order and send a strong message against the destruction of property; these attacks not only hamper the continuation of services and have serious financial implications, but also compromise the safety of workers and residents. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr R I ALLEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House strongly condemns the surge of attacks on public facilities and infrastructure in the metropolitan area over the last couple of days; further calls for urgent public order to be restores and for a strong message against the destruction of property to be sent out; and notes that these attacks not only hamper the continuation of services and have serious financial implications, but also compromise the safety of workers and residents.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## MATIE MEDICAL STUDENT SEXUAL ASSAULT OF FELLOW STUDENT

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commends SAPS and the Stellenbosch University for their swift action after a Matie medical student appeared in court recently, accused of the sexual assault of a fellow student and that the suspect is out on bail until his next appearance pending further investigations. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commends the SAPS and the Stellenbosch University for swift action after a Matie medical student appeared in court on Friday after having been accused of the sexual assault of a fellow student; and notes that the suspect is out on bail until his next appearance in court pending further investigation.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## COVID-19: SCHOOL FEEDING SCHEME

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the High Court's decision to resume the school feeding scheme and notes that the Western Cape is the only province who has gone the extra mile to feed learners throughout the lockdown period; that this House commends the Western Cape Government for upholding the value of responsible governance, especially towards our vulnerable children. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections to the motion being moved without notice? [Interjections.] Are there objections? There are objections. It will be printed on the Order Paper.

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the High Court's decision to resume the school feeding scheme; notes that the Western Cape is the only province that has gone the extra mile to feed learners throughout the lockdown period; and commends the Western Cape Government for upholding the value of responsible governance, especially towards our children.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

## LADLES OF LOVE: MANDELA DAY WORLD RECORD

### (Motion)

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House applauds the efforts of the Cape Town based non-profit organisation Ladles of Love, which set a new world record on Mandela Day, 18 July 2020, for making the most sandwiches in an hour. The record is now at 304 583; that we further applaud the efforts of this charitable organisation and its volunteers for providing over 3,7 million meals to vulnerable individuals. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr G BOSMAN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House applauds the efforts of the Cape Town-based non-profit organisation, Ladles of Love, which set a new world record on Mandela Day, 18 July 2020, by making the most sandwiches in an hour: the record is now 304 583; and further applauds the efforts of this charitable organisation and its volunteers for providing over 3,7 million meals to vulnerable individuals.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## OAKLANDS AND GROENVLEI SECONDARY SCHOOLS

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House acknowledges the extraordinary and innovative measures by Oaklands Secondary School as well as Groenvlei Secondary School, respectively, to safely welcome learners under the new normal; both schools have gone beyond what is required and I wish to thank all staff for their efforts. I so move.

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House acknowledges the extraordinary and innovative measures taken by the Oaklands Secondary School and the Groenvlei Secondary School to welcome learners safely under the new normal conditions; notes that both schools have gone far beyond what is required; and thanks all staff members for their efforts.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

### MEGAN AMON

#### (Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Megan Amon who obtained a Bachelor Degree in Pharmacy Studies from the University of the Western Cape, and wishes her the best in her future endeavours. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House congratulates Megan Amon who obtained a Bachelor in Pharmacy Studies from the University of the Western Cape; and wishes her everything of the best in her future endeavours.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## GAYLIN CUPIDO MURDER: SUSPECT ARRESTED

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commends the South African Police Services for the speedy arrest and bringing to the Blue Downs Court last week, a 24-year old murder suspect after the death of a 6-year old Kraaifontein girl, Gaylin Cupido, who was hit by a stray bullet in a weekend gang shooting. I so move.

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House commends the South African Police Service for the speedy arrest this week of a 24-year-old murder suspect after the death of Gaylin Cupido, a 6-year-old Kraaifontein girl, who was hit by a stray bullet in a weekend gang shooting, and for bringing him to the Blue Downs court. ice:

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

### **COVID-19: MOBILE TESTING UNITS**

(Motion)

Ms W F PHILANDER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the City of Cape Town's new mobile testing units as well as the expansion of clinic facilities across the Metro in an effort to best manage the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic in the Metro. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms W F PHILANDER: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House welcomes the City of Cape Town's new mobile testing units, as well as their expansion of clinic facilities across the metropolitan area, in an effort to manage the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic in the metropolitan area better.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENTS: DESTABILISING OF

(Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the destabilising of many local governments and to resolve to investigate the role played ...[Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection!

Mr D SMITH: ...by the Province in that space. Thank you.

HON MEMBERS: Objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the destabilising of many local governments; and resolves to investigate the role played by this province in that space.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

### **KENNY AFRICA: RETIREMENT**

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that Provincial Traffic Chief, Mr Kenny Africa, will begin retirement this month, after 46 years of outstanding service to the citizens of the Western Cape; further notes that the House wishes Mr Africa well in his much deserved retirement and that we thank him for the immense contribution he has made to our Provincial Traffic Department in keeping our citizens safe. May the best wishes of this august House accompany him and his family as he enters the next chapter of his life. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that our provincial Traffic Chief, Kenny Africa, will begin his retirement this month after 46 years of outstanding service; wishes Mr Africa well in his much-deserved retirement; and thanks him for the immense contribution that he made to our provincial Traffic Department in keeping residents safe.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### TAXI MURDERS AND VIOLENCE

(Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes a strong upsurge in taxi murders and violence on the DA watch with about 30 people dead and notes high expectations are not backed by DA leaders with the political will to finally bring the killings and rivalry to an end. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections to the motion being moved ... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: You do not know what you are talking about. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. [Interjections.] Hon members, the motion will be printed on the Order Paper. [Interjections.] Thank you. Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Can the hon Madikizela speak to members through the Chair.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order please. Hon Sayed. Thank you. We are moving over to hon Van der Westhuizen [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): He must speak through you.

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes a strong upsurge in taxi murders and violence with about thirty people dead on the DA's watch; and notes that the high expectations are not backed by the DA leaders who do not have the political will to bring the killings and rivalry finally to an end.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

# REDELINGHUYS FARM AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

(Motion)

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the outstanding work done by the Rhedelinghuys Farm and Neighbourhood Watch in the West Coast in protecting our farmers and rural communities; furthermore, that this House recognises that with the increase in farm attacks and violence in communities, our key priority remains that all citizens are protected. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the outstanding work done by the Rhedelinghuys Farm and Neighbourhood Watch on the West Coast in protecting our farmers and rural communities; further recognises that, with the increase in farms attacks and violence in communities, our key priority remains that all citizens be protected.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### MARCONI BEAM PRIMARY SCHOOL AND SINENJONGO HIGH SCHOOL: BURNING OF

(Motion)

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House strongly condemns the burning of parts of Marconi Beam Primary School and Sinenjongo High School; that this House notes the cut to the EIG grant and that these senseless attacks post further threats to the educational services. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House strongly condemns the burning of parts of the Marconi Beam Primary School and the Sinenjongo High School; and notes that the cut to the EIG grant and these senseless attacks pose further threats to the educational services.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

### **CTICC: TEMPORARY COVID-19 HOSPITAL**

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I give notice that I shall move:

That the House urgently investigates the abhorrent and seemingly ruthless overcharge of taxpayers by multi-million rands per month for the otherwise idle Government-owned CTICC to be used as a temporary COVID-19 hospital. I thank you.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. [Interjections.] The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I give notice that I shall move:

That the House urgently investigates the abhorrent and seemingly ruthless overcharge of the taxpayer by multimillions of rands per month for the otherwise idle government-owned CTICC that is being used as a temporary COVID-19 hospital.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### MEC ANTON BREDELL GAMESMANSHIP BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### (Motion)

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House discusses the leaked tapes of the DA caucuses and gamesmanship by Local Government MEC, Anton Bredell, as well as misleading this Legislature on receiving a forensic report from Stellenbosch and censures him for doing so. [Interjection.]

HON MEMBERS: Objection.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I recognise that there are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House discusses the leaked tapes of the DA caucuses and the gamesmanship by Anton Bredell, Minister of Local Government, and his misleading of this House about receiving a forensic report from Stellenbosch; and censures him for doing so.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### MUNICIPAL COUNCILS: EVICTIONS

#### (Motion)

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the recent illegal abuse of human rights by municipal officials who tore down dwellings, destroying poor people's possessions and evicting them in wet and cold weather; further notes these councils use employees they think cannot be held accountable from outside the municipality, and resolves to fulfil this Council's oversight functions by calling them to account at the relevant Legislature committees. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection!

An HON MEMBER: We are doing an investigation! Objection!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

Mr M KAMA: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the recent illegal abuse of human rights by municipal officials who tore down dwellings, destroying poor people's possessions and evicting them in wet and cold weather; further notes these councils use employees they think cannot be held accountable from outside the municipality, and resolves to fulfil this Council's oversight functions by calling them to account at the relevant Legislature committees.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### BARRYDALE: GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

(Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the Barrydale community picketed against genderbased violence and demonstrated outside the Swellendam Magistrate's Court this week where a 37-year old man appeared after the body of a 14year old girl was found on Saturday, at the Barrydale dumping site. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Barrydale community picketed against gender-based violence and femicide outside the Swellendam magistrate's court this week where a 37-year-old man appeared after the body of a 14-year-old girl was found at the Barrydale dumping site on Saturday.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### CUBAN MEDICAL GROUP UNTESTED ALLEGATIONS OF REMUNERATION

(Motion)

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the insult directed at the Cuban medical group that joined the Western Cape Province to deal with the Corona virus epidemic when it was at its fiercest and this Legislature brought untested allegations of their remuneration, which was proved by the Treasury as false and calls on those hon members of this House to apologise without reserve to all Cubans that helped in this battle against the killer virus around the globe. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

An HON MEMBER: Why do you not relocate to Cuba? [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. There are objections. [Interjections.] The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

Ms R WINDVOGEL: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the insults directed at the Cuban medical group that joined the Western Cape Province to deal with the coronavirus pandemic when it was at its fiercest; notes that untested allegations about their remuneration, which was proven to be false by the Treasury, were made in this House; and calls on those honourable Members of this House to apologise without reserve to all the Cubans who are helping in this battle against the killer virus around the globe.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

## PROPERTY AND LIVES: CRIME AND DESTRUCTION

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): I move without notice:

That the House condemns all crime and destruction pertaining to property or lives and calls on all to assist to bring the perpetrators to book and be dealt with by the independent courts. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): I move without notice:

That the House condemns all crime and destruction pertaining to property or lives; and calls on all to assist to bring the perpetrators to book and be dealt with by the independent courts.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

### **COVID-19: DECONTAMINATION OF SCHOOLS**

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the strong perception that the Western Cape Education Department only decontaminates a school after a fight with parents and the public, where we have COVID-19 positive patients being reported; further notes that Vooruitsig Primary School in Darling had two positive patients and that the school also basically had teachers who were in self-isolation and who were absent due to the Coronavirus pandemic, and notes that at schools like Paul Joubert Secondary in Paarl, spraying and fogging are done while learners are sitting in the same classrooms. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

An HON MEMBER: Yes, objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the strong perception that the WCED only decontaminates a school where COVID-19-positive cases have been reported after a fight with parents and the public; further notes that the Vooruitsig Primary School in Darling had two positive cases and 18 people were in isolation, with half of the staff absent due to the coronavirus pandemic; and notes that at schools, such as at the Paul Joubert Secondary School in Paarl, spraying and fogging is done while the learners are in the same classrooms.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

## DEPARTMENTAL CIRCULATION LETTERS WESTERN CAPE SCHOOLS

(Motion)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Am I up again? Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes the frustration by Western Cape schools with all the departmental circulation letters pouring down on them and notes many educators and school governing body members experience these instructions as being intimidating and threatening of their viewpoints. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: Objection.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any objections [Interjections.] There are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): They want to continue bragging ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Ag shame!

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Member Mackenzie, please speak through the Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes the frustration by Western Cape schools with all the departmental circulation letters pouring down on them; and notes that many teachers and SGB members experience these instructions as intimidating and threatening.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

#### **MAGDALENE BARRY: COVID-19**

(Motion)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes that the Mayor of Kannaland, comrade Magdalene Barry has tested positive for COVID-19 and is currently under intensive care treatment; and further that this House wishes Aunty Mac, as she is affectionately known, a speedy recovery and passes on its support and prayers to the family of Aunty Mac Barry. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House takes note that the Kannaland Mayor, comrade Aunty Mac Barry, is currently in ICU after having contracted the COVID-19 disease; and wishes her a speedy recovery.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### COVID-19 PATIENTS APPEARING BEFORE AD HOC COMMITTEE

(Motion)

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House commends and thanks all those patients who had been tested positive and had been treated successfully for the pandemic, who appeared before the Ad Hoc Committee for sharing their personal stories with us and that this House further commends them for their bravery, for their perseverance and trusts that their example and testimony will give courage and motivation to those who are currently positive, that recovery is possible and that the best approach for all of us to follow is to take active steps to prevent the spread of the pandemic. I so move.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House extends its thanks to all those COVID-19 survivors for sharing their brave stories with the Ad-hoc Committee of how they contracted the virus and how they overcome it with the help and support of their families and health workers; and encourages others to do the same.

[Motion as printed in Minutes.]

Agreed to.

#### WESGRO: RESIGNATION OF CHAIRPERSON

(Motion)

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I move without notice:

That the House notes with concern the ongoing tussles at Wesgro that led to the resignation of Chairperson, Prof Figaji and another board member due to the alleged internal conflicts with MEC Maynier about the reappointment of and salary and bonuses of CEO Tim Harris who is a former Member of Parliament of the DA; further notes that this signals a governance and leadership crisis in this SOE which receives the biggest budget amongst all other and calls for an urgent investigation into the affairs to determine the real changes. I so move.

[Motion as moved by Member.]

An HON MEMBER: Objections!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are objections. The motion will be printed on the Order Paper.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, I move without notice:

That the House notes with the concern the ongoing leadership tussle at Wesgro that has led to the resignation of the Chairperson, Prof Figaji, and another Board Member, Ms J February, due to alleged internal conflict with Minister Maynier about the reappointment and salary bonus of the CEO, Tim Harris, who is a former Member of Parliament of the DA; notes further that this signals a governance and leadership crisis in this SOE, which receives the biggest budget of all the entities in the province; and calls for an urgent investigation into the affairs of Wesgro to determine the real challenges.

[Motion as printed on Order Paper.]

Objection recorded.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Before we adjourn members, I would just like to remind you that the Budget Committee meeting will commence after the adjournment of the sitting. That concludes the business for today. The House is currently adjourned.

The House adjourned at 17:45.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

THURSDAY, 23 JULY 2020

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker:

#### 1. Introduction of money bill in accordance with Rule 185:

#### Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities

Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020].

#### 2. Referral of bill to committees in accordance with Rule 188:

Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020].

Bill referred to relevant committees.

#### TABLINGS

The Speaker:

#### Papers tabled with the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020]:

- (a) Budget: First Adjusted Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure, 2020 [PR213/2020].
- (b) Draft Provincial Notice: Amended Allocations to Municipalities, 2020.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

(*Final mandate stage*) Report of the Budget Committee on the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 9–2020] (S76) (NCOP), dated 20 July 2020, as follows:

The Budget Committee, having considered the subject of the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill [B 9–2020] (S76) (NCOP), referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 217, recommends that the House confers on the Western Cape's delegation in the National Council of Provinces the authority not to support the Bill.

Report to be considered.

MONDAY, 27 JULY 2020

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Report 3/ 2020

Ref: Citizen Engagement/Health Update/Legal Advisory Note (De Beer vs Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs)

Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19, in performing oversight over the work of the provincial executive authority as it responds to the COVID-19 pandemic, including oversight over any part of the provincial executive authority, any provincial department, any organ of state and any provincial entity involved in activities dealing with the pandemic, on the themes/meetings covered for June 2020, as follows:

The Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 consists of the following members:

Mr R Allen (DA) Mr D America (DA) Ms D Baartman (DA) Mr G Bosman (DA) Mr F Christians (ACDP) Mr C Dugmore (ANC) Mr B Herron (GOOD) Ms P Lekker (ANC) Mr P Marais (FFP) Mr D Mitchell (DA) Ms W Philander (DA) Ms W Philander (DA) Ms M Wenger (DA)(Chairperson) Ms R Windvogel (ANC) Mr M Xego (EFF)

#### Alternative Members:

Ms L Botha (DA) Mr R MacKenzie (DA) Ms M Maseko (DA) Ms N Nkondlo (ANC) Mr K Sayed (ANC) Mr D Smith (ANC)

### Procedural Staff:

Ms Z Adams, Procedural Officer Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer

#### 1. Introduction and Background

The Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 (the Committee) was established by the Speaker of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament on 14 April 2020 in accordance with Standing Rule 119(1)(b) of the Standing Rules of Western Cape Provincial Parliament. The Committee was tasked with the responsibility to perform oversight over the work of the provincial executive authority as it responds to the COVID-19 pandemic, including oversight over any part of the provincial executive authority, any provincial department, any organ of state and any provincial entity involved in activities dealing with the pandemic.

The meetings have been held virtually, so as to comply with COVID-19 lockdown regulations issued by National Government, as well as a decision of the Programming Authority, to enforce social distancing rules.

#### 2. Election of Chairperson, Adopted Themes and the Rules of Engagement

On 17 April 2020, Member M Wenger (DA) was elected to serve as the Chairperson of the Committee in accordance with Standing Rules 82(1) and 85. The Committee adopted 12 themes around which it would address the COVID-19 pandemic, also agreeing to hold two meetings per week, given the urgency of the matter. Each meeting would primarily focus on one theme. The 12 adopted themes were as follows:

- 1. Health Department Responses and Preparations
- 2. Policing, Security and Police Brutality
- 3. Food Security
- 4. Protection of the Vulnerable
- 5. Disaster Management and Local Government Oversight
- 6. Economic Recovery, Support and Livelihoods
- 7. Transport and Infrastructure
- 8. Schooling and Education
- 9. Human Settlements
- 10. Citizen Surveillance
- 11. Intergovernmental Relations and Community Cooperation
- 12. Government Finance and Budgets

# Additionally, the Rules of Engagement during virtual meetings were indicated as follows:

- 1. All meetings would be open to members of the public and media via livestreaming;
- 2. All Members microphones must be muted at the beginning of the meeting to avoid background noise;

- 3. Members are to flag Points of Order in the Chat Function of Microsoft Teams (the application through which virtual meetings are held);
- 4. All videos and audio must be switched off to improve the quality of the connection; however, if a Member/Minister/HOD/Official is speaking, they may put on their audio and video;
- 5. Participants must switch off their microphones once they are finished speaking;
- 6. In terms of maintenance of order, in accordance with the "Directives for Sittings of the House and Meetings of Committees by Electronic Means", ATC'd on Friday, 17 April 2020, Section 8 states that "when a Member is considered to be out of order by the presiding officer, the presiding officer may mute the microphone of such a Member and call such a Member to order"; and
- 7. Section 10 of the Directives ATC'd on 17 April 2020 speaks to the application of Standing Rules. Section 10 states that "in instances where these directives are not clear or do not cover a particular eventuality in respect of sittings of the House or meetings of the committees by means of videoconferencing, the Standing Rules must apply as far as this is reasonably and practically possible and, in instances where they cannot be applied, the ruling by the presiding officer must be final".

# The themes/meetings covered in June 2020 included:

- Discussion on the Committee's citizen engagement/public participation process 3 June 2020
- Update by the Provincial Minister of Health and the Western Cape Department of Health on the COVID-19 pandemic in the process – 10 June 2020
- Deliberations on the legal advisory note provided by the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Legal Support unit on the Gauteng High Court judgment in respect of De Beer vs the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs; and Citizen Engagement programme update – 18 June 2020

### 3. The Committee's Citizen Engagement/Public Participation Process Overview

The Committee discussed public participation in respect of its Citizen Engagement process to be undertaken on COVID-19 related matters on 3 June 2020. As per Section 118 1(a) of the Constitution of the Republic read with Section 28(3) of the Constitution of the Western Cape, the Provincial Parliament must facilitate public participation in its activities and those of its committees. The Citizen Engagement programme would include discussions with various stakeholders that the Committee had not had a chance to engage with yet from the private sector and civil society.

The Committee agreed that that invitations would be issued to umbrella bodies/formations/federations that represent many voices in that particular area of interest in order to gain a broad understanding of the subject matter and the lived experiences of the pandemic and government's management thereof.

The public participation process would be two-fold. The first process would be through a series of engagements in the Committee, based on the themes explored by the Committee in April and May 2020 from umbrella bodies and organisations. The second process would be a call for submissions from the public on the public's view of government's responses during the COVID-19 pandemic. This process would be rolled out via a series of questions published on social media through infographics and an advert to be published in mainstream and community media. Interested stakeholders will be encouraged to submit their comments via an email address and/or WhatsApp voice notes and messages.

On 18 June 2020, following the initial proposals on public participation agreed to on 3 June 2020, the Committee agreed to the content of the infographics and the advertisements in mainstream and community newspapers. The advertisements would include primary questions to assist members of the public to have their say, while the infographics for social media would contain primary questions with additional sub-questions listed below. The questions, as agreed to by the Committee, were as follows:

# What has been your experience of the Government's reaction to the COVID-19 pandemic?

- Have you or a family member been exposed to the coronavirus? Share the experience you had of the health system.
- Were you able to access food support when you needed it?
- Do you understand why you need to wear a mask?
- Do you know how to access COVID-19 grants/ support for small businesses?
- Did you feel safe when you went back to work?
- Does the public transport you use have sanitisers available?
- Is your child's school practising social distancing and conducting temperature checks every day?
- What are your thoughts about the reopening of early childhood development (ECD) centres?

# 4. THEME: Health Update & Responses

## 4.1 Overview and background

The Committee requested a briefing from the Provincial Minister of Health and the Western Cape Department of Health for an update on the COVID-19 pandemic in the Western Cape, on 10 June 2020.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive information on health indicators and preparedness in relation to COVID-19, collaboration with the private sector, information on contact tracing and its efficacy and the new COVID-19 testing regime.

## 4.2 Observations and challenges

- 4.2.1 The Head of Department, Dr Keith Cloete, informed the Committee that as at Sunday, 7 June 2020, the cumulative number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the Western Cape is 30 249. The total COVID-19 related deaths is 757 and 18 101 recoveries. 198 449 tests have been completed. COVID-19 related deaths in relation to the age breakdown were reported to be more prevalent for the age groups 51-60 and 61-70. Hypertension and diabetes were reported to be the big associated figures for the highest comorbidities and risk for COVID-19 disease and deaths.
- 4.2.2 The number of cases since 1 May 2020 is peaking at 1 200 cases per day and an average of 40 deaths per day.
- 4.2.3 In terms of forecasting for the COVID demand towards the peak in August 2020, the Department projected that they would require 6 000 beds but they backtracked this to the requirement of peak being end of June. The Department identified the need to establish field hospitals to make up for the additional beds required since there will be a shortfall of between 750 and 1 000 beds and capacity for the healthcare system to cope.
- 4.2.4 The Department assesses the needs of the Province by using the internally validated data of the Western Cape and calibrated this against the National COVID-19 Epi-Model (NCEM) data to measure whether the data of the NCEM is validated against the actual needs of the Western Cape. The Department then adjusted the projected figures of the Western Cape with a revised provisioning scenario based on the Modelling and Simulation Hub, Africa (MASHA) projections since this specific model is the official modelling scenario that the National Department of Health will use across the country. The data reflects hospital bed requirements, when active cases will peak, cumulative deaths, cumulative detected cases and cumulative admissions.
- 4.2.5 As at Tuesday 26 May 2020, the Department of Health had spent R251,259 million on COVID related expenditures in the current financial year, and had made additional commitments of R542,4078 million. The Department exceeded their planned expenditure by R336 million in April 2020 alone. It is currently projected that a net R3,416 billion is required in the current financial year to respond to COVID-19 by the Department of Health (R2,774 billion) and Transport and Public Works (R642 million) alone. The Department of Transport and Public Works has spent R121,133 million and has made additional commitments of R54,253 million.
- 4.2.6 Contact tracing teams are decentralised units and are operational in every geographic area. The Department is looking into using an innovative system that will provide test results via telephone and make use of a Trace and Track system.
- 4.2.7 Research and proven interventions conducted proved that using highflow nasal oxygen to treat patients ensured greater recoveries from the disease in place of ventilators. This can be used for both high care environments and acute environments.
- 4.2.8 Existing Primary Health Care (PHC) capacity, with PHC facilities are all being prepared to be able to manage large numbers of the milder cases.

These will largely require assessment and triaging for self-management at home. A key consideration will be to fast-track clinical assessments of high-risk individuals, who may require hospitalisation.

- 4.2.9 Temporary Structures have been designed for Triage and Testing at prioritised health facilities. These structures are designed in line with Infection, Prevention and Control (IPC) strategies for COVID-19.
- 4.2.10 Temporary or "Field hospitals" for use as intermediate care beds for mild cases have been planned. The following temporary hospitals are either completed or in the process of being completed, Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC) = 862 beds, Brakengate R300 = 338 beds, Thusong Centre in Khayelitsha = 60 beds, Cape Winelands Sonstraal Hospital = 150 beds and a possible CTICC 2 = 800 beds.
- 4.2.11 The Department of Transport and Public Works (DTPW) is actively exploring and bringing on line the expansion of quarantine and isolation facilities in the Cape Metro and across Rural Districts.
- 4.2.12 Minister Mhkize has designated Dr Nicholas Crisp to assist the Western Cape health team with finalisation of plans to address the challenges. His primary task is to assist with the implementation of a hotspot containment strategy, hence his involvement with scaling up of the quarantine and isolation capacity.
- 4.2.13 Health care workers infections as at Sunday 7 June 2020 had an accumulative number of 1 832 cases. 652 are currently active which means that of the 1 832 cases 1 180 health care workers have recovered and the number of deaths is 15.
- 4.2.14 The purpose of the Hotspot Strategy in the Department is to reduce community transmission of COVID-19 and reduce the morbidity and mortality of vulnerable people.
- 4.2.15 Testing backlog has grown to 27 000 across the NHLS laboratories by Friday 29 May 2020 and test kits are being redirected to the Western Cape. The backlog has been reduced to 10 000 by Friday 5 June 2020. The Department is changing the testing policy to prioritise patients under investigation in hospitals, health care workers and symptomatic vulnerable persons.
- 4.2.16 The Cuban health care workers deployed in South Africa are trained medical professionals with experience in working in various community settings and community hospitals. Most of these doctors are family physicians and they will be deployed to assist at the CTICC, Karl Bremer Hospital and Tygerberg Hospital. Some of these healthcare workers will assist in epidemiology work and the health care technology experts will provide technical assistance in health technology.
- 4.2.17 A compliance system is in place for employers who do not adhere to the COVID-19 health and safety precautions in the workplace. The Department of Labour and Environmental Health Officers addresses these non-compliant employers and their companies may be closed down if they do not follow strict health and safety guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in workplaces.
- 5. <u>Discussion on the Legal Advisory Note De Beer vs the Minister of</u> <u>Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs</u>

# 5.1 Overview and background

The purpose of the engagement on Thursday 18 June 2020 was to discuss the legal advisory note provided by Adv R Maasdorp, the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's (WCPP) Legal Adviser, to the Committee. The Committee resolved, at its meeting on Wednesday 3 June 2020, to request a legal advisory note from the WCPP's Legal Support unit on the Gauteng High Court (the Court) judgment in respect of De Beers versus the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) concerning the Disaster Management Act Regulations governing activities during the lockdown(s). The Committee was interested to understand the consequences of the judgement for their constituents and the work of government. The judgment, stated the following:

- (i) The lockdown regulations promulgated by the Minister of COGTA were declared unconstitutional and invalid;
- (ii) The Declaration of Invalidity was suspended until such time as the Minister reviewed, amended and republished the regulations; and
- (iii) The Minister was directed to comply with the Court Order within 14 business days from the date of Order, or such longer time as the Court may, on good grounds shown, allow the Minister to report on the compliance. The Court provided the Minister the opportunity to apply for an extension of the period of suspension. There is also allowance for an appeal or an application for a review of the judgment.

## 5.2 Observations and challenges

- 5.2.1 It is believed that the Minister has lodged an appeal against the judgment. This legal action by Government will culminate in the suspension of the Court Order. As a result, the legal status quo, in respect of the lockdown regulations, will remain until after the appeal has been heard.
- 5.2.2 It was advised that, pending the appeal, there are no immediate legal implications for the institution or the Committee itself.
- 5.2.3 The timeframe for the matter to be heard was subject to the Court's roll. It was possible that the officials and relevant presiding officers would give due consideration to the urgency and need for legal clarity.
- 5.2.4 In terms of arrests made during the period where the regulations were enforced, if someone was arrested for having contravened particular regulations, then the arrest would stand. However, if the regulations were found to be unconstitutional then the person would have recourse.
- 5.2.5 The role of the National Council of Provinces (NCOP), in respect of the issuing of Regulations during the national lockdown, was also addressed in the judgment. The Court referred to Section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act (Act 57 of 2002) (the Act), which provides that if a national state of disaster is declared, the Minister may, after consulting the responsible Cabinet member, make regulations or issue directions or authorise the issue of directions in respect of a number of "functional areas" as listed in that Section. The Court found that these "functional areas" fell within the areas of provincial legislative competence.

Section 146(6) of the Constitution provides that a law made in terms of an Act of Parliament or a Provincial Act can prevail only if that law has been approved by the NCOP. However, Section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act does not enjoin the Minister to first seek NCOP approval when making regulations in terms of this Section. Hence, the Court found that the provinces need not give prior approval for the regulations.

## 6. Acknowledgements

The Chairperson thanked the Provincial Department of Health for its hard work in the sector so far during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Chairperson also thanked the Members for their participation in the meetings held so far.

MONDAY, 27 JULY 2020

# ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

Referral of document to committee in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

## Parliamentary Oversight Committee

Western Cape Provincial Parliament: First quarter performance report for the period ended 30 June 2020.

# TABLINGS

The Speaker:

1. Tabling of document in terms of section 54(1) and (2) of the Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislatures Act, 2009 (Act 10 of 2009), as amended:

Western Cape Provincial Parliament: First quarter performance report for the period ended 30 June 2020.

2. Tabling of the annual submission of the Financial and Fiscal Commission in compliance with the provisions of section 220(1) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, and section 9(1) of the Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations Act, 1997 (Act 97 of 1997):

## Financial and Fiscal Commission

Annual submission of the Financial and Fiscal Commission's recommendations on the division of revenue for 2021/22.

TUESDAY, 28 JULY 2020

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Speaker:

### VOTING PROCEDURE FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE WESTERN CAPE ADJUSTMENTS APPROPRIATION (COVID-19) BILL (2020/21 FINANCIAL YEAR) [B 4–2020]

In order for the Members to have their respective votes on the above-mentioned Bill recorded correctly, the Presiding Officer will enquire from the Chief Whips to indicate their respective parties' positions on the Bill.

Once the Chief Whips have indicated their parties' positions, the Presiding Officer will also enquire whether there are individual Members of those specific parties who would want to record a different vote from that of their party. This procedure will only apply to a party with more than one Member represented in the WCPP.

The names of the individual Members present and their support or otherwise for the Question before the House will be recorded in the Minutes of Proceedings to ensure a full record of the voting on the Bill.

The above-mentioned procedure will apply to the:

- Consideration of the principle of the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020].
- Consideration of votes and schedules Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020] (Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities).
- Finalisation of the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020] (Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities).

TUESDAY, 28 JULY 2020

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Report of the Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters on Vote 1: Premier in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 24 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters reports that it has concluded its deliberations on Vote 1: Premier in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 188, and that it supports the Vote referred to it.

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view not to support the Vote.

 Report of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism on Vote 3: Provincial Treasury in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 24 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism reports that it has concluded its deliberations on Vote 3: Provincial Treasury in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 188, and that it supports the Vote referred to it.

#### Minority view

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress reserves the right to express its view in the House.

3. Report of the Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport on Vote 4: Community Safety in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 27 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 4: Community Safety in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

#### **Minority view**

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view not to support the Vote.

4. Report of the Standing Committee on Education on Vote 5: Education in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 24 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Education, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 5: Education in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view not to support the Vote.

 Report of the Standing Committee on Health on Vote 6: Health in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 27 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Health, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 6: Health in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

#### Minority view

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view not to support the Vote.

6. Report of the Standing Committee on Social Development on Vote 7: Social Development in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 24 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Social Development, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 7: Social Development in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

#### Minority view

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view not to support the Vote.

 Report of the Standing Committee on Human Settlements on Vote 8: Human Settlements in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 27 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Human Settlements, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 8: Human Settlements in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view that it does not support the Vote.

8. Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning on Vote 9: Environmental Affairs and Development Planning in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 24 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 9: Environmental Affairs and Development Planning in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

#### Minority view

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view that it does not support the Vote.

9. Report of the Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works on Vote 10: Transport and Public Works in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 27 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 10: Transport and Public Works in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

#### **Minority view**

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view that it does not support the Vote.

10. Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning on Vote 11: Agriculture in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 24 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 11: Agriculture in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view that it does not support the Vote.

11. Report of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism on Vote 12: Economic Development and Tourism in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 27 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism reports that it has concluded its deliberations on Vote 12: Economic Development and Tourism in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4– 2020], referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 188, and that it supports the Vote referred to it.

#### **Minority view**

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view not to support the Vote.

12. Report of the Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport on Vote 13: Cultural Affairs and Sport in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 27 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Community Safety, Cultural Affairs and Sport, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 13: Cultural Affairs and Sport in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

#### Minority view

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view not to support the Vote.

### 13. Report of the Standing Committee on Local Government on Vote 14: Local Government in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], dated 27 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Local Government, having deliberated on the subject of Vote 14: Local Government in the Schedule to the Western Cape Adjustments Appropriation (COVID-19) Bill (2020/21 Financial Year) [B 4–2020], referred to the Committee in accordance with Standing Rule 188, reports that it supports the Vote.

In accordance with Standing Rule 90 the African National Congress expressed its minority view that it does not support the Vote.

# 14. Report of the Standing Committee on Social Development on the Western Cape Laws Repeal Bill [B 5–2019], dated 21 July 2020, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Social Development, having considered the subject of the Western Cape Laws Repeal Bill [B 5–2019], referred to it in accordance with Standing Rule 173, reports the Bill without amendments.

# INTERPELLATIONS, QUESTIONS AND REPLIES

# QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

Question standing over from Thursday, 4 June 2020, as agreed to by the House:

Domestic violence during the lockdown period

# 3. Ms N Makamba-Botya asked the Minister of Community Safety:

Premier Alan Winde's Safety Plan promised to prevent crime "where" and "when" it occurs:

What role has been played by the City of Cape Town's law enforcement officers in the prevention and interception of domestic violence during the lockdown period?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Good afternoon, hon Speaker. Thank you, I want to say thank you to the hon member Makamba-Botya also for allowing me to let her question stand over. She really displayed amazing humanity and I really appreciate that. The reply is as follows:

3. I want to start off by saying that the purpose of the Western Cape Safety Plan is to halve the murder rate over the next ten years. However, the Western Cape Government does recognise the importance of the continued fight against the scourge of domestic violence. I was saying to a journalist earlier today that in our application of policing, when we police, when our LEAP officers, our law enforcement officers together with the South African Police Services, together with the Metro Police, go out and they go police and anywhere while they are busy on patrol, someone alerts them to a domestic violence, they will immediately respond to that, deal with it, arrests who needs to be arrested and assist the woman, the victim in channelling and assist her to firstly lay a complaint, an official criminal charge; but also if needs be and I know hon member Marais is very passionate about this, if needs be to get that lady, that woman to a safe space where she can be accommodated; and if needs be, if the man did anything, maybe committed any crime, to arrest the perpetrator and to deal with him in the criminal way, a criminal justice way; so I think that is an important part.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting National State of Disaster necessitated a shift in the deployment methodology of the LEAP officers. Consequently our officers are moving from a cluster-led deployment model, to a targeted hotspot-led deployment model, which will simultaneously address crime as and when it emerged, and in this regard I want to emphasise, a number of hotspot areas that are gang hotspots are also COVID hotspots and you can see the relationship between that, hon Speaker.

Furthermore, due to the continuing increase in the number of COVID-19 infections in the province, the LEAP officers are being deployed to targeted COVID-19 hotspot areas.

Deployed LEAP officers will continue to assist with roadblocks, respond to COVID-19 complaints, issue notices of fines, make arrests, encourage social distancing within the hotspots where they are deployed, but it must be emphasised that we will not take our foot off the accelerator in terms of the gang hotspots and that will always be data-led. We have seen over the past very, very recent period from 1 to 7 June a spike and quite a big spike in gang violence, and we have seen actually 118 murders committed in that week, which is very different to what happened under lockdown, so our data will force us to re-think all the time, it is a dynamic process to see where deployment is most needed, but not taking our foot off, keeping that balance between COVID and the gang areas. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister Fritz. Hon member Makamba-Botya is not in the House. She informed the Speaker in this regard. She has a bereavement. We will now proceed. I have got follow-up questions from hon member Kama, hon member Christians and hon member Allen – in that order. I recognise hon member Kama.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. My follow-up question, hon Speaker, I think the MEC spoke now about a data-led policing approach. Now I want to get an understanding as to who is responsible for collection of this data and where is it analysed and how frequently is this done to inform our deployment as per the data that has been collected? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: A very good question, hon member Kama. The data, and all is responsible for analysis and whatever what-what, all in the Department of Community Safety. Thank you, hon Speaker.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you very much, hon Speaker, and thank you, Minister, for that answer. All that I want to know is, there are two things: I see now in Lockdown Level 3, there is a surge in the gang violence. We saw the killings all over so there it is again, and I heard the Minister over the radio I think yesterday and the day before, so there is now a surge in gang violence under Lockdown Level 3. Secondly, with families being in the home for such a long time under Lockdown Level 3, domestic violence is really picking up and you refer people to the police, I have been to a case this week. When we refer people to the police station the police say: "Listen, we will write down the charge and then it goes to the courts. It is out of our hands now." So I think with this extended lockdown there is a lot of frustration in families and I just want to know from the Minister, is there something that law enforcement can do because of the long period of extension of the lockdown? Thank you, hon Speaker.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you, hon member Christians. Yes, you are correct, under Level 3 we have seen it, and I think a lot of us have our opinions of it, and we are busy with the research to look at what the contributing factors are in that huge spike in murders.

One of the assumptions, I would say it is assumptions, is the allowance to sell alcohol from the 1<sup>st</sup> again, until the Thursday – Mondays to Thursdays – but that is an assumption. The researchers, the clever people will tell us exactly what is happening, and again I want to say that it is not only the law enforcement but the South African Police Services. I want us – anyone who comes to a police station and people say: "No, we cannot deal with your case, we will do this or that", to please inform me so that we can immediately bring this to the Provincial Management, and I can tell you they deal with it immediately, because we have cases where policemen are saying: "Oh no, we cannot deal with this or we cannot deal with that."

The law enforcement officers are from the City, so they used to have a cluster approach with the COVID lockdown. Remember, they were the ones patrolling the streets and roadblocks and made sure that people were not on the road. It is now more liberalised, it is now more open on Level 3, people are now moving so they still move around and whenever they encounter on their rounds while they are busy patrolling, any form of domestic violence or any other crime, they will act and I can tell you there was some very interesting statistics about some of the arrests made by the law enforcement. But I want to again emphasise it is law enforcement together with the South African Police. They fall, if it is under this whole period now, under the command structure of the South African Police Services.

The City has also decided to take a far stronger COVID approach with the hotspots because they really are serious in getting the hotspots under control and the infections under control, and so many of the law enforcement officers are now also going under their command structure, but anywhere you see crime, you deal with crime. I think that is the point, but please also refer cases where police are reluctant to take your case to us immediately. Thank you, hon member Christians.

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I know that the Minister touched on where assistance is uneven from the side of SAPS, hence I want to touch on the fact if the Minister is able to provide further information in terms of where currently the medical hotspots and the crime hotspots are not aligned, if he can share some information in that regard? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: So the areas where the COVID COVID hotspots at the moment are, are the Tygerberg area, the Khayelitsha area and specifically the Klipfontein area, the bottom part of Klipfontein, and I think the Klipfontein area will include Manenberg, part of Hanover Park, Athlone; so that will coincide with the gang areas. Also, they are not really in the Tygerberg area because it is Elsies River, but Delft definitely is part of that. They are definitely in it. So, and I also just want to say that outside the response of COVID-19, our LEAP officers have also assisted in numerous other operations, I think that is what the hon member is alluding to.

For instance, they issued 909 notices in terms of Section 131 41 [Inaudible]. They have given for [Inaudible] notices were issued in terms of Section 56 bylaws, and 1267 notices were issued in terms of Section 56 traffic offences.

Arrests made, there were a number of arrests just between 1 and 7 June. Eight arrests made of suspects that had not only a stop, but far more drugs on them. The other was an arrest for a robbery, one arrest also for possession of an illegal firearm. They had an arrest for a double murder of someone, so quite significant arrests during the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 7<sup>th</sup> of the month. So I think that is basically some of the kinds of indicators or indications of the LEAP officers where they are busy and where they sometimes go outside the COVID areas and sometimes into the COVID areas. Thank you, hon Speaker.

Mr P J MARAIS: Thank you so much, hon Speaker. I want to broach a subject. We are talking here about the City of Cape Town law enforcement. Minister, would you agree there is a total disrespect and disregard for police enforcement in the Western Cape, in particular we have moved from police, from prisoners, a Prison Department, to a Correctional Service Department with the emphasis on rehabilitation and correction. Would you say since this new system crime has decreased or increased and if the lockdown situation has brought down crime so significantly, and under Level 3 there was again an escalation, what have we learnt from this? Have we not learnt that if a man is a criminal he should be removed from society and not left free to roam in society? What have we learnt from this?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you, hon Speaker. Thank you, hon member Marais. Ja it is a very philosophical question. I think the point that a lot of us are making, hon member Marais - and let me just say it straight the murderers, the rapists, the hardcore criminal must be removed and they must go; there is a prison in Kokstad, a maximum super maximum prison that is underutilised, you will not believe me, it is underutilised. There in that prison you only see yourself for 23 hours and then you go for an hour exercise in the morning, you go for a three-minute shower, you eat in your cell, you do everything in your cell, and then during that hour of exercise you have got no other prisoners; it is alone. So I am saying we have not used it, and I promise you I have seen hardened criminals in that prison who almost want to repent. because they want to get out. When they are in the big prisons, when they are all together, then they can be gangs, they can be numbers. It is great to be a 28-leader. †Daar kan jy nie 'n leader wees nie. [There you cannot be a leader.] There you cannot be. You are your own leader. You sit alone. You see no-one. The wardens are the only people you see and you are most of the time alone, 23 hours.

Now if you commit that kind of crime, that means - and the Constitution allows that there are certain conditions when your freedom can be taken away from you - that when you take other people's lives, when you rob people, when you rape women, that must happen to you.

I think we, as public officers, people who are police officers and law enforcement officers and traffic officers, must also start respecting our communities so that they can get respect back. So when you see the young boy who is walking a bit in a way like he wants to walk, take him under your wing and see how you can rescue him, almost before he gets into gangs, before he goes to a prison. Try and see the good in every child and make something of him, if you can. If you can, give him a chance. Do not always just want to arrest the child for he did something small. There is a very interesting aspect in child justice and the Child Justice Act talks about divergence. Divert the child away from the criminal system and allow him to develop and become an amazing human being, but then the programme must work, but it must start with the public officer; not with the social worker – with the police officer. It will continue and then you identify with the social worker. That child will go back to school eventually and will be a good learner in school and he will finish his schooling and become a great citizen. We must not always want to just throw everyone in prison. The hard criminals – they deserve to be in prison.

I think the lockdown showed us that it was curfew time; it was a state-of-emergency type of time. That is not normal, so I think after that everyone go bonkers again. Let our normal society be one of respect for everyone, deal with the hard criminals, and really, really all citizens to have human dignity and should be treated like people who have human dignity. Thank you, hon Speaker.

# New Questions

# Saldanha Bay Municipality: resignations

# 1. Ms L J Botha asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to his reply to Question 1 of 7 May 2020:

(a) What were the reasons for the resignations of the (i) municipal manager and (ii) chief financial officer and (b) what was the rand value of the packages paid out to them?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Speaker, and thank you to the hon member for the question. To reply to the question, the reply I received from Cederberg Municipality reports is as follows:

1. The municipal manager, Mr Louis Volschenk, resigned from the Municipality and accepted another position at Saldanha Bay Municipality. The second part: the chief financial officer, Mr Enrico Alfred, resigned from the Municipality and no reasons were offered by him upon resignation.

The (b) part of hon Botha's question, no packages were paid out to either Mr Volschenk or Mr Alfred upon their respective resignations. I thank you.

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, no follow-up question and thank you to the Minister.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you. My follow-up question to MEC Bredell is do you think the reason that hon member Botha is asking you this question has anything to do with how painful it must be for the DA and MPL Botha, in particular, having lost... [Interjection.]

Ms L J BOTHA: Please, Speaker!

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: ...both Cederberg Municipality as well as the... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Order! Thank you, hon member Dugmore, but that is a new question.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: No-no, no-no, I am asking if it was painful because I am going to the issue of the packages. I am still busy with the question.

The SPEAKER: Oh, alright, you may proceed, hon member Dugmore.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: *Ja*, thank you. Given that the Democratic Alliance gave packages to Director Jan Swartz as well as the UD Mayor, Mr Danie Lubbe, in Matzikama, and also that in regard to this matter of Clanwilliam it is clear that there is a very defined process by the Municipality where the ANC runs, and this is the question: do you think it has more to do with the levels of painful loss of power that a question like this which actually has no substance, is being asked?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Hon Deputy Speaker, I try to work with the facts and I think to be honest with you, that if you are a democrat and if you are in the Democratic Alliance you understand the will of the voters and if that is the will of the voters to shift power, it is in a democracy, that will happen. Hon Botha is within her rights to ask the questions because she has got an oversight role and it is in the best interest of all of us that we focus on oversight roles and then we enforce discipline within our municipalities, so I do not have any problem with her asking the questions and I can just call on all councillors to work with taxpayers' money respectfully because we are going to enter into a very difficult phase after COVID. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister Bredell. Hon members, will you please, please look after your microphones. I sensed a noise which is not very good for those members who are participating in the questions. Now I move to Question number 2. I recognise... [Interjection.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Speaker, hon Wenger.

The SPEAKER: Chief Whip.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Speaker, if I may, as per the Minister's request to the member this question will stand over to the next sitting please.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Chief Whip. That is the request, hon members.

[Question 2 stands over.]

# Taxi violence on the Cape Flats

# 3. Mr R D Mackenzie asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

With regard to taxi violence on the Cape Flats:

- (1) What is the status of the situation;
- (2) whether crime intelligence has been involved in trying to identify the alleged perpetrators; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. The reply is as follows:

3. Between 1 January and 31 May this year there have been 25 taxi-related murders and 11 cases of attempted murder. These include cases on the Cape Flats, in Delft, Bellville, Bloekombos and Nyanga, but also cases as far as Mbekweni, Ceres and Worcester, with the common thread being that all of the cases involved either CATA (Cape Amalgamated Taxi Association) or CODETA (Cape Organisation for the Democratic Taxi Association) affiliated associations.

The investigation of these crimes has been prioritised by SAPS. Where there is conflict between rival associations my Department has provided independent mediators to diffuse tensions. We have also in the past called on the leadership of the South African National Taxi Council (SANTACO) and mother bodies CATA and CODETA to intervene when possible to diffuse disputes through mediation before such disputes erupts into violent conflict or criminal acts of murder, and to identify criminal elements who contribute towards the crimes and violent conflict.

The Department of Transport and Public Works work very closely with the South African Police Service to identify the underlying causes of conflict and those operators who have legitimate rights and valid operating licences to operate at particular ranks and roads. This usually follows appeals by legal taxi operators for assistance from enforcement authorities with regard to infiltration by illegal operators onto their already saturated routes and ranks. The Department also engages the transport planning divisions of municipalities whose responsibility it is to monitor the demand and supply of public transport to routes in their areas.

I also welcome the intervention by the Provincial Commissioner Matakata in assigning a dedicated team of detectives to investigate all the recent and historic taxi-related cases and their commitment to bringing the murders and their enablers to book.

I am informed that the team of detectives, although few in numbers, is making very good progress with current and old cases and have already made a number of arrests. Hon Speaker, this team of detectives works very closely with the SAPS Crime Intelligence Division as well as other Government entities to identify linkages between all taxi-related crimes, including murders, attempted murders and aspects of organised crime. I thank you.

Mr L L MVIMBI: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. Through you, hon Minister, I just wanted to find out whether you have given a very extensive response in terms of the question. Have you maybe also looked into what is the root cause of this violence that are taking place in these areas as I believe it is not the first time that we are having this kind of violence, but then have you ever taken time to look as to what is the root cause of this problem? Thank you very much, hon Speaker.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much for the question, hon member Mvimbi. What we have managed to pick up, because from the taxi violence in Hout Bay to Paarl to Delft to Bellville we have picked up a common thread, is that the main cause of these conflicts is routeinvasion, and this is normally between these two associations that I spoke about, which is CATA and CODETA, where members of a particular association just decide to invade the route that is serviced by a particular organisation and then the violence erupts; and that is the common thread that we are also picking up, but the second element has to do with illegal operators. We have a number of taxis in the Western Cape that are operating without licences and it is a problem that I am paying very close attention to. I have already had a number of engagements with planning authorities because as hon member Mvimbi would know, that before the Provincial Regulatory Entity (PRE) issues a licence it is the Planning Authority that must give a go-ahead at municipal level or at local level for us to be able to do so, but I am picking up that the issue of supply and demand is also contributing to these outstanding operating licences and it is something that I am really pushing so that we can really deal with the backlog of operating licences. Thank you, Hon Speaker.

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, hon Speaker, through you, thank you to the Minister. He touched on the convictions in terms of taxi-related incidents, but I wanted to check with the Minister if there is a link between the various incidents of violence? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much for that question. Yes, hon member, there is a link and I think as I have alluded to in the response that I have just given to hon member Mvimbi, unfortunately with this link especially in Bellville and in Delft we also discovered that it is not only the route-invasion that is motivating this violence, but also there is involvement of gangs who are also part of the group of people who want to take over these routes by hook or crook, and we are working very closely with SAPS. We have a very reliable intelligence and also a device, a system that we have now established, to really follow these links, and we are making progress. We have already had success – this past weekend members of SAPS have arrested about five people, which is really, really commendable and all these people are linked to these associations that I spoke about. Hon member Allen. Thank you. Now I have an insurance company. They can track my vehicle wherever I go, wherever I am at any moment, even if I have an accident or a slight bump, they contact me and say: "Are you alright? We notice a bump."

Our Premier speaks about entering the Fifth Industrial Revolution, the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Are we part of it? If taxi routing is the problem you tell me why can taxis not be fitted with a device that will show the Traffic Department if he is out of his area if he has gone over the boundaries for which he has been licensed. If he operates within a wrong area he should get a traffic fine. Then we take away the commitment of a crime from taxi owners themselves to correct. We allowed taxi operators to become judges and policemen, maybe a taxi driver... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Marais, you need to end your question. You need to ask the question and not make a statement.

Mr P J MARAIS: No, that is the question, sir. I say, should we not install in these taxis devices that can tell the Traffic Department if they are outside their area of operation?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much for the question. Well, the operating licences of all the operators stipulate the area of operation for that particular taxi so it is very easy to pick up if someone is operating in an area that they should not be operating in. I remember, hon member Marais, through you, hon Speaker, that we had a big issue where I had to intervene because a number of taxis were caught on routes where they are not supposed to be and the excuse that they made is that when there is an accident or when there is traffic, they normally try and avoid the traffic and unfortunately end up on the route that they should not be; they are not supposed to be operating in. But the last point that I want to make in this whole taxi regime to hon member Marais, because he spoke about the importance of regulating it, there are a number of gaps of course that we need to fill here.

I think the biggest problem are taxi associations because the reason why we have so many illegal operators is because of how the whole taxi regime is structured. When I buy a taxi, the first call is to go to a taxi association in Delft or Khayelitsha and then register, pay a registration fee for me to operate there, before I actually apply for a licence. Now there this incentive results in the over-flooding of routes where the supply becomes more than the demand because of this incentive that is paid to the taxi associations in the form of a joining fee and this is something that we are now dealing with, because an operator pays up to R200 000 joining fee for one taxi and that puts a lot of pressure on the planning authorities to issue licences and PRE to issue licences when in fact it should not be done in that way. So I agree with you that there are a number of gaps.

I have identified those gaps to deal with the whole industry and regime in the taxi space so it is really a space that needs to be revolutionalised, if I can put it that way. Thank you, hon Speaker.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you very much, hon Speaker, and thanks to the Minister for the responses provided. I want to check, hon Speaker, is there any thinking of forming a dispute resolution process than only jumping when there is violence in the space, because it gets difficult to stop it when people have killed each other already and it gets to have more criminal elements, and I think the Department in one meeting we had in Mbekweni indicated that they have ways to see when there are challenges in their particular route.

Now I want to check if there is any thinking around having a dispute resolution process that even in the eyes of the taxi operators will be seen to be fair and not having any of these associations.

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS: Thank you very much to hon member Kama for that question. What we normally do, hon member Kama, in a situation where there is a dispute, we normally get the services of independent mediators and we make sure that those mediators are accepted by all the parties that are in conflict, but I think it is a good point that you are making that perhaps we should consider having a sort of a permanent body that deals with disputes. I think it is a suggestion that I am taking to heart and see whether we cannot have that because as things stand now we normally use the services of independent mediators. They succeed sometimes, but sometimes they do not, because of the nature of the challenges in the industry. So I have taken note of the suggestion. I will certainly consider it. Thank you very much.

# RISSUP Programme at Dunoon, greater Kosovo and Ithemba

# 4. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Social Development:

Why has there been a delay in the commencement of the Rapid Informal Settlement Support and Upgrade Programme (RISSUP) at Dunoon, Greater Kosovo and Ithemba since the national Minister announced in March that reblocking would be occurring in these areas?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Thank you very much, hon Speaker, and thank you very much to the hon member Maseko for this question, which is quite pertinent at the current moment, and the member has indeed noted correctly that delays have occurred for the specific areas but they are related to administrative processes that my Department needs to adhere to, which are in the hands of the local governments or in this case the City of Cape Town, hon Speaker. The reply is as follows:

4. These administrative processes relate to town planning, the urgent application that we have submitted for urgent housing, but also a rezoning application on the specific sites; but also for one of the sites we are still awaiting for the National Department of Public Works to give the power of attorney so that we can commence on that specific site, but through you,

hon Speaker, to the member, as much as there has been an administrative delay from a Provincial Department's perspective, we have also made progress in the meantime pertaining to stakeholder engagement in these specific identified areas over the least 11 weeks. We have had more than 18 public engagements, also key stakeholder engagements in these areas, for all these three sites which the hon member is referring to, but we have also commenced the process more so in the area of Dunoon and the greater Kosovo area for identifying the possible beneficiaries that will form part of our programme, but also from the immediate surrounding areas respectively when we talk about Ithemba as well, hon Speaker.

Now the areas of the greater Kosovo and Ithemba will obviously feed into or the beneficiaries will come from the Airport Precinct which entails Lusaka, Tsunami, Vukuzenzele, Kanana and then from the Khayelitsha portion of our programme it will come from Victoria Mxenge, Silvertown, BM Section and Taiwan. Thank you, hon Speaker.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. Minister I just want to find out seeing that we do not have that, we are in the abnormal normal now, are there any systems in place from the Department of Human Settlements to cut the red tape in implementing the projects to make sure that we implement the densification to all the TRAs that are in process?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Hon member Maseko, yes, no, indeed from a provincial department's side, since the announcement by our National Minister my team has been practically busy. We have seen from our planning perspective and also from our implementation perspective our various teams together with HJ and the City of Cape Town's administrative team, preparing exactly the layout plans for these projects identifying the type of technology that we are going to use.

Also we have finalised from our perspective a shortened process of identifying the possible procurement processes that are needed to accelerate in all three areas due to the urgent need for the re-densification as announced by our National Minister, hon member Maseko, so from the Provincial Government's side we have done everything humanly possible to reduce red tape from our perspective, but I do believe one will now need to engage the local sphere of Government and not just the City of Cape Town but other B Municipalities as well; perhaps it is time that they also need to identify processes that they can cut and reduce red tape to ensure that we expedite the delivery of human settlements but more so under this difficult period known as COVID-19. Thank you, hon member.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, Chairperson. On 30 May the Department's spokesperson confirmed in the media that the red tape was holding back decongestion plans and the Department was busy with statutory processes which required approval from the City. Now I therefore want to know to what extent did this red tape contribute to these delays and in a way contribute to widespread infections in the hotspot areas as congestion could not occur.

Then, secondly, Chair, if I listened to the MEC, he makes mention of the areas that will benefit in that project but I did not hear the MEC touching on people of Woodlands where that particular spot is located, but also I want to get an understanding from the MEC in that specific space. What consideration are they giving to people who have disabilities in terms of human settlement accommodation? I thank you, Chair.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Hon Speaker, no, thank you to hon member Lekker for indeed – †dit is 'n taamlike mondvol, [it is quite a mouthful,] we would say in Afrikaans. I think they are very relevant questions and I would answer them as thoroughly as possible.

Indeed, hon member Lekker, and I will start with the first portion of your question which relates to a statement which my MLO made on the 30<sup>th,</sup> and I can confer to you that as a Provincial Department, but also as Provincial Government we respect the different spheres of government and each one's role that they play in the specific processes which are outlined in the National Housing Code, but also all other relevant national legislation in this case. Like I have alluded to, the process of town planning, the application for urgent housing and rezoning, falls within the sphere of Local Government and as such, for instance the town planning application, the urgent housing application that was done on 12 May through the City of Cape Town, obviously comes after we have started a really rigorous and thorough process of stakeholder and public participation to ensure that nobody feels left behind.

We are yet awaiting that process, member, to the best of my knowledge up until 24 hours back the Mayor still needs to sign off approval for the town planning but also the urgent housing application.

The secondary part, member, which is also referred to indirectly by my MLO, refers to the rezoning application of which we have done two on 15 May to the City of Cape Town to rezone portions of a specific site from its current usage to a mixed-usage one. The case number there is 70503552. We are yet to receive a response once again from the City of Cape Town in this regard, but I do have to respect the processes of the City of Cape Town as the relevant sphere of government which needs to approve our requests, member.

Member, then obviously the greater Kosovo, the Kosovo area also entails the area of Woodlands, hence I always talk about the greater Kosovo area and that is also when we started the process of public engagement or stakeholder engagement, we did allude to obviously taking cognisance of the guidance and the input from the Department of Health that the core envisaged beneficiaries or people that we are going to move as part of the re-blocking exercise will be the elderly and the most vulnerable. The most vulnerable obviously include persons with disability, but member, we also need to understand the urgency of this matter and also through the various stakeholder engagements that we have done and we have emphasised this as such, is that there are also community dynamics in some of these areas where more public or leadership engagements are needed because some of these informal settlement areas are at a very young age, if we look at the overall age of informal settlements.

To your response of the contribution of this delay in the increasing number of infections, I am not a qualified doctor in that regard, but what I can tell you is that my sister department, the Department of Health, together with my Department and the City of Cape Town have jointly gone into these areas, have done rigorous stakeholder engagements. The Department of Health, I am aware, has also done targeted screening in areas like Dunoon and so forth, so they have played their part and from a Human Settlements perspective that is the input that I can give to that portion of your question. Thank you.

### COVID-19 Relief

### 5. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

(a) How much has the Provincial Government spent on the COVID-19 response and (b) what has been the quantitative spread between social and economic relief, expressed both in figures and in percentages?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon Speaker, and thank you to the hon member for putting the question. The reply is as follows:

5. he actual expenditure on the COVID-19 response by the Province as of 2 June 2020 amounts to R525,7 million with commitments amounting to R905,8 million. The quantitative spread between social and economic relief expressed both in figures and as a percentage as of 2 June 2020 are as follows:

The social relief amounts to R377,3 million or 72% of the total actual COVID-19 expenditure, which comprises of expenditure by the Department of Education at R52,7 million; Health at R288 million; Social Development at R20,4 million as well as Local Government at R16,2 million.

At this stage the indirect economic relief expenditure by the Department of Economic Development and Tourism amounts to R814 000 or 0,2% of the total COVID-19 expenditure.

Hon Speaker, I think it is important to point out that in relation to economic relief measures these are largely the function of National Government, which, as members will be aware, has announced a range of economic relief measures; most recently of course the relief measures for tour guides across South Africa.

The Department of Economic Development and Tourism in partnership, of course, with Wesgro and City of Cape Town, have established a website called the COVID-19 Support Fund, which allows businesses to fill in online forms and proposes a range of relief measures which are applicable to that business, and assists business to access the funds produced, made available by National Government.

Then of course, as I have mentioned in the House before, the Red Tape Reduction Unit is also working to help businesses with individual challenges, accessing funds from National Government, particularly the UIF TERS pay-outs, which have been made available to businesses in the Western Cape. Thank you, hon Speaker.

Ms N D NKONDLO: Thank you, hon Speaker, and thank you to the Minister for the response. I must say, hon Speaker, it is quite concerning when one considers the spread, because the intention really is to try and bring to the fore whether we are making efforts regarding this particular pandemic. We are cognisant of the holistic response we always speak about insofar as how we are responding to the challenge, and my follow-up question, hon Speaker, is if then, hon Minister, economic relief speaks about 0.2% versus 72% on social relief, understanding of course the nature of the crisis, how then can we say we would derive some economic recovery from this kind of an investment because if you consider it, one sees that there is very little that has actually gone into considering the kind of economic impact; that they are scared, or the impact that the pandemic has had on the economy. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Nkondlo. Hon Minister Maynier?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon Speaker. As the hon member is aware and as hon members of the House are aware, my Department together with our partners in Wesgro and the City of Cape Town have worked around the clock to support business, to save jobs and to save the economy in the Western Cape.

We have put in place a number of measures: a COVID-19 contact centre, which main aim is to support business during the crisis; the COVID-19 Support Finder, which I have mentioned, which assists businesses access funding and which has dealt with over 6,000 queries; and then of course we have our Red Tape Reduction Unit assisting businesses not only to navigate the difficult regulations issued by National Government, but also assisting businesses access national relief funds.

So our departments are working around the clock to support business in the Western Cape, and I believe that that will contribute to an economic recovery in the Western Cape.

At the same time, hon Speaker, we are in the process of developing an economic recovery plan and I would expect that as time progresses we will obviously begin to spend more in this environment, particularly in the infrastructure space going forward, and I think that this ultimately will have an effect on the economic recovery in the Western Cape. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you hon the Minister. I now recognise hon member Baartman. Before hon member Baartman comes in, I just want to bring this to the attention of the hon members – hon member Marais, hon member Mitchell and hon member Nkondlo, I see your hands are up. There is no time left beyond the two speakers, which is hon member Baartman and Minister Maynier. We have exhausted our time. I am just dealing with the last one. Ms D M BAARTMAN: Thank you, hon Speaker. I would like to find out from the Minister, given that many of the functions mentioned are part of the National Government mandate, and rightfully the Western Cape has used large portions of our current funding on the health crisis specifically and that particular Department, has the Minister interacted with the National Minister on funding the province's COVID-19 response, and whether the Western Cape will have sufficient funding to support our COVID-19 response currently in the province? Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Baartman. Hon Minister Maynier.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Thank you, hon member Baartman, for the question.

Yes, I have engaged with the Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, regularly, who to his credit during this crisis, has convened regular, almost weekly teleconferences with MECs for Finance, and of course I have interacted with the Minister at Budget Councils as we head to the supplementary budget which will be tabled in the National Assembly on 24 June 2020.

I have to say that tough decisions are going to have to be made, and despite significant efforts at reprioritisation, and despite, I think, committing significant portions of our reserve to the response, I can say that we will require a portion or a share of the R20 billion that National Government plans to make available for the health response to provinces across South Africa.

So I have been in contact with the Minister, specifically seeking urgent clarity on the amount that will be allocated to our province from the R20 billion which National Government plans to make available to provinces, including the Western Cape.

We are of course reassured by the statement made by President Cyril Ramaphosa during his visit to our province last week, where he assured us that cost was not going to be the issue when it comes to our response to COVID-19, not only in the Western Cape, but across South Africa.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister Maynier. Hon members, that concludes the oral questions. The remaining questions will be printed in Hansard.

[Question time expired.]

[Replies to questions 6 to 9 to be printed in Hansard]

Questions and replies as received from departments

# ORAL QUESTIONS

For written reply

#### COVID-19: workplace transmission

# 6. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

(a) What has been the contribution of workplace transmission of COVID-19 to the high infection rate at identified hotspots and (b) what mitigation measures have been put in place by his Department?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

6. As I have stated previously in a written reply to similar questions from the Honourable member, it is very difficult to determine whether an employee contracted the virus at their workplace, or in their communities, or on public transport, as it depends on a clear exposure history and for most cases the transmission route is unknown.

And so, it is impossible to say exactly what contribution workplace transmission has on high infection rates in different hotspots. Indeed, it could be that the location of staff members in hotspot areas is the cause of increased workplace infections.

Undoubtedly, at the start of the lockdown certain retail and other businesses which were considered essential services became vectors of transmission given that they were areas of congregation for people.

That is why we have adopted a hotspot approach which takes a whole-ofgovernment, targeted approach to interventions in these areas.

Transmission can happen in a range of situations, thus for every hotspot a range of officials across departments have been assigned.

For example, our colleagues in the Department of Transport are making interventions at public transport nodes in hotspot areas to ensure that hygiene standards are maintained, and that all passengers wear cloth masks.

Overall, the aim is to intervene at every level, from communications, to quarantine and isolation, to interactions with individual businesses in hotspot areas.

In line with this, the Department of Economic Development and Tourism is working hard to assist businesses to stop the spread of Covid-19 in the workplace and help them to remain open in order to save jobs and the economy in the Western Cape. Our aims are:

- Reduce community infection spread;
- Enable business to stay open through reducing workplace infections; and
- Illustrate how businesses can manage COVID19 responsibly, enabling businesses to stay open and further businesses to open

Thus each hotspot has a dedicated lead inside the Department. These leads coordinate work in particular hotspots directly with businesses in a two-pronged approach.

The first prong is: <u>providing support to businesse</u>s in hotspot areas. We do this through the provision of:

- health guidelines for the workplace, which detail for instance how to conduct a risk assessment,
- information materials on how to stop the spread of Covid-19 in the workplace, which includes posters, social distancing stickers for floor spaces and safety kits, and
- direct advice on how to implement these measures in businesses and others such as how to influence external compliance outside of particularly retail stores. This includes ensuring social distancing outside stores and that people are wearing masks.

The second prong is: <u>compliance</u> in hotspot areas.

We do this through:

- Compliance monitoring through various channels such as our online complaints form as well as information received from the Department of Health and the City's environmental health directorate, and
- Compliance enforcement, which is done by the Department of Employment and Labour as well as the South African Police Service. We escalate matters of urgency from our compliance monitoring activities when inspection and enforcement is required.

We continue to work hard to ensure that all employers and employees implement and adhere to the critical safety measures to stop the spread of Covid-19 in the workplace.

# COVID-19: expenditure

# 7. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Miniser of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (1) How much has the provincial government spent on the COVID-19 response, and
- (2) What has been the quantitative spread between social and economic relief, expressed both in figures and in percentages?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

- 7. (1) The actual expenditure on the COVID-19 response by the Province as at 2 June 2020 amounts to R525.726 million with commitments amounting to R905.858 million. (Note: full table in additional information below).
  - (2) The quantitative spread between social and economic relief, expressed both in figures and as percentages as at 2 June 2020, are as follows:
    - Social relief amounts to R377.355 million or 72 per cent of the total actual COVID-19 expenditure.

This comprises of expenditure by the Departments of Education, R52.748 million, Health, R288.001 million, Social Development, R20.406 million, as well as Local Government, R16.2 million for the provision of food parcels to vulnerable households.

• At this stage indirect economic relief expenditure by the Department of Economic Development and Tourism amounts to, R814 000 or 0.2 per cent of the total actual COVID-19 expenditure.

It is important to note in relation to economic relief measures that this lever is largely a National government lever, and as you are aware, National government have announced a range of relief measures, the latest being a relief fund for Tourist guides.

The Department of Economic Development and Tourism in partnership with Wesgro has set up a specific website – the COVID-19 Support finder – which allows businesses to fill in an online form and then proposes a range of relief measures which may be applicable to that business or individual – with details on how to apply.

To date, over 6 600 businesses have used our COVID-19 Support Finder.

The Department, through the Red Tape Reduction unit is also working to help with individual challenges, such as businesses who had not received UIF payouts due to documentation issues.

# COVID-19 budget

# 8. Mr M Xego asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (1) How much is the budget allocated for COVID-19-related matters in the province by his Department;
- (2) whether his Department requested more funding from the National Treasury; if so, how much;

(3) how much did the Province spend on turning the Cape Town International Convention Centre into a medical facility?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

- 8. (1) The Western Cape Government (WCG) does not have a budget specifically for COVID-19. As part of the provincial budget strategy, the practice is to put in place an unforeseen and unavoidable reserve, which amounts to R208.498 million in 2020/21. In the past, under normal circumstances, any disaster would have been funded immediately through reprioritisation and from the unforeseen and unavoidable reserve. This disaster, however, is different from any previous disaster faced by the Province in terms of its impact on the economy and the social and fiscal response required. Part of the strategy followed by the WCG to holistically respond to COVID-19, is to review the current 2020 Budget, as well as its fiscal framework.
  - (2) The scope of any additional national financing for the disaster response has not yet been formally communicated by the National Treasury. It is, however, clear that, notwithstanding all efforts by the Western Cape Government, the provincial internal initiatives for financing and reprioritisation will be insufficient to respond to this crisis and therefore I have written to the National Minister of Finance outlining the Western Cape Government's COVID-19 Health response and the related budgetary risks with the objective of obtaining further clarity on funding from National Treasury.
  - (3) As at 8 June 2020, the cost of turning the Cape Town International Convention Centre 1 into a COVID-19 medical facility is estimated at R112.5 million. The initial set-up cost includes the infrastructure fitout and facility operating costs of R43.6 million for the Department of Transport and Public Works and R68.9 million for the medical set-up cost for the Department of Health. The initial cost for Transport and Public Works includes the temporary infrastructure build, cleaning, and security. The medical fit-out cost for the Department of Health mainly includes medical technology and medical waste management equipment, inclusive of the installation cost.

The recurring costs, subject to the utilisation period of the facility, amounts to R234 million. This includes R37 million for infrastructure facility management for Transport and Public Works and R197 million for medical operations for 850 beds for 90 days.

# Schools: COVID-19 infections

# 9. Ms N Makamba-Botya asked the Minister of Education:

- How many teachers in the province have tested positive for COVID-19 to date;
- (2) whether there are any plans to increase the number of classrooms at schools in order to accommodate more learners going forward and, at the same time, to adhere to the requirements of social distancing in classrooms; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) whether teachers in the province have been trained to handle learners in schools who are suspected of being infected with COVID-19; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

A total of 98 teachers have tested positive for Covid-19 as at 4 June 2020, our most recent reporting date. This constitutes approximately 0.3% of the total number of teachers in the province.

Please note, however, that when schools have reported confirmed staff cases, this does not necessarily mean that those teachers contracted the virus at the school. This total figure includes cases reported by teachers before schools even re-opened.

(2) No. We do not have the funds for additional classrooms – we have already used over R280 million for safety and hygiene materials for schools, and are expecting further budget cuts from the national government in the upcoming adjusted budget.

Schools were asked to do the following in preparation for the return of Grade 12 and Grade 7 learners:

- plan to ensure that learners are able to maintain a distance of 1m between desks and 1.5m between learners (grades are currently being split into separate classrooms to ensure this),
- determine the point where physical distancing will not be possible in this manner as more grades return, and
- submit plans to then maintain physical distancing beyond this point, which might include certain groups attending school on alternate days or certain grades attending school on alternate days (with the exception of Grade 12 who must attend continuously).
- (3) All teachers were to undergo an orientation session on a variety of protocols and procedures in managing Covid-19 in schools, including how to handle learners in schools who are suspected of being infected with Covid-19.

The WCED provided the following guidelines in this regard:

- Managing COVID-19 cases in schools
- Important information from the Department of Health
- Orientation Staff and Learners
- Screening of Staff and Learners
- Psycho-social support
- Managing hostel safety during Covid-19

Please note, however, that the number of teachers that have reported confirmed staff cases DOES NOT mean that they contracted the virus at the school, nor does it mean that the school is at risk. In many of the cases, the staff member has not even returned to school since schools reopened as they fell ill before returning.

- (2) No. We do not have the funds for additional classrooms. The phased in approach allows for a decrease in learner numbers at schools. Schools have been asked to do the following in preparation for the return of Grade 12 and Grade 7 learners:
  - schools must plan to ensure that no class has more than 40 learners in it and that learners are able to maintain a distance of 1 metre between desks and 1.5 metres between learners.
  - Schools must determine the point where social distancing will not be possible in this manner as more grades return
  - Schools must submit plans to then maintain social distancing which might include certain groups attending school on alternate days or certain grades attending school on alternate days, other than Grade 12.

The WCED will be addressing this issue in the weeks to come.

(3) All teachers were to undergo an orientation session on a variety of protocols and procedures in managing Covid-19 in schools, including how to handle learners in schools who are suspected of being infected with Covid-19.

The WCED provided the following guidelines in this regard:

WCED Guideline Managing COVID-19 cases in schools https://wcedonline.westerncape.gov.za/documents/BackToSchool/L %20-%20WCED%20Guideline%20Managing%20COVID-19%20cases%20in%20schools.pdf

WCED Guideline Important information from the Department of Health

https://wcedonline.westerncape.gov.za/documents/BackToSchool/A %20-

%20Important%20information%20from%20the%20Department%20of %20Health-Eng.pdf

WCED Guideline Orientation Staff and Learners

https://wcedonline.westerncape.gov.za/documents/BackToSchool/C %20-

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WCED Guideline Screening of Staff and Learners

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WCED Guideline Managing hostel safety during Covid-19 https://wcedonline.westerncape.gov.za/documents/BackToSchool/K %20-%20WCED%20Guideline%20Managing%20hostel%20safety%20duri ng%20Covid-19.pdf

# QUESTIONS TO THE PREMIER WITHOUT NOTICE

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, hon Speaker. Hon Speaker, yesterday in the COVID-19 Ad Hoc Committee we received an update from the Department of Health, and that update contained some alarming information about the situation in the Western Cape and what we are facing.

The National COVID-19 Epi Model, which has been calibrated for the Western Cape, shows our reproduction rate, the R-rate, modelled at 3.38. This means that an infected person is expected to infect 3.38 other people under the current modelling for the Western Cape, and this R-rate is a key metric that epidemiologists and governments around the world are using as they lift restrictions. If we are going to contain the spread of this virus, we need an R-rate below one.

So I would like the Premier to advise us, or to inform the people of the Western Cape whether the Western Cape Government intends to work to reduce this R-rate to below one, and if so, how? Thank you.

The PREMIER: Thank you very much and thank you very much to the hon member Herron for the question. First of all, the direct answer is yes, and that is our hotspot model that we tabled, and of course within that hotspot model we have got various actions that are taking place to curb the spread, but before I even get to the hotspot model, I also think that the epidemiologists in our province have given us a scenario, and we track that scenario.

If you remember right in the beginning of this pandemic, those very epidemiologists said to us that we will be doubling every eight days. I can tell you I monitor that very, very closely, and we are actually less than eight days, and we have been less than eight days for quite a while now.

To make sure that that R-rate comes down, or the spread comes down, that is why we have developed this model where we bring the whole of the society and the whole of government together. I think if you go and track the numbers specifically in the original hotspot of Witzenberg, you will see that we have been very successful there, and of course we are now applying those exact same models to the other hotspots around the City.

We are also looking at now developing that model across the whole province so that even though we might not be in an area where the rate is growing at all, or fast, we will still start to apply to the same model, so we get the whole of society and the whole of government to start working alongside to get behavioural change, to make sure that we are managing the new normal, so that we can actually manage that curb as best as possible, because we do not want to go above the scenario that we have sketched, because then we have not provided sufficient medical or health response. So that is why we track that very closely.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, hon Speaker. The information that we are seeing from other parts of the world, for example in Germany, their R-rate was 0.7 when they started lifting restrictions on movement and economic activity, and after the lift it moved to about one, and their epidemiologists and government were starting to get concerned about an R-rate of one.

I see in the United Kingdom that they are very concerned about a portion in the south-west of the United Kingdom where the R-rate is 1.29, which is regarded by that government as too high, and we are working with an R-rate of 3.38, which seems to suggest that we are going to face a rampant spread of this virus.

So I did not quite get from the Premier, other than reference to the hotspot model, how we are going to bring this R-rate below one so that we can contain the spread of the virus. I wonder if the Premier could answer that more directly. Thank you.

The PREMIER: Thank you, hon Speaker. I have given you how we are managing it, because if we have to apply the exact principle that you are speaking about, which would operate or be able to work very nicely in a First World country, one would know that we would have to then just keep our hard lockdown in place, and of course to keep a hard lockdown in place is not a solution for us here in South Africa. It would not work.

We have seen the starvation and the missing middle class that gets so impacted by the hard lockdown, so we have to find a mechanism in-between, and I again say that that's why we have come up with this hotspot model to try and manage that balance. Of course you will also see, even in those countries, the systems that are put under such pressure, where your health system even with trying to maintain that, is not only managing your COVID-19 spread, but also seeing the massive impact it is having on all sorts of other health issues, let alone humanitarian disaster.

Of course, these decisions do not just come easily, it takes a lot of time, a lot of energy, and a lot of really clever people sitting around the table. There is one thing that we have done, we have not just taken our model, we have tested our model over and over again for us to be able to make these decisions of trying to get that balance right.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, hon Speaker. I am still struggling to understand from the Premier whether we are going to pursue getting our R-rate below one, and if not, if the Premier is saying that that would involve a continued hard lockdown to achieve it; does that mean that the province is in fact pursuing a herd immunity approach? Because if we are not going to get it below one, then we are not going to contain the spread of the virus. So are we going to get this R-rate below one? Is that the objective, or are we saying that the hard lockdown is the only way to achieve a reproduction rate of below one, and we are not going to consider going back to a hard lockdown, therefore that the transmission of this virus will continue to spread rampantly throughout the province, and in fact we are accepting that?

The PREMIER: Thank you very much, hon member Herron. Quite easily, yes, we are trying to get that R-rate down. We are trying to stop the spread, and no, we are not pursuing a herd immunity.

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Speaker. Last week, hon Premier, you indicated a testing backlog at the National Health Laboratory Services, of 27,000 tests. Yesterday Dr Cloete at the Ad Hoc Committee stated that the backlog has now been reduced to 3,727.

The question is what is the latest development in this regard, and how long are patients now waiting for COVID-19 results if they undergo a test? Thank you.

The PREMIER: Thank you very much to the hon member for the question. Yes, I must say that I am really happy to see these numbers coming down. We raised this issue three weeks ago already, because every time the backlog started to grow it was not a 24-hour turnaround, it moved to 48 hours and then eventually at sort of seven to 12 days. If you cannot measure, you cannot manage, specifically the approach of hotspot management, we need to be able to know that we are trying these things and they are successful.

In actual fact, post the President's visit, Minister Mkhize said to me that our 28,000 backlog was going to start to come down, and we saw it just over the weekend come down to about 10,000, and as you have said Dr Cloete said, yesterday about 3,700. I presume within the next day or so we will have the backlog out of the way altogether, and that is really good news, because then you can get your 24-hour, maximum 48-hour turnaround, which gives you much better capacity to manage, number one, and number two, also you will see that in discussion with National we are also looking at how we change our approach to quarantine and isolation. You need quick responses to be able to get people into quarantine and isolation so that we can also slow that spread.

Really good news for us in managing this. Of course, we have also changed our regime because of the backlog. We will not just immediately put it back but will discuss it at the extended Cabinet tomorrow as to when we might change that regime. So we might not go back absolutely straight away, we might now start to include maybe other frontline officials, teachers and policemen, etcetera, but obviously it is good news, because it means that we can start to specifically focus again on the hotspots.

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Speaker. Thank you, hon Premier, for that extensive answer. The question is what other steps, if any, have you as the Premier and your Government taken to prioritise COVID-19 tests? Thank you.

The PREMIER: Thank you again for that follow-up. Obviously for us prioritisation is key, but I must also then say that, in negotiations and discussions that we had on a National Government level, we also got agreement that the prioritisation of the Western Cape became a big thing for us.

Then for us getting that prioritisation right, because you have got to make sure that you are getting maximum use out of your capacity.

Obviously if the capacity picks up, we want to prioritise every citizen in this province, but when you have to make tough choices, then you have got to narrow it down. For us, always, the top priority will be in our hospitals and there it is going to be our patients, because we need to determine very quickly and rapidly whether they need to go into the red line, the COVID-19 line, or they can actually go to other care in that facility.

Then of course our frontline workers. We have to prioritise our nurses and our health professionals. They are at risk and we have got to make sure that they are protected, and early detection, etcetera, need to be part of the regime in protecting them.

Mr D AMERICA: Hon Premier, last week you engaged with the President on this particular matter. Can you explain to me what the outcome of your engagement and discussion with the President was? Thank you.

The PREMIER: Thank you. I think the whole presentation was televised and we really zoomed into where our biggest risks were. Testing is one of them, but of course staffing is a big issue that we are facing as we are rolling out more and more healthcare capabilities. You have got to really see the staffing needs for the extra field hospitals but also the HOD – and I presume he presented it yesterday as well – said that they are also predicting a percentage of our staff that are going to be exited out of the system if they become positive. We have monitored different parts of the world and what percentage in different parts of the world have been affected. We have also factored that in, and that as also said, we need extra staffing.

Then I think you heard Minister Maynier earlier in some of the questions, it was funding really. What about funding? We have got huge exposure here. We obviously have to find some of that money within our own envelope, but a lot of that money is not going to be able to be found within the province, we have to get national support. I was also glad to hear that the President said let us deal with the pandemic, let us not get bogged down with financial issues.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. Hon Premier, social distancing is recognised by the World Health Organisation as one of the most important ways of stopping the spread of COVID-19. This is important to communicate to residents in informal settlements. Can the Premier describe the extent to which this Government is conveying this important message?

The PREMIER: Thank you very much and thank you to the hon member for the question. It really is important that we all play our part, and the way to play our part is to make sure that we all stick to the golden rules and develop a new normal. The hon member is right, it is about getting the communication right.

Now this is not that easy and behavioural change is not that easy to attain, but I must say just at the outset, I see the number of people wearing masks and the application of more social distancing than say a week ago or two weeks ago, are getting better and better.

Now the question was around communication. So obviously we use media and social media, but we have also had a focused campaign through radio adverts, through 29 radio stations across the province in three languages. We have run seven different focus adverts on radio. We have just now changed the radio advert from my voice to the voice of our frontline workers, so you will hear the voice of someone who works in one of our hospitals, someone who has perhaps had the virus and they will talk about it.

We are definitely changing that, but it is continual communication that is going out into communities. We have got partners that we have pulled on board. We have also communicated through billboards. We have communicated – and some if it has been donated, some of it is paid. We have had a great partnership with the cellphone companies. They have generally given free messaging going out to different people, obviously their clientele, even down into focused areas and they have dropped millions of messages so far. We do loud-hailing in communities, there are poster campaigns, there are pamphlet campaigns.

Lots of communication on trying to get this right, and also learning from the communication all the time. Radio stations reach about 83% of the population. That means you are not reaching everybody, and so really we must develop different ways of getting the message across.

Then my last point around messaging is, specifically in the hotspots, we are trying to engage community, and from Minister Mbombo who starts off with open Zoom public meetings in those hotspots, explaining what it is all about, why we need to be focusing on this area, how we need to slow the spread of the virus in that specific hotspot, right down to the community organisations, who will then get involved.

Then various Ministers joining those organisations in some of their public meetings; making sure that we are all involved in that communication, and I am sure there are many other ways that we are still going to try, and there are many other ways that people will come up with good ideas on how we can get that right, but communication, communication, communication is really key.

I think we still have a way to go. You do see it getting better and better, but there are areas where we are still not following the golden rule. There is still perhaps too much congregation and not enough social distancing, etcetera, but we will continue with all of these and more in the communication space. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Premier. Hon members, I have to end it here now and thank the Premier and the hon members who have asked questions.

This concludes the questions without notice to the Premier. Thank you very much, hon Premier. Thank you.

The PREMIER: Thank you, hon Speaker.

Questions and replies as received from departments

# QUESTIONS

For written reply

#### COVID-19: return to schools

### 1. Mr G Brinkhuis asked the Minister of Education:

- Whether all the schools visited by her on 27 May 2020 had enough (a) sanitiser, (b) masks and (c) sanitising booths; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether additional cleaning staff has been appointed at schools; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) how many learners are being accommodated in a class and(b) how will social distancing be maintained when all grades return to schools?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

- (1) (a) No one school, Intsebenziswano Secondary had not received their hand sanitiser. I raised the matter with the Department for resolution.
  - (b) Yes.
  - (c) We did not procure sanitising booths, as this would go against the advice of the Department of Health.
  - (2) The Department has not appointed additional cleaning staff however, some schools may have done so from their own funds. When a positive case is confirmed at a school, the school alerts the district office to arrange cleaning by an external service provider.
  - (3) (a) The maximum number of learners in a class with be limited by the available physical space in each classroom. At no point can the 1.5m physical distancing requirement be compromised.
    - (b) Schools are required to develop Temporary Revised Education Plans (TREPs) in order to maintain the 1.5m physical distancing requirement when more grades return on 6 July 2020. Over 60% of our schools have already provided these plans to the Department.

Some of the models submitted by schools include rotation of grades attending on a daily basis, grades alternating on a weekly basis, blended model (some learners in class, some via distance learning), and shift attendance daily i.e. platooning (least favoured model).

# COVID-19: funding of municipalities

# 2. Mr D Smith asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

- Whether any municipalities in the province utilised grant funding for operational purposes in the past two years; if so, (a) what are the details of these municipalities and (b) which capital projects were affected as a result of this;
- (2) whether any municipalities in the province suffered a loss of income during the lockdown period; if so, (a) what was the impact of this financial loss on paying (i) salaries, (ii) Eskom and (iii) other operational expenses and (b) what support did his Department offer to municipalities?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, EVINRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

- 2.1 (a) &(b) No, established mechanisms have been put in place by both the Department and COGTA to regularly monitor both Departmental grants and MIG expenditure respectively.
- 2.2 (a) All municipalities in the Province suffered a loss of income during the lockdown period. As industries and businesses closed, massive job losses occurred impacting people's ability to pay for municipal services, directly impacting most municipalities cash flow status.

However, all municipalities in the Province were able to cover their operational costs. Only 2 municipalities in the Province, namely Cederberg and Kannaland have payment arrangements in place with Eskom. It should be noted that these form part of existing payment arrangements which are being honoured by the said municipalities.

2.2 (b) A special committee has been established in the Province, consisting of Municipal Managers, CFO's and senior officials from Provincial Treasury and the Department of Local Government to provide guidance on cash flow challenges in the immediate term to municipalities. The committee has also commissioned the University of Stellenbosch with the help of the Hanns Seidel Foundation to research mechanisms and measures to be put in place to ensure municipal viability and sustainability over the medium to long-term.

Municipal workers on duty during lockdown

# 3. Mr D Smith asked the Minister of Local Government, Environ-mental Affairs and Development Planning:

(1) Whether he can provide a breakdown of all municipal workers who reported for duty during level 5 and level 4 of the national lockdown; if so, what are the relevant details;

- (2) whether the municipal workers who reported for duty during the lockdown were eligible to use the Danger Allowance Policy as they were exposed to the risk of contracting COVID-19; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether he can provide a breakdown of the expenditure of all municipalities in the province on the Danger Allowance Policy in (a) March, (b) April and (c) May; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, EVINRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

- (1) Across municipalities in the Province, only essential staff needed for the provision of basic municipal services as well as safety and security personnel worked onsite during the lockdown periods. All municipalities kept record of attendance and this information can be provided upon request.
  - (2) Most municipalities in the Province do not have a Danger Allowance Policy in place. Thus, they did not pay any danger allowances to any of their officials.
  - (3) Since most municipalities in the Province do not have a Danger Allowance Policy in place, accordingly no officials received any danger allowance payments.

COVID-19 – testing in the Cape metropolitan area

### 4. Ms R Windvogel asked the Minister of Health:

- (1) (a) What is the rationale behind the provincial government's new criteria for COVID-19 testing in the Cape metropolitan area and (b) what will be the impact of these new testing criteria on the number of tests conducted in the Cape metropolitan area;
- (2) whether this new strategy increases the risk of infection and death as carriers of the virus will remain untested or be tested late; if not, why not; if so, what mitigation measures are being put in place;
- (3) what is the number of testing kits that were available in the province as at 1 June 2020?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

4. (1) (a) The Western Cape Testing criteria were changed at the end of May, due to the fact that we could not be assured of the continuous availability of test kits in the Western Cape. The Western Cape Government has taken the important decision to only test those who are at highest risk and most vulnerable of dying from Covid-19 infection in the Cape Town Metropolitan area. This was to preserve our testing capacity. This also allowed to get test results back from these vulnerable groups quickly so that we can ensure speedy interventions to save lives. This was our top priority.

This decision follows confirmation that the backlog of tests from the Western Cape at the National Health Laboratory Service grew to 27 000 at the time. We understand that other provinces are experiencing similar backlogs.

- b) The impact of this decision was that there was a rapid decline in the number of samples collected (from around 20 000 around mid-May to around 12 000 towards the end of the first week in June) during this time which meant that we could prioritise the vulnerable and ensure a good turn around time for results to patients.
- (2) The Health Strategy is aligned to the risk stratified case management approach (where we target those at greater risk), in areas with established community transmission and focus our combined efforts in these targeted areas to protect vulnerable people who are at high risk, and to prevent deaths.
- (3) On the 1 June there was a total of 25 000 kits available from NHLS, but there was a mismatch between the projected demand and the consistent supply of test kits.

### COVID-19 – impact on teachers

### 5. Mr M K Sayed asked the Minister of Education:

- (a) What impact will COVID-19 have on absenteeism from now on, especially with regard to teachers and learners with underlying health conditions, and (b) what are the plans to address it;
- (2) what measures have been put in place to manage older and frail teachers, as well as those with underlying health conditions;
- (3) whether her Department has received lists of teachers and learners with underlying health conditions from all schools; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) (a) what is the number of teachers who have contracted the virus to date and (b) how many have passed away;
- (5) whether her Department is aware of COVID-19 positive teachers who have reported for duty in the past few weeks and thereby exposed fellow educators to risk of infection; if so, what measures have been put in place to prevent this from reoccurring and to protect learners and teachers;
- (6) whether her Department has resolved the challenge with regard to the sanitising and disinfection of learner transport; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

### The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

5. It is noted that each of these questions has been asked of the Department previously, and answers provided.

(1) - (3) According to the Collective Agreement 1 of 2020 from the Education Labour Relations Council, and WCED Circular 015/2020, staff members with a comorbidity that would place them at high risk should they contract Covid-19 are able to apply for a concession to work from home or for special workplace arrangements to be made during the state of National Disaster. All employees appointed in terms of the Employment of Educators' Act, 1998 (as amended) with one or more comorbidity need to follow the process and complete the Individual Risk Assessment for Vulnerable Employees. Medical evidence must be in line with the indicated medical conditions and comorbidities as verified by the Department of Health, and as indicated in the ELRC collective agreement, and classified as High Risk for employees at a higher risk of complications if they are infected with COVID-19. Where the comorbidity is not listed, and a treating doctor verifies that the educator may be vulnerable to the infection, the Risk Assessment must also be completed and submitted to the WCED for a decision. The Department has received approximately 2 300 applications in this regard.

According to the directions gazetted by the Minister of Basic Education on 23 June 2020, learners can be exempted from compulsory attendance by the Head of Department ("HOD") should it be in their best interests, on such conditions as the HOD may prescribe. The WCED previously provided Guideline I - Managing learners with comorbidities which allows parents to supervise the learning of their children with comorbidities at home, with the support of their school.

We reiterate that it is not older people OR people with comorbidities, but people over 60 AND with one or more comorbidities that are considered as higher risk candidates.

The effect on absenteeism will vary from school to school depending on the number of people affected.

- (4) (a) The number of staff members at schools in the Western Cape (teaching and non-teaching staff) that have been confirmed as positive for Covid-19 is 557 as at 25 June 2020 (latest reporting date) approximately 1.5% of staff at schools. This is a cumulative total since 22 May 2020, and many would by now have recovered.
- (b) As at 25 June 2020, 11 deaths of school staff members have been reported to us by schools as allegedly being due to Covid-19. However, the WCED is in the process of collaborating with the department of health to obtain more accurate statistics.
- (5) Whenever a confirmed case of Covid-19 is reported at a school, a detailed protocol must be followed: Guideline L – Managing Covid-19 cases in schools.

The affected staff member or learner is required to self-isolate for up to 14 days, and any staff members or learners who have been in direct/close contact with the affected individual must also self-isolate for up to 14 days since the date of last contact.

If the member is aware of specific schools where this protocol has allegedly not been followed, he should alert the Department to the names of these schools and the details of the allegations so that we can investigate the application of the protocol in these instances.

(6) The member is referred to the reply to his written question 5JUNEW9 which provides details of the Department's engagements on this matter.





### Chief Directorate: People Management Practices

Reference: File no.: Enquiries: 20200605-6416 3/3/1/1/4 Call Centre

Circular: 0015/2020 Expiry date: None

To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors, Deputy Directors, Circuit Managers and Heads of Educational Institutions

### Subject: PROCESS TO FOLLOW FOR EDUCATORS WITH A COMORBIDITY

- Education Labour Relations Council, Collective Agreement 1 of 2020, Concession process to follow for Employee with a Comorbidity (COVID-19) signed on 30 May 2020, refers.
- 2. All employees appointed in terms of the Employment of Educators' Act, 1998 (as amended) with one or more comorbidity need to follow the process and complete the Individual Risk Assessment for Vulnerable Employees (annexure A). Medical evidence must be in line with the indicated medical conditions and comorbidities as verified by the Department of Health, and as indicated in the ELRC collective agreement, and classified as High Risk for employees at a higher risk of complications if they are infected with COVID-19. Where the comorbidity is not listed, and a treating doctor verifies that the educator may be vulnerable to the infection, Annexure A must also be completed and submitted to the WCED for a decision.
- 3. Employees with comorbidities who wish to report to school may do so in agreement with the principal and after appropriate safety measures have been put in place.

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- Due consideration must be given to operational demands and circumstances of employees to accommodate either work from home or for special workplace arrangements to be made.
- Concessions granted in this regard will only be applicable for the duration of Alert Levels
   3 and 2 of the national state of disaster as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak.
- 6. For the manager to properly consider and complete the Risk Assessment Form, the employee must provide a medical report indicating the following medical evidence:
- a. The name and the qualification of the medical practitioner issuing the certificate;
- b. His or her contact number and physical address;
- c. A proper practice or registration number; and
- d. Confirming that he/she falls within the category of comorbidities as determined as determined by the Department of Health.
- Employees who are classified as high risk vulnerable should preferably be enabled to work from home. For those employees not able to work from home additional risk control measures must be considered to mitigate the risk of transmission at the workplace.
- 8. The attached Individual Risk Assessment for Vulnerable Employees to be completed by both the employee and manager and submitted with medical evidence as follows:
- a. All teachers at educational institutions to submit to their Circuit Manager;
- b. All Office-based Educators to submit to their District Director; and
- c. All Head Office, Office-based Educators to submit to their Director.
- All information relating to the process as well as medical evidence submitted must be treated with the utmost sense of confidentiality in order to prevent discrimination or stigmatisation.

- 10. A dedicated Task Team appointed at Head Office will guide on the appropriateness of medical evidence where there is uncertainty and if not in line with the comorbidity classifications provided. The Task Team will also guide on the appropriateness of accommodating the reported medical condition or comorbidity where there is uncertainty.
- 11. All declined applications and applications of conditions not appearing on the table above will be submitted to the Health Risk Manager for secondary screening to confirm that the interests of both the employee and employer are met.
- 12. All applications for concessions for comorbidities already submitted will be finalised and verified against the comorbidities as reflected in the ELRC Collective Agreement 1 of 2020.
- 13. The ELRC Collective Agreement, 1 of 2020, can be accessed at "www.elrc.org.za"
- 14. Kindly bring the contents of this circular to the attention of all employees.

SIGNED: BK SCHREUDER HEAD: EDUCATION DATE: 2020-06-12 EDUCATION LABOUR RELATIONS COUNCIL Established in terms of the LRA of 1995 as amended



## **COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT 1 OF 2020**

### 30 MAY 2020

### CONCESSION PROCESS TO FOLLOW FOR EMPLOYEES WITH A COMORBIDITY (COVID-19)

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### EDUCATION LABOUR RELATIONS COUNCIL

### COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT NO 1 OF 2020

### CONCESSION PROCESS TO FOLLOW FOR EMPLOYEES WITH A COMORBIDITY (COVID-19)

### 1. PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

This collective agreement aims to provide a concession for educators employed in terms of the Employment of Educators Act, 1998 (Act No. 76 of 1998), (EEA), who are affected due to risk factors for severe COVID-19.

The document also aims to provide guidance to evaluate and manage vulnerable employees in the context of the current SARS-CoV-2 pandemic as mentioned in the Regulations issued in terms of section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002.

A concession in this instance refers to an employee with any condition which may place him/her at a higher risk of complications if they are infected with COVID-19 and employees age 60 and above who are at a higher risk of complications if they are infected with COVID-19.

Under the Occupational Health and Safety Act (No. 85 of 1993), an Employer, in this instance, the relevant National and Provincial Departments of Education (hereafter referred to as The Employer) should provide "*a working environment that is safe and without risk to the health of its employees.*" Also, the Employer should ensure that in instances where hazards cannot be eliminated, they be appropriately controlled to prevent risks.

### 2. SCOPE AND APPLICATION OF THIS AGREEMENT

This agreement applies to and binds:

- The Employer, as defined in the Employment of Educators Act 76 of 1998 as amended;
- 2.2 The Trade Unions in the Education Sector; and
- 2.3 All employees of the employer as defined in the Employment of Educators Act 76 of 1998, whether such employees are members of trade union parties to this agreement or not.

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### 3. THE PARTIES TO THE COUNCIL NOTE AS FOLLOWS:

- 3.1 Occupational Health and Safety Act (No. 85 of 1993)
- 3.2 Employment of Educators Act, 1998 (Act No. 76 of 1998)
- 3.3 Section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002
- 3.4 Section 5, subsection 5 (d) and (e) of the Regulations issued in terms of section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002, specifically requires employers to adopt "special measures for employees with known or disclosed health issues or comorbidities, with any condition which or may place such employees at a higher risk of complications or death if they are infected with COVID -19"; and "special measures for employees above the age of 60 who are at a higher risk of complications or death if they are infected with COVID-19."
- 3.5 Provisions of Chapter G of the Personnel Administrative Measures (PAM)

### 4. THE PARTIES TO THE COUNCIL THEREFORE AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

4.1. Procedure to be followed pertaining to employees who have one or more comorbidities or have any other underlying medical condition that puts them at risk.

For employees with high-risk comorbidities, it is required of the Employer to put appropriate measures in place to accommodate them in the work environment. Due consideration must be given to operational demands and circumstances of employees to accommodate either work from home or for special workplace arrangements to be made.

To this effect, the Individual Risk Assessment Form for Vulnerable Employees due to COVID-19 must be completed for every employee who indicated that they have an underlying medical condition or comorbidity that puts them at risk of being infected with COVID-19. Employees who have comorbidities and those who are 60 years and above will remain home on full pay subject to all the requirements as contained in "*Annexure A*" being met. Those employees with comorbidities and those who are 60 years and above who are 60 years and above who are 60 years and above who wish to report to school may do so in agreement with the principal and after appropriate safety measures have been put in place. The employee and manager/principal need to agree on how the underlying medical condition or comorbidity will be accommodated. In the event that there is no agreement to this effect, the grievance procedure in Chapter G of the PAM document will be activated.

Concessions granted in this regard will only be applicable for the duration of **Alert Levels 3 and 2** of the national state of disaster as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak.

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For the manager/principal to properly complete the Risk Assessment Form, the employee must provide a medical report by his/her treating doctor indicating the following medical evidence:

- The name and the qualification of the medical practitioner issuing the certificate;
- b) His or her contact number and physical address;
- c) A proper practice or registration number; and
- Confirming that he/she falls within the category of comorbidities as determined by the Department of Health

The following medical conditions and comorbidities as verified by the Department of Health have been classified into High Risk and medical evidence must be provided to assist in classifying the employee's vulnerability:

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•	Age >60 with one or more diseases/conditions as listed.
•	Solid organ transplant recipients
	People with specific cancers or receiving immunosuppressive treatment for their cancer:
	<ul> <li>undergoing active chemotherapy or radical radiotherapy for lung cancer;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>cancers of the blood or bone marrow such as leukemia, lymphoma or myeloma who are at any stage of treatment;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>receiving immunotherapy or other continuing antibody treatments for cancer; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>receiving targeted cancer treatments which can affect the immune system, such as protein kinase inhibitors or Poly ADP-ribose Polymerase (PARP) inhibitors.</li> </ul>
•	People who have had bone marrow or stem cell transplants in the last 6 months, or who are still taking immunosuppressive drugs.
•	People with severe respiratory conditions including cystic fibrosis, severe and unstable asthma and severe Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), or current active tuberculosis of the lung.
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•	People on immunosuppressive therapies sufficient to significantly increase the risk of infection.
	People who are moderately or intermittently immunocompromised.
	Women who are pregnant with significant heart disease, congenital of acquired.
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	months of treatment in line with the National Department of Health
	Standard Treatment Guidelines. Asthma which requires treatment with Collective Agreement 1 of 2020

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high dose inhaled corticosteroids plus a second controller (and/or systemic corticosteroids) to prevent it from becoming 'uncontrolled' or which remains 'uncontrolled' despite this therapy.

- Confirmed clinical diagnosis of congestive cardiac failure or other serious cardiovascular diseases.
- Severe hypertension: systolic BP ≥180 mmHg and/or diastolic BP ≥110 mmHg.
- Confirmed cerebrovascular disease, including stroke, and transient ischemic attack.
- Severe obesity (BMI >40).
- Underlying medical conditions, particularly if not well controlled, such as type II Diabetes Mellitus (HBA1c ≥7.5% within last 6 months); Chronic Kidney Disease with an eGFR < 45; or liver disease.</li>
- More than 27 weeks pregnant.
- Immunosuppression such as poorly controlled type II diabetes mellites, cancer undergoing active treatment, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) with advanced immunosuppression, and transplant on chronic immunosuppressants.

Should the employee have a condition not listed above, which in the opinion of the doctor renders this employee vulnerable a motivation from the treating doctor would be necessary.

The Head of Department may subject the application to the Health Risk Manager or a Health Professional for further assessment for a period not exceeding 30 calendar days. The educator shall be allowed to remain and/or work from home with full pay whilst waiting for the outcome by the Health Risk Manager or a Health Professional.

The attached Individual Risk Assessment form for Vulnerable Employees to be completed by both the educator and manager/principal and submitted with the medical evidence as follows:

- All educators at educational institutions to submit to their Circuit Manager;
- All office-based educators at district level to submit to their District Director; and
- c) All office-based educators at Head Office to submit to the Chief Director: HR.

All information relating to the process as well as medical evidence submitted must be treated with the utmost **sense of confidentiality** to respect the employee's privacy and to prevent discrimination or stigmatisation.

### 4.2. Grievance Procedure

Any grievance arising from this process shall be dealt with in terms of the Grievance Procedure as outlined in Chapter G of the PAM.

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### 5. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURE**

5.1 Any dispute about the interpretation or application of this agreement shall be dealt with according to the dispute resolution procedure of the ELRC.

### DATE OF EFFECT 6.

6.1 This agreement shall, in respect of parties, come into effect on the date it is signed in Council.

### SIGNATURES OF THE PARTIES

Thus done and signed at <u>Centurion</u> on the <u>30<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>May</u> 2020 by:

### ON BEHALF OF THE STATE AS EMPLOYER

DEPARTMENT	NAME	SIGNATURE
BASIC EDUCATION	MR HM MWELI	Re

### **ON BEHALF OF THE EMPLOYEE PARTIES**

TRADE UNION	NAME	SIGNATURE
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ANNEXURE A

# INDIVIDUAL RISK ASSESSMENT FOR VULNERABLE EMPLOYEES



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### Individual Risk Assessment for COVID-19 for Vulnerable employees

Risk Assessment:	Key considerations:
This should be completed for all vulnerable staff	1. Limit/avoid duration of close interaction with individuals. Virtual meetings/telephonic conversations
<ol> <li>This can be undertaken by the line manager/principal or supervisor</li> <li>Involve the member of staff</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>are advised where applicable.</li> <li>Maintain all social distancing rules should you meet face to face.</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Consider actions to minimise risk</li> <li>Agree on risk management with the staff member</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Consider whether public transport /rush hour can be avoided through adjustments to work hours.</li> </ol>
<ol><li>Discuss the work options with the employee and use the checklist to</li></ol>	<ol> <li>Arrange to travel using private transport/lift clubs.</li> </ol>
indicate which measures will be implemented.	<ol> <li>Use PPE appropriately.</li> <li>Consider remote working if the staff member is enabled including access</li> </ol>
The manager/principal and staff member should consider together, in the light of the risk assessment, whether alternative	to equipment and the internet.
work arrangements are appropriate and practicable.	

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### Has the Educator submitted the required medical report:

		YES/NO (√/X)
a)	The name and the qualification of the medical practitioner issuing the certificate;	
b)	His or her contact number and physical address;	
C)	A proper practice or registration number; and	
d)	Confirming that he/she falls within the category of comorbidities as determined by the Department of Health.	

### Individual Risk Assessment

Name of Staff Member.		
PERSAL No.		
Rank.		
School/Directorate.		
Name of Supervisor.		
Date.		
Employee Comorbidity - (Evidence)	Yes	No
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### Medical evidence to include:

- The name and the qualification of the medical practitioner issuing the certificate;
- b) His or her contact number and physical address;
- c) A proper practice or registration number; and
- Confirming that he/she falls within the category of comorbidities as determined by the Department of Health.

	Agreed action plan to manage the employee (indicate those that have been agreed to)
Tick √ where applicable	
	Working off-site (remotely); the necessary equipment, internet access, etc. is available
	Adaptation of duties
	Other, please specify (inclusive of additional risk control measures):
	Dedicated alcohol-based hand rub provided (or available) for the
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employee
Protective isolation and physical distancing
Limit duration of close interaction with learners/colleagues and/or the public
Alternative accommodation in a lower exposure-risk area-cellular office/boardroom/floor/classroom
Implementing a co-worker screening programme
Sharing of relevant COVID related information and social distancing information
Specialized personal protective equipment (PPE) provided
Other, please specify:

The above action plan agreed / not agreed (Mark with X whichever is applicable)	Employee Signature:	
	Date	
Manager's/Supervisor's Signature	Date	

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### INDIVIDUAL RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST FOR COVID-19 FOR VULNERABLE EMPLOYEES

REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO (√/X)
At-Risk Declaration (Employee)	
Assessment (Principal/Manager)	
Individual Risk Assessment Completed by Manager/Principal	
Medical Evidence	
Certificate from Medical Practitioner available	
Signature (Manager/Principal)	
Employee Signature	

District Director / Senior Manager Signature Date

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### I - WCED Guideline: Managing learners with comorbidities

Branch: Institution Development and Coordination	I - WCED Guideline: Managing learners with comorbidities	
I – WCED Guideline	Issued: 23 May 2020	To be reviewed as and when necessary

Approved by the Head of Department:

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BK Schreuder Date: 2020-05-23



### I - WCED GUIDELINE: MANAGING LEARNERS WITH COMORBIDITIES

### 1. Purpose

To provide guidance to principals and School Management Teams (SMTs) of the Western Cape Education Department on how to manage learners with comorbidities.

### 2. Meaning of comorbidities

There are many definitions of comorbidities. For the purpose of this guideline, a comorbidity is deemed to be other chronic health conditions or a concurrent illness which could have an impact of making the illness worse in co-occurrence with Covid-19.

### 3. Steps to be taken

- 3.1. Schools must identify all learners with comorbidities (Please see Annexure I (A).
- 3.2. Principals must write to the parents of such learners (please see Annexure I (B)) offering them the option of deciding to oversee the learning of their children at home for the next few months until the pandemic recedes.
- 3.3. If parents do not agree to that responsibility, the learners must return to school.
- 3.4. If parents accept the offer to oversee the learning from home, they must sign the attached acceptance form (Annexure I (C)) and return it to the school for record keeping.

### 4. Responsibilities of parents

- 4.1. Parents with learners with comorbidities must agree to oversee the daily learning of their children at home, including the daily work and assessments, and sign the acceptance form (Annexure I (C)).
- 4.2. Parents must ensure a conducive environment for the learner to learn at home. This would include learning space, resources etc.
- 4.3. Parents must ensure that all work and assignments are collected and delivered at school, as required by the school.

### 5. Responsibility of the school

- 5.1. Teachers must prepare work for such learners on a daily or weekly basis and make it available to the parents learner.
- 5.2. Parents must receive the work or assignments, mark it and return it to the learner.
- 5.3. Teachers must engage with the parents in relation to making arrangements for the necessary assessments.

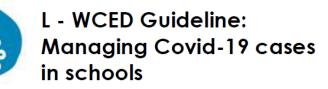
I - WCED Guideline: Managing learners with underlying comorbidities

5.4. The schools and parents will be informed when this concession must come to an end.

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Branch: Institution	L - WCED Guideline:	
Development and	Managing Covid-19 cases in schools	
Coordination		
L – WCED Guideline	Issued: 23 May 2020	To be reviewed as and
		when necessary

Approved by the Head of Department:

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BK Schreuder Date: 2020-05-23

### L - WCED GUIDELINE: MANAGING COVID-19 CASES IN SCHOOLS

### 1. Purpose

To advise principals and school management teams on how to manage confirmed or suspected cases of Covid-19 in schools.

### 2. Ongoing procedures and preparations

- 2.1 All learners, teachers and non-teaching staff must be screened every day as per the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) Guideline.
- 2.2 A sick bay is to be prepared to temporarily isolate learner(s) or staff members should a learner or staff member display symptoms of Covid-19.
- 2.3 Information on who to contact as next of kin, should a learner or staff member appear to have symptoms of Covid-19, must be readily available for all learners and staff members.
- 2.4 Information on what to do should someone have symptoms should be readily available and distributed to the learner, their parents or staff member (please see pamphlet: Treatment on https://wcedonline.westerncape.gov.za/back-school-covid-19-resources-schools).
- 2.5 In the event of a class, section of a school, or school requiring decontamination, the school must liaise with the district which will confirm the need to do so and ensure the procurement of the service.

# 3. Action to be taken when a learner appears ill or displays symptoms associated with Covid-19

The following applies when a learner is suspected to be ill or displays symptoms such as persistent dry cough, high fever, respiratory distress or shortness of breath, sore throat etc. at school:

- 3.1 All learners must be screened every day.
- 3.2 The sick bay is to be prepared to temporarily isolate learner(s).
- 3.3 Should a learner show symptoms associated with Covid-19, isolate the learner and keep him/her separate from other learners or staff until they can be collected or taken home.
- 3.4 The parents/guardian of the learner should be informed immediately and requested to collect the learner.
- 3.5 On collection of the learner, the parent/guardian should be provided with information on what to do and who to contact when a learner displays symptoms of Covid-19.

### 4. Action to be taken when a case of Covid-19 is confirmed in a learner

- 4.1 The principal must report all confirmed cases to the circuit manager/district director immediately, as well as information pertaining to the case such as:
  - when last the learner was at school;
  - with whom they were in **direct** contact; and
  - with whom they were in **casual** contact.
- 4.2 The principal and district officials will do an assessment of the case and the district official will confirm the actions to be taken.
- 4.3 The Department of Health will be responsible for identifying people with whom the learner has been in contact with and will advise the WCED on any further actions or precautions to be taken.
- 4.4 In most cases, closure of the facility or school will be unnecessary.
- 4.5 Remember that only the Head of Department can authorise the closure of an educational institution. The Head of Department will be informed by the district and will act on the advice of the Department of Health.

### Actions to be taken when a learner has been exposed to a <u>possible</u> case of Covid-19.

- 5.1 If a learner has been in contact with a suspected case, no restrictions or special control measures are required while laboratory test results for Covid-19 are awaited.
- 5.2 There is no need to close the school or send other learners or staff home.
- 5.3 The school must continue to observe all Covid-19 requirements.
- 5.4 Therefore, until the outcome of test results is known, there is no action that staff members need to take.

### Actions to be taken when a learner has been exposed to a <u>confirmed</u> case of Covid-19.

- 6.1 Anyone with **close** contact with a confirmed Covid-19 case must be identified and requested to stay at home for a period not exceeding 14 days from the date of exposure while being monitored for symptoms. They may not attend school. (Close or direct contact e.g. a handshake or hug. Just being in the room with no direct contact is regarded as casual contact with no risk.)
- 6.2 All **casual** contacts (no direct physical contact) should continue to attend school.
- 6.3 Should the learner who came into close contact show any symptomatic signs whilst at home, the Western Cape Government or National Institute for Communicable Diseases hotline numbers can be called for medical assistance and further testing.
- 6.4 Learners who are not close contacts of a confirmed case should attend school.
- 6.5 Learners who have interacted with a healthy contact of a confirmed case must attend school.

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### 7. Action to be taken if a staff member is <u>tested positive</u> for Covid-19

- 7.1 The Covid-19 positive staff member must apply for sick leave.
- 7.2 All staff members and learners who were in **close** contact with the affected person are to self-isolate for a maximum of 14 days since the last contact.
- 7.3 All staff members required to self-isolate must apply for special leave.
- 7.4 A list of such staff members must be kept and submitted to the relevant district office.
- 7.5 The district office must keep records and submit these to Head Office's People Management Practices (PMP) section.
- 7.6 The cleaning/disinfecting of the affected space must be facilitated as described in (2.5).
- 7.7 Contact must be maintained with such staff member or learner as a means of monitoring and evaluation.

### 8. A staff member was exposed to a possible (unconfirmed) case of COVID-19

- 8.1 If a staff member has been in contact with an unconfirmed case, no restrictions or special control measures are required while laboratory test results for Covid-19 are awaited.
- 8.2 The staff member must continue to work.
- 8.3 The school must continue to observe all Covid-19 requirements.
- 8.4 Therefore, until the outcome of test results is known, there is no action that staff members need to take.
- 8.5 If the results are positive, apply measures as described in point 9.

### 9. A staff member who was in contact with a <u>confirmed</u> case of Covid-19

- 9.1 All those staff members who were in close contact with the infected person are required to self-isolate at home for a maximum of 14 days from last contact. (Direct contact e.g. a handshake or hug. Just being in the room with no direct contact is regarded as casual contact with no risk.)
- 9.2 Staff members required to self-isolate must apply for special leave.
- 9.3 The principal must ensure that the work space of people required to self-isolate is thoroughly cleaned.
- 9.4 Contact must be maintained with such a staff member as a means of monitoring and evaluation.
- 9.5 The names of the staff are to be recorded by the school and a copy submitted to the district office.
- 9.6 The district office must submit this information to Head Office.

# 10. A staff member or a learner displays symptoms associated with Covid-19 while at school.

- 10.1 Isolate the staff member or learner temporarily in a sick bay or room identified for temporary isolation.
- 10.2 Advise the staff member to go home or contact the learner's parents/guardian.
- 10.3 Advise the staff member or the learner's parent/guardian to call the hotline numbers.

### 11. Substitutes for teachers falling ill.

- 11.1 As soon as it is confirmed that a teacher is ill due to Covid-19, the school must apply for a substitute.
- 11.2 The school should also apply for a substitute if a teacher is absent from work because of the maximum14 day self-isolation period.
- 11.3 Substitutes will be considered if affordable.
- 11.4 Schools may consider the utilisation of screened volunteers if it becomes necessary.

### 12. Management and monitoring of absenteeism

- 12.1 Attendance registers are to be completed daily as per norm for teachers, nonteaching staff and learners. This is a normal WCED requirement but it is also a Covid-19 requirement to help with tracing.
- 12.2 Identify critical job functions and positions at the school and plan appropriately for alternative suitably qualified staff at the school to fill the gaps that might arise because of the consequences of Covid-19.

# 13. If schools are closed, the following should be considered to continue learning and teaching

- 13.1 All learner and parent contact information, including digital contact information, where possible, must be up to date and readily available to relevant staff members.
- 13.2 Learning material should be prepared for a period of four weeks in advance, at all times, in the event that a school might need to be closed as a result of alert level restrictions or other factors.
- 13.3 Continue to develop learning material for learners when the school is closed.
- 13.4 Make use of the lessons provided by the General Education and Training and/or Further Education and Training Curriculum Directorates.
- 13.5 Encourage online learning via the WCED ePortal.
- 13.6 Provide parents with information regarding lessons on radio, television and the telematics programme.
- 13.7 Ensure continuity of education:
  - review continuity plans for teaching and learning; and
- L WCED Guideline: The management of Covid-19 in public schools

- implement eLearning plans, including digital and distance learning options where feasible and appropriate.
- 3.8 If necessary, determine, in consultation with district officials or other partners:
  - how to train teachers to convert face-to-face lessons into online lessons;
    - how to manage technical issues if faced with limited IT support and staff;
  - how to encourage appropriate adult supervision while learners are using distance learning approaches; and
  - how to deal with the potential lack of learner access to computers and the internet at home.
- 3.9 Make available a list of available, suitable resources from radio, television and other media platforms to learners and parents.
- 3.10 Ensure continuity of school feeding programmes, if applicable.



# INDIVIDUAL RISK ASSESSMENT FOR VULNERABLE EMPLOYEES: PUBLIC SERVICE STAFF

# Name of Official. PERSAL No. Rank. Directorate. Directorate. Name of Supervisor. Date. Employee Comorbidity (Evidence) Yes

### APPLICATION FOR CONCESSION DUE TO COMORBIDITY: PUBLIC SERVICE STAFF

### Medical evidence to include:

- The name and the qualification of the medical practitioner issuing the certificate;
- b. His or her contact number and physical address;
- c. A proper practice or registration number; and
- d. Confirming that he/she falls within the category of comorbidities as determined by the Department of Health.

Agreed action plan to manage the employee (indicate those who have been agreed to)

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	Working off-site (remotely) - note that the necessary equipment, internet
Α.	access, etc. must be available
	Adaptation of duties
	Other, please specify
B.	Working onsite with one or more of the following:
	Dedicated alcohol-based hand rub provided (or available) for the employee
	Protective isolation and physical distancing
	Limit duration of close interaction with colleagues and/or the public
	Alternative accommodation in a lower exposure-risk area - cellular
	office/boardroom/floor
	Implementing a co-worker screening programme
	Sharing of relevant COVID-19 related information and social distancing
	information
	Specialized personal protective equipment (PPE) provided
	Other, please specify

The above action plan agreed / not agreed	Employee signature
	Date

Comments:	
Manager/Principal/Senior Manager's Signature	Date

### Grootkraal UCC Primary School

### 6. Mr L L Mvimbi asked the Minister of Education:

- (1) Whether the challenges regarding the leasing of land faced by the Grootkraal UCC Primary School have been brought to her attention; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether it has been brought to her and her Department's attention that the retaining wall in the parking area of the school was allegedly destroyed by the property owner; if so, (a) what are the plans to fix the wall and (b) what action will be taken against the property owner?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

- 6. (1) No, not until now.
  - (2) Eden and Central Karoo District office became aware of the construction of the retaining wall via a letter from the District Roads Engineer from Oudtshoorn (Annexure A).

Upon investigation by the Circuit Manager it was found that the principal appointed a building contractor to erect the retaining wall without municipal approval and disregarding the procedures to embark on infrastructure developments at the school.

The Circuit Manager further established that the principal opened a case of sabotage at the local police station as he suspects it might be the owner of the farm.

The South African Police Service is still investigating the matter. The principal was requested to submit a progress report to the Circuit Manager before or on the 30 June 2020 and was further requested to submit future infrastructure needs to the WCED for approval.

The WCED will refer the matter to legal services for further advice.



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 REFERENCE:
 TPW 16/14/5/11/MR369-ODN/DRE

 ENQUIRIES:
 X. Smuts

 DATE:
 12 December 2019

### Attention: Mr Thembekile Bango

Department of Education P.O. Box 656 Oudtshoorn 6620

### PROVINCIAL TRANSPORT: OUDTSHOORN: MAIN ROAD 369 KM 0.33 RHS: ERECTION OF STRUCTURES WITHIN THE ROAD RESERVE: GROOTKRAAL UCC PRIMARY SCHOOL

- It has come to this office attention that structures are being erected within the road reserve of Main Road 369 better known as the road between the Cango Caves and Swartberg Pass.
- Main Road 369 forms part of the proclaimed provincial road network of which this Department is the road authority. The proclaimed road network is governed by the Road Ordinance 19 of 1976 and other relevant legislation.
- The erection of structures within the road reserve and/or building restriction area without approval from the road authority, is a violation in terms of the Roads Ordinance.
- A site inspection conducted on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2019 confirmed the illegal action within the road reserve, see Annexure A
- This office verbally instructed the contractor to cease all construction activities since he failed to provide evidence of approval for these structures in terms of the Roads Ordinance 19 of 1976.
- The structures referred to in section 4 above are erected in favour of the Grootkraal Primary School near the Cango Caves.

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- According to the contractor on site, instruction to erect the illegal structures was given by the principal Mr L. Metembo.
- This office received confirmation that construction activities did not cease as requested as per section 5 above.
- Your office should have submitted building plans for these structures to the Oudtshoorn Municipality where this department would have been identified as an effected party.
- 10. This office will consider the application on condition that due process be followed as per section 9 above. However, it is not guaranteed that the structure will be approved based on the limited information available.
- The cost of removing the structure will be for the applicants account should the application be unsuccessful.
- 12. Failure to comply with this office request will leave us no other option as to refer the matter to the State Attorney via our legal section.

Kind Regards

per persona DISTRICT ROADS ENGINEER

Inc. Annexure A – Photo Record

CC:

- 1. Mr Juan Prodehl, Oudtshoorn DRE office (email)
- 2. Mrs Carinne Muller, Oudtshoorn DRE office (email)
- 3. Mr Evan Burger, Road Network Management (email)
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### Foreign trade policy

### 7. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Premier:

- (1) What are the details of the Western Cape's foreign trade policy that underpins current foreign relations agreements that support and are linked to the economic growth strategy of the province;
- (2) what are the details of the trade agreements that the province has with its foreign partners, including the (a) nature of the trade agreements, (b) role of the provincial government and that of the foreign country and/or investor or investors and (c) value of the investments and/or funding, where applicable, in (i) 2009/10, (ii) 2010/11, (iii) 2011/12, (iv) 2012/13, (v) 2013/14, (vi) 2014/15, (vii) 2015/16, (viii) 2016/17, (ix) 2017/18, (x) 2018/19 and (xi) 2019/20?

### The PREMIER:

- 7. (1) The Department of Trade and Industry and Competition (the DTIC), through Trade and Investment South Africa (TISA), is mandated to grow the export base and increase exports of South African valueadded products and services. Another key stakeholder concerning international trade is the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC) whose purpose is to foster economic growth and development to raise incomes and promote investment and employment in South Africa and within the Common Customs Union Area by establishing an efficient and effective system for the administration of international trade, subject to the International Trade Administration Act and the Southern African Customs Union (SACU) Agreement. The Commission's core functions are:
  - customs tariff investigations;
  - trade remedies;
  - and import and export control.

The key strategy which underpins trade policy is the Integrated National Export Strategy (INES) or "Export 2030" which reviewed the progress of South Africa's export sector and identified priorities for enhanced export performance. The INES covers a basket of interventions at the macro and micro levels of export development and promotion. The strategies and principles of the INES extend to the activities of the relevant economic agents from the public sector (all departments, at all three spheres of government, State-owned enterprises and other government agencies) as well as the private sector.

The approach the Westen Cape Government, therefore, has concerning foreign trade is underpinned by the INES as the official export strategy document for the country along with building strong partnerships with DTIC, TISA as well as ITAC. International agreements are the responsibility of the National Executive and any international trade agreement under which the Western Cape Province trades are agreements that were entered into by the Republic of South Africa, as represented by the national executive as per the relevant constitutional mandate. Also, due to South Africa being a member of the Southern African Customs Union (SACU) with a common external tariff, any agreement related to import tariffs are negotiated by SACU as a bloc. In certain instances, agreements cooperation, however. of or memoranda of understanding (MOUs), related inter alia to trade and development are entered into by sub-national institutions with foreign counterparts.

Provincial Government, therefore, does not have a Western Cape Trade policy as this is mandated to the National Minister of Trade and Industry. The Province can develop a subsequent trade/export strategy but not necessarily a policy as the fundamentals of any trade policy is underpinned by the relevant National tariff and trade policy positions.

The Western Cape Government holds responsibility for the promotion of trade and investment in the province, this part of the mandate is executed by the Western Cape Investment and Trade Promotion Agency (Wesgro), as per the Wesgro Act (1996). This act makes provision for the establishment, appointment, powers and functions of the Western Cape Investment and Trade Promotion Agency to promote and support the economic growth and development of the province etc. The Department of Economic Development and Tourism (DEDAT) along with Wesgro is in the process of developing an export strategy which should be completed in the 2020/2021 financial year. The relationship between the export strategy and the international relations strategy is key.

The Western Cape Government's international trade strategy takes direction from the national government and national policy. In line with this, the Western Cape Government's international export promotion strategy includes a strong focus on boosting trade with the rest of Africa and supporting the development of regional value chains on the continent.

The Western Cape Government's international engagements are underpinned by the International Relations Strategy (IRS) that was adopted in 2013. The IRS identified the following key strategic objectives it aims to achieve through its interaction with foreign stakeholders namely:

- a) Create an enabling environment to facilitate trade and attract strategic investment growth and tourism to the Western Cape;
- Develop skills and best practices through knowledge sharing by cooperative multi-dimensional exchanges with emerging and developed regions; and

c) Improve environmental resilience and adaptation to climate change and increase sustainability in the Western Cape through strategic international partnerships.

The IRS furthermore identify key geographical areas that should be prioritised for international engagements:

- a) Rest of Africa;
- b) BRIC countries;
- c) Regional Leaders' Forum member states<sup>36</sup>;
- d) Western Cape's Traditional markets;
- e) Developing South, including the Next 11 countries<sup>37</sup>; and
- f) Rest of the world.

The IRS should be read in conjunction with the emerging priorities of the current administration, including but not limited to the Vision Inspired Priorities (VIPs).

(2) The details of the trade agreements that the province has with its foreign partners, including the (a) nature of the trade agreements, (b) role of the provincial government and that of the foreign country and/or investor or investors and (c) value of the investments and/or funding, where applicable, in (i) 2009/10, (ii) 2010/11, (iii) 2011/12, (iv) 2012/13, (v) 2013/14, (vi) 2014/15, (vii) 2015/16, (viii) 2016/17, (ix) 2017/18, (x) 2018/19 and (xi) 2019/20?

This response will, therefore, list (1) the international trade agreements, under which the Western Cape Government works to promote trade, and (2) any other cooperation agreements or MOUs of symbolic nature which the Western Cape Government or its international trade promotion agency have entered into. This includes the following relevant agreements:

#### 1. International Trade Agreements

#### 1.1 Southern African Customs Union (SACU)

- a) **Member states** Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Namibia, and South Africa.
- b) **Nature:** Customs Union. Duty-free movement of goods within SACU, a common external tariff applied on goods entering any of the countries from outside SACU.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> The Western Cape is part of a multilateral grouping of provinces that include Quebec (Canada), Georgia (USA); São Paulo (Brazil); Upper Austria (Austria); Bavaria (Germany); and Shandong (China).
<sup>37</sup> The Next 11 countries is a term coined by Goldman Sachs identifying countries that will probably become some of the world's largest economies in the 21<sup>st</sup> century (together with BRICS). The Next 11 countries include Bangladesh, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Phillippines, South Korea; Turkey and Vietnam.

c) **Nature:** Customs Union. Duty-free movement of goods within SACU, a common external tariff applied on goods entering any of the countries from outside SACU.

Role of the provincial government and that of a foreign country and/ or investors: The implementation of this agreement is a national competence. The provincial government, through its tourism, trade and investment promotion agency, Wesgro, plays a role in ensuring that the benefits of this agreement are maximised for economic development. This is done through the facilitation of exports from the Western Cape to SACU member states and promotion of integrated regional market access and value chain opportunities to prospective foreign investors. Wesgro does this using:

- International trade missions
- Outward foreign direct investment promotion into the rest of Africa
- Export training and international mentorship
- Business seminars, knowledge sharing and networking
- Use of Decision Support Model (DSM) software to support companies in finding realistic export opportunities
- Inward buying missions and outward selling missions
- Advocacy and specialised advisory services
- Access to strategic networks
- Marketing support for the marketing of valueadded goods and services
- International investment promotion aimed at bringing foreign direct investment, not only to the Western Cape but also to the country and the continent.

## 1.2 Southern African Development Community (SADC)

- a) Member states: Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Mauritius, Namibia, Sevchelles. South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe (Angola is in process of acceding, DRC and Comoros have not acceded to Protocol on Trade in Goods.)
- b) **Nature:** Free Trade Agreement for trade in goods.
- c) Role of the provincial government and that of a foreign country and/ or investors: The

implementation of this agreement is a national competence. The provincial government, through its tourism, trade and investment promotion agency, Wesgro, plays a role in ensuring that the benefits of this agreement are maximised for economic development. This is done through the facilitation of exports from the Western Cape to SADC member states and the promotion of integrated regional market access and value chain opportunities to prospective investors. Wesgro does this using:

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The Western Cape Government's international trade strategy takes direction from the national government and national policy. In line with this, the Western Cape Government's international export promotion strategy includes a strong focus on boosting trade with the rest of Africa and supporting the development of regional value chains on the continent.

## 1.3 Southern African Development Community (SADC):

Protocol on Trade in Services (agreement not in force)

- Member states: Angola, Botswana, the Democratic a) Republic of Congo, Eswatini, Lesotho, the Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, South Namibia, Seychelles, Africa, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe (Excluding Comoros)
- b) **Nature:** Services trade liberalization. Six services sectors initially (communication, construction, energy, finance, transport, tourism).

- c) Role of the provincial government and that of a foreign country and/ or investors: The implementation of this agreement is a national competence. The provincial government, through its tourism, trade and investment promotion agency, Wesgro, will play a role in ensuring that the benefits of this agreement are maximised for economic development once this agreement enters into force.
- 1.4 SACU European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Free Trade Agreement:
  - a) **Member states** SACU states, Iceland, Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Norway.
  - b) Nature: Free Trade Agreement. Tariff reductions on selected goods, including industrial goods and processed agricultural products (including fish and other marine products). Bilateral agreements with individual EFTA states govern trade in basic agricultural goods.
  - Role of the provincial government and that of a C) foreign country and/ or investors: The implementation of this agreement is a national competence. The provincial government, through its tourism, trade and investment promotion agency, Wesgro, play a role in ensuring that the benefits of this agreement are maximised for economic development. This is done through the facilitation of exports from the Western Cape to EFTA member states, and promotion of competitive international market access opportunities to prospective foreign investors. Wesgro does this using:
    - International trade missions
    - Export training and international mentorship
    - Business seminars, knowledge sharing and networking
    - Use of Decision Support Model (DSM) software to support companies in finding realistic export opportunities
    - Inward buying missions and outward selling missions
    - Advocacy and specialised advisory services
    - Access to strategic networks
    - Marketing support for the marketing of valueadded goods and services
    - International investment promotion aimed at bringing foreign direct investment, not only to the Western Cape but also to the country and the continent.

Europe is the Western Cape's second-largest export market after Africa. The Western Cape's export promotion strategy includes maintaining and expanding its traditional export market in Europe, while also diversifying to new markets. The SACU-EFTA FTA provides competitive advantages for South African exports in the EFTA countries and as such Wesgro works to ensure that exporters maximise export opportunities to the EFTA markets under these agreements.

## 1.5 SADC – European Union (EU) Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA)

- a) **Member state**: SACU states plus Mozambique, European Union.
- b) **Nature:** Economic Partnership Agreement. Replaces the trade chapter in the Trade Development and Cooperation Agreement (TDCA). Reciprocal, asymmetrical trade agreement.
- Role of the provincial government and that of a c) and/ or investors: foreign country The implementation of this agreement is a national competence. The provincial government, through its tourism, trade and investment promotion agency, Wesgro, play a role in ensuring that the benefits of this agreement are maximised for economic development. This is done through the facilitation of exports from the Western Cape to EU member states, and promotion of competitive international market access opportunities to prospective foreign investors. Wesgro does this using:
  - International trade missions
  - Export training and international mentorship
  - Business seminars, knowledge sharing and networking
  - Use of Decision Support Model (DSM) software to support companies in finding realistic export opportunities
  - Inward buying missions and outward selling missions
  - Advocacy and specialised advisory services
  - Access to strategic networks
  - Marketing support for the marketing of valueadded goods and services
  - International investment promotion aimed at bringing foreign direct investment, not only to the Western Cape but also to the country and the continent.

Europe is the Western Cape's second-largest export market after Africa. The Western Cape's export promotion strategy includes maintaining and expanding its traditional export market in the EU, while also diversifying to new markets. The SADC –EU EPA provides competitive advantages for South African exports in the EU, and as such Wesgro works to ensure that exporters maximise export opportunities to the EU under the EPA. The same has relevance for the new EPA with the UK, once it enters into force.

## 1.6 SACU – South Common Market (Mercosur) Preferential Trade Agreement

- a) **Member** state: SACU States and Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay.
- b) **Nature:** Preferential trade agreement. Tariff reductions on selected goods, including approximately 1000 tariff lines on each side.
- Role of the provincial government and that of a c) country and/ or investors: foreign The implementation of this agreement is a national competence. The provincial government, through its tourism, trade and investment promotion agency, Wesgro, play a role in ensuring that the benefits of this agreement are maximised for economic development. This is done through the facilitation of exports from the Western Cape to Mercosur member states, and promotion of competitive international market access opportunities to prospective foreign investors. Wesgro does this using:
  - International trade missions
  - Export training and international mentorship
  - Business seminars, knowledge sharing and networking
  - Use of Decision Support Model (DSM) software to support companies in finding realistic export opportunities
  - Inward buying missions and outward selling missions
  - Advocacy and specialised advisory services
  - Access to strategic networks
  - Marketing support for the marketing of valueadded goods and services
  - International investment promotion aimed at bringing foreign direct investment, not only to the Western Cape but also to the country and the continent.

The Americas are the Western Cape's third-largest export market. The Western Cape's export promotion strategy includes maintaining and expanding its traditional export market in the United States of America, while also diversifying to new markets. The SACU- Mercosur PTA provides competitive advantages for certain South African exports in Mercosur, and as such Wesgro works to ensure that exporters maximise export opportunities to the Mercosur markets under the PTA, with a particular focus on Brazil.

## 1.7 The African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)

- a) Member states: All the member states of the African Union have signed except Eritrea. 30 countries have complied with their domestic requirements for ratification. The AfCFTA entered into force on 30 May 2019, however, the schedules to the agreement are still under negotiation.
- b) **Nature:** Free Trade Agreement. Key objectives of the AfCFTA include creating a single market for goods and services and enhancing economic integration on the African Continent.
- Role of the provincial government and that of a C) foreign country and/ or investors: The implementation of this agreement is a national competence. The provincial government, through its tourism, trade and investment promotion agency, Wesgro, will play a role in ensuring that the benefits of this agreement are maximised for economic development once it is operational. The Western Cape Government's international trade strategy takes direction from the national government and national policy. In line with this, the Western Cape Government's international export promotion strategy includes a strong focus on boosting trade with the rest of Africa and supporting the development of regional value chains on the Continent.

## 1.8 SADC-EAC-COMESA Tripartite FTA (TFTA)

- a) **Member states:** Members of the SADC, East African Community, and the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa. The TFTA has not entered into force.
- b) **Nature:** Free Trade Agreement. Initially trade in goods, with a second phase to cover trade in services and other trade-related areas.
- c) Role of the provincial government and that of a foreign country and/ or investors: The implementation of this agreement is a national competence. The provincial government, through its tourism, trade and investment promotion agency,

Wesgro, will play a role in ensuring that the benefits of this agreement are maximised for economic development once it is operational. The Western Cape Government's international trade strategy takes direction from the national government and national policy. In line with this, the Western Cape Government's international export promotion strategy includes a strong focus on boosting trade with the rest of Africa and supporting the development of regional value chains on the Continent.

# 2. Trade related Memorandum of Understandings – Western Cape (Wesgro)

- Wesgro and UK DIT: The objective of this Memorandum of 2.1 Understanding (this Memorandum), is to establish a strategic partnership between the Participants in order to enhance the trade and investment relationship between the United Kingdom and the Western Cape and secure positive commercial outcomes. The partnership will ensure ongoing collaboration to maintain existing investments and facilitate the development of new trade and investment opportunities. The partnership will see both participants work to develop support services for UK and promote African companies and business environment South improvements. The participants will work together, and alongside other relevant departments and agencies, on a national and local level, to meet this objective and wider aims. In short: It's an MoU to promote collaboration between Wesgro and UK DIT to enhance trade and investment
- 2.2 Swiss Import Promotion Programme (SIPPO): The objective of cooperation between SIPPO and Wesgro is (a) to advance the export promotion services of Wesgro to export ready companies, and (b) to equip these companies with improved access to European and other important target markets. To this end, SIPPO and Wesgro will provide a range of services to export ready companies within the areas of capacity building, networking, match making and market intelligence.
- 2.3 Angola chamber of commerce CACIAAS 2019: The purpose of this agreement is to establish the scope of cooperation and framework conditions under which Wesgro and CACIAAS will work within their mandates pursuant to the prevailing laws and regulations of their respective countries. The objective of the cooperation between CACIAAS and Wesgro is a) to advance the export promotion services of Wesgro towards export-ready companies, and b) to equip these companies with improved access to Angola. To this end, CACIAAS and Wesgro will provide a range of services to export-ready companies within the areas of capacity building, networking, matchmaking and market intelligence.

2.4 **Botswana Investment and Trace Centre (BITC) – 2016:** Desiring to strengthen and to assist cooperation aimed at enhancement of investment activities between Parties, desiring to design favourable conditions for sustainable growth of economic cooperation, Intending to develop direct contacts between business circles in the Republic of Botswana and the Western Cape Province in RSA.

## 3. Value of trade activities and investment

In response to the question, for the period from 2009/2010 financial year until the 2019/2020 financial year, the Western Cape Provincial Government allocated a total of R523,8m towards trade and investment promotion through Wesgro, generating an estimated rand value for investment and exports of R 40,21bn , facilitating 14 254 job opportunities. **Table 1** below provides a breakdown of the Investment and Trade Promotion figures for the financial periods requested.

# TABLE 1: ESTIMATED RAND VALUE OF COMMITTED INVESTMENT PROJECTS (2009/10 TO 2019/20)

Financial year	Allocation received (R')	Number of projects	Rand value of investment	Number of jobs facilitated
2009-2010	15 300 000,00	10	1 047 140 000	923
2010-2011	15 000 000,00	6	1 516 584 222	325
2011-2012	14 956 000,00	10	1 240 599 161	1313
2012-2013	18 500 000,00	12	1 867 295 000	1783
2013-2014	21 481 000,00	12	1 709 400 000	741
2014-2015	19 235 000,00	15	1 958 287 000	1187
2015-2016	22 400 000,00	10	2 045 800 000	681
2016-2017	26 666 650,00	12	2 127 932 000	696
2017-2018	25 000 000,00	12	2 295 940 000	1014
2018-2019	37 700 000,00	15	2 222 100 000	752
2019-2020	45 700 000,00	18	2 245 450 000	1485
Total IP	261 938 650,00	132	20 276 527 383	10 900

Also, for the period extending from 2009/10 to 2015/16, Wesgro reported on the number of companies assisted with exports number of outward missions completed (see Table 2). In 2016/17, Wesgro changed its strategy and started reporting on the outcomes of the interventions implemented. **Table 3** below provides a breakdown of the companies supported by exports and the estimated economic impact of exports.

Financial year	Allocation received	Number of companies trained (through the Exporter Development Programme (EDP)	Number of companies assisted with export	Number of companies taken on outward missions
2009-2010	15 300 000	444		40
2010-2011	15 000 000	579	344	330
2011-2012	14 956 000	-	536	214
2012-2013	18 500 000	-	480	164
2013-2014	21 481 000	-	300	161
2014-2015	19 235 000	_	522	218
2015-2016	22 400 000		527	182
Sub-total	126 872 000	1 023	2 709	1 309

# TABLE 2: BUSINESS TRAINED, SUPPORTED AND TAKEN ON OUTWARD MISSIONS (2009/10 TO 2015/16)

### TABLE 3: ESTIMATED ECONOMIC IMPACT OF EXPORTS (2016/17 TO 2019/20)

Financial year	Allocation received (R')	Number of projects	Rand value of export	Number of jobs facilitated
2016-2017	26 666 650	41	9 048 683 854	781
2017-2018	25 000 000	53	2 830 000 000	679
2018-2019	37 700 000	79	4 975 096 317	921
2019-2020	45 700 000	37	3 084 780 664	973
Sub-total	135 066 650	210	19 938 560 835	3354
Total TP	261 938 650			

#### PPE expenditure of departments

#### 8. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (1) Whether he can give a detailed breakdown of each department's expenditure on PPE, including the (a) unit price, (b) quantity purchased and (c) details of the supplier and/or manufacturer used; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what are the (a) details of local suppliers and (b) amount paid to each of them for the purchase of PPE;
- (3) whether the provincial government has procured any of its PPE from the Proudly SA website, which lists several local suppliers; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

- (4) what are the reasons for the varying amounts paid by different departments for the same PPE items;
- (5) whether he will institute an investigation into the different prices being paid for the same PPE items by the provincial government's departments; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

- 8. (1) (a), (b) and (c) Please see attached Annexure A in terms of the requested information. Please note that:
  - Total expenditure of each department on PPE for March 2020 to May 2020 (as extracted from the system on 8 June 2020) is reflected in the sheet titled "Summary of Expenditure". Please note that, for technical reasons, this excludes the Department of Health;
  - Expenditure information as it relates to unit price, quantity purchased, and details of the suppliers are reflected in the sheet titled "Unit Price Information";
  - A separate dashboard in the attached annexure reflected in the sheet titled "DOH" has been included for the Department of Health only in respect of average unit prices, stock on order and stock on hand, as this is the only available information at this point in time (extracted by the PT from departmental shared site on 18 June 2020).
  - Subsequently we did the DOH analysis.
  - (2) (a) and (b) Below are details of suppliers within the **boundaries of SA only** as well as the amount paid to each supplier. This excludes the suppliers for the Department of Health, it must be noted that the Department of Health used their own transversal contracts that they normally put in place as part of their core business to which they benefitted from by placing most orders in the last two months of the 2019/20 financial year. The Provincial Treasury receives weekly insights into the Department Health PPE stock levels used to manage the pandemic. We suggest that the member request the detail of suppliers and amount paid to each directly from the Department of Health.

				<b>Total Disbursed</b>
Province	District	🔽 City	💌 CSD Trading Name 📃 👻	Amount
Gauteng	City of Tshwane	Centurion	TUSK CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT	R30 546,8
	Ekurhuleni	Kempton Park	MEDI-INDUSTRIAL TRADING (PTY) LTD	R80 500,00
Western Cape	Cape Winelands	Idasvallei	FABULOUS DISTRIBUTORS (PTY) LTD	R15 750,0
		Onder Papegaai	berg STELMED	R1 960,00
		Robertson	TEMPERATURE MONITOR SOLUTIONS AFRICA	R13 915,0
	City of Cape Town	Athlone	DAFFODIL TRADING 39CC	R7 500,00
		Bellville	BAGAZIO PROMOTIONS	R38 612,40
			BFECT	R112 140,0
		Cape Metro	STEADY GROW TRADING 44CC	R8 581,8
		Cape Town	BRAND UNIVERSE	R92 741,9
			ENIGMA DESIGNS	R50 829,94
			FG UNIFORMS	R49 979,0
			GRINNELL SECURITY SERVICES (PTY) LTD	R9 746,2
			GROBIR MEDICAL SUPPLIERS (PTY) LTD	R4 900,0
			SPARKS AND ELLIS	R34 155,0
		Durbanville	MEDISA TRADING	R23 103,4
		Epping Industria	CYMOD (PTY) LTD	R11 655,2
		Grassy Park	NEW AGE MEDIDEN	R6 500,0
			TRIPLE THREE BAND SOLUTIONS (PTY) LTD	R37 650,00
		Kuils River	ASSUR DEVELOPERS	R8 910,00
		Milnerton	Masiqhame Trading 1057cc	R48 093 013,8
		Parow	TRIPLE 3 SERVICES	R38 250,00
		Strand	BIOEARTH LABORATORIES	R7 112 294,6
Grand Total				R55 883 235,38

#### Expenditure to Suppliers residing in South Africa.

- 3. No. No due diligence check is done in this regard as procurement of Proudly South African products is not a prescribed requirement by the National Treasury for procuring institutions to comply with in the procurement process. The local content and production requirements have been prescribed by the National Treasury via Instruction Notes to which the Province must comply with. Local Content and Manufacture verification and certification is done by the SABS and assigned by the dtic.
- 4. Prior to the lock down, the Provincial Treasury (PT) anticipated the need for PPE items and the potential for the hiking of prices due to scarcity in respect of supply and demand in the market for these essential items. Whilst the PT cannot control how suppliers hike their prices, the PT can guide departments on mechanisms to focus on value for money and/economically viable purchasing.

The prices are influenced by the timing of when the procurement process happens as well as the number of suppliers who can respond in the market based on supply and demand needs. Suppliers are also aligning their prices to the NT maximum benchmark prices; however NT's benchmark prices have been amended twice to which the market has not re-adjusted its prices downwards. Departments find themselves having to approach the market many times to secure the requisite stock of PPE items needed which also results in varied pricing. In some cases, departments have utilised pre-existing contracts and hence they are paying the prices in respect of these contracts whilst other departments are subject to the current fluctuation in market prices.

- 5. The Provincial Treasury is currently monitoring the procurement of PPE items by departments and has also provided a mechanism for departments to ensure that they manage pricing at an appropriate level by including the following in the provincial database:
  - Standardised, uniform specifications approved by the Department of Health and NDOH;
  - Pricing for each item, lead times for delivery and quantities that suppliers could deliver; and
  - Comparative pricing that was issued by the National Treasury as benchmark prices for medical PPE items.

The Provincial Treasury has further issued Treasury Circular 23 of 2020, issuing the Regulations on Competition Tribunal Rules for COVID-19 excessive pricing compliant referrals, to which the Department of Health specifically as advised are referring cases of excessive pricing to the Competition Commission in terms of the Competition Commission regulations issued during lockdown.

## Regional exports

### 9. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (1) What are the details of the biggest trade partners of the province, including (a) the sectors of the economy in which they trade, (b) the nature of the trade, (c) the GDP sector contribution to both the provincial and the national economy, (d) a list of South African and foreign companies that are major players in the sector and (e) a list of trade partners with their trade contributions expressed as percentages;
- (2) (a) what is the breakdown of the Western Cape's regional export flow and (b) what was the contribution of each region to Western Cape exports in (i) 2014, (ii) 2015, (iii) 2016, (iv) 2017, (v) 2018, (vi) 2019 and (vii) 2020 to date.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

9. (1) An analysis of the top 10 export markets reveals that the Province's main export destinations are predominantly African (5 of the top 10) and European (3 of the top 10), along with the United States and China.

		2019	
Rank	Country	WC exports (R billion, current prices)	WC exports % contribution
1	Namibia	12.6	9.8%
2	United Kingdom	9.1	7.1%
3	United States	9.0	7.0%
4	Netherlands	8.6	6.7%
5	Botswana	7.9	6.2%
6	China	5.3	4.2%
7	Germany	4.8	3.8%
8	Kenya	3.8	3.0%
9	Lesotho	2.8	2.2%
10	Zambia	2.5	2.0%

Table 1: Top 10 Western	Cape exports destinations
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#### **SOURCE: Quantec**

An analysis of the top 10 import destinations reveals that the Province's main trading destinations are predominantly Asian (5 of the top 10), African (2 of the top 10), European (2 of the top 10) and the United States.

#### Table 2: Top 10 Western Cape import destinations

		2019				
Rank	Country	WC imports (R billion, current prices)	WC Imports % contribution			
1	China	30.2	13.3%			
2	Nigeria	28.6	12.5%			
3	Saudi Arabia	24.4	10.7%			
4	United Arab Emirates	21.4	9.4%			
5	India	9.8	4.3%			
6	Oman	8.4	3.7%			
7	United States	7.6	3.3%			
8	Germany	6.6	2.9%			
9	Angola	6.4	2.8%			
10	Italy	6.1	2.7%			

#### **SOURCE: Quantec**

(b) The sectors of the economy and the nature of the trade?

The detailed nature of what is traded across sectors (with each trading destination) is captured in Annexure A. An analysis of the sectors for exports reveals that the Province primarily trades the following sectors:

- Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic
- Food, beverages and tobacco
- Textiles, clothing and leather goods
- Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment
- Transport equipment
- Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- Wood and paper, publishing and printing
- Furniture, other manufacturing
- Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks

The detailed nature of what is traded across sectors (with each trading destination) is captured in Annexure A. An analysis of the sectors for imports reveals that the Province primarily trades the following sectors:

- Mining and quarrying
- Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic
- Food, beverages and tobacco
- Textiles, clothing and leather goods
- Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment
- Wood and paper, publishing and printing
- Furniture, other manufacturing
- Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks
- Other non-metal mineral products
- Electrical machinery and apparatus
- (c) the GDP sector contribution to both the provincial and the national economy

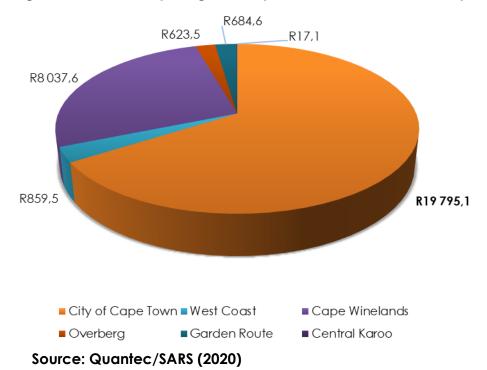
Gross Value Added by Region (GVA-R)	2	2019	
WC Sector's percentage share of total GDP	Sector as a percentage of	WC Sector Share as a Percentage	
	Provincial	of National Total	
	GDP	Sector	
Agriculture and hunting	2.7%	19.9%	
Forestry and logging	0.1%	5.9%	
Fishing, operation of fish farms	0.7%	65.6%	
Mining of coal and lignite	0.0%	0.0%	
Mining of gold and uranium ore	0.0%	0.0%	
Mining of metal ores	0.0%	0.0%	
Other mining and quarrying	0.3%	4.0%	
Food, beverages and tobacco products	6.8%	25.1%	
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	0.7%	27.3%	
Wood and wood products	1.8%	17.8%	
Fuel, petroleum, chemical and rubber products	2.5%	12.5%	
Other non-metallic mineral products	0.4%	15.7%	

Metal products, machinery and household	1.4%	7.9%
appliances		
Electrical machinery and apparatus	0.2%	11.4%
Electronic, sound/vision, medical & other	0.2%	14.8%
appliances		
Transport equipment	0.6%	7.7%
Furniture and other items NEC and recycling	1.0%	13.8%
Electricity, gas, steam and hot water supply	2.6%	11.6%
Collection, purification and distribution of water	0.3%	5.2%
Construction	5.2%	18.4%
Wholesale and commission trade	5.5%	15.1%
Retail trade and repairs of goods	8.2%	16.2%
Sale and repairs of motor vehicles, sale of fuel	2.5%	14.0%
Hotels and restaurants	1.3%	20.4%
Land and Water transport	6.1%	13.1%
Air transport and transport supporting activities	2.4%	20.9%
Post and telecommunication	2.3%	16.2%
Finance and Insurance	10.9%	16.5%
Real estate activities	9.2%	22.1%
Other business activities	5.5%	14.7%
Public administration and defence activities	5.6%	11.2%
Education	4.4%	8.5%
Health and social work	5.6%	12.0%
Other service activities	3.2%	11.0%
Total Industries	100.0%	13.6%

#### SOURCE: IHS

- (d) A list of South African and foreign companies that are major players in the sector
- (e) Knowledge of key export players is critical to growing Western Cape exports. Wesgro, the Western Cape's trade and promotion agency is aware of the top exporters in the province but for confidentiality reasons cannot publish this data. It would be advisable to make direct requests to the South African Revenue Services who compiles this information.

2. The current breakdown of the Western Cape's regional export flow



## Figure 1: Western Cape regional export flow - R, million current prices (2020 Q1)

In the first quarter of 2020, the City of Cape Town accounted for R19.8 billion of the Western Cape total exports. The City is the largest exporter in the province, followed by Cape Winelands (R8 billion), West Coast (R860 million), Garden Route (R685 million), Overberg (R624 million) and Central Karoo (R17 million).

# (b) The contribution of each region to Western Cape exports in (i) 2014, (ii) 2015, (iii) 2016, (iv) 2017, (v) 2018, (vi) 2019 and (vii) 2020 to date

Throughout the years (from 2014-2020 first quarter), the City of Cape Town has been the main contributor to the Western Cape exports, followed by Cape Winelands, West Coast, Garden Route, Overberg and Central Karoo. Table 1 and 2, below highlight the export contribution of each region to the Western Cape exports in absolute values and as a percentage (region total exports/Western Cape total exports) respectively.

	- R Million, current prices						
Region	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 Q1
Western Cape	R111,172	R121,406	R124,812	R124,397	R129,998	R128,697	R30,017
City of Cape Town	R76,112	R83,697	R82,605	R82,653	R85,939	R87,361	R19,795
Cape Winelands	R23,596	R26,545	R29,024	R28,618	R29,063	R28,317	R8,038
West Coast	R6,165	R5,386	R6,769	R7,190	R7,996	R6,399	R860
Garden Route	R2,305	R2,686	R3,167	R3,370	R3,832	R3,630	R685
Overberg	R2,936	R3,052	R3,191	R2,515	R3,107	R2,923	R624
Central Karoo	R58	R40	R56	R51	R62	R67	R17

#### Table 4: Contribution of each region to the WC in terms of exports - R Million, current prices

Source: Quantec/SARS (2020)

#### Table 5: Contribution of each region to the WC in terms of exports (%)

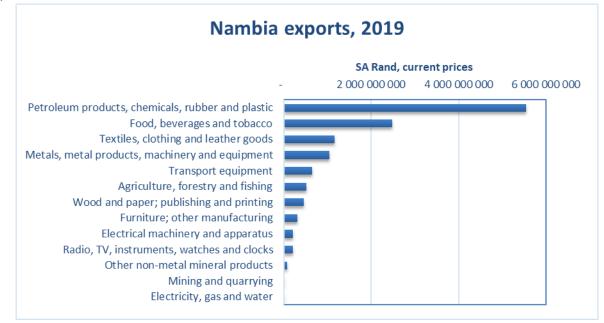
	Percentage						
Region	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 Q1
City of Cape Town	68.46%	68.94%	66.18%	66.44%	66.11%	67.88%	65.95%
Cape Winelands	21.22%	21.86%	23.25%	23.01%	22.36%	22.00%	26.78%
West Coast	5.55%	4.44%	5.42%	5.78%	6.15%	4.97%	2.86%
Garden Route	2.07%	2.21%	2.54%	2.71%	2.95%	2.82%	2.28%
Overberg	2.64%	2.51%	2.56%	2.02%	2.39%	2.27%	2.08%
Central Karoo	0.05%	0.03%	0.04%	0.04%	0.05%	0.05%	0.06%

Source: DEDAT calculations (2020)

#### Annexure A

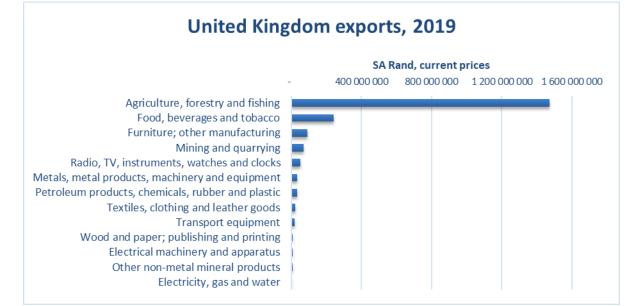
#### Detailed Sectoral break down per export destination

1) Nambia



	2019 (SA Rand,
Top Export Sector	current prices)
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	5,536,939,940
Food, beverages and tobacco	2,484,134,342
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	1,159,625,655
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	1,044,324,057
Transport equipment	653,618,420
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	515,173,345
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	451,929,590
Furniture; other manufacturing	304,836,794
Electrical machinery and apparatus	212,026,241
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	203,198,189
Other non-metal mineral products	81,398,714
Mining and quarrying	20,861,467
Electricity, gas and water	-

#### 2) United Kingdom



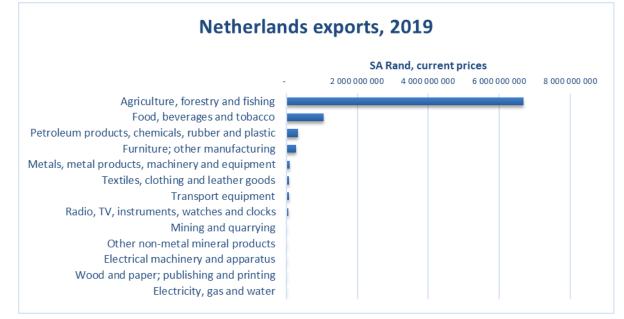
Top Export Sector	2019 (SA Rand, current prices)
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,474,077,210
Food, beverages and tobacco	241,488,266
Furniture; other manufacturing	90,972,348
Mining and quarrying	72,091,860
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	51,039,187
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	33,719,027
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	33,197,248
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	22,854,377
Transport equipment	19,163,974
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	9,813,137
Electrical machinery and apparatus	6,582,048
Other non-metal mineral products	6,518,937
Electricity, gas and water	-

#### 3) United States



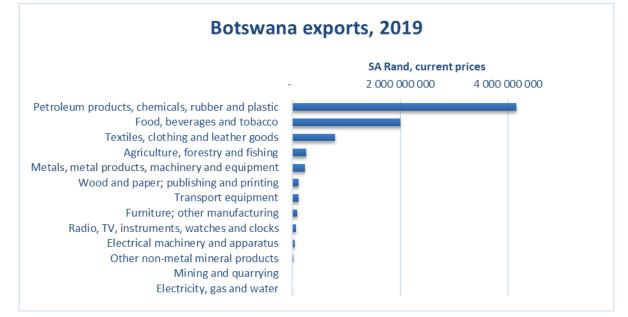
	2019 (SA Rand,
Top Export Sector	current prices)
Transport equipment	1,627,569,105
Furniture; other manufacturing	1,595,395,207
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	1,378,014,116
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,203,862,600
Food, beverages and tobacco	1,118,827,687
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	912,366,229
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	502,361,087
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	364,523,688
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	157,209,479
Mining and quarrying	83,465,914
Other non-metal mineral products	48,358,645
Electrical machinery and apparatus	23,033,797
Electricity, gas and water	-
SOURCE: Oughton	

#### 4) Netherlands



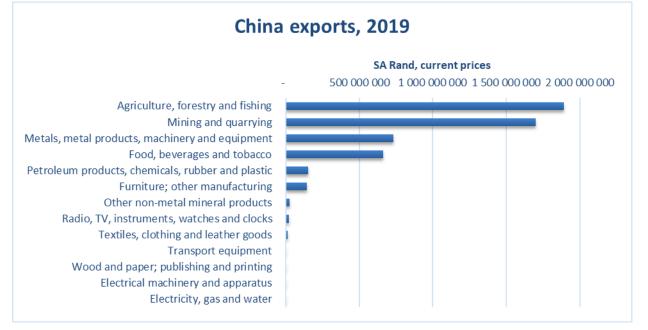
Top Export Sociar	2019 (SA Rand,
Top Export Sector	current prices)
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	6,690,740,250
Food, beverages and tobacco	1,051,171,850
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	330,489,826
Furniture; other manufacturing	281,856,064
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	90,328,625
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	74,701,250
Transport equipment	69,123,369
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	56,669,223
Mining and quarrying	22,105,327
Other non-metal mineral products	8,374,687
Electrical machinery and apparatus	4,661,565
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	3,661,494
Electricity, gas and water	-

#### 5) Botswana



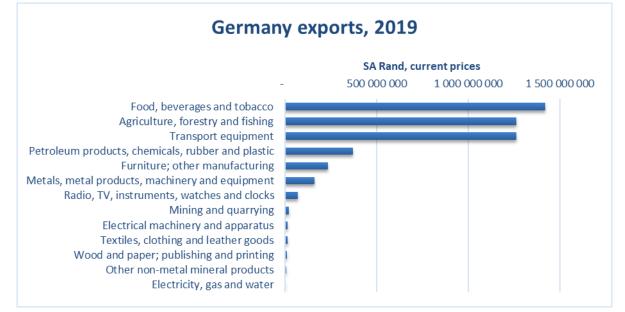
Top Export Sector	2019 (SA Rand, current prices)
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	4,150,727,492
Food, beverages and tobacco	2,004,018,020
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	791,182,076
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	264,419,994
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	235,115,570
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	121,082,221
Transport equipment	119,098,682
Furniture; other manufacturing	97,896,241
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	73,554,715
Electrical machinery and apparatus	45,635,137
Other non-metal mineral products	22,354,027
Mining and quarrying	4,214,448
Electricity, gas and water	-

#### 6) China



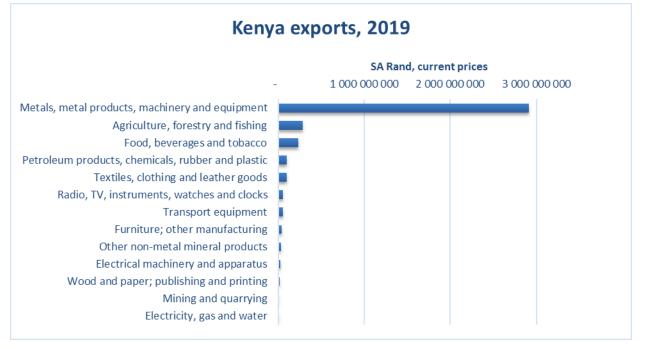
Top Export Sector	2019 (SA Rand, current prices)
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,892,307,273
Mining and quarrying	1,700,340,710
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	732,301,284
Food, beverages and tobacco	664,297,062
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	151,198,154
Furniture; other manufacturing	141,986,211
Other non-metal mineral products	23,215,047
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	21,950,930
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	14,231,713
Transport equipment	1,942,784
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	252,937
Electrical machinery and apparatus	190,479
Electricity, gas and water	-

#### 7) Germany

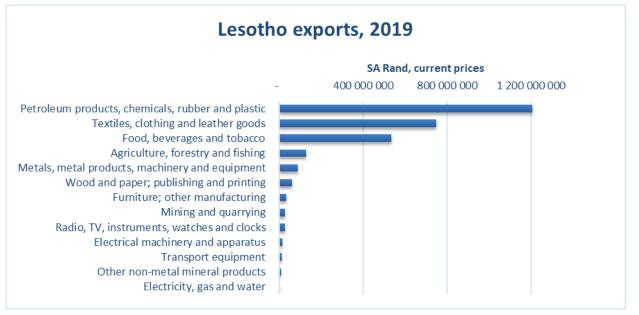


Top Export Sector	2019 (SA Rand, current prices)
Food, beverages and tobacco	1,418,428,115
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,262,988,121
Transport equipment	1,261,067,304
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	369,928,028
Furniture; other manufacturing	233,505,188
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	161,534,003
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	71,316,326
Mining and quarrying	21,253,443
Electrical machinery and apparatus	16,429,602
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	14,977,146
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	11,021,030
Other non-metal mineral products	8,913,343
Electricity, gas and water	-

#### Kenya

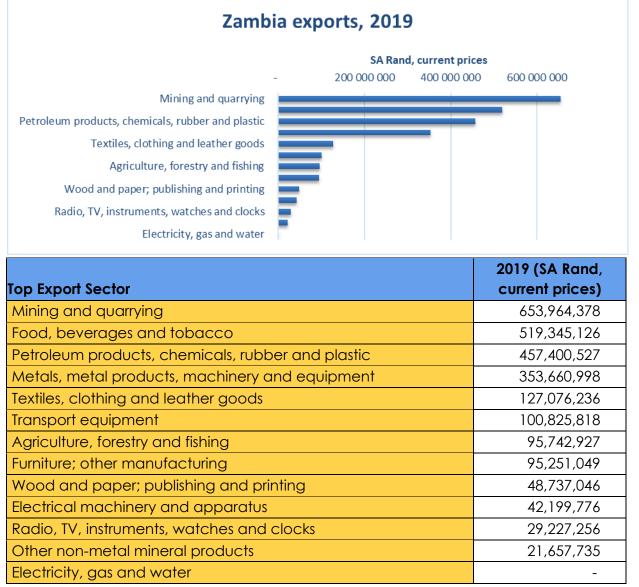


Top Export Sector	2019 (SA Rand, current prices)
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	2,915,487,497
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	283,749,299
Food, beverages and tobacco	230,674,705
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	100,045,955
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	97,461,933
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	53,346,146
Transport equipment	52,863,928
Furniture; other manufacturing	36,425,962
Other non-metal mineral products	28,005,049
Electrical machinery and apparatus	21,198,568
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	15,515,004
Mining and quarrying	1,323,669
Electricity, gas and water	-



Top Export Sector	2019 (SA Rand, current prices)
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	1,206,429,718
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	746,271,328
Food, beverages and tobacco	535,132,402
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	126,990,798
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	87,283,661
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	59,090,955
Furniture; other manufacturing	34,406,637
Mining and quarrying	27,007,684
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	26,828,607
Electrical machinery and apparatus	15,476,157
Transport equipment	12,237,195
Other non-metal mineral products	9,929,533
Electricity, gas and water	-

#### 8) Zambia



SOURCE: Quantec

Sectoral break down per import destination:

881,650,576

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#### 1) China

Other non-metal mineral products

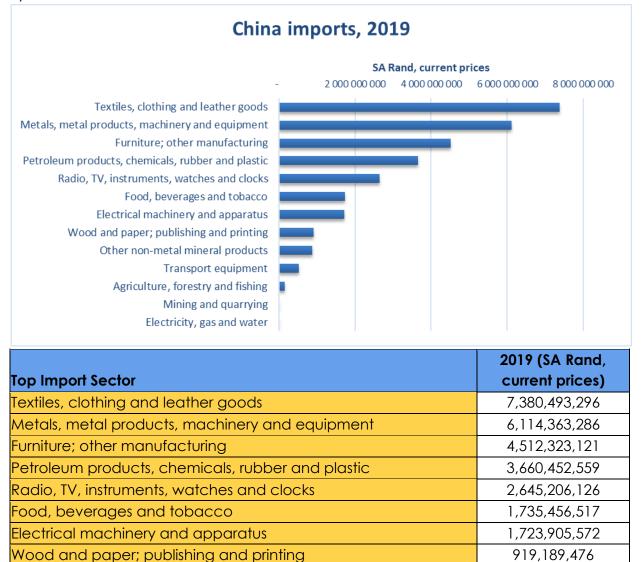
Agriculture, forestry and fishing

Transport equipment

Mining and quarrying

**SOURCE:** Quantec

Electricity, gas and water



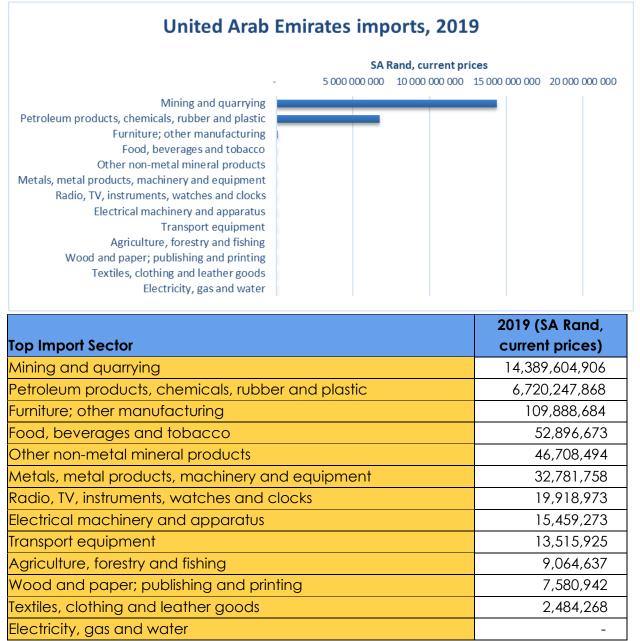
## Nigeria

Nigeria imports, 2	019
- 10 000 0	<b>Rand, current prices</b> 00 000 20 000 000 000 30 000 000 000
Mining and quarrying Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic Agriculture, forestry and fishing Food, beverages and tobacco Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks Transport equipment Furniture; other manufacturing Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment Textiles, clothing and leather goods Electrical machinery and apparatus Wood and paper; publishing and printing Other non-metal mineral products Electricity, gas and water	
	2019 (SA Rand,
Top Import Sector	current prices)
Mining and quarrying	28,588,330,035
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	6,271,804
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	2,416,875
Food, beverages and tobacco	2,080,313
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	1,192,561
Transport equipment	1,147,230
Furniture; other manufacturing	514,810
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	486,461
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	59,744
Electrical machinery and apparatus	26,496
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	18,062
Other non-metal mineral products	1,810
Electricity, gas and water	-
SOURCE: Ougentee	

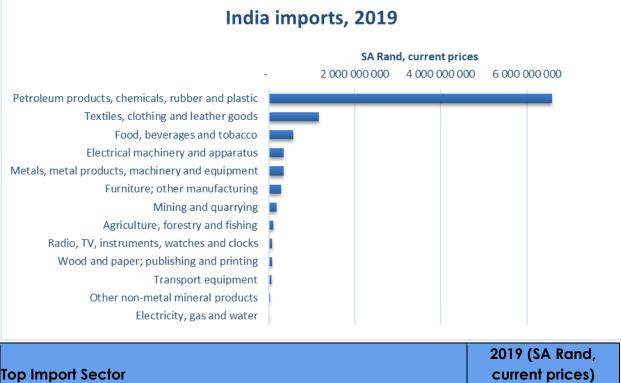
## 2) Saudi Arabia

<ul> <li>- 10 000 000</li> <li>Mining and quarrying</li> <li>Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic Food, beverages and tobacco</li> <li>Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment Other non-metal mineral products</li> <li>Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks</li> <li>Textiles, clothing and leather goods</li> <li>Agriculture, forestry and fishing</li> <li>Electricity, gas and water</li> </ul>	20 000 000 000
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Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic Food, beverages and tobacco Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment Other non-metal mineral products Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks Textiles, clothing and leather goods	22,038,543,436
Food, beverages and tobacco Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment Other non-metal mineral products Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks Textiles, clothing and leather goods	2,359,347,770
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment Other non-metal mineral products Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks Textiles, clothing and leather goods	36,723,905
Other non-metal mineral products Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks Textiles, clothing and leather goods	8,955,882
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	3,225,056
	623,425
Aariculture, forestry and fishing	455,905
	449,733
Furniture; other manufacturing	387,309
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	007,007
Electrical machinery and apparatus	127,465
Transport equipment	
Electricity, gas and water	127,465

## 3) United Arab Emirates



#### 4) India



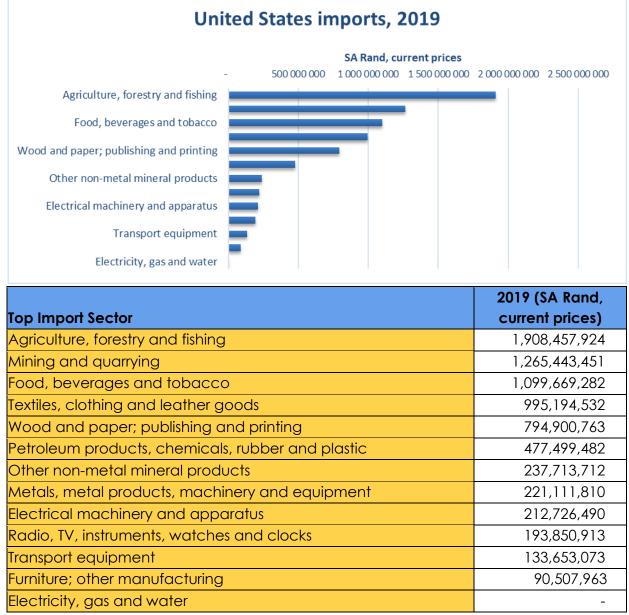
Top Import Sector	current prices)
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	6,585,555,933
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	1,165,929,387
Food, beverages and tobacco	565,930,720
Electrical machinery and apparatus	352,102,985
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	350,342,860
Furniture; other manufacturing	288,901,664
Mining and quarrying	186,157,651
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	113,047,826
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	73,094,239
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	71,569,821
Transport equipment	57,842,783
Other non-metal mineral products	38,035,290
Electricity, gas and water	-

## 6) Oman

Oman imports, 2019			
	SA Rand, current prices		
-	4 000 000 000	8 000 000 000	
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic			
Furniture; other manufacturing			
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks			
Food, beverages and tobacco			
Wood and paper; publishing and printing			
Electrical machinery and apparatus			
Electricity, gas and water			
		2019 (SA Rand,	
op Import Sector		current prices)	
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic		8,492,962,832	

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Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic	8,492,962,832
Other non-metal mineral products	558,845
Furniture; other manufacturing	513,500
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	242,664
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	26,287
Mining and quarrying	2,267
Food, beverages and tobacco	6
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	-
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	-
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment	-
Electrical machinery and apparatus	-
Transport equipment	-
Electricity, gas and water	-

#### 7) United States



## 8) Germany

Germany imports, 2019		
-	1 000 000 000 2 000 000 000	
Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic Food, beverages and tobacco Wood and paper; publishing and printing Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks Transport equipment Agriculture, forestry and fishing Furniture; other manufacturing Electrical machinery and apparatus Other non-metal mineral products Textiles, clothing and leather goods Mining and quarrying Electricity, gas and water		
	2019 (SA Rand,	
op Import Sector	current prices)	
Metals, metal products, machinery and equ	ipment 2,346,389,431	
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and	plastic 1,450,521,035	
ood, beverages and tobacco	734,549,111	
Vood and paper; publishing and printing	457,237,627	
adio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	421,299,234	
ransport equipment	335,383,951	
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	302,388,816	
urniture; other manufacturing	196,919,452	
electrical machinery and apparatus	161,919,535	
Other non-metal mineral products	100,766,447	
extiles, clothing and leather goods	96,831,565	
Aining and quarrying	1,719,309	
electricity, gas and water	-	

# 9) Angola

Angola i	nports, 2019
-	2 000 000 000 4 000 000 000 6 000 000 000
Mining and quarrying Agriculture, forestry and fishing Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment Food, beverages and tobacco Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks Transport equipment Furniture; other manufacturing Electrical machinery and apparatus Other non-metal mineral products Wood and paper; publishing and printing Textiles, clothing and leather goods Electricity, gas and water	
Top Import Sector	2019 (SA Rand, current prices)
Mining and quarrying	6,452,648,523
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	4,613,902
Metals, metal products, machinery and e	
Food, beverages and tobacco	716,239
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber a	d plastic 579,896
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and cloc	s 384,888
Transport equipment	231,963
Furniture; other manufacturing	141,089
Electrical machinery and apparatus	7,300
Other non-metal mineral products	7,228
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	6,714
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	-
Electricity, gas and water	-

SOURCE: Quantec

# 10) Italy

Italy imports, 2019			
-	1 000 000 000 2 000 000 000		
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and plastic Metals, metal products, machinery and equipment Food, beverages and tobacco Transport equipment Furniture; other manufacturing Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks Textiles, clothing and leather goods Other non-metal mineral products Wood and paper; publishing and printing Electrical machinery and apparatus Agriculture, forestry and fishing Mining and quarrying Electricity, gas and water			
	2019 (SA Rand,		
Top Import Sector	current prices)		
Petroleum products, chemicals, rubber and	plastic 2,178,725,890		
Metals, metal products, machinery and equ	ipment 1,662,562,687		
Food, beverages and tobacco	587,400,796		
Transport equipment	443,416,939		
Furniture; other manufacturing	245,269,572		
Radio, TV, instruments, watches and clocks	240,780,574		
Textiles, clothing and leather goods	217,625,206		
Other non-metal mineral products	189,392,979		
Wood and paper; publishing and printing	166,822,055		
Electrical machinery and apparatus	117,800,748		
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	59,203,518		
Mining and quarrying	398,858		
Electricity, gas and water	-		

**SOURCE:** Quantec

Isolation and quarantine practices: overall effectiveness of

#### 10. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Health:

(a) What is the overall effectiveness of isolation and quarantine practices in the Western Cape and (b) what were the relevant challenges experienced to date?

#### The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

- 10. (a) As at 29 June there were 2 988 health staff members infected. The infection rate is approximately 9.2 % for Departmental employees.
  - (b) 71,5% of all health workers have recovered up to this point, and the percentage continues to increase.

COVID-19: Infection and recovery rate: healthcare workers

#### 11. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Health:

What is the COVID-19 (a) infection rate and (b) recovery rate among healthcare workers in the Western Cape?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

- 11. As at 4 July 2020, there were 2810 Western Cape Government Health employees who were infected. This amounts to 8.6 % of WCG Health employees.
  - (a) The total number of recorded health workers infected as at 4 July 2020 was 3597.
  - (b) As at 4 July 2020, 77% of all health workers had recovered, and the percentage continues to increase.

Please note that these figures may change due to reporting delays.

Questions and replies as received from departments

### QUESTIONS

For written reply

### PPE suppliers and manufacturers

#### 1. Ms N D Nkondlo asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to the launch of a dedicated digital marketplace that connects businesses that need to purchase personal protective equipment (PPE) with the suppliers and manufacturers thereof:

- What are the details of (a)(i) the suppliers and (ii) the manufactures that have been included in the marketplace and (b) their BBBEE status levels;
- (2) what are the details of the (a) suppliers and (b) manufacturers that have been success-fully connected to businesses that need to purchase PPE and (c) value of each purchase;
- (3) whether there is a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content of PPE; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

 (1) The PPE marketplace was launched as a joint initiative by Wesgro, the Western Cape Government and the City of Cape Town to assist businesses in the Western Cape to find and procure the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) necessary to ensure that their workplaces are safe and stop the spread of Covid-19. Like any online marketplace, all PPE suppliers are welcome to register their details for free in order to be listed and contacted by businesses looking for PPE supplies.

> All the details of the suppliers are publicly visible on the PPE marketplace website: https://supportbusiness.co.za/marketplace/

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Information on the supplier's BBBEE level is available when viewing a specific product, for example: <u>www.supportbusiness.co.za/marketplace/product/reusable-face-</u> <u>mask-3-4-ply</u>

This is not a required field when registering on the website, so it may be that some suppliers do not have their BBBEEE listed.

- (2) (a) The function of this, PPE Marketplace was to connect buyers and sellers, to date we have had over 15 000 visitors to the page. We do have the functionality for businesses to make enquiries via the platform. However, as the contact details of companies are supplied, we find that some buyers are contacting the sellers directly for quotes.
  - (b) Refer to response in (a) above.
  - (c) The marketplace plays no role in the actual transaction, it only lists available vendor contact details, and therefore we are unable to provide exact information. At best, we are able to provide estimates which have been provided above. To date, we have had 142 queries via the page, with a total value of R6 million. But we do not have data in terms of what number of these queries converted into sales. We are looking at a business engagement with vendors listed to develop a better understanding of conversion rates.
- 3. There is no minimum threshold to register a product. When loading a product companies are requested to complete the following information:
  - Company name
  - Business address
  - Business contact number
  - Business email address
  - BEE Level
  - If they are registered with the South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAPHR) or not
  - What other databases they are registered on, e.g. CSD
  - Product name & description
  - Is the product locally manufactured or supplied?
  - Can they provide customisation?
  - Minimum order quantity
  - Order delivery location

As the PPE Marketplace is not a public procurement vehicle, buyers and vendors are not bound to local production and content requirements. However, to ensure that the PPE Marketplace promotes and provides an opportunity for small businesses, it includes a minimum order quantity. Each vendor that registers stipulates what their minimum order quantity is. The team that loads it onto the website double checks that large businesses do not put in low minimum order quantities - ensuring that small businesses are given a chance to be linked with a potential buyer. Further to this, vendors must confirm if they are a local manufacturer or supplier of a certain product. This allows the buyer to identify local manufacturers on the marketplace. The buyer may choose search only for locally manufactured products, by making use of the relevant checkbox on the PPE marketplace home page. Lifing of alcohol ban: increase in alcohol-related road fatalities

### 2. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

Whether there has been an increase in alcohol-related road fatalities since the alcohol ban had been lifted; if so, what is he and his Department doing to curb and prevent the increase in alcohol-related road fatalities?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

2. Forensic Pathology Services road traffic mortality data indicates that completed post approximately 60% of mortem Blood Alcohol Concentration tests are positive, with variations occurring between road user types and across different districts within the province. Confirmed circumstances of death fatality data is not yet available for the period subsequent to the lifting of the alcohol ban. However, preliminary figures released by Forensic Pathology Services are strongly indicative of a strong decline in fatalities during the alcohol ban under Lockdown Level 5, and a sharp rise in fatalities after the lifting of the ban. In April 2020, there were 26 road traffic fatalities, a decline of 66.8% versus April 2019. In May 2020, there were 45 fatalities, a decrease of 61.5% versus May 2019. In June, however, fatality numbers appear to be rising to levels similar to those of 2019, with 53 alleged fatalities as of the 16<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

The Department's efforts to curb drinking and driving on the provincial and national road network are currently hampered by the withdrawal of the use of breathalyser testing as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Department's officers are also heavily engaged in Covid-19 prevention activities, notably the critical requirement of monitoring of public transport operator compliance with sanitation and capacity limitations. Nevertheless the Department remains committed to testing driver fitness wherever possible under the current circumstances, and arrests for driving under the influence are continuing. The Safely Home campaign is ongoing and continues to raise awareness around the dangers of driving under the influence. In July, the Safely Home theme is #BoozeFreeRoads, concentrating on the twin issues of driving and walking under the influence. The Department looks forward to the restoration of normal operations, when activities like Random Breath Testing can re-commence.

# The alleged figures are:

March	2019	2020
Cyclist	3	2
Driver	20	27
Motor-Cyclist	5	4
Other	1	
Passenger	26	17
Pedestrian	58	58
Grand Total	113	108

April	2019	2020
Cyclist	2	
Driver	28	4
Fell Off Vehicle	1	
Motor-Cyclist	3	1
Other	2	
Passenger	49	9
Pedestrian	72	12
Grand Total	157	26

Мау	2019	2020
Cyclist	3	2
Driver	21	10
Fell Off Vehicle		1
Motorcycle Pillion	1	
Motor-Cyclist	9	1
Other	1	
Passenger	25	12
Pedestrian	57	19
Grand Total	117	45

## The Ebenhaeser Trust

## 3. Mr A P van der Westhuizen asked the Minister of Agriculture:

- (1) (a) Who has been nominated by Western Cape Agriculture to serve on the Ebenhaeser Trust and (b) what is this individual's prior exposure to businesses and trusts;
- (2) (a)(i) how many budgets have been submitted by the Ebenhaeser Trust to his Department for a due diligence analysis and (ii) what were the full sum of the expenditure contained in those budgets and (b)(i) what were the major expense items contained in those budgets and (ii) what amounts have be transferred by the Ebenhaeser Trust to the Community Property Association?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE:

- (1) (a) Mr Hendrik Pretorius Vos has been nominated by the Western Cape Department of Agriculture to serve on the Ebenhaeser Development Trust.
  - (b) Mr Vos is a Chartered Accountant and has been registered with the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) since 1997. He is a Partner/Director with Claasen Stone Registered Auditors in Vredendal and has a wide experience of audits in the public and private sector in the area. He is also the accountant for a range of farmers and agribusinesses around Vredendal. This place him in the ideal position to understand the financial and business realities of local farming.
  - (2) (a) (i) Two (2)
    - (ii) Budget submitted in 2107: R15 642 407,10

Budget submitted in 2019: R39 620 028,00

(b) (i) In the 2017 budget the main expenditure items were the establishment of 40 ha of vineyards (R6,2 million), purchasing or renting machinery and equipment (R3,3 million) as well as permanent or seasonal labour (R2,9 million).

> In the 2019 budget the main items was the establishment of 40 ha of high-density vineyards (R16,1 million), machinery and equipment (R7,8 million) and operational expenditure on the vineyards (R4,1 million).

(ii) 2018/19 financial year:

R542 000 – in the form of vouchers distributed to the community members of the Community Property Association (CPA).

R77 050 – stipends payed to board members of the CPA for official duties.

2019/20 financial year:

Expenditure data is still in the process of finalisation before being submitted to the accountants.

### Illegal and legal firearms

## 4. Mr R I Allen asked the Minister of Community Safety:

How many (a) illegal and (b) legal firearms were surrendered or voluntarily handed over to the SAPS in the Western Cape during the (i) last amnesty period that ended on 31 May 2020 and (ii) amnesty period in the 2018/19 financial year?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

The South African Police Service informed me as follows:

- 4. (a) (i) 22 illegal firearms were surrendered.
  - (ii) There was no amnesty period during the 2018/19 financial year.
  - (b) (i) 14 545 legal firearms were surrendered.
    - (ii) There was no amnesty period during the 2018/19 financial year.

#### Parolees: released

#### 5. Mr R I Allen asked the Minister of Community Safety:

(a) How many parolees were released in the Western Cape since the announcement of the release of parolees during the lockdown period and (b) how many of them have reoffended to date?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

- 5. The Department of Justice and Constitutional Development informed me as follows that based on the reply provided to the NCOP on 30 July 2020:
  - (a) Updated status as at 24 June 2020 is as follows:

STATUS OF SPECIAL PAROLE DISPENSATION BY REGIONS AS AT 24 JUNE 2020			
REGION	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL RELEASES
Western Cape	886	67	953

(b) As at the date mentioned above none of those released had reoffended.

#### COVID-19 infections: Drakenstein region

#### 6. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

What assistance has he and his Department been providing to the Drakenstein region, the area worst affected by COVID-19 infections outside the metropolitan area?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, EVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

6. The Department of Local Government (DLG) re-prioritised R16.2 million of the Local Government Grant Support re-funding to address COVID-19 requirements. A total amount of R1 million rand was transferred to Drakenstein Municipality in the form of a Special Support Grant for the purpose to support Humanitarian Relief efforts. The money was specifically earmarked to either procure and distribute 2,000 food parcels, or to partner with existing NGOs and civil society stakeholders to provide hot meals. DLG developed an electronic APP and live monitoring dashboard, to assist the Municipality and the broader Cape Winelands District to implement and monitor the project.

A total of R477 000 has been allocated by the National Treasury through the Disaster Relief Grant. The Department alerted the Municipality about the availability of the grant and requested them to submit their application. They assessed their business plan /application and advised on amendments to improve the chances of approval. The Department submitted a motivational letter to the National Disaster Management Centre (NDMC) in support of the funding application. This is in relation to the Municipal Disaster Grant (transferred on 8 May 2020) in which the following projects were funded:

- Sanitation = R69 150
- Decontamination of specific selected public spaces; PPE, and Hygiene packs = R 87 570
- Waste & Refuse R320 280

The Department also assisted municipalities with applications in terms of the Disaster Relief Grant funding applications addressed to the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) through the submission of an official application on 6 April 2020, addressed to the National DDG (Head) Disaster Management Centre to the value of R239 359 300 of which the allocation to Drakenstein was R23 982 627. The Department subsequently submitted a further prioritised list of interventions extracted from the aforementioned applications to the National DDG (Head) Disaster Management Centre on 11 April 2020.

The Department further supported the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) who provided funding to secure water tanks and water tankers to all municipalities in the Western Cape Province. DWS appointed Rand Water as the implementing agent and Overberg Water Board, to assist with the process in the Western Cape. The DLG assisted by:

- Following up on installation on a weekly basis and assisted where problems were identified at specific municipalities regarding the implementation of the project. Drakenstein Municipality received 21 water tanks and all were installed and are in use at present. They only received one water tanker from Rand Water and have one of their own water tankers to fill the water tanks.
- During May 2020, the Municipality further requested that the water tanker provided by Rand Water, that was recalled on very short notice for re-allocation to another Municipality, not be taken away from them. The matter was brought under the attention of DWS and the water tanker was not re-allocated. The matter was resolved within a few days and the water tanker was allocated to Drakenstein until further notice and is used to cart water to the water tanks installed.

The Department provided information and guidance at an Informal Settlement Support Programme (ISSP) Monthly Mini Forum to the municipalities on the key directions gazetted and published in Government Notice 339 of Government Gazette 43147 of March 2020, under the Disaster Management Act 57 0f 2002, covering:

- Provision of water and sanitation services;
- Hygiene education, communication and awareness;
- Waste management, cleansing and sanitization; and
- Municipal public spaces, facilities and offices, including regular cleaning.

The Provincial Cabinet has adopted a JDA response to COVID-19 in the Province. The JDA lead from the DLG with representatives of all provincial departments together with MEC lead, Dr I Meyer and the HOD lead, Dr Sebopetsa have been deployed to Cape Winelands municipalities and are assisting all the municipalities including Drakenstein Municipality. COVID-19 progress reporting and challenges are addressed through the Cape Winelands District Municipality (CWDM) Joint District Approach (JDA) to Cabinet on a weekly basis. Some challenges that have been escalated and receiving attention are, amongst others, COVID-19 risks imposed on municipalities such as the impact on cash flow, revenue and long-term funding of unfunded mandates. The JDA forms part of the institutional arrangements that make up the CWDM COVID-19 Joint Operations Committee (JOC) and the Local Municipalities JOCs which report to the Provincial Disaster Management Centre.

#### COVID-19 cases: Drakenstein region

### 7. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Education:

(a) How many schools in the Drakenstein region have been affected by COVID-19 positive cases and (b) what was her Department's response in this regard?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

- (a) 25 Schools have been affected as at 26 June 2020 (latest reporting date). This includes schools in Paarl, Wellington, Saron, Simondium and Gouda. Note: this includes schools where affected individuals have already recovered from the virus.
  - (b) Whenever a learner or staff member tests positive for Covid-19, a detailed protocol Guideline L Managing Covid-19 cases in schools. Briefly, the process is that the affected individual must self-isolate for 14 days, the direct contacts must also isolate for 14 days from last contact with the affected individual, and the area(s) where the affected individual was present must be sanitised. This may or may not require the school to close temporarily the decision is made on a case by case basis.

In addition, the WCED has provided cleaning and sanitising materials for regular preventative cleaning at schools, as well as digital thermometers for screening and two masks per learner and staff member. Detailed guidelines on the safety protocols to be followed at schools have also been sent to schools, and these guidelines can be viewed at: <u>https://wcedonline.westerncape.gov.za/back-school</u>







# L - WCED Guideline: Managing Covid-19 cases in schools

Branch: Institution Development and Coordination	L - WCED Guideline: Managing Covid-19 cases in schools			
L – WCED Guideline	Issued: 23 May 2020	To be reviewed as and when necessary		

Approved by the Head of Department:

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#### L - WCED GUIDELINE: MANAGING COVID-19 CASES IN SCHOOLS

#### 1. Purpose

To advise principals and school management teams on how to manage confirmed or suspected cases of Covid-19 in schools.

#### 2. Ongoing procedures and preparations

- 2.1 All learners, teachers and non-teaching staff must be screened every day as per the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) Guideline.
- 2.2 A sick bay is to be prepared to temporarily isolate learner(s) or staff members should a learner or staff member display symptoms of Covid-19.
- 2.3 Information on who to contact as next of kin, should a learner or staff member appear to have symptoms of Covid-19, must be readily available for all learners and staff members.
- 2.4 Information on what to do should someone have symptoms should be readily available and distributed to the learner, their parents or staff member (please see pamphlet: Treatment on https://wcedonline.westerncape.gov.za/backschool-covid-19-resources-schools).
- 2.5 In the event of a class, section of a school, or school requiring decontamination, the school must liaise with the district which will confirm the need to do so and ensure the procurement of the service.

#### Action to be taken when a learner appears ill or displays symptoms associated with Covid-19

The following applies when a learner is suspected to be ill or displays symptoms such as persistent dry cough, high fever, respiratory distress or shortness of breath, sore throat etc. at school:

- 3.1 All learners must be screened every day.
- 3.2 The sick bay is to be prepared to temporarily isolate learner(s).
- 3.3 Should a learner show symptoms associated with Covid-19, isolate the learner and keep him/her separate from other learners or staff until they can be collected or taken home.
- 3.4 The parents/guardian of the learner should be informed immediately and requested to collect the learner.
- 3.5 On collection of the learner, the parent/guardian should be provided with information on what to do and who to contact when a learner displays symptoms of Covid-19.

#### Action to be taken when a case of Covid-19 is confirmed in a learner

- 4.1 The principal must report all confirmed cases to the circuit manager/district director immediately, as well as information pertaining to the case such as:
  - when last the learner was at school;
  - with whom they were in direct contact; and
  - with whom they were in casual contact.
- 4.2 The principal and district officials will do an assessment of the case and the district official will confirm the actions to be taken.
- 4.3 The Department of Health will be responsible for identifying people with whom the learner has been in contact with and will advise the WCED on any further actions or precautions to be taken.
- 4.4 In most cases, closure of the facility or school will be unnecessary.
- 4.5 Remember that only the Head of Department can authorise the closure of an educational institution. The Head of Department will be informed by the district and will act on the advice of the Department of Health.
- Actions to be taken when a learner has been exposed to a <u>possible</u> case of Covid-19.
- 5.1 If a learner has been in contact with a suspected case, no restrictions or special control measures are required while laboratory test results for Covid-19 are awaited.
- 5.2 There is no need to close the school or send other learners or staff home.
- 5.3 The school must continue to observe all Covid-19 requirements.
- 5.4 Therefore, until the outcome of test results is known, there is no action that staff members need to take.

#### Actions to be taken when a learner has been exposed to a <u>confirmed</u> case of Covid-19.

- 6.1 Anyone with close contact with a confirmed Covid-19 case must be identified and requested to stay at home for a period not exceeding 14 days from the date of exposure while being monitored for symptoms. They may not attend school. (Close or direct contact e.g. a handshake or hug. Just being in the room with no direct contact is regarded as casual contact with no risk.)
- 6.2 All casual contacts (no direct physical contact) should continue to attend school.
- 6.3 Should the learner who came into close contact show any symptomatic signs whilst at home, the Western Cape Government or National Institute for Communicable Diseases hotline numbers can be called for medical assistance and further testing.
- 6.4 Learners who are not close contacts of a confirmed case should attend school.
- 6.5 Learners who have interacted with a healthy contact of a confirmed case must attend school.

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#### 7. Action to be taken if a staff member is tested positive for Covid-19

- 7.1 The Covid-19 positive staff member must apply for sick leave.
- 7.2 All staff members and learners who were in close contact with the affected person are to self-isolate for a maximum of 14 days since the last contact.
- 7.3 All staff members required to self-isolate must apply for special leave.
- 7.4 A list of such staff members must be kept and submitted to the relevant district office.
- 7.5 The district office must keep records and submit these to Head Office's People Management Practices (PMP) section.
- 7.6 The cleaning/disinfecting of the affected space must be facilitated as described in (2.5).
- 7.7 Contact must be maintained with such staff member or learner as a means of monitoring and evaluation.

#### 8. A staff member was exposed to a possible (unconfirmed) case of COVID-19

- 8.1 If a staff member has been in contact with an unconfirmed case, no restrictions or special control measures are required while laboratory test results for Covid-19 are awaited.
- 8.2 The staff member must continue to work.
- 8.3 The school must continue to observe all Covid-19 requirements.
- 8.4 Therefore, until the outcome of test results is known, there is no action that staff members need to take.
- 8.5 If the results are positive, apply measures as described in point 9.

#### 9. A staff member who was in contact with a <u>confirmed</u> case of Covid-19

- 9.1 All those staff members who were in close contact with the infected person are required to self-isolate at home for a maximum of 14 days from last contact. (Direct contact e.g. a handshake or hug. Just being in the room with no direct contact is regarded as casual contact with no risk.)
- 9.2 Staff members required to self-isolate must apply for special leave.
- 9.3 The principal must ensure that the work space of people required to self-isolate is thoroughly cleaned.
- 9.4 Contact must be maintained with such a staff member as a means of monitoring and evaluation.
- 9.5 The names of the staff are to be recorded by the school and a copy submitted to the district office.

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9.6 The district office must submit this information to Head Office.

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#### A staff member or a learner displays symptoms associated with Covid-19 while at school.

- 10.1 Isolate the staff member or learner temporarily in a sick bay or room identified for temporary isolation.
- 10.2 Advise the staff member to go home or contact the learner's parents/guardian.
- 10.3 Advise the staff member or the learner's parent/guardian to call the hotline numbers.

#### 11. Substitutes for teachers falling ill.

- 11.1 As soon as it is confirmed that a teacher is ill due to Covid-19, the school must apply for a substitute.
- 11.2 The school should also apply for a substitute if a teacher is absent from work because of the maximum14 day self-isolation period.
- 11.3 Substitutes will be considered if affordable.
- 11.4 Schools may consider the utilisation of screened volunteers if it becomes necessary.

#### 12. Management and monitoring of absenteeism

- 12.1 Attendance registers are to be completed daily as per norm for teachers, nonteaching staff and learners. This is a normal WCED requirement but it is also a Covid-19 requirement to help with tracing.
- 12.2 Identify critical job functions and positions at the school and plan appropriately for alternative suitably qualified staff at the school to fill the gaps that might arise because of the consequences of Covid-19.

#### If schools are closed, the following should be considered to continue learning and teaching

- 13.1 All learner and parent contact information, including digital contact information, where possible, must be up to date and readily available to relevant staff members.
- 13.2 Learning material should be prepared for a period of four weeks in advance, at all times, in the event that a school might need to be closed as a result of alert level restrictions or other factors.
- 13.3 Continue to develop learning material for learners when the school is closed.
- 13.4 Make use of the lessons provided by the General Education and Training and/or Further Education and Training Curriculum Directorates.
- 13.5 Encourage online learning via the WCED ePortal.
- 13.6 Provide parents with information regarding lessons on radio, television and the telematics programme.
- 13.7 Ensure continuity of education:
  - review continuity plans for teaching and learning; and
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- implement eLearning plans, including digital and distance learning options where feasible and appropriate.
- 13.8 If necessary, determine, in consultation with district officials or other partners:
  - how to train teachers to convert face-to-face lessons into online lessons;
  - how to manage technical issues if faced with limited IT support and staff;
  - how to encourage appropriate adult supervision while learners are using distance learning approaches; and
  - how to deal with the potential lack of learner access to computers and the internet at home.
- 13.9 Make available a list of available, suitable resources from radio, television and other media platforms to learners and parents.
- 13.10 Ensure continuity of school feeding programmes, if applicable.

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### Tygerberg Hospital: closure

### 8. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Health:

With reference to the call by unions to close Tygerberg Hospital:

- (1) What were the reasons behind the demand for closure;
- (2) whether the hospital will be closed; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether her Department responded to the claim that the hospital is a "breeding ground for COVID-19"; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

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Tygerberg Hospital, and the Western Cape Department of Health as a whole, remains committed to the safety of its staff. The area risk assessment will be completed and submitted within the timeframe. The hospital has also taken numerous steps to generally reduce the risk of transmission of Covid-19 by:

- Stopping routine visiting of patients;
- De-congregating the outpatient departments by de-escalation of outpatient services; and

• Creating a separate entrance for staff to minimise the risk of infection by reducing the overall number of entrances to the building, while different entrances have been accorded different roles. For instance, those that cater for outpatients are ensuring that there is screening-on-entry as well as further screening at the outpatient clinic.

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affected parties to enable improved safety for all.

Questions and replies as received from departments

#### QUESTIONS

For written reply

COVID-19: partnership with private hospitals

#### 1. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Health:

What does the partnership with private hospitals entail in terms of (a) cost per bed and (b) eligibility?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

 (a) The Projected need for acute care already in March indicated that we would need access to additional care, especially critical care. Technical work and private hospital and private clinicians commenced already by the end of March. The partnerships is captured in a SLA, which indicates how the referral, billing and payment of care for referred patients will work. The NDOH determined for the whole country. The fees as determined by the NDOH are:

Description of Service	Palliative Care beds	General Beds	High Care & ICU Beds	Unit of charge
	R	R	R	
Facility Fees / Private hospitals (part 1)	990	2,972	11,749	Per day
Specialist Physician Team (part 2)	151	476	2,493	Per day
Pathology/ Laboratory (part 3)		588	588	Per day
Radiology / Imaging fee (part 4)		632	632	Per day
Allied Care (part 5)			694	Per day
Total	1,141	4,668	16,156	

(b) Eligibility of referral will be determined by to the extent to which the Public Sector requires the additional capacity. Several engagements, processes and mechanisms have been put in place to manage the interface between the public sector and private sector including referral, governance, billing and information management through an intermediary, ethics committee, commitment to shared protocols. This is designed to govern the eligibility of patients and to ensure that treatment is equitable. COVID-19: intergovernmental approach

### 2. **Ms W F Philander asked the Premier:**

During his visit to the Western Cape, President Ramaphosa stated that money was no object in the management of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Whether any commitments have been honoured in this regard since his visit; if not, by when can commitments be expected; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) what does the intergovernmental approach towards a hotspot entail and (b) what has been the impact of the amendment to testing policy in the last seven days?

#### The PREMIER:

 (1) The Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities wrote to the national Minister of Finance on 10 June 2020 outlining the forecasted cost for the Western Cape's response to COVID-19 of approximately R5 billion and requesting that the commitments made during the visit by President Ramaphosa be honoured.

The Western Cape received its 2020 COVID adjustment letter on 24 June 2020. At this stage no changes have been made to the Provincial Equitable Share. However, provinces are expected to reprioritise a combined total of at least R20 billion within the equitable share portions towards the COVID-19 response. The Western Cape share of this is R2.051 billion.

In addition, an amount of R2.8 billion has been added to the new COVID-19 component within the HIV, TB, Malaria and Community Outreach Grant. This component compliments spending on PPE, ventilators and additional staff which includes the Cuban medical personnel. The Western Cape share of this is R552.220 million. However, the total reductions on Conditional Grants for the Province amount to R665. 3 million, of which the bulk of these reductions relate to the Human Settlements Development Grant, Education Infrastructure Grant and the Provincial Roads Maintenance Grant.

Taking these into account, the adjustment is a net negative for provinces, including for the Western Cape to an amount of R113.123 million in 2020/21.

No further commitments from a budgetary perspective have been made to date other than what is outlined in the Western Cape 2020 COVID adjustment letter on 24 June from the National Treasury. The National Adjustments budget was tabled on 24 June 2020 and therefore it is unlikely that further budgetary commitments will be made at this stage. The Western Cape will endeavour to optimize our share of direct national spending through IGR structures. The specific details on the commitments which have been made by President Ramaphosa have not been made available and therefore further information on this matter cannot be provided by the Provincial Treasury team.

- (2) (a) The intergovernmental approach entails all government departments and sectors working collaboratively to stop transmission of the virus, especially in areas where the transmission is highest. Our hotspot intervention strategy focusses our combined efforts in these targeted areas with the focus to protect vulnerable people who are at high risk, and to prevent deaths.
  - (b) Due to the national backlog at the National Health Laboratory Services (at the time), the Western Cape Government changed its testing criteria in the Cape Metropole to preserve testing capacity and to get test results back quickly so that we can ensure speedy interventions to save lives. This means we only test people who:
    - Were awaiting confirmation of diagnosis in hospitals
    - Are over 55 years and have coronavirus symptoms;
    - Are of any age with have coronavirus symptoms and have a comorbidity
    - Those who live in a care or old age home and have coronavirus symptoms; and ;
    - Health care workers

To save lives was our top priority and as such we achieved quicker turnaround times, from as long as seven days to below 40 hours and the testing backlog went down from 27 000 to only the current tests received (there can never be 0).

#### Child murders in vulnerable communities

#### 3. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:

Since the start of lockdown on 26 March 2020:

- (1) What steps is her Department taking after the occurrence of a child murder, especially in vulnerable communities;
- (2) whether her Department receives support from the national government in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

#### The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

 (1) Following the announcement of a State of National Disaster on 15 March 2020, the Department issued a Circular dated 25 March 2020 to provide for the continuation of out-of-centre essential child protection services during the period of lockdown. The Uniform Integrated Multi-Agency Referral Pathway Protocol for Child Protection in the Western Cape, norms and standards to the Children's Act and standard operating procedures were upheld.

The following programmes provide specialised psychosocial support: the Care and Support to Families programme; Child Care and Protection programme; the Victim Empowerment programme; the Substance Abuse programme; the Disability programme, and the Social Relief programme.

Social workers followed up on these matters and where home visits were conducted, precautionary steps had to be taken in the context of COVID-19. Following an assessment, trauma-informed counselling was made available, and the safeguarding of the other children attended to in terms of the provisions of the Children's Act. Where courts were approached, it was done in terms of the Regulations that were issued by the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development.

The DSD continues working closely with designated child protection organisations and community-based organisations to assist communities and families during this unprecedented time to ensure access to psychosocial support services and relief.

(2) The National Department of Social Development was responsible for issuing Regulations in terms of the Disaster Management Act that prescribes service delivery on the different levels.

The National Child Protection Week took place from Sunday, 31 May to Sunday, 7 June 2020. The theme for this week was "Let us all protect children during COVID-19 and beyond". The week highlighted the plight of abused children and the Province strengthened the reporting of these cases.

COVID-19: social and auxiliary social workers

#### 4. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:

(a) How many (i) social workers and (ii) auxiliary social workers are employed by the Western Cape Government and (b) in what way or ways have their roles changed in the light of the COVID-19 pandemic?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

- 4. (a) (i) Social workers 889
  - (ii) Auxiliary social workers 180
  - (b) DSD operated with skeleton social work services at all DSD local offices, using a rotational roster in order to comply with the 1.5m social distance requirements as per the Department of Labours' Directive on the Management of COVID in the workplace.

Offices dealt with telephonic and email enquiries, and admit members of the public for emergency matters related to DSD's regulatory frameworks. Social workers attended to urgent child protection matters, court appearances, victim support services, child justice matters, serious elder abuse cases and any probation matters required by courts. Social Workers also assisted with the assessment and distribution of food parcels.

### COVID-19: shelters

### 5. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:

- (1) How many shelters are currently operational in the province;
- (2) whether all of the shelters are supported by her Department; if not,(a) how many are supported and (b) how have they been adapted to function during the pandemic?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

5. (1) The Victim Empowerment Programme of the Department funds 20 shelters for victims of crime and violence in the province. In the absence of Victim Empowerment Specific legislation, the shelters currently do not need to be registered by the Department of Social Development. This will change when the Victim Support Services Act comes into effect which will regulate the sector. The Department is aware of 5 other shelters that also provide services to victims, but are not funded by the Department.

The Families Programme collaborates with Non-Profit Organisations (NPOs), local government and related institutions to care for people who find themselves homeless. Although the WCDSD does not directly manage homeless shelters, it partners with NPOs (shelters for homeless adults) to provide these services through Transfer Payment Agreements (TPAs).

The Department is currently funding 27 shelters for homeless adults in the Western Cape Province. The Department is in the process of developing an accurate database of unfunded shelters for homeless adults and it is estimated there is another 10 shelters not funded by DSD.

- (2) (a) (i) Twenty shelters for victims of crime and violence are funded in the province at a cost of R21 million.
  - (ii) Not all Homeless shelters are supported since they did not apply for funding. Twenty seven shelters for homeless adults in the Western Cape Province are funded to the amount of R18 million.

(b) 4 GBV Shelters have been identified as Stage 1 shelters to admit at risk victims of crime and violence during lockdown. Only referrals from a social worker with a safety risk assessment and SAPS referral will be accommodated for the initial 14 days. After the initial 14 days clients will be transferred from Stage 1 shelter to a Stage 2 shelter where the victim and children can stay for a longer period.

The WCDSD sub-programme "Care and Support to Services to Families" conducted a survey to establish how shelters for homeless adults are adapting to the pandemic. Funded shelters in the Western Cape advised that during lockdown they have been full to capacity. They reported that they have been adhering to strict Health Protocols by utilising PPE and ensuring that staff and beneficiaries are regularly wearing face masks, regularly sanitising /washing hands, and cleaning of living areas. Also, shelters have enhanced the screening of clients when entering the facility by doing routine screening and checking of temperatures. Furthermore, shelters have arrangements with Provincial Health Authorities to access guidance and help as and when we needed.

Social workers continued rendering reunification services.

### Children begging at intersections

### 6. **Mr G Brinkhuis asked the Minister of Social Development:**

- (1) Whether her Department can act against parents who have children with them while they are begging at intersections; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether her Department can investigate (a) the conditions under which these children are living and (b) whether children of schoolgoing age are attending school; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

### The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

6. (1) If such a matter is brought to the attention of the DSD or a child protection organisation and referred with the necessary information, the situation will be assessed and appropriately attended to. The mere fact that a child is on the street with a parent does not make a child in need of care and protection – there is case law to support this.

Where the available facts indicate that an adult uses another person's child to beg, an investigation will be done and attended to within the provisions of the Children's Act.

The social worker will promote community reintegration and also support the family to access psychosocial support services and other resources that are available.

- (2) (a) As previously indicated, if a referral contains the relevant detail, the conditions under which children are living can be investigated.
  - (b) It is not the core function of the DSD to monitor school attendance – that falls to the Department of Education. If, however, during investigation it becomes known that a child of school going age is not attending school and the child is placed in terms of a court order, it will be followed up with support and guidance to the foster parent/alternative carer and the information will be brought to the attention of the Department of Education.

During lockdown the Regulations guided which children are required to attend school.

Funded community-based organisations, e.g. drop-in centres, work closely with schools and the WC Education Department to return children who have dropped out of school.

#### Masiphumele: sewerage

#### 7. Mr G Brinkhuis asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

- (1) What is his Department doing to address the problem of sewerage from the water canal spilling into homes in Masiphumelele during heavy rains;
- (2) whether his Department has taken any steps since 2017 to improve the living conditions of the Masiphumelele community; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether there are any plans to provide more and proper flushing toilet facilities to the area; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) whether the Department has raised this environmental health hazard for housing and clean drinking water with the relevant departments?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

7. (1) The canals as mentioned are storm water canals and not sewage canals which were polluted as a result of the lack of sanitary services within the informal section of the township. The sewage that does land up in the canals are due to residents disposing their night soil directly into the canals.

The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning is not responsible for the maintenance and control of the storm water canals. A Directive was issued to the City of Cape Town Municipality ("the City") on 21 July 2017 to address the above-mentioned challenges. As a result, the canals were re-engineered to allow for easy access by maintenance services, wash-houses were constructed to prevent disposal into the canals and a low-flow diversion canal was constructed to provide community members with a designated point for disposal of grey water and soil. The low flow diversion stops the grey water and sewage from entering the storm water canals.

- (2) The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning issued the following enforcement notices in terms of the NEMA, namely:
  - i) Section 28(4) Directive to the City of Cape Town ("the City") on 20 January 2017 which directed the City to submit a matrix/action plan with timeframes to address pollution problems within the informal section of the township. Numerous follow-up inspections were undertaken by the Department to compliance ensure with the said plan and the construction/infrastructure work conducted. Since the issuance of the Department's Directive, there has been several improvements in living conditions of the people within the informal settlement, and the matter was regarded as finalised.
  - ii) Whilst conditions at the informal settlement had improved, further complaints were received by the Department approximately six months after the case was closed due to a lack of maintenance of infrastructure and inadequate sanitation. As a result, a second Directive was therefore issued in terms of S28 (4) of the NEMA on 21 July 2017, to the City, due to the various complaints received, relating to appalling living and unhygienic within the informal settlement. conditions contained within the Directive included the Instructions following:
    - Immediately repair all the blocked toilets in the informal part of the township by replacing faulty infrastructure, fixing blockages and leakages;
    - Provide additional toilets to accommodate the inhabitants in the informal part of the township;
    - The City was requested to submit to this Department, for approval a schedule with timeframes for the respective clean-up operations, inspections and maintenance of the storm-water canals, toilets, standpipes and solid waste removal services in the affected area;

- The City was instructed to have the stormwater canals reengineered to allow water to flow and prevent the stagnation of the water flowing through it;
- The storm-water canals in the affected area had to be dredged of silt bi-monthly.
- iii) In an attempt to address the abovementioned problem the City, without approval from the Department, commenced with unlawful activities (i.e. digging of trenches and channelling raw sewage and grey water within the wetland) causing further pollution within a watercourse adjacent to Masiphumelele Informal Settlement, Noordhoek. A Compliance Notice was therefore issued in terms of S31L of the NEMA on 16 January 2018 as well as a Directive in terms of S28(4) of the NEMA to the City for the unlawful excavation (i.e. digging of trenches and channelling of raw sewage and grey water) within the wetland. Whilst the area had rehabilitated naturally and with the growing of reads, the City is in the final stages of providing a rehabilitation plan for the area.
- iv) This Department had conducted regular site inspections to monitor compliance with above enforcement notices up until such time it is deemed that no further action would be necessary from this Department. The Directive in terms of s28(4) of the NEMA was aimed at addressing the short- to medium term interventions to improve the living and unhygienic conditions within the township, which may significantly impact on the health and wellbeing of the inhabitants within the Masiphumelele community, and the environment. Improvements have occurred at the informal settlement.
- (3) It is not within this Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning's function or mandate to provide additional toilets. However, this Department has instructed the City to conduct an assessment and provide additional toilets and repair all broken infrastructure in the Directive issued on 21 July 2017. The City installed additional toilet and ablution facilities, however, vandalism within the township is an on-going problem.
- (4) The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning has worked jointly with the City, Department of Water and Sanitation, the office of the Public Protector and the South African Human Rights Commission (SAHRC") on this matter. The Directives issued in terms S28(4) of the NEMA raises the environmental health hazards with City of Cape Town. The City also has to report to the SAHRC on a monthly basis.

### CAS 68/03/2011: outcome

### 8. Mr R I Allen asked the Minister of Community Safety:

With reference to email correspondence with reference number 25/7/2/1(20200052) pertaining to a certain person, whose name has been furnished to his Department for this reply, the relevant documents submitted to the Office of the Provincial Police Commissioner and the filed affidavit by a certain person, whose name has been furnished to his Department for this reply, regarding CAS 68/03/2011:

- (1) Whether all the information has been verified to be true and correct; if so, what are the relevant details pertaining the outcome of the case;
- (2) whether the Elimination Report of the stated CAS number has been filed; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether the original affidavit has been amended to reflect the information pertaining to the Elimination Report; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) (a) when was the mentioned warrant officer (WO) assigned to the case and (b) was the assignment signed off by the relevant senior officer;
- (5) (a) what is the process or policy on SAPS members who submit affidavits pertaining to ongoing cases and (b) whether this process or policy was followed in reference to CAS 68/03/2011?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

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### QUESTIONS

For written reply

### COVID-19: partnership with private hospitals

### 1. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:

What are the details of her Department's public-private partnerships that are (a) planned and (b) currently operational, including the (i) breakdown of costs associated with each project and (ii) objectives of each project?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

 (a) The Department of Social Development does not have any planned or (b) currently operational public-private partnerships as defined in the Public Finance Management Act. (i) N/A (ii) N/A

### COVID-19: SASSA operations

### 2. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:

- (1) Whether her Department has any comment on the (a) current hours,
  (b) facilities and/or venues being used and (c) accessibility of Sassa's service at this time; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether her Department is complementing or supplementing Sassa's operations; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

- 2. (1) (a) The Department would like to see SASSA consider whether extension of its current office hours would be possible to reduce queuing.
  - (b) The Department welcomes the City of Cape Town's agreement with SASSA to make more service points available in certain communities to reduce queuing at SASSA's main offices. We would encourage similar arrangements in other parts of the province, particularly in the West Coast, where access to SASSA is a challenge due to distances and the closure of the Vredenburg office. SASSA has also undertaken to stagger pay days from August onward to reduce queuing at pay-points and in the shops following payments (c) DSD is concerned about the relatively slow pace of COVID 19 grant payments in the province and low numbers of approved payments in the

Western Cape compared to other provinces. There also appear to be system problems with the COVID 19 grant adjudication process which have led to some applicants being rejected even though they have not received any other form of income or grant. SASSA has advised that it is introducing an appeals process for unsuccessful applicants in an effort to address some of these shortcomings.

(2) The Department of Social Development's social workers work closely with SASSA on the processing of foster care grants and social relief of distress applications. The Department has also been providing information to the public on the SASSA COVID 19 Grant application process.

#### Gender-based violence: shelters

### 3. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:

Whether any of the buildings and land promised by Patricia de Lille, national Minister of Public Works, as shelters for the victims of genderbased violence have been handed over; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

3. An agreement on the availability of the buildings to be provided by the National Department of Public Works for the purpose of shelters for victims of violence has been drafted and is in the process of being finalised between the Provincial Department of Transport and Public Works and the National Department of Public Works. During this time, the buildings have been renovated and prepared for this purpose by the National Department of Public Works.

Morning Star Devevlopment and Upliftment Initiative

### 4. Mr P J Marais asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

With reference to *City of Cape Town v Morning Star Development and Upliftment Initiative (MDUI)* and in light of the COVID-19 current lockdown situation and the ongoing legal process between the City of Cape Town and the MDUI, where 166 units have been standing vacant since September 2018:

- (a) What steps has he taken to resolved the situation, (b) why has this dispute not been placed on the court roll yet and (c) which attorney or legal practitioner or legal firm has been appointed to act on behalf of the City;
- (2) whether he challenges the interdict by the MDUI; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

- 4. (1) The project in question is being driven by the City of Cape Town who has provided a detailed explanation. See attached as Annexure A.
  - (2) Given that this matter is sub judice, the Minister cannot challenge this matter or get involved. He is not cited as a respondent in the litigation, however he does await in anticipation for a swift and amicable solution, as the beneficiaries have been waiting for too long to occupy their homes.



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#### **RE: PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION: WRITTEN REPLY**

The Parliamentary Question for Written Reply below, received on the 7th of July 2020 refers:

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#### Response:

(1) The City of Cape Town intended to hand over a number of completed Housing Units on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2018. However, on or about 17 September 2018, the Morningstar Development and Upliftment Initiative (MDUI) disrupted a meeting of Sub council 7 in Durbanville, and various threats of disruption of the handover process were issued. On the basis of these threats and ongoing protest actions at site, the City had no alternative but to approach the Court on or about 19 September 2018, for Urgent Interdictory Relief, preventing the MDUI from disrupting the handover or interfering with the connected persons, entering onto the project site, and/or interfering with the handover process in anyway.

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The handover was suspended because the MDUI applied for an interdict to prevent the City from handing over the houses pending a Review Application to set aside the housing allocation process.

An order was granted in terms of which the MDUI was directed by the Court to deliver its Review Application in this matter by no later than 11 January 2019.

On or about 14 January 2019, the MDUI delivered their Review Application in terms of Rule 53 of the Uniform Rules of Court. Given the far reaching implications of the relief sought, the City opposed the review application and accordingly delivered its Rule 53 Record.

However, on or about 29 April 2019, the City's legal team received correspondence from the erstwhile opposing attorneys, purporting to withdraw as attorneys of record. This resulted in MDUI being unrepresented, and further delayed the delivery of the MDUI's supplementary founding affidavit.

In or during May 2019, the MDUI obtained new legal representation, and belatedly filed its Supplementary Affidavit in the Review Application on or about 21 June 2019. The City then filed its Answering Affidavit.

The parties are currently in negotiations, on a "Without Prejudice" basis in an attempt to finding an amicable solution to the litigation.

The filing of further papers have been suspended pending the outcome of the "Without Prejudice" negotiations.

If the parties do not find an amicable solution, MDUI will be expected to file their replying papers whereafter pleadings will deemed to be closed. The Parties will then approach the Court for a preferential hearing date, where the matter will be fully ventilated.

The law firm of Timothy & Timothy Incorporated have been the appointed attorneys of record on behalf of the City throughout this ongoing dispute.

(2) Not applicable to the City of Cape Town.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office should you require any further information.

Yours faithfully

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NOLWANDLE GQIBA Executive Director: Human Settlements COVID-19 positive cases: workplaces

### 5. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Health:

Following reports of COVID-19 positive cases at various workplaces in the Cape Town metropolitan area:

- (1) Whether her Department is aware of the positive case or cases at the Fibremill factory in Atlantis;
- (2) (a) what is the capacity of isolation facilities in Atlantis and (b) what is the latest occupation or use status of these facilities;
- (3) (a) whether the clinic and healthcare workers in Atlantis were made aware of these facilities and (b) are they offering these facilities to every person who tests positive or needs to be isolates; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) whether the Fibremill factory in Atlantis had been sanitised prior to workers returning to work; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) whether her Department is aware of a COVID-19 positive case at the De Novo Rehabilitation Centre in Kraaifontein; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (6) a) why were the staff and patients at the centre not informed of the first positive case and (b)(i) what screening and testing support was offered to the other staff and patients following the first positive case and (ii) how long after the first positive case was the support provided;
- (7) whether all the staff and patients were traced and offered public isolation facilities; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (8) whether her Department is aware of a COVID-19 positive case at the offices of the SAPS's Forensic Services in Cape Town; if so, (a) what contact tracing has been undertaken, (b) what isolation protocols have been implemented and (c) why have the remaining staff members been required to return to work and not be isolated?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

- 5. (1) The Department has not been engaged by Fibremill around a positive case.
  - (2) (a) The designated facility in the Southern Western Subdistrict can accommodate 204 persons. Currently, there are 180 people in isolation and 17 in quarantine.
    - (b) Currently, there are 180 people in isolation and 17 in quarantine.

- (3) The Department informs and offers quarantine and isolation to everyone who tests positive or who is a close contact of someone who tested positive. This service is taken up on a voluntary basis.
- (4) Although the Department has not been engaged by Fibremill on a positive case, the Department has made available guidelines to all sectors around the management of COVID-19 in the workplace which includes decontamination of the affected area and screening of staff.
- (5) The Department was informed of a positive case (a resident) at the facility and followed standard contact tracing procedure and isolation/quarantine assistance. Screening and testing of all close contacts were done upon which four more positive cases (staff)were identified. The resident was then placed in isolation at the facility while the four staff members went into isolation at home.
- (6) The Department respects all individuals' rights and have contacted all those deemed to be a close contact as soon as it was confirmed that there was a positive case. Close contacts are screened and advised to isolate or quarantine at home or in a designated facility.
- (7) Yes. The Department informs and offers quarantine and isolation to everyone who tests positive or who is a close contact of someone who tested positive. This service is taken up on a voluntary basis.
- (8) (a) The Department's contact tracing teams collects a list of contacts who the person came into contact with. Each individual is contacted and advised to quarantine and provided with the necessary and relevant information on managing their conditions.
  - (b) The Department informs and offers quarantine and isolation to everyone who tests positive or who is a close contact of someone who tested positive. This service is taken up on a voluntary basis.
  - (c) The Department made available guidelines to all sectors around the management of COVID-19 in the workplace which includes decontamination of the affected area and screening of staff.

Questions and replies as received from departments

# QUESTIONS

For written reply

Kannaland Municipality: distribution of food parcels

## 1. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Social Development:

How many food parcels were distributed to date in the Kannaland Municipality by her Department?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

1. To date, 711 food parcels have been distributed in the Kannaland Municipality.

Kannaland Municipality: COVID-19 related activities

### 2. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

- Whether any financial support has been provided to the Kannaland Municipality for COVID-19-related activities; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) how many food parcels did the Municipality hand out by using municipal resources?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

- (1) Yes, a Municipal Disaster Relief Grant of R298 000 (from the National Department of CoGTA) used for chemical toilets in informal areas (R135 755.50), Thermometers (R4100.00), hand sanitizers (R9380.00), face masks (R11 874.72), water tanks for informal areas (R77 628.00), hand sanitation containers (R16 052,23), PPE for officials (R43 209.55); and a Humanitarian Relief Support Grant of R450 000 (from the Provincial Department of Local Government) was used for food security, R315 000 for food parcels and R135 000 for soup kitchens.
  - (2) The Municipality did not purchase any food parcels from its own funds, but the R315 000 mentioned above was used to purchase 450 food parcels at R700.00 each feeding a family of 5 for a month. The purpose of the grant was to support those who were adversely affected by the Covid pandemic and an objective application process was followed to determine the allocation of these food parcels. This process has been completed.

# Kannaland Municipality: employees

# 3. Mr G Bosman asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

- (1) What is the current (a) staffing organogram and (b) salary scale of all the employees of the Kannaland Municipality;
- (2) whether any posts have been filled during the current financial year at the Kannaland Municipality; if so, (a) which posts and (b) in which salary band?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

- 3. (1) (a) In May 2020, the Municipality approved a new organisational structure that has the same number of posts as the previous organisational structure (235 posts), but resulted in a R4,69 million reduction in costs, mainly due to strengthening the organisation in the operational area and by merging management functions. A copy of the organogram has been attached as Annexure "A".
  - (b) The staff establishment with all the salary scales is attached hereto as **Annexure "B".**
  - (2) No posts have been filled in the current financial 2020/21 Financial Year.

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					CLERK: RECORDS MANAGEMENT	CLERK	т6		¥	1	1	0						
					OFFICE ASSISTANT/MESSENGER .	OFFICE ASSISTANT/MESSENGER .	T4		¥	1	1	0						
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					RECEPTIONIST CD	RECEPTIONIST/ SWITCHBOARD	Т6		¥	1	1	0						
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			ZOAR		SENIOR CLERK: ADMIN/COUNCIL SUP ZOAR	SNR CLERK	77		N	1	1	0						
					CLERK: CUSTOMER CARE ZOAR	CLERK: CRM	Т6		z	1	1	0						
			VANWYKSDORP		CLERK: ADMIN SUPPORT VWD	CLERK	Т6		N	1	1	0						
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		LABOUR RELATIONS, EMI	P WELLNESS & OHS		LABOUR RELATIONS OFFICER	SNR LR OFFICER	T13		Y	1	1	0			MINOR CHANGED			
					SENIOR HR OFFICER	HR OFFICER	T10		Y	1	1	0			MINOR CHANGED			
					HR OFFICER	ASSISTANT HR OFFICER	77		Y	1	1	0			MINOR CHANGED			
						HR PAYROLL CLERK				0	1	1			NEW POST			
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					CLERK: STRATEGIC SERVICES	-	77		N	1	0	4			ABOLISH			
					MANAGER: LEGAL, CONTRACT & ERM	-	T14		Y	1	0	4			ABOLISH			
					ADMIN OFFICER: LEGAL & ERM	-	17		N	1	0	4			ABOLISH			
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					CLERK: CREDITORS	CLERK	Т6		N	1	1	0						
		PAYROLL			ACCOUNTANT: PAYROLL	CHIEF CLERK	T12		N	1	1	0			MAJOR CHANGED			
		ICT			SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR	SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR	т11		¥	1	1	0						
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					ICT TECHNICIAN	ICT TECHNICIAN	77		¥	1	1	0						
	REVENUE & DEBT COLLE				MANAGER: REVENUE & DEBT COLLECTION	MANAGER: REVENUE & DEBT COLLECTION	T15		¥	1	1	0						
		VALUATIONS, RATES & T	TAXES		ACCOUNTANT: PROPERTY RATES	CHIEF CLERK	T12		N	1	1	0			MAJOR CHANGED			
					SENIOR CLERK PROPERTY RATES	SNR CLERK	17		N	1	1	0						
					CLERK PROPERTY RATES	CLERK	Т6		N	1	1	0						
		CREDIT CONTROL	_		ADMIN OFFICER: CREDIT CONTROL	CHIEF CLERK	T8 (12)		¥	1	1	0			MAJOR CHANGED			
			LADISMITH & ZOAR		SENIOR CLERK CREDIT CONTROL	SNR CLERK	77		N	1	1	0						
					CLERK CREDIT CONTROL	CLERK	Т6		¥	1	1	0						
			CALITZDORP		SENIOR CLERK CREDIT CONTROL (CD)	SNR CLERK	77		¥	1	1	0						
		DEBTORS & CASHIERING			ACCOUNTANT: DEBTORS & CASHIERING	ACCOUNTANT	T12		N	1	1	0						
			METER READING, BILLIN	IG & SUNDRIES	CHIEF CLERK: METER MANAGEMENT LS	CHIEF CLERK	T10		¥	1	1	0						
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					METER READER LS	METER READER LS	T5		¥	1	1	0						
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					METER READER CD	METER READER CD	T5		¥	1	1	0						
			LADISMITH		CHIEF CLERK: DEBTORS LS	CHIEF CLERK	Т8		N	1	1	0						
					CLERK: DEBTORS/ENQUIRIES LS	CLERK: ENQUIRIES	Т6		Y	1	1	0						
					CASHIER LS	CASHIER	Т6		Y	1	1	0						
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	SUPPLY CHAIN & CONTI	ACT MANAGEMENT	•		MANAGER: SCM & ASSET MANAGEMENT	MANAGER: SUPPLY CHAIN & CONTRACT MANAGEMENT	T16		N	1	1	0						
		DEMAND & ACQUISITIC	IN MANAGEMENT		ACCOUNTANT	SNR SCM PRACTITIONER	T11		N	1	1	0			MINOR CHANGED			
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					CLERK: ASSETS, FLEET & INSURANCE	CLERK	Т6		Y	1	1	0						
		LOGISTICS, COMPLIANC	E & CONTRACT MANAGE	MENT	SENIOR CLERK: LOGISTICS, COMPL& CONTRACT MANAGEMENT	SNR SCM PRACTITIONER	77		Y	1	1	0			MAJOR CHANGED			
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					ACCOUNTANT: FINANCIAL REPORTING	-	T12		N	1	0	-1			ABOLISH			
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					SENIOR CLERK: BUDGET	-	17		N	1	0	-4			ABOLISH			
					CLERK: CREDITORS	-	тб		N	1	0	-4			ABOLISH			
					SENIOR CLERK: PAYROLL	-	77		N	1	0	-4			ABOLISH			
					PRINCIPAL CLERK: DEBTORS LS	-	тэ		N	1	0	-4			ABOLISH			
					METER READER ZOAR	-	T5		Y	1	0	-1			ABOLISH			
					METER READER ZOAR	-	T5		N	1	0	-1			ABOLISH			
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					ADMIN OFFICER	ADMIN ASSISTANT	77		Y	1	1	0			MINOR CHANGED			
	CIVIL ENGINEERING				MANAGER: INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES:	MANAGER: CIVIL ENGINEERING	T15		Y	1	1	0						
		WATER & SANITATION			SUPERINTENDENT: INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES	SUPERINTENDENT	T12		Y	1	1	0						
			LADISMITH		FOREMAN: WATER & SANITATION LS	FOREMAN	T10		Y	1	1	0						
					PLUMBER: LS	ARTISAN: PLUMBER	T6/7		Y	1	1	0						

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				WATER & WASTEWATER	PLANT OPERATOR: WATER BAILIFF LS	PROCESS CONTROLLER	77		Y	1	1	0						
					PLANT OPERATOR: SANITATION LS	PROCESS CONTROLLER	Т6		¥	1	1	0						
						PROCESS CONTROLLER				0	1	1			NEW POST			
					ASS PLANT OPERATOR LS	ASST PROCESS CONTROLLER	T5		Y	1	1	0						
					ASS PLANT OPERATOR: SANITATION LS	ASST PROCESS CONTROLLER	T5		Y	1	1	0						
						GENERAL WORKER				0	1	1			NEW POST			
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					PLUMBER CD	ARTISAN: PLUMBER	T6/7		N	1	1	0						
				WATER & WASTEWATER	PLANT OPERATOR: WATER CD	PROCESS CONTROLLER	77		Y	1	1	0						
						PROCESS CONTROLLER				0	1	1			NEW POST			
					ASS PLANT OPERATOR: WATER CD	ASST PROCESS CONTROLLER	T5		N	1	1	0						
						GENERAL WORKER				0	1	1			NEW POST			
					SEWER TANK DRIVER CD	SEWER TANK DRIVER	77		Y	1	1	0						
					ASS SEWER TANK DRIVER CD	ASST SEWER TANK DRIVER	T4		¥	1	1	0						
					GENERAL WORKER CD	GENERAL WORKER	тз		¥	1	1	0						
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					GENERAL WORKER CD	GENERAL WORKER	тз		Y	1	1	0						
					GENERAL WORKER CD	GENERAL WORKER	тз		Y	1	1	0						
			ZOAR		SENIOR SUPERVISOR: CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES ZOAR	SNR SUPERVISOR	тв		N	1	1	0						
				WATER	PLANT OPERATOR WATER ZOAR	PROCESS CONTROLLER: WATER	77		¥	1	1	0						
					ASST PLANT OPERATOR: WATER ZOAR	GENERAL WORKER	T5		N	1	1	0			MINOR CHANGED			
				WASTEWATER		GENERAL WORKER				0	1	1			NEW POST			

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			VANWYKSDORP		SUPERVISOR: CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES VWD	SUPERVISOR	17		Y	1	1	0						
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			KKWSS			ASST PROCESS CONTROLLER				0	1	1			NEW POST			
					GENERAL WORKER ZOAR	GENERAL WORKER	тз		N	1	1	0						
						GENERAL WORKER				0	1	1			NEW POST			
		ROADS, STORM WATER	& BUILDING MAINTENAN		SUPERVISOR: ROADS & STORM WATER	SUPERVISOR	T10		N	1	1	0						
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						GENERAL WORKER				0	1	1			NEW POST			
	ELECTRICAL & MECHANK				MANAGER: ELECTRICAL & MECHANICAL	MANAGER: ELECTRICAL & MECHANICAL SERVICES	T15		Y	1	1	0						
		DISTRIBUTION SERVICES			SUPERINTENDENT: ELECTRICAL SERVICES	SNR ARTISAN: ELECTRICIAN	T12		N	1	1	0						
			LADISMITH		ELECTRICIAN LS	ARTISAN: ELECTRICIAN	T11		Y	1	1	0			MINOR CHANGED			
					UNESMAN LS	LINESMAN	Т6		Y	1	1	0						
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					ELECTRICAL ASSISTANT LS	ELECTRICAL ASSISTANT	T4		Y	1	1	0						
					GENERAL WORKER	GENERAL WORKER	тз		Y	1	1	0						
					GENERAL WORKER	GENERAL WORKER	тз		Y	1	1	0						
			CALITZDORP		ELECTRICIAN CD	ARTISAN: ELECTRICIAN	т11		¥	1	1	0						
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	PMU & CAPITAL PROJEC	TS			MANAGER: PMU	MANAGER: PMU & CAPITAL PROJECTS	T14		Y	1	1	0						
						ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN				0	1	1			NEW POST			
					ADMIN ASSISTANT: PROJECTS	PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR	тб		Y	1	1	0			MAJOR CHANGED POST			
					DATA CAPTURER	DATA CAPTURER	T5		N	1	1	0						
	LAND USE PLANNING &	BUILDING CONTROL			TOWN PLANNER	TOWN PLANNER	T14		N	1	1	0						
					PRINCIPAL CLERK: TOWN PLANNING	PRINCIPAL CLERK	T12		Y	1	1	0						
					BUILDING CONTROL OFFICER	BUILDING CONTROL OFFICER	т11		Y	1	1	0						
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		PROTECTION SERVICES			CHIEF : PROTECTION SERVICES	CHIEF PROTECTION SERVICES	т13		Y	1	1	0						
			TRAFFIC & LAW ENFORCEMENT / DLTC & VTS	TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC OFFICER / KS3 EXAMINER	TRAFFIC OFFICER / K53 EXAMINER	T10		N	1	1	0						
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					TRAFFIC OFFICER / EXAMINER OF VEHICLES	TRAFFIC OFFICER / EXAMINER OF VEHICLES	T10		N	1	1	0						
					PIT ASSISTANT	PIT ASSISTANT	Т2		Y	1	1	0						
				DLTC & VTS	SUPERVISOR: CASHIERS DLTC & VTS	SUPERVISOR	T10		Y	1	1	0						
					CASHIER / CLERK	CASHIER / CLERK	тб		Y	1	1	0						

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				LAW ENFORCEMENT	LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	т6		N	1	1	0						
					LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	Т6		N	1	1	0						
					LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	Т6		N	1	1	0						
					LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS	Т6		N	1	1	0						
			ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPO		CASHIER: FINES & ADMIN OFFICER	CASHIER/ CLERK	Т6		۲	1	1	0						
			FIRE & DISASTER MANA	GEMENT	JNR FIRE FIGHTER	JNR FIRE FIGHTER	T2		۲	1	1	0						
					JNR FIRE FIGHTER	JNR FIRE FIGHTER	Т2		Y	1	1	0						
					JNR FIRE FIGHTER	JNR FIRE FIGHTER	Т2		N	1	1	0						
					JNR FIRE FIGHTER	JNR FIRE FIGHTER	Т2		N	1	1	0						
		CLEANSING, PARKS, CEN	METERIES & REFUSE REMO	OVAL	SUPERINTENDENT: CLEANSING SERVICES	SUPERINTENDENT	T12		N	1	1	0						
			LADISMITH		FOREMAN LS	FOREMAN	T10		¥	1	1	0						
					H/V DRIVER LS	H/V DRIVER	77		Y	1	1	0						
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					GENERAL WORKER LS	GENERAL WORKER	T2/4		¥	1	1	0						
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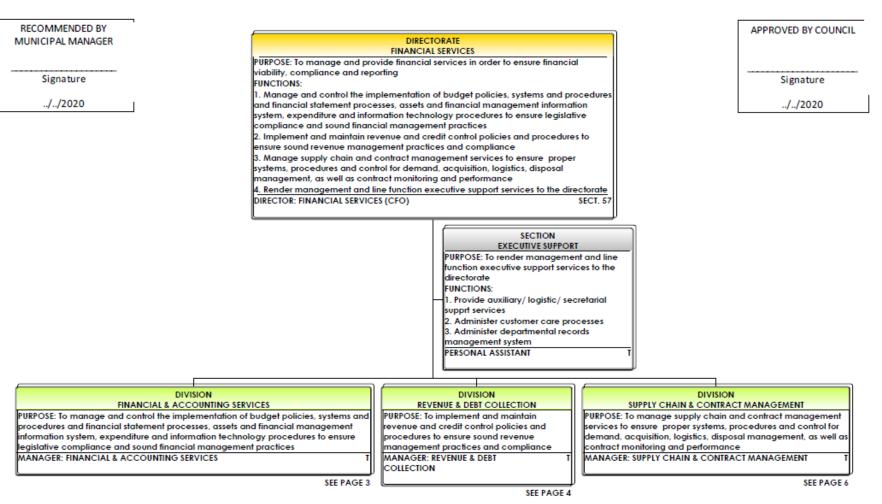
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					GENERAL WORKER VWD	GENERAL WORKER	T2/4		Y	1	1	0						
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			ZOAR		TEAM LEADER ZOAR	TEAM LEADER	77		Y	1	1	0						
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					GENERAL WORKER ZOAR	GENERAL WORKER	тз		N	1	1	0						
			LANDFILL MANAGEMEN	r	SUPERVISOR : LANDFILL MANAGEMENT	SUPERVISOR	77		Y	1	1	0						
					LANDFILL OPERATOR LS	LANDFILL OPERATOR	тз		Y	1	1	0						
					LANDFILL OPERATOR LS	LANDFILL OPERATOR	тз		Y	1	1	0						
					GENERAL WORKER	GENERAL WORKER	тз		Y	1	1	0						
					GENERAL WORKER	GENERAL WORKER	тз		N	1	1	0						
					GENERAL WORKER	GENERAL WORKER	тз		N	1	1	0						
		LIBRARY SERVICES			SNR LIBRARIAN LS	SNR LIBRARIAN	T12		Y	1	1	0						
			LADISMITH		UBRARY ASSISTANT LS	LIBRARY ASSISTANT	Т6		Y	1	1	0						
					UBRARY ASSISTANT LS	LIBRARY ASSISTANT	тб		Y	1	1	0						
					UBRARY AID LS	LIBRARY AID	тз		Y	1	1	0						
					UBRARY CLEANER LS	LIBRARY CLEANER	тз		N	1	1	0						
			CALITZDORP		SNR LIBRARY ASSISTANT CD	ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN	77		Y	1	1	0			MINOR CHANGED			
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			VANWYKSDORP		UBRARY ASSISTANT VWD	LIBRARY ASSISTANT	тб		Y	1	1	0						
					UBRARY AID VWD	LIBRARY AID	тз		N	1	1	0						
		HOUSING			SNR HOUSING OFFICER	SNR HOUSING OFFICER	T12		Y	1	1	0						
					SNR CLERK: HOUSING	SNR CLERK	17		Y	1	1	0						
		ENVIRONMENTAL MAN	AGEMENT			ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OFFICER	17		N	1	1	0						
					MANAGER OPERATIONS	-	T14		N	1	0	4			ABOLISH			
					PLANT OPERATOR SANITATION ZOAR	-	Т6		Y	1	0	-1			ABOLISH			
					ASST PLANT OPERATOR: SANITATION ZOAR	-	T5		N	1	0	-1			ABOLISH			
					GENERAL WORKER VWD	-	тз		Y	1	0	-1			ABOLISH			
					SNR CLERK: HOUSING	-	17		N	1	0	-1			ABOLISH			
TOTAL: INFRASTRUCTUR	RE & COMMUNITY SERVICE	в								141	152	n						
TOTAL: MUNICIPALITY (I	PLACED)									235	235	0						

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER	COMMUNICATION OFFICER		T12			1			PM ROOI	C/M				
	CLERK: STRATEGIC		T2			1			BJOB	C/F				
	TOWN MANAGER		T17			1			RTIMMIE	C/M				
FINANCIAL SERVICES	CASHIER		Т6			1			S SNYMAN	C/F				
	CLERK: FINANCE		Т6			1			E COOPER	C/F				
	MANAGER: TAX		T14			1			SJ FLETCHER	C/M				
CORPORATE SERVICES	CLERK: HOUSING		17			1			CHARLTON BREDA	C/M				
	CLERK: RECORDS MANAGEMENT		T5			1			MAUDINE RUITERS	C/F				
	CASHIER: TRAFFIC		Т6			1			R ROTHMAN	C/F				
	CLERK: TOURISM		T2			1			A CLAASSEN	C/F				
	UAISON OFFICER: VWD		T11			1			S WILSKIT	C/F				
	GENERAL ASSISTANT/ DRIVER		Т9			1			H BENADES	C/M				
	GENERAL WORKER/ STREET SWEEPER		T2			1			G HESKWA	C/M				
	GENERAL WORKER/ CARETAKER		T2			1			C ISAACS	C/F				
	GENERAL WORKER/ STREET SWEEPER		Т2			1			M CLAASSEN	C/F				
	UAISON OFFICER: ZOAR		T11			1			T FLOORSE	C/F				
	GENERAL WORKER/ CLERK: LANDFILL SITE		17			1			S ADAMS	C/F				
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES	ASS PLANT OPERATOR: SANITATION LS		T5			1			GM STUURMAN	C/M				
	GENERAL WORKER: ELECTRICITY		T2			1			C KENNEL	C/M				
	GENERAL WORKER: ROADS & STORM WATER		T2			1			G SWARTS	C/M				
	WORKER: ELECTRICITY		тв			1			J WITBOOI	C/M				
TOTAL: EMPLOYEES NOT PLACED						15								
TOTAL: MUNICIPALITY (ALL)						250								

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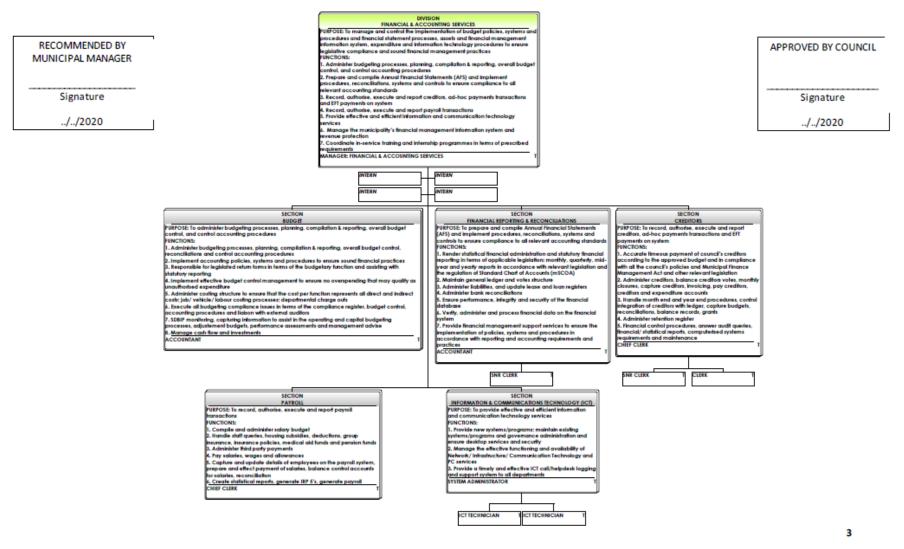


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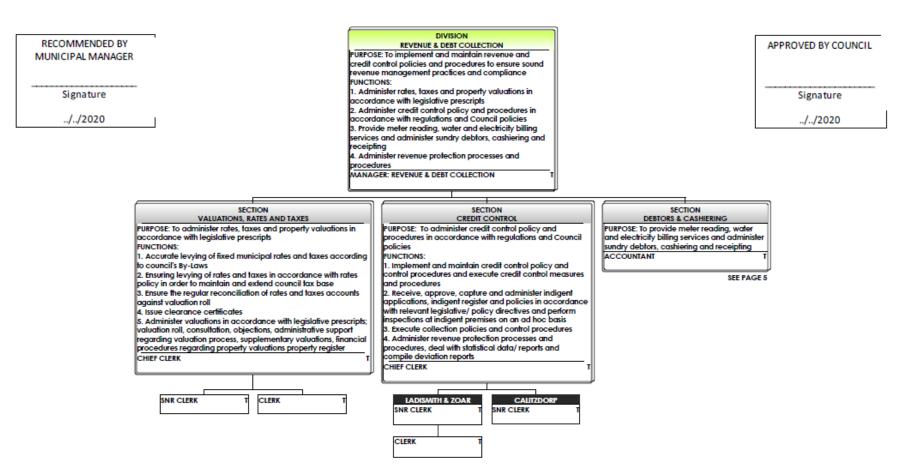
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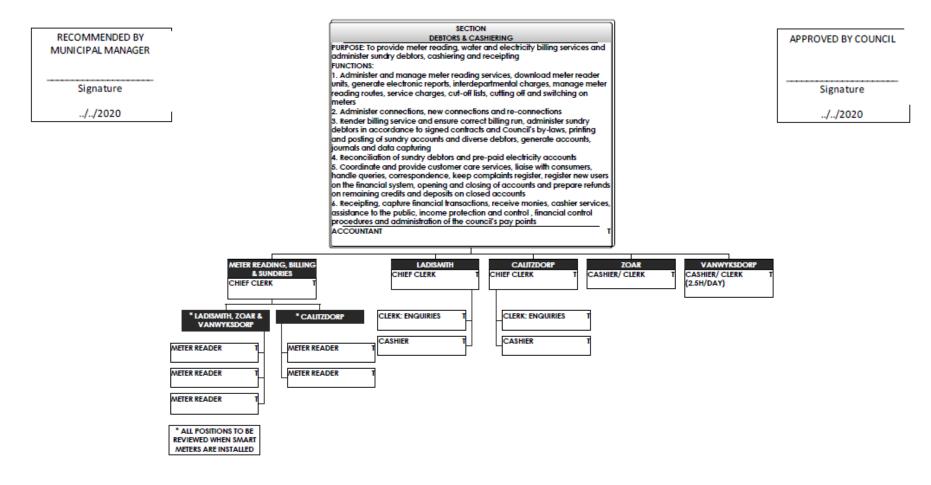
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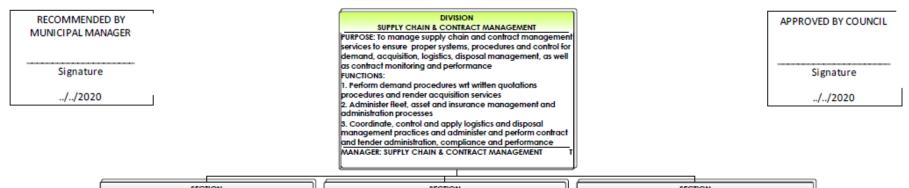
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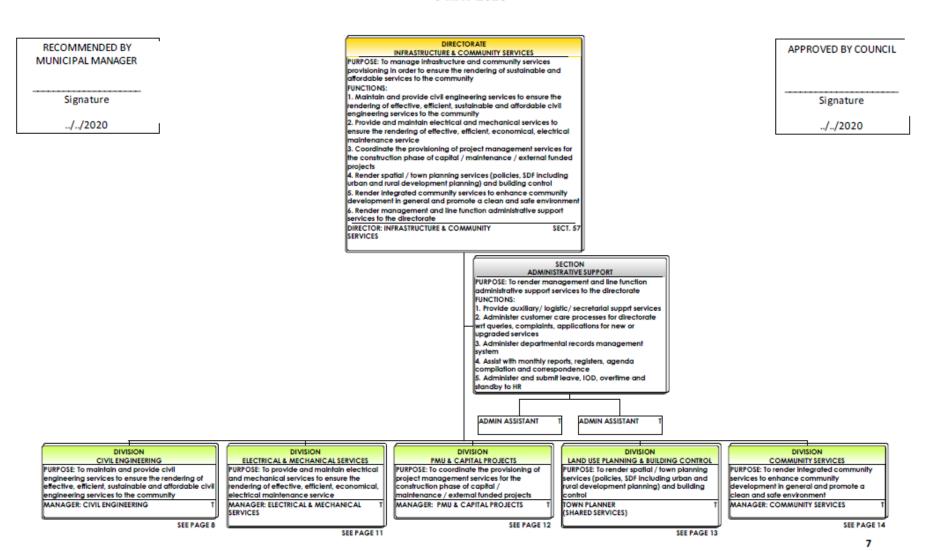


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SECTION DEMAND & ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT	SECTION FLEET, ASSET & INSURANCE MANAGEMENT	SECTION LOGISTICS, COMPLIANCE & CONTRACT MANAGEMENT
PURPOSE: To perform demand procedures wit quotations procedures and render acquisition services FUNCTIONS: 1. Implement demand management policies and procedures in accordance with legislation and directives 2. Confirm capacity and capability of suppliers to meet specific requirements 3. Ensure that all procurement/ acquisitions as well as the appointment of service providers, is done in the most effective, efficient and consistent manner and in accordance with authorised processes 4. Collate and verify transactional documentation (requisitions, delivery notes.)) 5. Provide detailing report on outstanding/ back orders and re-order status SNR SCM PRACTITIONER T	PURPOSE to administration processes FUNCTIONS: 1. Render corporate fleet administration service to the municipality 2. Coordinate official vehicle inspection and driver training services 3. Develop, implement and maintain fleet management program and system to ensure effectiveness, affordability and efficiency 4. Provide administrative support services (insurance, assessment of fleet statistics and needs, monitoring fleet administration processes and controls, reporting) 5. Administer assets management procedures, assets register and implementation of assets management policy 6. Administer insurance portfolio, claims, liaison with insurance company and transactional records and register ACCOUNTANT	PURPOSE To coordinate, control and apply logistics and disposal management practices and administer and perform contract and tender administration, compliance and performance FUNCTIONS: 1. Administer the disposal of obsolete items/ goods and maintain a database of redundant materials/ goods 2. Perform contracts, risks and performance management processes, to ensure that the stipulations of the contract conditions are adhered to and to identify, consider and avoid potential risks in the supply chain management system 3. Maintain and provide supplier database administration 4. Render bid administrative support function to bid committees, tender document management, tender administration and CIDB SNR SCM PRACTITIONER T
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#### DIVISION RECOMMENDED BY APPROVED BY COUNCIL CIVIL ENGINEERING MUNICIPAL MANAGER PURPOSE: To maintain and provide civil engineering services to ensure the rendering of effective, efficient, sustainable and affordable civil engineering services to the community Signature Signature FUNCTIONS: Perform operational processes with regard to water and waste ../../2020 ../../2020 water networks by ensuring the distribution of potable water in a sustainable manner to satisfy the needs of consumers 2. Maintain and operate minor construction of tar roads, streets, gravel roads, bridges, sidewalks, storm water systems / structures and buildings 3. Manage the provisioning of transport planning, public transport, traffic engineering services and infrastructure MANAGER: CIVIL ENGINEERING SECTION SECTION ROADS, STORM WATER & BUILDING WATER & SANITATION PURPOSE: To perform operational processes with regard MAINTENANCE to water and wastewater networks by ensuring the PURPOSE: To maintain and operate minor distribution of potable water in a sustainable manner to construction of tar roads, streets, gravel satisfy the needs of consumers roads, bridges, sidewalks, storm water SUPERINTENDENT systems / structures and buildings SUPERVISOR

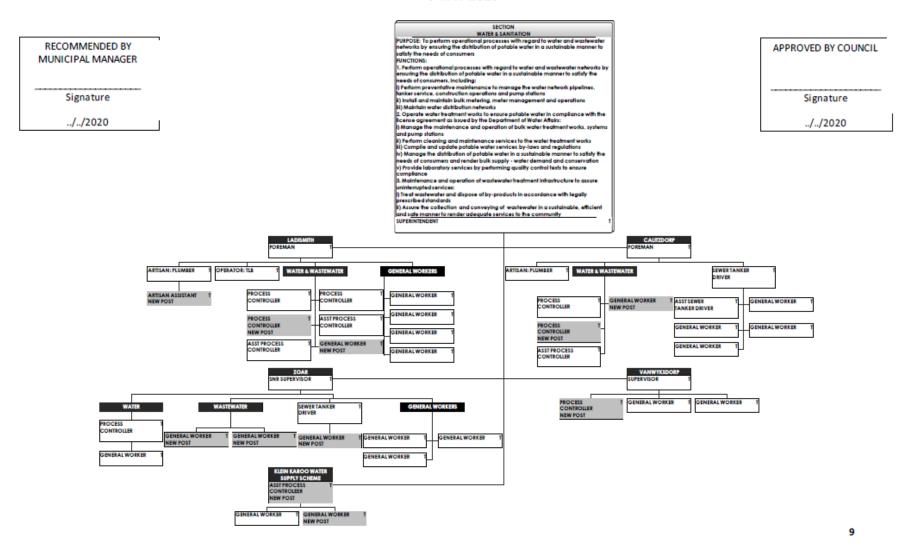
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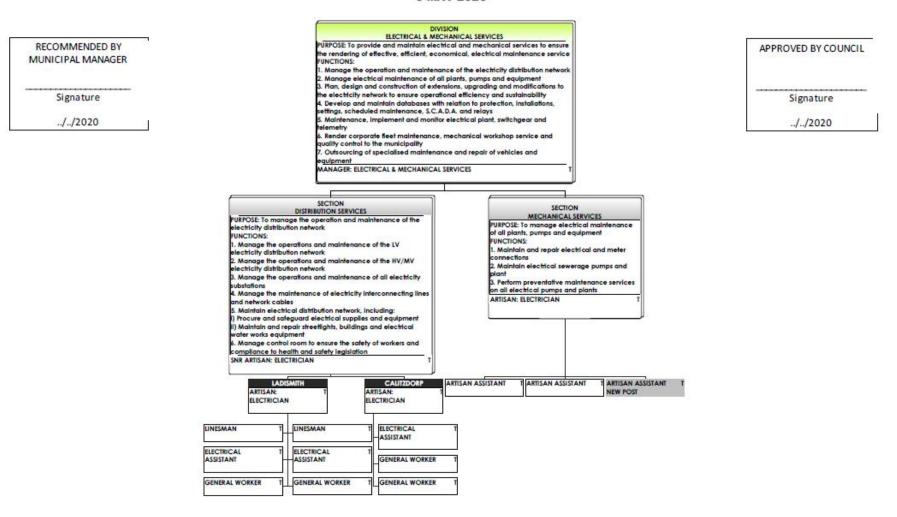
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#### SECTION RECOMMENDED BY APPROVED BY COUNCIL ROADS, STORM WATER & BUILDING MAINTENANCE MUNICIPAL MANAGER PURPOSE: To maintain and operate minor construction of tar roads, streets, gravel roads, bridges, sidewalks, storm water systems / structures and buildings Signature Signature FUNCTIONS: Perform the maintenance operations of tar roads, ../../2020 streets and gravel roads ../../2020 2. Perform minor construction works of roads and streets 3. Perform road reserve maintenance services with regard to roads, streets and paving repair 4. Perform maintenance operations and minor construction works of storm water systems and channels Maintain buildings, property, fences, structures & public facility according maintenance programs SUPERVISOR **ROADS & STORM WATER** BUILDING **CONSTRUCTION &** MAINTENANCE MAINTENANCE HANDYMAN GENERAL WORKER GENERAL WORKER GENERAL WORKER GENERAL WORKER NEW POST NEW POST GENERAL WORKER GENERAL WORKER GENERAL WORKER GENERAL WORKER Т

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER	DIVISION	
	PMU & CAPITAL PROJECTS	
	PURPOSE: To coordinate the provisioning of project	
Signature	management services for the construction phase of capital /	Signature
	maintenance / external funded projects	_
//2020	FUNCTIONS:	//2020
	1. Provide project management support, execute feasibility	
	studies and administer contracts	
	2. Manage, monitor and control all projects/ contracts for all	
	directorates / departments	
	3. Manage, monitor and control external funded capital and	
	maintenance projects / contracts / administration	
	4. Manage, monitor and control EPWP projects/ contracts for	
	the directorate after the appointment of consultants and	
	contractors and ensure quality monitoring and supervision:	
	i) Monitor construction/ maintenance projects	
	ii) Provide administrative support services and data capturing	
	iii) Administer financial processes and contracts regarding	
	projects	
	6. Implement and monitor quality management systems	
	(QMS)	
	MANAGER: PMU & CAPITAL PROJECTS T	
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	TECHNICIAN ADMINISTRATOR	
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#### RECOMMENDED BY DIVISION MUNICIPAL MANAGER LAND USE PLANNING & BUILDING CONTROL PURPOSE: To render spatial / town planning services (policies, SDF including urban and rural development planning) and building control FUNCTIONS: Signature 1. Develop and implement the Spatial Development Framework and ensure compliance with town planning scheme and land use legislation / by-laws ../../2020 2. Formulation of spatial strategies, policies and plans 3. Provide information and advice to decision makers on strategic spatial planning issues 4. Provide land use legislation advisory service and ensure compliance and consistency of land use application processes with national and provincial legislation and process administrative requirements regarding land use audits and applications Comment on applications for development of council land/ properties, tender process and project manage such developments Maintain zoning scheme, map and register 7. Provide administrative support regarding Municipal Planning Tribunal 8. Administer just processing of all building plan applications and related processes in terms of statutory requirements and standard operating procedures 9. Uphold the Building Regulations and applicable by-laws, policies and guidelines in the approval of building plans 10. Ensure compliance and related law enforcement of building works with approved building plans and related statutory requirements and related approvals Ensure enforcement of outdoor advertisement policies and by-laws Identify, protect and manage the heritage (built form) in the municipal area TOWN PLANNER (SHARED SERVICES) PRINCIPAL CLERK BUILDING CONTROL OFFICER

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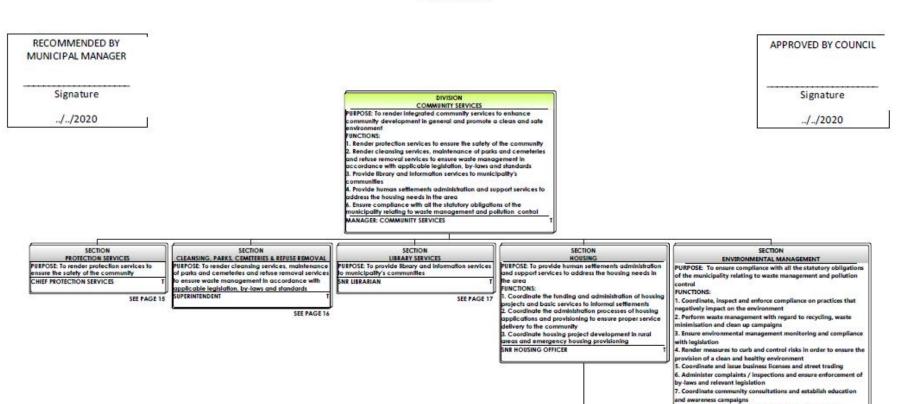
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8. Facilitate the development of Integrated Environmental Management Systems Framework for the municipality 9. Monitor of air, soil and noise pollution including radiation

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OFFICER

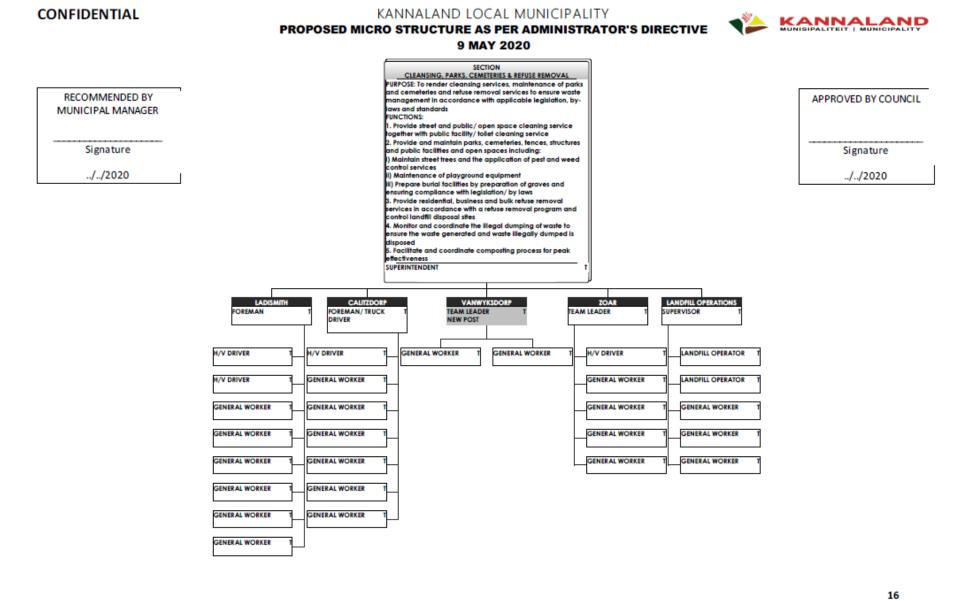
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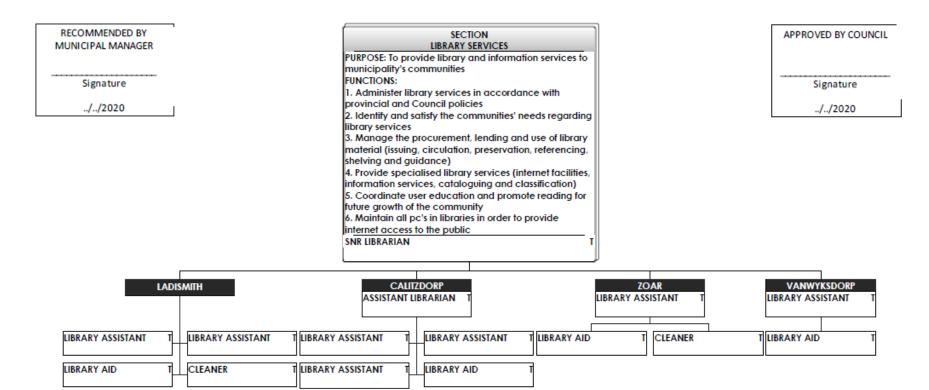
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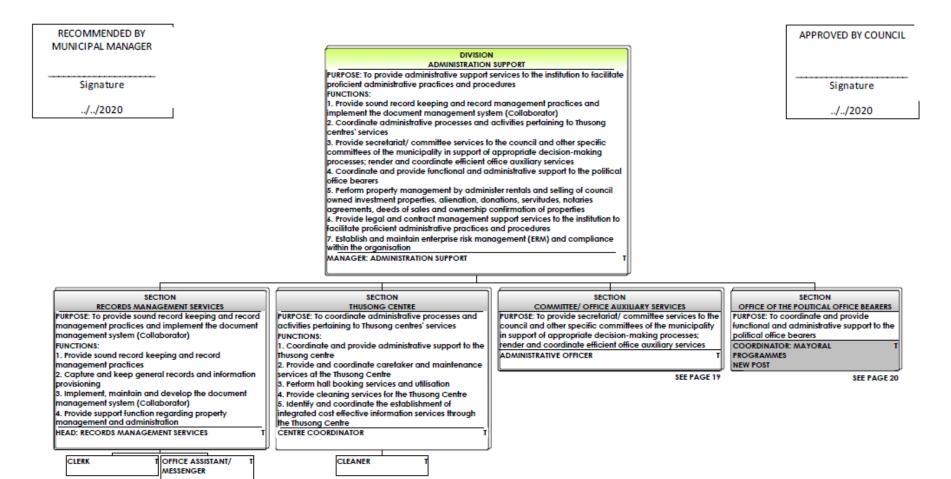


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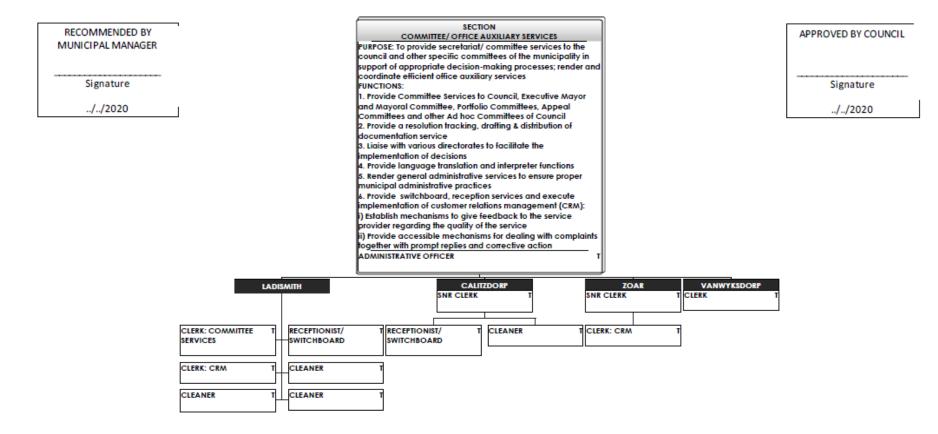


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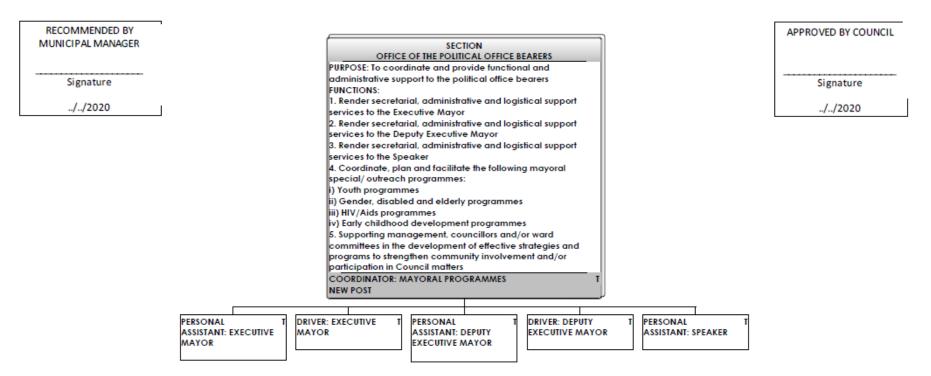
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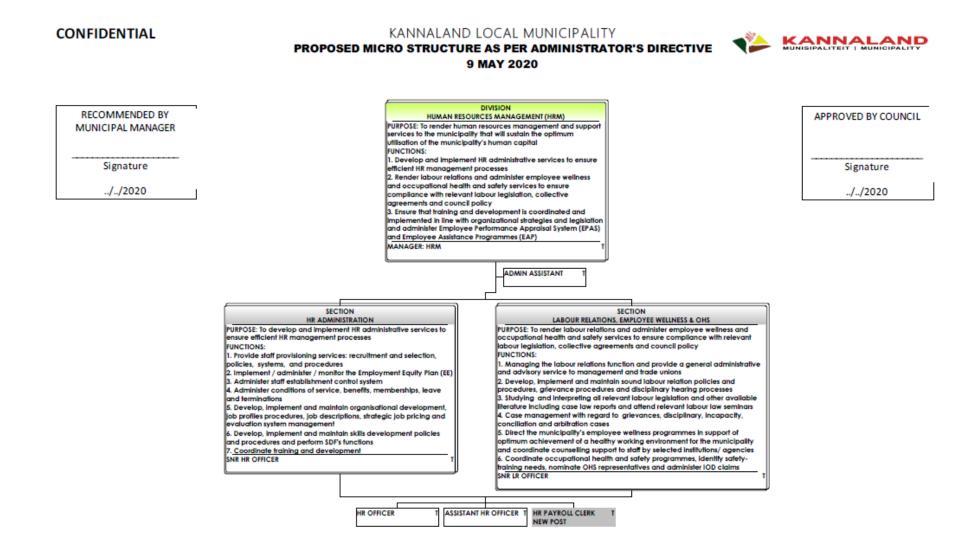
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DIVISION	
INTERNAL AUDIT	
PURPOSE: To provide an independent appraisal of the	-
adequacy and effectiveness of financial controls	
FUNCTIONS:	
1. Develop and implement a risk-based audit plan and inte	mal
audit program for each financial year and provide assurance	ce
regarding the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisati	ona
performance management system:	
<ol> <li>Advise the accounting officer and report to the Audit</li> </ol>	
Committee on the implementation of the internal audit plan	
ii) Provide assurance audit on risk management systems	
iii) Conduct internal investigations and review financial con	rol
systems	
iv) Plan, perform and report on audit engagements and	
monitor progress on the implementation of results	
v) Liaise with the external auditors	
<ol><li>Provide assurance regarding the effectiveness and</li></ol>	
efficiency of the organisational performance management	
system:	
i) Assess the functionality of performance management sys	lem
ii) Assess the reliability of performance results	
iii) Assess effectiveness and efficiency of operations and	
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SECTION IDP, LED & PM				
JRPOSE: To develop and coordinate the IDP, LED, PM & SDBIP				
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INCTIONS:				
Coordinate the IDP processes in accordance with legislative avirements:				
Integrate organisational management activities with the rategic planning process				
Monitor and report on the implementation of the IDP and nsure public participation in IDP processes				
Plan and develop a coherent and integrated framework for conomic development:				
Implement integrated LED framework and provide institutional apacity to promote and implement LED programs				
Coordinate departmental LED activities, agricultural				
evelopment, trade and investment development and promote AME development and training				
Coordinate institutional performance management (PM) and rvice delivery and budget implementation plan (SDBIP):				
Develop, maintain and monitor institutional PM				
Monitor and evaluate service delivery and strategic projects				
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COVID-19 health workers and health facilities

# 4. Ms R Windvogel asked the Minister of Health:

(a) What is the number of (i) health workers and (ii) health facilities that have been affected by COVID-19 cases as at the latest date for which information is available, (b) what is the number of health workers who have passed away due to COVID-19 as at the latest available date for which information is available and (c)(i) what is the number of health workers who have submitted leave applications since the start of the national lockdown and (ii) how many applications were declined and (iii) what where the reasons therefor?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

- 4. As at 9 July, in the public sector;
  - (a) (i) 3 590 healthcare workers were infected with COVID-19
    - (ii) 116 health care facilities have reported positive cases (this excludes non-health facilities such as admin buildings)
  - (b) 28 healthcare workers have passed away due to COVID-19
  - (c) (i) 2759 Covid-19 related leave instances processed as at 30 June 2020
    - (ii) All the above leave was approved
    - (iii) None Should an application be declined it will not be processed and PERSAL does not reflect as such.

COVID-19 infections at schools

# 5. **Ms R Windvogel asked the Minister of Health:**

In light of the rising COVID-19 infections at schools:

(a) What is the number of (i) teachers and (ii) learners who have been infected in the province and (b) what is the number of teachers who have passed away as a result of COVID-19 as at latest date for which information is available?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

- 5. The following information has been provided by the Western Cape Education Department as at 16 July 2020:
  - (a) (i) 1 920 since 22 March 2020
    - (ii) 379 since 1 June 2020
  - (b) 21

## COVID-19 infections at schools

## 6. Mr M K Sayed asked the Minister of Education:

- (1) What is the detailed breakdown, with the relevant details, of those who have been affected by COVID-19 as at the latest date for which information is available, including the number of (a) schools, (b) teachers, (c) non-teaching staff and (d) learners;
- (2) what is the detailed breakdown of schools affected by COVID-19, including the (i) teachers, (ii) non-teaching staff and (ii) learners who have passed away as at the latest date for which information is available?

## The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

 (1) Everybody in the Western Cape has been affected by Covid-19 in one way or another. However, on the assumption that the question relates to the WCED specifically, the figures of confirmed cases as at 16 July 2020 are as follows:

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed	1 562	264	94	1 920
cases				
Recoveries	1 273	211	73	1 557
Deaths	21	6	3	30
Active	268	47	18	333
cases				

Staff members (since 22 March 2020):

Learners (since 1 June 2020):

379 learners have tested positive since 1 June 2020. No learner deaths have been reported to the WCED.

## Schools:

685 schools have reported a staff member or learner as having tested positive for Covid-19. Of these, 72.4% have reported only one or two cases – we are thus not seeing evidence of mass spreading of the virus at schools.

(2) The member is aware that we shall not provide information that could compromise the privacy of people at schools. The information broken down by education district as at 16 July 2020 is as follows:

# METRO CENTRAL:

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed	228	33	7	268
cases				
Recoveries	195	29	7	231
Deaths	3	0	0	3
Active	30	4	0	34
cases				

Learners tested positive since 1 June 2020: 35

# <u>METRO EAST:</u>

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed	381	46	5	432
cases				
Recoveries	313	37	2	352
Deaths	9	2	2	13
Active	59	7	1	67
cases				

Learners tested positive since 1 June 2020: 35

# METRO NORTH:

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed	271	53	12	336
cases				
Recoveries	224	45	11	280
Deaths	0	0	0	0
Active	47	8	1	56
cases				

Learners tested positive since 1 June 2020: 53

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed	289	47	6	342
cases				
Recoveries	242	37	5	284
Deaths	5	3	0	8
Active	42	7	1	50
cases				

## METRO SOUTH:

Learners tested positive since 1 June 2020: 37

# CAPE WINELANDS

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed	215	49	10	274
cases				
Recoveries	180	38	10	228
Deaths	3	1	0	4
Active	32	10	0	42
cases				

Learners tested positive since 1 June 2020: 101

# EDEN AND CENTRAL KAROO

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed	89	13	6	108
cases				
Recoveries	47	7	6	60
Deaths	1	0	0	1
Active	41	6	0	47
cases				

Learners tested positive since 1 June 2020: 72

# **OVERBERG**

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed cases	53	10	5	68
Recoveries	43	8	3	54
Deaths	0	0	0	0
Active	10	2	2	14
cases				

Learners tested positive since 1 June 2020: 24

# WEST COAST

22 March – 16 July	Teachers	Non- teaching staff	Office- based staff	Total
Confirmed	33	13	1	47
cases				
Recoveries	26	10	1	37
Deaths	0	0	0	0
Active	7	3	0	10
cases				

Learners tested positive since 1 June 2020: 22

COVID-19: learners who have not returned to school

# 7. Mr M K Sayed asked the Minister of Education:

(a) What are the details of all Grade 12 learners who have not returned to school by (i) 5 June 2020, (ii) 12 June 2020 and (iii) 19 June 2020, (b) what (i) is the racial break-down of Grade 12 learners who have not returned to school and (ii) are the reasons therefor, (c) what measures did her Department take to (i) convince Grade 12 learners to return to school and (ii) assist them to catch up and (d) what is the number of Grade 12 learners who have fallen pregnant during the lockdown period?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

7.	(a)	(i)	5 June 2020	27 691
		(ii)	12 June 2020	3813
		(iii)	19 June 2020	2130

# (b) (i)

TOTAL	W	С	В	INDIAN	OTHER
1 220 (current)	50	663	495	6	6

- (ii) The reasons are unknown at this stage. Schools have indicated that these learners and their parents are uncontactable.
- (c) (i) and (ii)
  - It was important that during lockdown we kept learners motivated so that they would feel confident and encouraged to complete their matric year, and thus return to school once they reopened.

- Therefore, during lockdown, matrics were supported through a variety of measures @home learning through social media platforms, the provision of a Term 1 revision booklet, TV and radio broadcasts, additional resources on the e-portal and telematics.
- When schools reopened, the WCED asked schools to prioritise the matric learners, with high schools being asked to ensure that their revised education plans prioritise Grade 12 learners to attend school EVERY DAY.
- District officials are focussed on tracking Grade 12 learner attendance and encouraging teachers to support their learners to return to school.
- Gr 12 teachers have used various social media platforms such as WhatsApp groups, Zoom and Facebook to engage learners as an additional resource.
- The WCED has provided printed material (Workpacks) issued via schools for learners who cannot access the internet.
- A programme to reach out to Grade 12 learners is in progress Participation in the Growth Mindset (GM) Intervention programme: Grade 12 learners.
- The Head of Department wrote a letter to the Grade 12s encouraging them to attend school and to complete their matric year.
- We continue to add resources to assist our matriculants. An exemplar book will also be delivered to schools this year.
- (d) We do not currently have statistics for learners that have fallen pregnant during lockdown.

Information on pregnancies is collected during the Annual Schools Survey, conducted in March each year in reference to the previous year. On 3 March 2020, schools recorded 563 Grade 12 learners which had fallen pregnant during 2019. 2020 statistics will be available next year.

# 2021 academic year: applications

## 8. Mr M K Sayed asked the Minister of Education:

(a) What is the number of applications for the 2021 academic year that have been submitted before the deadline, (b) what is the breakdown of the applications for the 2021 academic year per grade, (c) what is the breakdown of the applications for the 2021 academic year that have been declined, including the (i) grades that had been applied for and (ii) quintiles, (d) what (i) is the detailed list of declined applications for the 2021 academic year per school and (ii) are the reasons for the declined applications and (e) what is the number of applications that have been submitted (i) online and (ii) manually?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

- 8. (a) A total of 150 138 applications have been received.
  - (b) 2021 academic year applications per grade:

Grade	Applications	
GRR	42,622	
GR1	25,447	
GR2	2,877	
GR3	2,461	1
GR4	4,000	
GR5	1,871	1
GR6	1,345	
GR7	967	
GR8	62,570	
GR9	2,498	
GR10	2,935	
GR11	492	
GR12	53	
TOTAL	150,138	

LEARNER APPLICATIONS PER GRADE

\*\*\* Kindly note that Gr R is not compulsory yet

What is the breakdown of the applications for the 2021 academic year that have been declined, including the:

(c) (i) Grades that had been applied for, and;

The following must be taken into consideration in terms of the following response:

- 1. Parents were granted until 3 July to confirm the spaces offered to them.
- 2. After the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July the system allocated spaces to learners in terms of the parent's priority preference in the application.
- 3. Schools are now in the process of filling other vacant spaces that have opened since the processes in (1) and (2) were finalised.
- 4. This will take place until approximately the end of September. Schools must contact parents on their waiting lists and parents then have 3 days to respond. If the parents don't respond, the school will offer the place to another unplaced learner.
- 5. The table below reflects on the number of learners declined (unplaced) as at 20 July 2020. However, this is not the final number of declined learners. It is a moving target and will fluctuate as progress is made with the process in (3).

#### 2021 SAMI REQUESTS WHERE THE LEARNER IS UNPLACED - AS AT 2020/07/20 10:00 AM

Unplaced learners are those who have applied at either a school or District but have to date been unsuccessful, AND they are not currently active at any school if the year applied for is the current year.

It excludes learners who have been accepted at any school or who have been resolved by the District, but have not yet been transferred in / confirmed.

It excludes learners where placement is no longer required.

	GR1	GR2	GR3	GR4	GR5	GR6	GR7	GR8	GR9	GR10	GR11	GR12	GR1- GR12
CWED	378	115	119	106	95	59	36	1,254	180	85	27	3	2,457
ECK	285	84	78	47	34	28	15	630	90	65	10	2	1,368
MCED	920	352	308	269	191	143	70	2,458	319	285	69	5	5,389
MEE	2,192	740	648	492	403	315	129	2,937	422	332	96	9	8,715
MNED	1,058	332	284	422	249	230	82	2,529	341	359	87	9	5,982
MSED	1,293	392	308	342	263	159	70	2,743	374	369	88	11	6,412
OED	98	32	36	23	26	22	20	282	15	13	4	0	571
WCED	208	92	61	53	55	35	24	465	128	173	20	5	1,319
TOTAL	6432	2139	1842	1754	1316	991	446	13298	1869	1681	401	44	32213

- (ii) The Question on quintiles cannot be responded to for the following reasons:
  - Parents have applied to schools across multiple quintiles, circuits and districts.
  - Learners have therefore been declined by schools from all quintiles.
- (d) (i) We cannot provide details of applications declined as that would violate learners' right to privacy
  - (ii) The following are the listed reasons captured by schools
    - Did Not Meet Admission Criteria
    - Incomplete Application
    - Late Application
    - Overaged Learner
    - School Is Oversubscribed
    - Underaged Learner
    - Application is unsuccessful Placed on the Waiting List
- (e) (i) Parents captured 108 760 applications online
  - (ii) Schools captured 41 378 applications manually

COVID-19: fatalities – psychosocial support to families

#### 9. Ms G N Bakubaku-Vos asked Minister of Social Development:

In light of many families in the Western Cape that have lost loved ones due to COVID-19:

Whether her Department has provided psychosocial support to families that have lost loved ones due to COVID-19; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

9. Psychosocial support services are rendered to families when a referral is received from another service provider, department (health) or the community specifically requesting psychosocial support following Covid 19 related death of a family member.

Psychosocial support services for Covid 19 related deaths or request for this service is rendered, as a part of the case management process, should death occur in existing cases.

COVID-19: fatalities – residential facilities for older persons

## 10. Ms G N Bakubaku-Vos asked the Minister of Social Development:

(a) What is the number of COVID-19 (i) cases and (ii) fatalities that have been recorded in residential facilities for older persons as at the latest date for which information is available and (b) what measures have been put in place to protect elderly people in residential facilities for older persons from the impact of COVID-19?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

- 10. (a) (i) Number of current COVID-19 cases in residential facilities are 427 residents and 321 staff. This is out of a population of 10 000 older persons in funded Old Age Homes and an estimated population of 150 000 older persons living in Private Retirement Villages across the Province.
  - (ii) Number of current fatalities reported are 147 residents and 5 staff
  - (b) Provided all residential facilities with national regulations, provincial protocol and guidelines; provided national DsD with data base; provided PPE received from donations to funded residential facilities (10 000 Face Shields, 50 litres Sanitiser, 120 000 medical masks); facilitated deep cleaning of funded facilities with high rate of infections; appointed organisation to assist and support standalone facilities; provide limited relief staff in standalone facilities where high infection rate under staff are compromising the care of the elderly; link funded facilities with training being rolled out by national DsD; provided once of funds (R15 000) to funded facilities to assist with additional costs for management of COVID -19.

COVID-19: ban on sale of alcohol and gender-based violence cases

# 11. Ms G N Bakubaku-Vos asked the Minister of Social Development:

(a) What is the number of gender-based violence cases that have been reported in the Western Cape since the sale of alcohol was unbanned, (b)(i) what is the number of victims who have applied for admission at victim empowerment centres since the ban on the sale of alcohol was lifted and (ii) how many were admitted and (c) how much has her Department (i) spent on victim empowerment programmes between 26 March and 30 June 2020 and (ii) what is the breakdown of this expenditure?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

11. The Victim Empowerment Programme can only report on the number of gender based violence victims that received psychosocial support at funded VEP service sites in the first quarter of lockdown. The Programme is busy with the verification process of non – financial data submitted by funded NPO's on 10 July 2020, and has not yet completed the process.

The following number of victims that received services has been verified. Number of admissions of women and children to shelters during 1 April – 30 June: 213

Number of sexual offence victims and their family members that received psychosocial support services at Thuthuzela Care Centres: 562

The Victim Empowerment Programme transfer budget for the financial year 2020/2021 is R 53 630 000.

For the period 1 April - 30 June 2020, R 6 469 608 was transferred to shelters and R 4 910 721 to service organisations.

# Title Deeds Grant Programme

## 12. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

- (1) (a) What is the purpose of the Title Deeds Grant Programme and (b) how is funding sourced for this programme;
- (2) with regard to Title Deeds Grant Programme since its implementation in the province, (a) what is the total rand value of the grants, (b) how many title deeds have been delivered in the same period and (c) what is the status of the backlog;
- (3) having noted that the national government intends to cease the Title Deeds Grant Programme in the next financial year, whether he has taken steps to consult his national counterpart in this regard; if so, (a) what is the outcome of such consultation and (b) what impact will the ending of this programme have on the province?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLMENTS:

 12. (1) (a) The programme was introduced by the National Department of Human Settlements during the 2016/19 financial years in order to initially attend to the outstanding transfers of subsidized units constructed between 1994 and 2014.

Later, due to the huge backlog, dwellings constructed prior to 1994 were also included.

(b) The National Department now annually makes funding available to provincial departments.

Since municipalities essentially are the implementing agents, my department co-ordinates the reissuing of the funds to municipalities on the bases of the Title Deed Restoration Business Plans.

- (2) The total allocated funds for TRP matters, including the current financial year 2020/21, is R221 232 781. Successful transfers for the TRP Proper Period is approximately 27500. The current backlog is approximately 58500.
- (3) The matter of the cessation of the Title Deeds Grant Programme was discussed at the last MinMec meeting and I provided input in this regard. The outcome is that the decision remains to cease the programme. The impact means that funding for the programme will have to come from the HSDG grant and therefore it will have a negative impact on the Province financially.

State-owned land: release of

## 13. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

With reference to the reply to question 9 in the Question Paper for written reply dated 17 April 2020:

- (1) What is the current status of these projects;
- (2) whether there are any updates on the work of his Department with municipalities to package projects to address concerns of dire need; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (a) what is the progress with the process to fast-track the release of state-owned land and (b) what has developed as a result of the discussions;
- (4) whether any other departments at any level of government have experienced any challenges in meeting the objectives of releasing land?

# The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

13. (1) The projects are in different stages.

See the attached Annexure A

Through the ISSP and NGO support programme, these communities will be further assisted, and we foresee these projects committed to for the next 5+ years.

(2) In order to create integrated and sustainable human settlements, my Department continues to work with local municipalities to package human settlement projects which address need (in terms of demand, need for infrastructure as well as the provision of socio-economic facilities).

Through monthly technical meetings and quarterly regional assistance, these projects are packaged and enter the department for Human Settlement Development Grant (HSDG) funding consideration. The potential projects are derived from the local municipal housing pipelines, and responds to the municipal Integrated Development Plan (IDP). A variety of these projects are consistent with the Provincial Business Plan and the Department's Annual Performance Plan(APP).

(4) (a)(b)

My department identified 33 parcels of land and requested the National Department of Public Works to release the properties for human settlement development. To date, two of the 33 properties were released to the Theewaterskloof Municipality, which are intended for human settlement projects.

Subsequent to our request, the National Department of Public Works identified a further 167 properties. The HDA needs to conduct feasibility studies prior to a decision for release from National Department of Public Works.

(4) No, not that I am aware of. The request for the National Department of Public Works to release land suitable for human settlements is done on our behalf by the National Department of Human Settlements and the Housing Development Agency.

They seldom respond timeously.

Municipalities	Project/Informal Settlements Name	Intervention Status		
Drakenstein	ISSP Lover's Lane (168 sites) UISP	Planning & Packaging		
Drakenstein	ISSP Chester Williams (139 sites) UISP	Planning & Packaging		
Drakenstein	ISSP Paarl Dignified Informal Settlements 9 x Areas	Planning & Packaging		
Drakenstein	Schoongezicht (347)	Implementation		
Drakenstein	Siyahlala	Planning & Packaging		
Dreakenstein	Fairylands	Planning & Packaging		
Drakenstein	Simondium (1033)	Planning & Packaging		
Langerberg	ISSP Montagu Mandela Square (173) UISP	Planning & Packaging		
Langerberg	ISSP Bonnievale Boekenhoutskloof (224)	Planning & Packaging		
Langerberg	ISSP Mandela Square and Boukenhoutskloof NGO	NGO Intervention		
Stellenbosch	Kayamandi Watergang Basic Services	Planning & Packaging		
Stellenbosch	ISSP Kayamandi Town Centre (1000) UISP	Planning & Packaging		
Stellenbosch	ISSP Kayamandi Zone 0 (711) UISP	Implementation Planning & Packaging		
Stellenbosch	ISSP Kayamandi Enkanini (1300) UISP	implementation Planning & Packaging		
Stellenbosch	ISSP Kayamandi Enkanini NGO R1.7Million under OPSCAP	NGO Intervention		
Stellenbosch	Franschhoek Langrug (1900) UISP	Planning & Packaging		
Stellenbosch	Franschhoek Langrug ISSP NGO	NGO Intervention		
Witzenberg	ISSP Ceres Nduli Infills ESS (188 sites) UISP	Planning & Packaging		
Witzenberg	ISSP Ceres Nduli Infills ESS (188 sites) NGO	NGO Intervention		
Witzenberg	Tulbagh ISSP Chris Hani NGO	NGO Intervention		
Cape Agulhas	Bredasdorp Phola Park Insitu (350)	Implementation Planning & Packaging		
Overstrand	Zwelisha/Napier/Struisbaai NGO	Implementation Planning & Packaging		

Overstrand	Hermanus Zwelihle (836) UISP Transit Camp (155)	Implementation
Overstrand	Hermanus Zwelihle (836) UISP Mandela Square (83)	Planning & Packaging
Overstrand	Hermanus Zwelihle Marikana Interim Services	Planning & Packaging
Overstrand	Gansbaai Masakhane (1184 of 1569)	Implementation Planning & Packaging
Overstrand	Kleinmond Overhills (378) UISP NGO	NGO Intervention
Overstrand	Schulphoek	Planning & Packaging
Overstrand	Schulphoek Professional Fees	Planning & Packaging
Overstrand	Gansbaai Beverley Hills (Wetcores)	Implementation
Swellendam	Swellendam Railton ISSP NGO	NGO Intervention
Theewaterskloof	Grabouw Rooidakke Ext (Balance of 4300)	Implementation
Theewaterskloof	Grabouw ISSP NGO R3.9 Million Under OPSCAP	NGO Intervention
Theewaterskloof	Grabouw Rooidakke Ext Irak (456)	Implementation
Theewaterskloof	Grabouw Siyanyanzela (970)	Planning & Packaging
Theewaterskloof	Riviersonderend (135) +37 UISP	Implementation Planning & Packaging
Theewaterskloof	Villiersdorp Westside (153)	Planning & Packaging
Theewaterskloof	Caledon (1041) (Riemvasmaak)	Planning & Packaging
Theewaterskloof	Caledon Riemvasmaak NGO R3.1Million under OPSCAP	NGO Intervention
Theewaterskloof	Botriver New France NGO	NGO Intervention
Theewaterskloof	Botriver New France	Planning & Packaging
Bitou	Qolweni/Bossiesgif Ph3a School Site TRA	Implementation Planning & Packaging
Bitou	Qolweni/Bossiesgif TRA Ph 4A Minnaars Land	Implementation Planning & Packaging
Bitou	Qolweni/Bossiesgif/Pinetrees NGO	NGO Intervention
Bitou	Zawazawa NGO	NGO Intervention

George	Thembalethu (1753 of 4350)(1753-456=1297)	Implementation Planning & Packaging
George	Thembalethu ISSP NGO/Interim Basic Services	NGO Intervention
George	Wilderness Heights (117)	Planning & Packaging
Knysna	Vision (1393) UISP	Implementation
Knysna	Hlalani (273/165/96)	Implementation
Knysna	Ethembeni (180/200/175)	Implementation Planning & Packaging
Knysna	ISSP Sedgefield (600) NGO/Interim Services	NGO Intervention
Knysna	ISSP Sedgefield (600) NGO	NGO Intervention
Knysna	Witlokasie (155)(Toilets + Wendy Houses)	Implementation
Mossel Bay	NUSP Projects (23 Areas)(total 3493 sites)	Implementation Planning & Packagin
Mossel Bay	NUSP NGO	NGO Intervention
Oudtshoorn	Rose Valley (875)	Planning & Packaging
Oudtshoorn	Central Inf Settlements (Kanaal/Black Joint Tavern/GG Kamp)	Planning & Packaging
Matzikama	Klawer Riemvasmaak (206 reduced to 199)	Planning & Packaging
Saldanha Bay	Laingville (176) UISP	Planning & Packaging
Saldanha Bay	New Middelpos (500)	Implementation Planning & Packagin
Saldanha Bay	Witteklip (1000)	Planning & Packaging
Saldanha Bay	George Kerridge South (500)	Implementation Planning & Packagin
Saldanha Bay	George Kerridge (2 ON 1) Tsitsiratsi	Implementation Planning & Packagin
Saldanha Bay	George Kerridge/Middlepos/Laingville NGO R3.8 Million under OPSCAP	NGO Intervention
Swartland	Sibanye Mooreesburg (165)	Implementation

## INTERPELLATIONS

#### Lockdown: Municipalities, loss of income

# 1. Mr D Smith asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

Whether any municipalities in the province suffered a loss of income during the lockdown period; if so, what support did his Department offer to them?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, and thank you to hon Smith for the interpellation.

Yes, all municipalities suffered a loss of income during the lockdown period. The COVID-19 pandemic and the ensuing lockdown were preceded by a global negative macro-economic outlook, which had already impacted municipalities' revenue collection capabilities. The effect of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown have therefore had a compounding negative effect on our municipalities' cash flow and ability to collect revenue from its ratepayers.

As industries and business closed amidst the COVID-19 pandemic and the ensuing lockdown widespread job losses and temporary losses of income across the sectors occurred throughout the province, which resulted in communities and business not being able to pay for municipal services. The experience of many communities has been one of increased food insecurity and hunger. In an attempt to alleviate some of the pressures experienced by the communities and business, municipalities considered various options to relieve the resultant socio-economic plight.

Firstly, in some cases municipalities have given residents payment holidays to both households and businesses. Additionally, councils approved funding to either implement or support existing food security initiatives and as a result spent around about R7 million for this purpose. The cumulative impact has been devastating on the revenue collection and financial sustainability of municipalities in this province with some municipalities such as City of Cape Town with a loss of R1 billion in April 2020, R1,2 billion in May, Mossel Bay, R84,3 million up to the end of May, Knysna R13 million in April, experiencing significant revenue losses. In general, municipalities in the Western Cape have reported a month-on-month reduction in revenue of between 20 to 30%. This not only had an impact on the financial sustainability of the municipalities in the long term, but also on their cash flow in the immediate term.

To this extent municipalities have approached the Minister and the Head of the Department with a request to facilitate a process to propose practical and sustainable solutions to address these challenges.

This has also created a unique opportunity for us as a collective to relook at the revenue streams, revenue management and service delivery levels against affordability with the view to put more sustainable revenue models for municipalities in place and assure viability. Resultant to this, a special Committee was established under the leadership of the Head of the Department of Local Government and Provincial Treasury that includes senior officials from both departments and various municipalities. The role of this committee is to assist municipalities with revenue enhancement strategies to ensure their financial survival taking cognisance of the new normal that COVID-19 has brought about.

Big creditors such as Eskom and the Auditor-General were approached to review payment arrangements and audit fees as immediate intervention measures as agreed to by the Committee. As a longer term intervention measure the Department of Local Government, in collaboration with the Hanns Seidel Foundation, has commissioned the University of Stellenbosch to design a financial and operational sustainability model for municipalities inside the new normal. This model will assist in ensuring the operations and financial resilience of municipalities during and post the COVID-19 pandemic. Thank you.

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, the recent announcement by Minister Mboweni of an additional R7 billion allocation to Local Government in the supplementary budget is welcomed. The Western Cape must top this up. Up until now the Provincial Government has only allocated R16 million for humanitarian relief programmes. The unwelcome visit by the COVID-19 means governments have to operate under a great deal of uncertainty, but how are our municipalities going to deal with this if they do not receive the much needed support from the Province? How are they going to pay salaries and the other expenses such as Eskom bills? I ask this deliberate question because the majority of municipalities have dysfunctional councils which have been destabilised by political interference of those it trusted with the oversight responsibility over them. Others are in financial distress.

Take for instance Drakenstein Municipality, with a loan gap of R1,63 billion low revenue streams as well as depleted cash reserves. In tabling the 2020/2021 Budget, the Executive Mayor of Drakenstein stated that the review of municipal projects and programmes was critical in order to best serve the community with limited resources and the financial strain caused by a current and projected revenue loss. This will go a long way in impacting service delivery. It will have a detrimental effect on ratepayers who have already endured a lot over the years as the Municipality had to take money meant for service delivery to service its debt.

In the 2021 Budget for the Municipality we noted a decrease in the capital budget from R378 million in 2019 to R217 million this year. This is mainly affected by the attempts to decrease the Municipality's gearing ratio. How do we then expect such a municipality to function well if the Province will not support them? What support is the MEC giving in addition to the so-called COVID-19 budgets by municipalities? Thank you.

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Thank you Minister for your response in terms of what your Department is doing to assist municipalities who are in distress or may suffer a reduction in revenue income due to the unwelcome visitor namely COVID-19, but Minister, having listened to your response, could you further state additional measures that you have adopted or further elaborate on what your Department has done or could possibly do with regard to the kind of assistance that municipalities need?

One, have municipalities continued to provide basic services during this lockdown period up till now, such as water services, refuse collection and power during this particular pandemic?

Secondly, has the Provincial Department assisted municipalities in lifting certain restrictions such as water in municipalities in order to alleviate difficult economic circumstances faced by residents?

Thirdly, how vitally important COVID-19 messages have been distributed to municipalities, especially within remote or rural areas that do not have access to the internet.

Furthermore, what is the current cooperation between municipalities and the South African Police Services or the National Defence Force during lockdown to ensure the safety and to prevent opportunistic crime within our municipal boundaries, and lastly are credit control measures suspended in any of the Province's municipalities to further assist those municipalities who face financial hardship at this particular time? I thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, the reality is that our municipalities are the coalface of this pandemic and are the key implementers of Government's response to it. The economic impact of COVID-19, particularly the loss of jobs and revenue for local businesses, will have a direct impact on the work of municipalities. As already stated, many municipalities have reported revenue loss. This in turn leads to challenges in managing cash flows and may lead certain municipalities into death traps. Over and above this, the rising unemployment rate will also have a bearing on the high numbers of incidents in municipalities.

The increased allocation announced in the Supplementary Budget is a welcome addition but will not go far enough to assist municipalities during these tough times. Municipalities do not have many resources to carry out its responsibilities to the people, particularly the most vulnerable in society. Today we say the Provincial Government must come to the party. It must assist municipalities financially to get through these challenging times. Failure to do that will clearly affect the poor as this would impact on services such as water, electricity and refuse removal. To cushion the poor, we need more financial injection into municipalities. What we want is for the MEC to tell us that he has been engaging the Treasury and the Premier to get more funds to support municipalities. The R16 million allocation that he gave municipalities was only for humanitarian relief and disaster management. Clearly this is not enough to assist municipalities in financial distress. Thank you, Deputy Speaker. The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Hon Deputy Speaker, thank you, and thank you to the members. Ja, I think this is a very important debate, so I try not to politicise it, but we need to be clear on this and I really hope at the Standing Committee we will engage going forward, because financial sustainability within municipalities is to the best interest of all of us. What COVID has done, it has also lifted out the weaknesses within the system, so it is not our role to dictate to municipalities. We are there to support and to monitor municipalities, and the municipalities who work with us, where we have a joint effort to work together, are the successful municipalities.

All of a sudden - and ja, we speak to Eskom etcetera - Eskom must also pay their bills, so it is important that we get that financial discipline going right through the system. Where municipalities get their income from selling electricity they should and must pay Eskom and they cannot just use that money for other gaps. Then we must realise that the municipalities got the rate and the tax-base, so it is crucial that we do get the financial systems within municipalities right over time and we must not start to point fingers, because a lot of fingers will point back to us.

We definitely in the Department will not politicise this system or the current COVID-situation. We try our utmost best to help and to support our municipalities wherever we can. We are in constant conversations with Treasury. They understand the pressure municipalities are under as well, but we need to understand that the whole country is under financial stress. The Province also, so it is to find that right balance. You must spend money on health. You must spend money on education and where do we get the balance? So, currently where we sit, we report back to Cabinet this week still that all basic services are normal within this province.

To hon America, so that is also an answer to your question on basic services, it is normal within this province. It is not perfect, but it is normal and most people do have access to it. The remote areas, we communicate to them through radio, through pamphlets and then also through their municipalities.

The safety issue is obviously about working closely with the police, especially the police in the municipal space. The worrying aspect currently is, and it is not only in this province, it is throughout the country; most of our big provinces struggle with this, and that is illegal land invasions and how we are going to deal with that going forward.

Credit control was not suspended. Municipalities did relax their credit control. Your credit control policy, for me personally, stands on two legs. Those who can pay must pay their municipal bills and those who cannot must be assisted, and most of our municipalities worked out a leaner system to support their communities and let us be proud of them. But we are going to face challenging times and I do appeal to the Standing Committee, let us take hands, let us work together and let us work on this sustainability and the Financial Sustainability Model that we are busy designing with our municipalities. I thank you.

[Debate concluded.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. Before we proceed, hon member Lekker, is your hand raised for the point you have put in the chat room?

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Yes, thank you. Deputy Speaker, there is one aspect that I think I need to bring to your attention, which has already been raised by member Cameron Dugmore, because I want to believe that in your prayer you said the interest of your party instead of the people, and therefore I would like to request that we listen to the Hansard and you make a ruling in that regard.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Absolutely, if there was any error in reading the prayer I will certainly retract that, but we will listen to Hansard. That is not a problem at all. If it was it must have been an error.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: But I am not sure and we will absolutely retract. If you can put your hand down, hon member Lekker, that will be great.

The CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you.

## Level 3: increase in crime rate

# 2. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Community Safety:

Whether the crime rate increased since Western Cape moved to level 3; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Good afternoon, Deputy Speaker, good afternoon to all the hon members. The interpellation by hon member Christians – the question was whether there was a spike in crime, an increase in the crime rate during the lockdown when we moved over to Level 3. So, the answer I get from the South African Police Services - and please note this is the answer from the South African Police Services - was a "no." The majority of priority crimes continued to show a decrease when compared to the same period during 2019 last year, and then the second part is our answer to what we are doing.

The Department has been monitoring – this is the Department of Community Safety – the forensic pathology data on homicides, in other words on murders, which show that the number of murders increased under Alert Level 4 and further increased under Alert Level 3, though the number of murders under Level 3 is still slightly less than the 2019 statistics. Now if I say "slightly less", remember at some point the average murder was literally 110, 112. If I say slightly less, it is down to 94 or 95, but last weekend we saw the murders right up to 127 over that weekend again. So we are almost back at the levels of pre-COVID levels now and we did in fact see a huge, huge decrease under Level 5 and Level 4, so thank you, Deputy Speaker.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, Deputy Speaker, it is hard to believe what the South African Police Services are saying.

There was a survey by the University of Cape Town that said Cape Town was in "crime crises." It was done by the Mexican Council for Public Safety and Criminal Justice, and ranked the Mother City at the eighth most violent city in the world. Guy Lamb, Director of the Safety and Violence Initiative at the University of Cape Town said: "Access to illegal firearms plays a huge part", and then he says: "We are amongst the most dangerous cities. We are in the top ten. We are eighth."

Now just to confirm that, and I think the Minister is much aware of what is happening now again with the surge in gang violence, I just got an article the other day to say that last month there were 12 murders already in Delft and 15 this month to date. The load-shedding is also playing a role now because they are saying that when the lights go off there is more crime, and maybe the Minister can confirm that. But the problem that we have, Minister, and I know, I have been along on the committee, what is your responsibility and what is SAPS' responsibility, but you are on record saying that we will halve the murder rate in your Safety Plan in the next ten years, and it does not seem that way. It seems that the murder rate is spiking and spiking, and you know, we spoke about your targeted crime hotspots approach. It somehow must show some dividends because here again, when I heard the people of Delft talking they spoke about the fact that at all the police stations we have a shortage of vehicles. We have a shortage of staff but they say the big thing is shooting day and night, and also the release of those prisoners did not help us further now, and what this survey is also saying is that people have access to ammunition and firearms, so I do not know how are we going to reduce the murder rate if these criminals run. It seems to me that there is no end to the ammunition and guns that they get, I do not know from where, so Minister I hear what you say with the police and for me it is still too many murders, still too much violence, still too many gunshots and as your Department has... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Your time has expired, hon member Christians.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Okay, thank you, Deputy Speaker, I will stop there, Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Apologies for interrupting. Thank you very much. I recognise hon Allen.

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Thank you to the Minister for the answer in this regard. I also note the comments made by member Christians, thank you for sharing that information, sir.

Minister, I understand that all our efforts to attract investment, to create jobs and to build a working and inclusive economy will be so much more difficult considering COVID-19, but also because of the unacceptable levels of crime which obviously affects all communities and businesses. If I can ask, what interventions have specifically been undertaken by your Department, particularly within the allocated targeted hotspots to reduce crime and to prevent the spread of COVID-19, but then can I also get information on what your Department is doing in order to address alcohol related harms? Thank you.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. In June, Minister Cele lamented the surge in murder numbers since the country moved to Level 3. The numbers doubled when compared to an earlier period of lockdown. Many experts had warned that crime would spiral out of control when the country moved to Level 3.

The Provincial Government ignored the warnings when it advanced calls for a reckless abrupt end of lockdown. We ponder what was the MEC's contribution to these calls?

Now, more than ever before, SAPS need all the support of the Metro Police as well as the law enforcement officers. As part of the Western Cape Safety Plan we paid millions to train and deploy law enforcement officers to fight crime in gang-infested communities. We have to ask whether there is value for money for our investment as the Province, when this law enforcement, who we train to fight crime, are deployed to poor communities to terrorise the poor, like we have seen in Hout Bay and at Empolweni in Khayelitsha. We deployed 500 law enforcement officers to communities but there is no impact after so many months. What has been the work of law enforcement officers during this period? Is it only to partake in the inhuman evictions?

We were misled into believing that the trained law enforcement officers would operate under the SAPS's command. That has not happened. We are in the process of wasting money to satisfy JP's ego as he has always wanted to have a personal army.

Clearly this is what is envisaged in the DA's call for a provincial police control where characters like Angus McKenzie and JP will interfere with policing functions. If we cannot have these law enforcement officers as a crime-preventing structure under the SAPS command, then we might as well stop wasting money and close the programme. Thank you, Deputy Speaker.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I think the questions that have been raised about the Western Cape Safety Plan are relevant in the circumstances. The plan was announced with a lot of fanfare, it was the biggest, the boldest, the most expensive safety plan ever and I think we have seen in the details that the plan is probably the most extensive but there are questions that we can raise about whether it is a prudent and efficient use of R1,3 billion and whether it will make the Western Cape safer.

The plan and the Premier committed to reducing violent crime in the province with the halving of the murder rate being the measure for successfully achieving this, so we have to ask questions like why then is the funding being used to add 100 new anti-land-invasion law enforcement officers in the City. Since the suspension of evictions during the lockdown regulations we have all witnessed how the City has used this unit to conduct violent and unlawful evictions on the Cape Flats and yesterday the Western Cape High Court called the City's conduct deplorable and grotesque, so is this what the Parliament – our Parliament - agreed to fund and how does it reduce violent crime or halve the murder rate?

Now we see the City's establishing from 1 July a Rural Safety Unit and it makes reference to the leap funding so this unit was not part of the approved plan, so how can the funding be used outside of the plan to create a Rural Safety Unit and is this Rural Safety Unit part of the City's Police Plan, is it an approved policing intervention? When did the plan change and what part of the Safety Plan was abandoned in order to create this unit from the funding that the City received from the Province?

I think there are a lot of questions about the efficacy and the legitimacy of this Western Cape Safety Plan, given what we are seeing and how funding is being used by the City. Thank you.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. Thank you for that, Minister, I think the statistics of SAPS comparing last year to this year is not what I was referring to. I was referring to lockdown Levels 5, 4 and 3, did the murder rate – and hon Kama just confirmed those figures - but Minister, you must realise when we speak we speak. We are concerned because we represent communities. Again I do not know if you saw an organisation that picketed at the Bellville Magistrate's Court on Monday at the murder trial of Kortje and her seven-year-old daughter, and they were saying crimes committed against women and children mean nothing to the authorities. It means nothing to Government and I said it before, when people refer to Government they do not refer to local, provincial and that, they blame Government as a whole, and so they say we as a government do not care about what is happening to our women and children. I see somebody was arrested, but the arrest is a known gang member, do you understand?

So my question again, Minister, is with your Safety Plan and I am talking about where you and your Department have authority, what are you going to do to reduce crime with the money invested in crime, in fighting this crime, because you are out there, we are out there, we as members out there, our communities are not safe. They do not feel safe under Level Lockdown 3. They felt safer under 4 and 5, so Minister, all that I want to know from you is what do we tell the people on the streets when they say we cannot even leave our houses to go to work, because we will be robbed and killed. So I am going to park it there, I think you know my heart, my heart is how do we do this together to assist our communities to be safer. Thank you, Deputy Speaker.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you, Deputy Speaker, and thank you hon member Christians, hon member Kama, hon member Reagen Allen, hon member Herron, I really take it in the spirit that you are saying it. You know, we have always said from the beginning that this will be a collective issue. This will be an all-of-government issue. This will be an all-of-society issue. This will be an all-of-community issue. There is not going to be any kind of silver bullet and magic kind of wand that is going to be displayed to just resolve this. We have very, very, very serious systemic issues in our society and we need to address that. If you think a plan is just going to change it after the first few months, then you please better wake up. All of us, and I am not talking specifically to hon member Christians - hon member Christians always raises it in [Inaudible – 00:40:31] but some of the other members seem to be sleeping through a revolution.

Perhaps we need to wake up from this sleep and realise there is a revolution and it is compounded by COVID. It is compounded. We are not in a normal situation. We are in a completely abnormal situation, hon members. But I also want to remind you, hon members, that there are two parts to this Safety Plan. There is not just a policing part of the Safety Plan.

There is also a violence prevention component that is a far more interventions component, that is a far more proactive, not responsive, a proactive response to addressing violence in and targeting those 11 areas. We have seen, hon Herron, that those 11 areas are responsible for more than 50% of the murders in our -province, and again our research from the Department of Community Safety shows that 47% of the very recent murders came from those 11 areas, so the hotspots have not changed. It is still like that. Delft is one of our areas, someone raised Delft. That is one of our intervention areas that we are targeting.

Now, hon Herron, when people talk about the law enforcement component that we are now dealing with, the City with the 500, it seems as if there was never ever a law enforcement entity in the City. It seems as if our 500 are the only ones, that we also do the land invasions, that we do all this and that, and I really want to say we – I think it was hon member Kama and hon Christians - and you have raised the very important point. We have insisted in our TPA in our Transfer Payment Agreement with the City that that law enforcement component, those extra law enforcement officers, that they be aligned also to the South African Police Services and that they target those 11 areas, nothing else, that they target the 11 areas, and I think that is an important part because that is the only way we are going to get those figures and those totals and those numbers halved, that we continue to target. I can tell you that we have officials working hard behind the scenes to also just get relationships right.

There are contentious relationships in the South African Police Services, just recently – because of national politics – they threw out our law enforcement representatives at the PROVJOINTS. We had to then deal with it and speak again, also to have them readmitted. I must say one of the persons in the province that is really almost completely unbiased and with no issues, is the Provincial Commissioner who is trying to get results in this province, but I also want to address - someone spoke about and I think it was the hon member Christians – the issue of availability of ammunition. That is a very, very interesting point that you are raising because we have been asking that and we have been busy in our Research Department in the Department of Community Safety, we are looking at what mechanism we can introduce to determine where ammunition is sold, these shops that sell guns and ammunition... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: How we can actually imprint a serial number that links that ammunition to the person who purchases it, because there is nothing at the moment. So no-one knows from where it is coming and that will be one of the ways that we will be able to trace murderers, etcetera. [Interjection.] Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker.

[Debate concluded.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much. We move on to Interpellation 3. Hon members, it seems like I might have made an error in judgment and in words around saying "party" instead of "people". If that is the case I actually want to formally retract. That was a complete error in my words, but I would like to now move over to Interpellation 3 and I recognise hon Fritz again.

# Lockdown: Empolweni evictions

# 3. Mr M Xego asked the Minister of Community Safety:

Whether his office has intervened when the City of Cape Town's law enforcement officials brutally exercised their duties and evicted residents during the national lockdown period, such as in the case of Empolweni in Khayelitsha on 1 July 2020 when excessive force was used to evict residents?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you, Deputy Speaker, and I also want to thank hon Xego for that question and this pertains to this illegal land-invasion incident that happened in Khayelitsha. So, on 2 July 2020 I condemned the conduct of the City of Cape Town law enforcement officers in Khayelitsha which infringed on the human dignity of a resident in the province.

I also welcome the swift action by the City of Cape Town for the suspension of the four officers for their poor conduct subject to further investigation and disciplinary procedures, and I want to emphasise subject to a full investigation, and of course then see whatever disciplinary action procedures will emanate from that because we seem to just make a lot of assumptions without looking and investigating everything properly.

A video was taken of the law enforcement officers responding to a land invasion belonging to the City of Cape Town earmarked for services to the community in the area. Numerous operations have been conducted by the City on previous occasions to prevent illegal occupation of land, and allow me also immediately to say, hon Deputy Speaker, that there seems to be an orchestrated and wellplanned campaign. It is not just people in need, these guys are pulling up with BMWs and almost earmarking land, and we suspect that the land is being sold to people, to poor people and sold and someone is making money out of this.

I am also glad that the City of Cape Town is treating these allegations with the seriousness it deserves while many of our police and law enforcement officials work under immense pressure. The infringement of human dignity in this way cannot be tolerated. It can never ever be tolerated. It is therefore necessary to respond to such cases proportionately. The City of Cape Town has subsequently informed me that no evictions were earmarked on that particular area or carried out. The City has only conducted anti-land-invasion operations which the National Government has confirmed that all municipalities have a responsibility to carry out. Based on that and based on what is seen in the initial video footage released to the public by NGOs present during the anti-land-invasion operation, the City of Cape Town suspended four officials pending the outcome of an investigation that was initiated.

The land in question is protected by a court order due to it forming part of the R162-million Water Infrastructure Project aimed at connecting thousands of Khayelitsha residents with high pressure water access and providing the necessary infrastructure for more housing development to be delivered. It should be noted that the Western Cape Government does not have a direct oversight mandate over law enforcement officers. Both the Independent Police Investigative Directorate's and the Western Cape Police Ombudsman's oversight functions are limited to the South African Police Services and Metro Police.

The Department is currently in the process of amending the Western Cape Community Safety Act to enable us to have oversight also over law enforcement agencies. The City of Cape Town Civilian Oversight Committee established under the South African Police Services Act, Number 68 of 1995, has oversight over the municipal police force. The City of Cape Town has extended its oversight to include all Metro police, traffic and law enforcement officers. This unit can be activated for reporting and oversight purposes. I thank you.

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. Since the beginning of the lockdown period, the Western Cape experienced a series of unlawful conducts which have been exercised by the municipalities and as well as by the law enforcement in the province. This conduct comes in the form of unlawful evictions of our people and all those people that are living in informal settlements, by the law enforcement officials. This went as far as doing it under the guise of land occupation prevention, which is a serious challenge, because they utilise and misuse their power to go and evict people without any form of a court order that is allowing them to do so. Now what we want to understand, Minister, that under your stewardship, how does it happen that your people that are supposed to be preventing what you call it, inhuman treatment of our people in the province, are in the forefront of ensuring that there is degradation of our people, because we have seen that the police and the law enforcement are always in the forefront without getting any legal document that would assist them in removing people who illegally occupied any piece of land, but now they are being utilised as some form of a gang by JP Smith to terrorise our people in particular in the City of Cape Town. So that is what we want to understand, what is your intervention in terms of making sure that our law enforcement under your stewardship is doing this following all the proper procedures in terms of the law? Thank you very much.

Mr R I ALLEN: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. Like the Minister said, police brutality whether it is SAPS or law enforcement or security officers, should be rightly condemned as any form of police brutality is a violation of human rights and dignity, and I too look forward to the investigation to be concluded a.s.a.p., but also, and seeing that the Minister touched on land invasions, obviously into the actions of those who profit from the sale of illegally invaded land and who instigate land invasions and protests to protect vested and criminal financial interest; that should also be condemned and that should also be probed. But I want to check from the Minister in terms of some of the most recent investigations that have been conducted by the Police Ombudsman, if he can share more information on that. Thank you. Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. Deputy Speaker, the question that I would like to ask of the Minister is the problem that we have; Minister, as the ACDP we can never condone illegal land invasions, but what I want to talk about is the conduct of these officers.

Now firstly the problem that I have is that you do not have direct oversight over these guys, but yet we give money, so I am glad you are talking about amending legislation because you cannot give money and not have oversight because this is going to spiral back to you and to the Province, because you have a hand in it, because all the newspapers, all the media cover bad publicity for Cape Town and the big problem that we had was there was a debate, must the investigation be done internally or externally and all that debate, so what is your role, Minister?

I saw what you said on the 2nd, it was recorded in the newspapers on 3 July. You condemned it, but what is your role, what is your action to make sure that the investigation is done properly and how does the reporting system work because as a province I think because we have money in law enforcement there should be some form of interaction or to get the right results, so that is my question. Thank you, Minister.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. Black people and Africans in particular have endured centuries of slavery, inhuman treatment and gross violation of their basic human rights with the police force being utilised to unleash such atrocities. The violence metered against them in this day and age has to be condemned with the contempt it deserves. We have to ask for how long our people must be treated like exiles in the land of their forefathers. While member Xego correctly asked what the MEC has done, I want to rather call on this House to take responsibility in responding to brutal violation of human rights of the people of the Western Cape. As a point of departure we have to address the elephant in the room – where are these brutally lawless law enforcement officials accounting?

We know SAPS has IPID and the duplicate provincial structure of the Police Ombudsman to investigate its efficiencies. While the question today might be about inhuman evictions of a naked man, the House must also note that a SAPS officer died at the hands of these freelance law enforcement officers. Clearly the House must approach this lawlessness holistically. We agree that the Safety Act must be amended to allow the Western Cape Police Ombudsman to have an oversight role over the law enforcement officers and their inclusion in the IPID Act is necessary.

The prohibition of these two critical bodies in the work of this contingent of officers is a direct creation of a policing system within another, in line with the DA's call for a provincial police force.

Lastly, Deputy Speaker, I want to put it to you that the process to the suspension of the law enforcement officers was a window-dressing exercise. They were acting under a command. The City of Cape Town must be called before the Standing Committee to account on who issued orders for the eviction. [Interjection.] The Mayor and the MMC JP Smith must account. Thank you, Deputy Speaker. [Time expired.]

Mr M XEGO: Yes, thank you, Deputy Speaker. Coupled with what hon member Kama has just now said, indeed that we welcome the investigation that would be done in terms of ensuring that we bring to book this law enforcement that resulted in that dehumanisation of that gentleman, but the challenge that we are having is that indeed those who have issued the instructions have never been brought to book. The mere officers who are at the production level were the easy targets in terms of ensuring that they are brought to book, but who else gave them the instruction, because they do not act on their own, and secondly, whilst we all condemn land invasions that are happening in our province we should equally do so with the land encroachment that is predominantly done by white farmers in ensuring that they steal land just like it is happening in the townships where our people are being accused of land invasion. So where is this law enforcement being seen when it comes to farmers who are stealing land in terms of encroachment? Land invasion and land encroachment should be equally treated by your Department who is so much determined to prevent any land-taking in the province. So, what is your Department doing about the issue of land encroachment that is being done, in terms of treating it equally to the land invasions that you are concerned about? Thank you very much.

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. I think in my lengthy reply when I responded earlier to the first question, I made the point that this was not an eviction and in fact I have heard that the City will take that judgment by Judge Salie Hlophe on review on appeal and I think they should take it on appeal, because we need to get some legal clarity on whether land can just be invaded and be left alone. I also want to say to hon member Xego if he talks about land encroachment of white farmers, please tell me where it is happening so that we can act. He must give us the facts so that we can respond to it and see that it does not happen, if it is illegal, because no form of occupation illegally of other people's property is acceptable, it is just not legal. You cannot have syndicates running this and you say nothing about it. This is the point that I cannot understand. Not one of the members are commenting on the fact that there seems to be - in fact we have far more evidence coming, emerging - syndicates running these land invasions organised, and that is why the National Ministers are quiet and when land invasions happen in Johannesburg with their Red Ants treating people like absolute animals, not one of you makes any comment about it.

So we agree completely that any operation must be done with human dignity and I want to say to hon member Christians I completely support his position on the conduct of officers, and therefore we are amending the Act to include law enforcement officers so that we can have oversight over their conduct and I also agree with him completely, if we fund some of our projects, then we have a right to actually ask that people conduct them properly and a very interesting instance we had, I don't know whether people saw the video on social media and WhatsApp all over where three law enforcement officers were driving down the road, chasing a young boy, a youth running, and they were swearing at him in the most vile language that you can ever experience. I want to say we picked it up, we immediately alerted, and we insisted that they all be suspended, and I want to say this, on the same day they were suspended for that kind of conduct, because you are not supposed to be glorified gangsters when you are law enforcement officers. You are not supposed doing things and conduct that are illegal, and specifically as I said earlier about human dignity, we need to do things within the framework of the Constitution and with human dignity.

So I am really looking forward to the appeal of that case, because it is okay to talk about the emotions and the moral issues, that is fine, and deal with that, but there is also hardcore law and to occupy other people's land is illegal, and it stays illegal, whoever occupies it, whether you are black or white or anything.

By the way, hon member Kama, all of us suffered under all those laws, not only black people, everyone suffered. Hon member Marais will tell you how all of us suffered in this country under apartheid. There was not selective suffering and there are no degrees of suffering. That is absolute nonsense. Human dignity is human dignity. There are no degrees of infringement of human dignity, as if other people did not suffer, as if only certain people suffered in this country. No, everyone suffered, and all of us suffered the same. We were kicked out of places like anyone else. Our dignity was infringed like anyone else's.

So I think let us not racialise suffering. Suffering is suffering, and you know some people who are very poor and happen to be white, you know how they suffered? So it is not a thing of your colour, it is about suffering as a human being. Thank you very much. [Time expired.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you.

Mr M XEGO: Your emotions are high!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you very much.

Mr M XEGO: White people suffering? [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY: For you. For you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon members, order!

An HON MEMBER: Wow, white people suffering.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, hon members. Please can we have some order.

Mr M XEGO: Where?

[Debate concluded.]

Question standing over from Thursday, 11 June 2020, as agreed to by the House:

[Question 2 withdrawn.]

# QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

### Distribution of food parcels: involvement of councillors

# 1. Mr D Smith asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

Whether the involvement of councillors in the distribution of food parcels, despite clear directives from the national and provincial governments to desist from such practices, has been brought to his attention; if so, what remedial action has been taken?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, and thank you to hon member Smith for the question.

1. In response to the question posed by the hon member, there were statements of such allegations of abuse and/or politicising by councillors in the distribution of food parcels at intergovernmental forums raised by the municipalities.

Therefore, in preventing such abuse of politicising by councillors, a protocol guideline and correspondence were distributed to all municipalities, which aligned the role of the councillors during the lockdown, and applicability of the COVID-19 regulations, and the role and involvement of councillors in non-profit organisations in determining and preventing any form of misuse. These recommended and emphasised that councillors should not be involved in the collection and distribution of food parcels to communities, as this would be coordinated by the municipalities in conjunction with the relevant provincial and national departments, as well NGOs and the private sector.

As a further measure of averting councillors from any form of implication, it was emphasised that the councillors refrain from being directly involved in feeding scheme initiatives by NGOs, and allow the Province and the local authorities, and the NGOs, to independently implement the relief efforts of Government.

In this context, it is furthermore necessary to state that the code of conduct for councillors becomes enforceable in particular instances where the conduct of councillors constitute a breach of the code. In such instances the procedures, as provided in the code, will be applicable.

Therefore any report or referral of a breach of the code is formally brought to my attention in terms of the applicable provisions in the code. Such reports may be made in terms of item 13(3) of the code, by way of the appeals as contemplated in item 14(3), and when requests are received for the suspension or the removal of councillors.

In this respect an outcome of an investigation by a Speaker into allegations that a councillor had allegedly reduced food parcels, had been reported to me in accordance with item 13(3) of the code.

The Speaker of Hessequa Council had investigated the matter in terms of item 13(1) as contained in the code of conduct for councillors, and then referred it to the Council to decide whether the alleged breach should be investigated.

After the Council deliberated the report a decision was made that the matter should not be referred to a disciplinary committee. The Municipal Council had therefore exercised its authority in terms of item 14(1) of the code of conduct for councillors. Thank you.

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, thank you, MEC, for the response. I just want to understand from the MEC, should one have evidence that shows that councillors are indeed guilty of distributing food parcels, especially under Level 4 of the lockdown, after which the National Minister and also I believe the MEC, gave clear direction that councillors should not be involved, and it happens to be councillors of the Democratic Alliance, even those in executive positions, should we have evidence, can we submit that to the MEC, and will the MEC act accordingly? Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Hon Deputy Speaker, as I said we have worked out the protocol guideline to municipalities. The Speaker of a municipality is the custodian of the code of conduct for councillors.

So we will then give it to the Speaker to investigate. Every Council has a Disciplinary Committee, and we need to adhere to those principles, but the hon member Smith mentioned that DA councillors and those in executive positions were part and parcel of food parcel distribution. Let me tell you, the ANC is also guilty of this.

So, two wrongs do not make a right, but I think it is wrong for a politician to be involved in government money and food parcels being distributed, especially the R16,2 million that we made available.

Now there will also be a case when we look at when councillors give their own money for food parcels. I mean obviously we cannot dictate what they must do with their own money, but there is a disciplinary process and we need to adhere to that disciplinary process and the code of conduct within municipalities.

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Minister Bredell, I would like to ask whether you know that there are allegations that there are certain councillors who own NGOs, and who have contracts with different provincial departments, without having declared such ownership, and they may possibly use those NGO's to distribute food parcels?

Are you aware of it, and if not, would you investigate and report back to the Standing Committee? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker and thank you hon member America for the question.

I am not aware of it, but I will investigate, because obviously it is very important that councillors cannot do business with a municipality or with Government. Then it must be mentioned in your declaration, but I will look into it and I will report back to the Standing Committee.

Mr D SMITH: Hon Deputy Speaker, my previous follow-up question was is the MEC prepared to investigate should we lay a complaint at his office?

I understand that the custodian of the code of conduct for councillors is the Speaker of a municipality, but my question is directly to the MEC. Is he prepared to do an investigation should we lay such a complaint? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Hon Deputy Speaker, we cannot. We are going around in circles. I have got certain authority. The authority is with the Speaker. I cannot just investigate a councillor; the Speaker and the Disciplinary Committee will investigate. That recommendation will then come to me.

So if I get any complaint, if the hon member Smith gives me a complaint, I will forward that to the Speaker and ask them to investigate that. The Disciplinary Committee will investigate it, take a report to the Council. The Council will take a decision. That decision will be forwarded to me, and I will then definitely look into that, thank you.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I would like to ask the MEC, we have a situation where the Mayor of a particular municipality, i.e. the City of Cape Town, actually went and handed out food parcels in another municipality.

So you obviously cannot complain to the Speaker of the non-Metro municipality where Mayor Dan Plato went to hand out food parcels.

So is he, as the MEC, who is the custodian of the overall code of conduct, because here we have a Mayor of the City of Cape Town going to another municipality to hand out food parcels, is he prepared to investigate Mayor Dan Plato?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I think my record has shown that it does not matter who it is, if I get the complaint with the necessary documents, I will investigate anybody.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Thank you, MEC.

#### Lockdown: effect on water supply projects

# 2. Mr D Smith asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

Whether the completion of any water supply projects in municipalities has been affected by the lockdown; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, and thank you to hon member Smith again for the question. The reply is as follows:

2. Yes, as a result of the national lockdown which was announced by the State President on 23 March 2020, no construction was allowed during the initial five weeks of Alert Level 5. The risk adjustment Alert Level 4 commenced on 1 May 2020, during which construction and related services for Public Works, including water, energy, and sanitation, could commence.

All infrastructure-related projects, including water, sanitation, roads, stormwater, were therefore affected, and were delayed between one and two months.

To this extent the following details can be provided with regards to waterrelated projects funded from grants administered by the Western Cape Government.

The Municipal Infrastructure Grant projects affected by the lockdown: the Municipal Infrastructure Grant funded projects of the Western Cape Provincial Government had a total of 26 water-related projects budgeted for the 2019/20 municipal financial year. Eleven of the 26 projects were affected by the COVID-19 lockdown, in the following municipalities: Overstrand, Swellendam, Kannaland, Bitou, Knysna, Laingsburg, Prince Albert, and in Beaufort West.

These projects included the construction of reservoirs, water treatment works, water pump stations, bulk water supply pipelines. Notwithstanding the delay caused by the national lockdown, all these projects have since commenced with construction. The projects were also committed at 31 March 2020, and therefore complies with the rollover conditions. Affected municipalities are therefore eligible to apply for the rollover of funding and will be supported by the Western Cape Government.

The Municipal Drought Relief Grant projects affected by the lockdown: the Department of Local Government allocated funding towards 20 drought relief projects in the 2019/20 financial year, with the aim of augmenting water supply, reducing water demand, and improving water infrastructure.

Eleven out of these 20 drought relief projects were affected by the COVID-19 national lockdown in the following municipalities: Beaufort West, Laingsburg, Prince Albert, Kannaland, Mossel Bay, Theewaterskloof, and Matzikama.

The drought relief projects included drilling, testing of equipment, of new boreholes, as well as the installation of new water meters, and the installation of borehole monitoring equipment. All these projects have since commenced with construction. The drought projects also comply with the relevant provincial rollover conditions. Affected municipalities can therefore apply for rollovers of the funding and will be supported by the Department of Local Government. The Department of Local Government will further continue to monitor the respective projects to ensure successful completion. I thank you.

Mr D SMITH: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. The R20 billion allocation to municipalities as announced by the President has a specific focus on water projects and to ensure that there is sufficient water supply in municipalities.

Did the Western Cape receive money from this R20 billion? And how is the MEC's Department planning to assist those municipalities that are struggling with water supply projects? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Hon Deputy Speaker, if hon member Smith will allow me, because I received the question on the relief package of the R20 billion in Question 4, if I can answer it there, because then I can go through the whole R20 billion. If he does not mind.

## Knysna Municipality under administration

# 3. Mr D America asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the resignation of the Acting Municipal Manager of the Knysna Municipality:

- (1) Whether he acted on her appeal to place the Municipality under administration; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether he investigated the allegations that outside forces have undue influence on the affairs of the Municipality; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Hon Deputy Speaker, thank you to hon member America for the question. The reply is as follows:

3. After the request by the acting Municipal Manager for my Department of Local Government to provide support to the Knysna Municipality, I provided instructions to my Department, together with other provincial departments, to conduct a diagnostic assessment of the Knysna Municipality to ascertain the current status of the Municipality, and also to determine how the Provincial Government and relevant national departments, including the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, can further provide support to the Municipal Council, as well as the administration, including recommending a Section 154 of the Constitution support package.

The assessment focused on key challenges the Municipality is currently facing, as well as recommendations regarding the way forward, in terms of which the Municipal Council can ensure governance, finance, and service delivery stability in the Municipality. Based on the findings and recommendations, a support package will be finalised in consultation with the Municipal Council, administration, and will also involve all identified national and provincial departments.

As soon as the support package has been concluded my Department will ensure the effective implementation thereof under the leadership of the acting Municipal Manager.

The allegations recorded in the acting Municipal Manager's resignation relating to outside forces having an undue influence on the affairs of the Municipality, were not sufficient to enable me to exercise my powers, given the vague nature of the allegations. In this regard the specific details pertaining to these allegations made by the acting Municipal Manager, was not provided to my office, that would enable me and my Department to specifically consider them.

These specific allegations are however just part of a number of allegations that we subsequently received from the community. When allegations are received relating to the potential fraud, corruption, maladministration in respect of a municipality in the Western Cape, Section 106 of the Municipal Systems Act 2000, the Systems Act requires me, as the Provincial Minister responsible for Local Government, to initiate a provincial investigation where:

- (1) I have reason to believe that a municipality cannot or does not fulfil its statutory obligations binding, or that municipality, or that administration, fraud, corruption, or any other serious maladministration, has occurred, or is occurring in that municipality; and
- (2) I consider such an investigation necessary.

It is also important to note that investigations into allegations of this nature are governed by statutory prescripts and strict constitutional and statutory parameters within which Provincial Government can intervene in a municipality, only where the legal requirements set out in Section 106 of the Systems Act, read with the relevant provisions of the Western Cape Monitoring and Support of Municipality Act 2014 are met, will an investigation be initiated by a provincial government.

I have commenced with following the statutory prescripts processes applicable to the assessment of the allegations. Once this process has been completed, decisions will be made about the most applicable steps to be taken. I thank you.

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Thank you, Minister, for the comprehensive response to my question. I welcome the fact that your Department and you are willing to intervene and to make sure that processes are put in place to how the residents of Knysna continue to receive uninterrupted services.

Hon Deputy Speaker, with that I have no further questions, thank you.

## Municipalities: financial relief

## 4. Mr D America asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

In the relief packages that were announced by President Ramaphosa an amount of R20 billion was set aside to assist municipalities:

Whether any part of this money has been disbursed to the provinces; if so, (a) what was the allocation to the Western Cape and (b) how does this allocation compare with the allocations to other provinces?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, and thank you to hon member America for the question.

The reply to the question: details of the R20 billion set aside to assist municipalities were formally provided in the Division for Revenue Amendment Bill B9 of 2020, in terms of which the following adjustments were made to the 2020 and 2021 financial years:

An additional R11 billion as part of the equitable share of the Local Government sphere to municipalities. The Bill states that:

"The additional funding should allow municipalities to maintain existing service delivery despite a temporary decline in revenue collection."

Equitable share for the Western Cape municipalities was adjusted or increased with R721 703. Reprioritisation of R9,5 billion within existing infrastructure grant allocations to municipalities.

It therefore implies that no additional funding was made available to municipalities within these grants. Municipalities were only allowed to reprioritise their existing grant allocations to fund Covid-related expenditure.

In the Western Cape, however, this could not be easily undertaken by municipalities, since the MIG and other grants have already been fully committed on existing projects.

The (b) part to the question. In terms of the additional R11 billion allocated as part of the equitable share of municipalities, the following comparisons can be provided. If you look at the:

- Eastern Cape received R1,566 billion, or 14,2%;
- Free State, R0,668 billion, or 6%;
- Gauteng, R1,978 billion, or 18%;
- KwaZulu Natal, R2,179 billion, or 19,8%;
- Limpopo, R1,717 billion, or 15,6%;
- Mpumalanga, R0,963 billion, or 8,8%;
- Northern Cape, R0,246 billion, or 2,2%;
- North West, R0,957 billion, or 8,7%; and
- Western Cape, R0,721 billion, or 6,6%.

So that is my answer, thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Minister Bredell, it goes without saying that Western Cape municipalities are the best governed municipalities in the country. Of the 20 clean audits in the country, 13 were in the Western Cape, and I think that the municipalities in the Western Cape, with limited financial resources at their disposal, manage these resources corruption-free and as prudently as possible.

In your opinion, do you think that with that allocation of 6,75% of the equitable share, the Western Cape got its fair share of the allocation that has been set aside for Covid relief? Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Hon member America, I personally think we have lost this round.

I always think that we need to get round about 10% to 11%, that is our fair share of the equitable share, and if there is an allocation and we get less than – in this case 6,6% - then we definitely – in my personal opinion – should have got more money. I do think it is to do with the fact that we manage to spend our money, we manage to be in a position to provide most of our normal basic services, but we will keep on interacting with your national colleagues, we are working closely with them, because certainly everybody is under pressure, and I think the Covid, it is not going to be a steep peak, it is going to be a lengthy curve, and that is going to put a lot of pressure on our municipalities, on all of us, and definitely we will see that more and more people will lose their jobs and be hungry and at the end of the day we will need to have a system to support them.

We are also busy now with our municipalities to write a guideline on homeless people and how we can address the homeless issue within our municipalities.

Land under the National Department of Public Works

## 5. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

What are (a) the details of the land in the Western Cape under the management of the national Department of Public Works and (b) the actions being taken by his Department to develop this land for public housing?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, and thank you to hon member Maseko for the question. I will answer the (a) and the (b) part. The reply is as follows:

5. The (a) part, hon member Maseko, is that my Department identified 33 parcels of land and requested the National Department of Public Works to release the properties for human settlement development purposes.

To date only two of the 33 properties were released to us. Both are in the Theewaterskloof municipal area, and it is thus intended for human settlement projects.

Subsequent to our request, the National Department of Public Works identified a further 167 properties, to which HDA needs to conduct feasibility studies prior to a decision from the National Department of Public Works.

The (b) part of your question, hon member Maseko, is that we can only take actions to develop the properties once it has been released, either to the Department via the HDA, hon member Maseko. Thank you.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Minister Simmers, if I can ask, Minister De Lille, after occupying the office, she indicated that, or made an announcement that she is going to release some land parcels to the Department in the Western Cape.

Did that happen, and if not, did the Minister maybe contact Minister De Lille to enquire about those land parcels? Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon member Maseko, firstly yes, we all applauded the announcement by the National Minister of Public Works, but I think it ended at applause. There was no real tangible action afterwards, because I will use as an example the iThemba site, which is earmarked as part of our dedensification programme for COVID-19, a portion of which belonged to the South African Police Services, who already gave permission for us to utilise that portion of land, but obviously the custodian of national owned land is the Department of Public Works, and the Minister is yet to give power of attorney to HDA so that we can commence with our objectives for the parcel of land.

So no, as much as there was a big announcement, there is an Afrikaans saying that says we have not tasted the pudding yet, we have only seen the pudding, or heard of the pudding, but we have not seen it yet, in writing. Thank you.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I mean besides the public land held by National Government, the Provincial Government also holds significant land holdings on behalf of the public, and so do the municipalities in and around the province, and at the commencement of this term of office, the Provincial Government made a commitment, a rather immature commitment I thought, that they would match land released ... [Interjection.] by National Government.

So I mean either this Government is committed to addressing homeless communities and land restitution and land distribution on its own, or its not, but to create a situation where it is only prepared to release land if the National Minister releases land, is an absurd proposition, but nevertheless, in the last month the National Minister of Public Works has released land; 18 hectares of land in Stellenbosch for human settlements, and 1,200 hectares of land to the City of Cape Town for human settlement purposes.

So where is the Province's matching of this? The 18 hectares and the 1,234 hectares of land? It is a really immature proposition, but it is a proposition that came from this Government, and the Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure has also made six properties available for social development purposes. So where is the Provincial Government's response in releasing its land holdings?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Thank you, hon member Herron. Hon Deputy Speaker, I just need your guidance on this, because I just need to reflect on the question which was asked by hon member Maseko, and if my memory serves me correct, I believe hon member Herron is actually asking a new question? Thank you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay, that is your choice. If you choose not to answer a new question, that is fine.

Mr B N HERRON: Hon Deputy Speaker ...

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Sorry, hon member Herron, I cannot determine – what is your point of order?

Mr B N HERRON: I do not see that it is a new question. How is it a new question? The question was what land has been released, and how it is being developed. The Minister has ignored two pieces of land that the Public Works Department released for human settlement purposes; one in Cape Town and one in Stellenbosch in the last month.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Hon Deputy Speaker, as indicated I take note of what hon member Herron is asking me. I see it as a new question, which I will really answer if it can be forwarded through to me, because I will give him a much detailed and thorough answer to that as well.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Okay. That is fine. That is your choice. I see hon member Maseko, that is the last bite of the question, your hand is up.

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker ... [Interjection.]

Mr M KAMA: On a point of order, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: One minute, one minute, hon member Maseko. Who is on a point of order? Hon member Kama?

Mr M KAMA: On a point of order, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Yes.

Mr M KAMA: I just want to say that when hon members ask questions in Provincial Parliament they want to hold the Executive to account. It is either the Executive can agree to account or refuse to account, but I want to ask from you, whose discretion is it to decide whether a member of the Executive can answer a question or not? Whose discretion is that?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Kama, I am here to preside not to actually go into the details and merit of the answer. The Minister from what I understood, did not refuse to answer it, but rather said if he could have it in writing he would answer more extensively.

So I have to respect that. It is not for me to be the judge on what he answers, or how he answers. He has quite clearly said he is willing to answer in writing.

I am moving over to hon member Maseko. That is the last chance.

Ms N D NKONDLO: A point of order, a point of order, hon Deputy Speaker.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Who am I speaking to?

Ms N D NKONDLO: Hon member Nkondlo.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Nkondlo, yes, what is your point of order?

Ms N D NKONDLO: My point of order is on the same matter, hon Deputy Speaker, because I recall, and you were in the seat on the day when I raised exactly the same matter, because I wanted to debate the merit of the matter as raised by hon member Mvimbi; when I rose at the time on an hon member of the DA who was asking a different question, I think, you overruled me and said any hon member is allowed to ask a question and the Executive can answer.

So I am just pleading for consistency so that at least the Rules are applied across the board in terms of how the debates are run. I do not have an issue with how the hon member of the Executive has responded, but I am just moving on the point of consistency, because you ruled on the day that any other question can be a follow-up, even if it is not within the original question that was raised.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Nkondlo, it is the Minister's choice to choose to answer a new question, should they want to do it, and they have often said, "This is a new question, but ...". I cannot actually judge them on that. If the Minister chooses not to answer what he considers a new question, I have to accept that, but as I have said, he has quite clearly stated that he will answer the question in writing.

I hope that is in order. Hon member Maseko, can we finish off this question?

Ms L M MASEKO: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Minister Simmers, I just want to find out to what extent does this stance of not receiving the land parcel that Minister De Lille announced so nicely, that she wanted to correct the past, the apartheid system that kept people away from the city: is that adding pressure on the projects that maybe you needed to implement, or did it not affect what you planned to implement from the Department's side?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you, hon member Maseko, and obviously, and I will use as an example again the iThemba land parcel, because it relates to nationally owned land, which is the essence of your original question, which is why I am responding to it as well.

Remember that the portion of land at iThemba, as I indicated, belonged to SAPS.

They gave permission, but obviously the National Department of Public Works is the custodian, and they need to give power of attorney to HDA, and then we can commence all our projects.

Now if you compare that to the Kosovo and the Dunoon site where we are at the fairly advanced stages of planning and nearing implementation once all the necessary Local Government processes are finalised, iThemba will now unfortunately happen later. Certain risks are tied to that, obviously because my National Minister, Minister Sisulu, announced specific areas. The risk of land invasions is becoming a bigger threat in the Western Cape. It has increased that risk to such an extent that I have written more than three times to my National Minister, but as well to Minister De Lille, imploring her to give the power of attorney to HDA, because then we can commence with the iThemba site as well.

So that is placing massive risks in our project feasibility moving forward with the risk of land invasions, and if you have tracked the current issues in the City of Cape Town, land invasions are occurring more regularly now on specific parcels of land earmarked for human settlements development, and we all know the financial costs and the prolonged costs related to that, once that land unfortunately has been invaded.

[Question 6 withdrawn.]

### Learners: sexual assault on fellow learners

## 7. Mr M Kama asked the Minister of Education:

- (1) What process is being followed by her Department when allegations of sexual assault levelled against fellow learners are being investigated, including those allegations that surface on social media;
- (2) whether she will investigate the serious allegations made against the son of a prominent politician that have surfaced on social media, including those of sexual assault at school; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, and to hon member Kama for the question.

The WCED and our schools implemented the provincial protocol document dealing with child abuse, deliberate neglect, and sexual offences against children, called "Abuse No More".

This document is guided by national legislation such as the Criminal Law, Sexual Offences and Related Matters Amendment Act of 2007, and the Children's Act of 2005. The guidelines provide advice on reporting incidences of abuse, how to support victims, and how to deal with perpetrators.

The Department employs social workers in every circuit to work with schools and colleagues in social services, and other agencies on cases that need special intervention. Both Education and Social Development work with NGOs who provide support of various kinds, including counselling. The legislation divides offences into minor and serious misconduct. Serious misconduct can warrant expulsion. Examples of serious misconduct include:

- Serious absenteeism or truancy,
- Alcohol-related offences,
- Bomb threats and vandalism,
- Assault and violence,
- Drug-related offences,
- Immoral and improper conduct, and
- Theft and fraud.

When a learner misbehaves in such a way that the infraction constitutes what the relevant law refers to as serious misconduct, the principal has the option of referring the matter to the SGB for further handling.

If it is believed that the learner may be guilty of serious misconduct as determined by the code of conduct, then a formal disciplinary hearing must take place. The conduct of such a hearing is carefully prescribed by regulations. If, after this process is completed, it is believed that the actions of the learner warrant expulsion, then a formal recommendation is made by the SGB to the head of Education for the learner's expulsion.

It must be noted that it is only the head of a Provincial Education Department who is afforded the power in law to expel a learner.

Once received, the recommendation of expulsion is carefully considered by the HOD. After careful deliberation by the HOD, a decision will then be reached on whether to uphold or dismiss the expulsion recommendation.

Then we also have social media issues. Allegations of sexual assaults that surface on social media are particularly difficult to investigate if they are anonymous. If they are brought to our attention, we can follow-up and will do, but we urge any learner to report any incidents of abuse to their school or the Department.

Learners can also phone our toll-free Safe Schools Hotline, 0800 45 46 47, to report abuse or to receive advice on issues relating to a sexual nature.

Part 2 of the question is the WCED is currently investigating the allegations, and the learner involved is also the subject of an investigation by SAPS. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. I just want to check with the Minister, the fact that the allegation is against the son of a prominent politician, does it make any difference as to how the Department investigates that allegation?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon member Botha. No, certainly not. Every allegation is investigated thoroughly, no matter who has been accused. We have to follow due process no matter what, and no, it certainly does not make any difference. Thank you.

[Question 8 withdrawn.]

COVID-19 cases related to broken fences at schools

#### 9. Mr M K Sayed asked the Minister of Education:

Whether broken fences at schools in the province have any impact on the total number of COVID-19 cases; if not, why not; if so, what measures have been put in place to address this challenge?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, and hon member Sayed. The reply is as follows:

9. No, it is not possible to evaluate whether fencing has had an impact on the number of Covid cases reported by school, as it is obviously impossible to pinpoint the exact place where each individual who tests positive, came into contact with the virus.

The Department has put detailed safety protocols in place to stop the spread of COVID-19 at all schools, including ones for the management of confirmed and suspected cases at schools. These are all available on the "Back to School" page of the WCED website.

In addition, the Department has spent millions of Rands on cleaning and sanitising materials, masks, and digital thermometers for the daily screening process.

It is important to remember that just because a positive case of COVID-19 is reported by a school, it does not necessarily mean that they were infected at the school.

At present we do not have any evidence that individuals are at greater risk of infection at school than anywhere else, and we are also not seeing evidence of mass spreading at schools. Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Hon Deputy Speaker, just a quick follow-up. Thank you for the response. I just wanted to get a sense, what is the Minister's view on the remarks made then by the World Health Organisation about the risks of returning to school during this particular time? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you. I am not sure how that relates to fences, but I will respond.

I have seen the World Health Organisation responses. What they said was that all factors must be taken into account when you are making a decision of going back to school.

We must also remember that the World Health Organisation is dealing with wealthy countries generally. They have money that is available to have a good internet connection for their learners, to have people receiving their salaries, and so on, but it certainly was not as clear-cut as some people seem to be making out. They said that it has got to be a decision that takes all factors into account, and I agree with that.

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you very much, hon Deputy Speaker. Hon Minister, in keeping up with the broken fences. What impact will the cuts to the Education Infrastructure Grant have on the delivery of further fences, and other school infrastructure? If you can speak to that, please.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Yes, thank you for that question. It is going to have an absolutely devastating impact.

Every single year, as we know, more learners arrive in the Western Cape and the demand for infrastructure spending increases, but our budget is being continuously cut. We simply have not got enough money to build new schools, install new fences, expand existing schools, and the like, if the money to do so is taken away.

Added to these cuts is the additional cost of course of supporting our schools during COVID-19, which is running into hundreds of millions of Rands with [Inaudible – audio lost] Government. In fact they are taking away R159 million from the Education Infrastructure Grant.

So the simple fact is that we need money to pay for fencing and all other infrastructure, and it is becoming incredibly difficult, especially when people also vandalise fences.

So yes, it is going to really impact very severely on us, and I am extremely concerned about it. Thank you.

Arcadia Place evictees: alternative accommodation

## 10. Ms N Makamba-Botya asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

What has his Department done to find alternative accommodation for the residents who were evicted by the City of Cape Town last year in Arcadia Place in Observatory and are now residing in self-made plastic shelters outside the accommodation from which they had been evicted?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker, and thank you to hon member Makamba-Botya for the question. The reply is as follows:

10. Firstly, this is a private matter and my Department is not involved, but just to clarify why I am saying that, hon Deputy Speaker, is because the Arcadia Place building is owned by the Cape Peninsula Organisation for the Aged, or CPOA.

The building was left vacant for renovations when a group of about 200 township residents illegally took occupation of the property during September 2019. CPOA successfully applied to the High Court for an eviction order. A lawyer, mandated by the occupiers, responded with an urgent application for an interdict to suspend the eviction, which was granted.

A second urgent application was then filed with the court. The eviction process eventually went ahead. Neither the City or the Province were cited as respondents and were therefore not required to provide alternative accommodation to the evictees. Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Thank you to the Minister with regards to his response. However, even if it is a private matter, these are the residents of Western Cape Province.

So I just want to find out from the Minister, in cases of this nature, does your Department normally work closely with the City of Cape Town in trying to find solutions for people in this state? If so, what has your Department done so far with regards to assisting these specific residents, and if not, why is this Department not doing anything about the matter? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. As stated this is a private matter, and like in all other private matters, my Department is not involved, nor is the City of Cape Town, unless we are cited as respondents, then we become involved in certain matters.

Once the due processes of the court have taken place and the evictees then approach the City of Cape Town for assistance, then obviously, together between ourselves and the City of Cape Town, we then seek to find possible solutions on how we can assist the evictees. Ultimately we, as Provincial Government, do respect the rule of law, and we only come and assist at such time as we are requested to do so, or where we can ultimately assist, but in this instance it is a private matter, hon Deputy Speaker. We respect the process and the rule of law.

We were not cited, nor was the City of Cape Town, and as such we will then just observe the matter, until such time as the City of Cape Town is approached by these evictees. Remember the Local Government sphere also has their responsibility. Even when people approach my Department, I will approach the City of Cape Town, because once again, it is within their boundaries as a municipality. Thank you.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I understand what the Minister is saying. What I want to understand is, has your Department done anything to rescue these people? Is there any assistance that you have provided to these people as the Government of the Western Cape? Regardless of whether the matter is a private matter, what have you done from your office in terms of assisting these people?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Hon Deputy Speaker, I can confirm that to date, because of the nature of the matter that I am being questioned about, we as the Provincial Department have not done anything, because like I said we were not cited as respondents in this matter. Thank you.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. I think the follow-up I have is partly covered in the response, but I wanted to understand, because the question at the end says these people are now currently staying in tents, in self-made tents outside.

I wanted to check if the Department can commit to finding solutions as these are residents of the Western Cape, who have a right to access adequate housing as enshrined in Section 26 of the Constitution?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS: Thank you, hon Deputy Speaker. Thank you, hon member Kama. What I will do is, because it is within the jurisdiction of the City of Cape Town's municipal boundaries, I will immediately write to them today on this matter, to alert them to these facts, and also ask them how we can possibly work together to address this matter because they are residents within the greater province of the Western Cape.

Once all due processes have done their course, obviously my first port of call will be the City of Cape Town, because it is their residents, but where I can, I will assist as far as humanly and financially possible. Thank you.

[Question 11 withdrawn.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Minister. That concludes the end of Questions for Oral Reply.

## FRIDAY, 17 JULY 2020

Questions and replies as received from departments

## QUESTIONS

For written reply

COVID-19: schools in the Drakenstein area

## 1. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Education:

- (1) How many (a) teachers and (b) learners in the Drakenstein area have reported co-morbidities;
- (2) whether their applications for leave or absence have been processed successfully; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether any applications have been denied; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION:

- 1. (1) (a) 8 teachers applied for special arrangements due to comorbidities.
  - (b) 26 learner applications to learn at home due to comorbidities were received.
  - (2) All teacher applications have been processed and approved.
    - Alfons Primary School 2 x Post level 1 teachers
    - Amstelhof Secondary School 1 x Departmental Head and 3 x Post level 1 teachers
    - Bergrivier Secondary School 1 x Deputy Principal and 1 x Post level 1 teacher

Of the 26 applications for learners, 25 have been processed and approved, and the remaining application has a medical certificate outstanding.

(3) No applications have been declined.

COVID-19: Housing Consumer Education Programme

## 2. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

(a) What measures are in place to adapt the Housing Consumer Education (HCE) Programme during the COVID-19 pandemic, (b) what resources are available to new homeowners in this regard, (c) what is the total number of HCE sessions that have been held during the lockdown period to date and (d) what has been the impact of these sessions on property owners?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

- 2. (a) During April 2020, my department envisaged the implications that the Covid-19 lockdown will have on the facilitation of Housing Consumer Education(HCE)group sessions. During the level 4 and 5 lockdown periods, my department proactively developed information and literature packs. The literature pack includes the drafting of a Will, house insurance, general maintenance as well as brochures with regards to Municipal services.
  - (b) Maintaining the social distancing, beneficiaries are handed the literature packs on the day of occupation and my departments' HCE trainers will visit them in their homes to facilitate the training with their families. My department recruited four trainers at Head Office level and who will be facilitating training within the metro in the homes of beneficiaries whose families recently occupied their homes during the lockdown period.

A further thirteen trainers who are young academic graduates who possess training knowledge and experience in the Human Settlements and Local Government environment, have been appointed from key Municipalities in the Province.

- (c) A total of 34 beneficiaries were trained and a further 360 beneficiaries will be trained individually as from1 August 2020.
- (d) My department has a Housing Consumer Education (HCE) programme that focuses on empowering communities of their Rights, Roles and Responsibilities as new property owners.

The new homeowners are given a snag list and are informed about the responsibility of walking through their homes to check for any faults (toilet pot leaks, broken windows, can doors close properly, etc.).

This programme is a training instrument that was developed to inform and ensure that the beneficiary is empowered in line with the regulatory framework of the Consumer Protection Measures Act. It also grants the beneficiary an opportunity to voice his/ her concerns directly to the department.

My department stipulates HCE as a basic requirement in all Housing Project approvals. Beneficiaries' are required to attend a HCE training session before occupation. The programme is rolled out in all Human Settlements projects/ programmes in the different Municipal areas of the Western Cape Province.

#### Knysna Municipality: Municipal Manager

#### 3. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the appointment of a certain person, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, as Municipal Manager of the Knysna Municipality:

- (1) When was this person appointed as Municipal Manager by the municipal council;
- (2) whether the municipal council informed him of the appointment as required in terms of section 54A(7)(a) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000); if so , when was he informed;
- (3) what was this person date of commencement of employment;
- (4) with reference to a report by attorneys De Swardt Vogel Myambo that found that the Municipal Manager's contract of employment was intentionally and fraudulently backdated, (a) when did he first become aware of the allegation of a fraudulent employment contract and (b) when did he become aware of the report prepared by the attorneys;
- (5) whether he or the Municipality submitted a criminal complaint against the Municipal Manager for the fraud perpetrated in relation to the employment contract, as recommended by the attorneys; if not, why not; if so, (a) when was this done and (b) what is the case number;
- (6) whether he or the Municipality submitted a criminal complaint against the former Executive Mayor, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, for the fraud perpetrated in relation to the employment contract, as recommended by the attorneys; if not, why not; if so, (a) when was this done and (b) what is the case number;
- (7) according to the attorneys' report, the Knysna Municipality paid R85 595,25 from municipal funds for legal services to the former Executive Mayor, which were of a personal nature, and that such expenditure was irregular and/or unauthorised; whether this irregular and/or unauthorised expenditure has been recovered from the former Executive Mayor, the Municipal Manager and/or the Manager: Legal Services, as recommended; if not, (a) why not and (b) what steps have been taken to recover these costs; if so, (a) what amount has been recovered and (b) when?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

- 3. (1) The Knysna Municipal Council on 20 June 2017 resolved to appoint the former Municipal Manager.
  - (2) As was required by the Municipal Systems Act, 32 of 2000 and the Regulations on the Appointment and Conditions of Employment [GNR. 21 published under GG.37245, dated 17 January 2014] the Municipality on 21 June 2017 submitted a report on the appointment of the former Municipal Manager to my Office. The Appointment Regulations require of my Office to assess the recruitment, selection and appointment of a successful candidate in a Senior Manager position at a Municipality in the Western Cape.
  - (3) The employment contract of the former Municipal Manager reflects 1 July 2017, as the employment commencement date.
  - (4) (a) I first became aware of the allegations in September 2018.
    - (b) I first became aware of the report prepared by De Swardt Vogel Myambo Attorneys in September 2018.
  - (5) The Municipality reported to my Department that: -
    - (a) The criminal complaint was laid against the former Municipal Manager by the then Executive Mayor Mr Mark Willemse, during the latter half of 2017; and
    - (b) it would have to be make enquiries with the South African Police Service (SAPS) in Knysna to obtain the case number.
  - (6) The Municipality reported to my Department that: -
    - (a) The criminal complaint was laid against the former Executive Mayor by the then Executive Mayor Mr Mark Willemse, during the latter half of 2017; and
    - (b) it would have to be make enquiries with the South African Police Service (SAPS) in Knysna to obtain the case number.
  - (7) The Municipality reported that no expenditure has been recovered as: -
    - (a) The matter has been tabled before the Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC); and
    - (b) an agenda item and MPAC recommendations thereon have been prepared for consideration by Council, where after the outcome will be known.

## COVID-19: schools in the Drakenstein area

### 4. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the investigations into the funding of Knysna Tourism, or Knysna & Partners, by attorneys Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr and De Swardt Vogel Myambo:

- (1) (a) What is or was the contact period of the Knysna & Partners contract signed on 11 July 2017, which was the subject of the De Swardt Vogel Myambo report, (b) what payments (dates and amounts) were made to Knysna Tourism and/or Knysna & Partners by the Knysna Municipality in terms of the contract signed on 11 July 2017, (c) why was the contract concluded despite the legal advice of Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr, which was dated 23 May 2017, that the contract was illegal and (d) why was a payment made to Knysna & Partners, which requested on 1 July 2017, in the amount R1 million, when the contract was only signed on 11 July 2017;
- (2) whether De Swardt Vogel Myambo was given an additional 30 days, as requested in their report, to complete the investigation into the payments to Knysna & Partners; if not, why not; if so;
- (3) whether the investigation has been concluded; if so, (a) what were the findings and (b) recommendations;
- (4) whether any steps have been taken by the Knysna Municipality to recover any irregular, unauthorised and/or fruitless and wasteful expenditure from Knysna & Partners; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) (a) when did he first become aware of the legal opinions on the funding of Knysna & Partners and/or Knysna Tourism and (b) what steps or actions did he or his Department take?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

- 4. (1) The Municipality reported that: -
  - (a) The contract period was for 12 months, from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018; and
  - (b) The total value of the contract was R4 Million, which was paid quarterly.
  - (c) The Municipality reported that the legal opinion from Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr dealt with utilising Section 67 of the Municipal Finance Management, 56 of 2003, as a funding model to fund tourism and marketing related services. However, the agreement concluded between the Municipality and Knysna & Partners on 11 July 2017 was not entered into in terms of the provisions of Section 67 of the MFMA but was a deviation as provided for in Regulation 36 of the National Treasury Supply Chain Management Regulations.

Regulation 36 authorises a Municipal Manager to deviate from a Supply Chain Management Process if the criteria set out in Regulation 36(1)(a) is met.

- (d) The Municipality reported that the payment was only made to Knysna & Partners in August 2017.
- (2) The Municipality reported that Council resolved that no further investigation was necessary as Council has all records of payments to Knysna & Partners and that the CDH opinion already regarded payments made in terms of the provisions of Section 67 of the MFMA to be irregular.
- (3) The Municipality reported to my Department that no further investigation took place.
- (4) The Municipality reported that Knysna & Partners delivered tourism related services on behalf of Knysna Municipality. In order to deliver those services, funds were transferred to Knysna & Partners as a Grant-In-Aid. The Municipality holds the view that it is an accepted practice currently implemented by most, if not all municipalities within the Republic of South Africa, to utilise the services of tourism organisations, to perform tourism and destination marketing services. For this reason, the Municipality is of the view that it cannot concede that such funding amounts to irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure. In their view value for money was received.
- (5) (a) I became aware of the Legal Opinion by Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr by way of the findings of the report compiled De Swardt Vogel Myambo Attorneys, in September 2018.
  - (b) As the Municipality has already taken remedial steps it was not deemed necessary for my Office to, at that stage, take any further steps or actions. However, I was part of discussions with the Municipality led by the Minister of Finance at the time dispensing Supply Chain Management advice on proceeding with the matter.

Knysna Municipality: investigation into allegations of corruption

## 5. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Community Safety:

On 30 October 2018 the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation ("the Hawks") recommended in a report that a number of allegations of corruption relating to the Knysna Municipality be investigated by the Anti-Corruption Task Team under enquiry reference number 19/07/2018:

(1) Whether the recommendations of this report were implemented; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

- (2) whether the allegations of corruption identified for investigation have been investigated; if not, why not; if so, (a) what is the progress and (b) when will the investigation be concluded;
- (3) (a) how did the Anti-Corruption Task Team resolve the error in their report where they conflated the allegations of corruption in the Integrated Strategic Development Framework (ISDF) tender with the Knysna Tourism contract and (b) in this regard, have they investigated (i) the backdating of the appointment of the Municipal Manager to the day before the signing of the Knysna Tourism funding contract and (ii) the awarding of the ISDF tender;
- (4) the report also recommended that allegations by the complainant of intimidation by the Knysna Fire Chief and allegations of fraudulent qualifications be investigated by the Knysna SAPS and be referred to the Provincial Commissioner, what progress has been made with these investigations?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

The Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation/ HAWKS informed me as follows:

- 5. (1) The recommendations of the report referred to in par 5 above, have been presented to the Anti-Corruption Task Team [ACTT] for the necessary investigation.
  - (2) (a) Allegations were investigated by Lieutenant Colonel Viljoen of the ACTT and according to the investigator to be unfounded and the enquiry closed and filed.
    - (b) Enquiry Cape Town 19/07/2018 was filed as per Paragraph 5 (2)(a) above.
  - 3) (a) In relation to the error identified by the honourable member, the presented complete documentation from De Swardt, Vogel, Myambo Attorneys, that was mailed to the Provincial Head: Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation on 13 July 2020, will be evaluated and the outcome will be presented to Mr Herron as soon as possible thereafter.
    - (b) (i) & (b)(ii) Both the questions relating to (3)(b)(i) and (ii) will be addressed in the evaluation report as indicated in the response presented in paragraph 3(a)
  - (4) Within the report dated 30 October 2018, the complainant was requested as per par 5.2 of the said report, to approach the Cluster Commander, Major General Reddy, as well as the Provincial Commander, then Lieutenant General Jula, for the necessary assistance and support as it falls outside of the mandate of the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation.

## Mitchells Plain: social workers

## 6. Mr R D Mackenzie asked the Minister of Social Development:

(a) How many social workers are currently employed in Mitchells Plain and (b) what services do they provide?

## The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

- 6. (a) 29 social workers from DSD. One of our funded partners, namely, the ACVV provide an additional 5 Social Workers and 5 Social Workers who work in the Mitchell's Plain in the area.
  - (b) Being a social worker is often a challenging, yet rewarding career. Social workers are responsible for helping individuals, families, and groups of people to cope with problems they're facing to improve their patients' lives. One aspect of this is teaching skills and developing mechanisms for patients to rely on to better their lives and experiences. Social workers will often serve as liaisons between different institutions to assist patients and collaborate with other health professionals to ensure patient wellness. They will become familiar with, and refer clients to, community resources. Social workers address legal issues, such as assisting with hearings and providing testimony relating to their patients.

They also engage in research, policy development and advocacy for services. And of course, social workers must maintain case history records and prepare reports. Social work can be the kind of job that requires a great deal of overtime, and separating the emotional aspects of the job from the duties required can be a difficult undertaking. But there are plenty of resources, including websites, books and social media users, that can offer great advice.

#### **Specializations**

Within the field of social work, there are many different specializations and industries that professionals can pursue and focus on. While these different fields all require practitioners to show the cornerstones of social work: empathy, flexibility, and persistence, and respect for different circumstances; there are some skill sets and knowledge that social workers will need to utilize in order to become the as effective at their jobs as possible. Social workers can be required to aid with issues directly caused by trauma, disability, poor family circumstances, abuse, mental and emotional problems, addiction, and acute, chronic, or terminal illnesses. Some social workers prefer to focus their skills on one area of expertise by going into specific fields.

• Family, child or school social work involves providing assistance and advocacy to improve social and psychological functioning of children and their families. These social workers attempt to maximize academic functioning of children as well as improving the family's overall well-being. These professionals may assist parents, locate foster homes, help to arrange adoptions, and address abuse. In schools they address problems such as truancy, bad behavior, teenage pregnancy, drug use, and poor grades. They also advice teachers and act as liaisons between students, homes, schools, courts, protective services, and other institutions.

- Public health social workers are often responsible for helping people who have been diagnosed with chronic, life threatening or altering diseases and disorders, helping connect patients with plans and resources in order to help them cope. One of the most difficult things a person can go through is dealing with acute, chronic, and terminal illnesses and these social workers provide services to ease these patients' process. These services include advising family care givers, providing patient education and counseling, making referrals to other services, case management interventions, planning hospital discharge, and organizing support groups. These social workers are often employed at health care centers, assisted living homes or in hospitals.
- Addictions and mental health social workers offer support and services to those struggling with unhealthy grounding techniques, connecting them with facilities that serve to teach healthier behaviors and get patients back on track. These patients often struggle with mental and emotional problems as well as addictions and substance abuse problems. Services that mental health and substance abuse social workers provide include individual and group counseling, intervening during crises, case management, client advocacy, prevention, and education. They also focus on counselling families to assist in understanding and dealing with the patient's problems.

COVID-19 health workers: impact on

## 7. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Health:

With all eight districts in the province showing an increase in the number of COVID-19 cases, what measures have she and her Department taken to ensure that (a) all medical staff members are being taken care of emotionally and physically and (b) the current circumstances do not have a negative impact on their families at home?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

7. As a Department, we take pride in our very deliberate journey over the past 5 to 10 years to create an endearing organisational culture, where we listen to, respect and value all our staff members and their individual contributions.

As a management team, we are completely committed to serving our frontline staff members to the best of our abilities. (a) and (b) In supporting our staff and their families, the Department has:

- Implemented an occupational health policy for our health care workers including implementing an occupational risk assessment for individual workers as well as area risk assessments to determine the risks per area where staff work.
- Implemented a policy for providing appropriate PPE to all our frontline staff.
- As a result of that endearing organisational culture, we have over 2000 volunteers (all different categories) who have volunteered to work for the DOH during this period. This obviously builds upon that legacy of listening to our staff and providing a culture of listening to our frontline staff.
- We are also able for example to offer accommodation close to hospitals where our frontline staff work. This is to avoid staff having to go home and place their families at risk.
- We have also prioritised testing for all our health care workers should they require testing.
- The department has an established Employee Health and Wellness Programme (EHWP) which is supported by the service provider Metropolitan.
- The EHWP support toll free line is 0800 611 093 is available to all employees and their household members at no cost to the employee.
- This service is there to assist the employee and their house-hold members in dealing with this crisis for free.
- The EHWP is there for leaders to chat about their concerns they may have. Leaders can refer employees that they are concerned about.
- Individual Counselling Sessions can take place via Micro-Soft Teams, Zoom, Skype and WhatsApp and now with regulations lifted these can be offered face to face.
- Onsite Counselling sessions is provided to the staff at various sites within the rural and metro areas.

The Aim for the Group sessions

- Provide validation to the staff as front-line workers.
- Address any feelings that may come up during the debriefing sessions.
- To provide psycho-social support as needed.
- Reduction in the stress levels of the staff by educating them about positive coping skills.

The above-mentioned group sessions provide employees with a safe space to share their feelings and thoughts, group members are given the opportunity to share how Covid-19 currently, impacts them psychologically, their family life, and their work environment.

The EHWP also provides practical advice on financial and basic legal issues that the employees might be grappling with during this COVID-19 period.

There is also support in the form of an APP called Hello Doctor which allows employees to access doctors anytime (24/7), on any phone and in all official languages. Any employee can access the service by simply dialling an USSD on their mobile phone and follow the menus. The doctor will call back and provide the right advice required based on the given symptoms and conditions at no cost to the employee.

Quarantine and isolation facilities: bed occupancy rate

## 8. Ms R Windvogel asked the Minister of Health:

(a) What is the current bed occupancy rate at quarantine and isolation facilities in the province and (b) what are the reasons for this rate?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

- (a) As received from the Department of Transport and Public Works (who manages these facilities): as on 6 July 2020 there were 4 296 activated beds of which 986 were occupied (22,9%). This leaves 3310 beds available.
  - (b) The Department of Health makes extensive and exhaustive attempts to offer isolation and quarantine facilities to all patients who test positive for Covid-19, and all of their contacts. The recent court ruling now allows persons to quarantine or isolate at home if they so desire, but we continue to encourage people to take up accommodation at one of our dedicated sites. The obstacles have been a range reasons given (patients being concerned about personal belongings, family support and personal comforts). The Department has allocated resources to guide people to make use of these facilities.

## COVID-19: health facilities

## 9. Mr M Xego asked the Minister of Health:

- What is the state of the Western Cape health facilities at the moment as far as coping with COVID-19 cases and other health-related issues;
- (2) whether her Department has plans to expand these facilities or are they deemed to be adequate; if so, what are the relevant details?

## The MINISTER OF HEALTH:

9. (1) The service platform is still maximally geared to deal with Covid-19 for to successfully navigate the peak service demand.

Specific detailed plans will be developed during the month of July 2020, on how to scale up non-COVID services, as from August 2020.

Chronic disease management (Diabetes, Hypertension, etc.), HIV and TB management, Child and Women's health to be scaled up systematically via Community Health Workers and primary care services, as part of community oriented primary care (COPC), focused on citizen-centred service delivery, along the life-course (as part of VIP 3 – Empowering People).

The systematic re-introduction and scaling up of elective surgery, over the next 8 months, considering the COVID reality for the next 12-18 months.

The recovery of the health care delivery system to reach pre-COVID levels of performance, may be a 3-5 year endeavour, which requires a Whole of Society (WoSA) commitment to Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

## Infrastructure delivered/in progress: Intermediate care facilities:

- CTICC = 862 beds (commissioned)
- Brakengate = 338 beds (to open 10th July)
- Thusong Centre, Khayelitsha = 60 beds (commissioned)
- Sonstraal Hospital = 150 beds (to open in phases: 63 beds in July)

**Testing and Triage Centres:** 19 Temporary Structures have been completed for Triage & Testing at prioritised health facilities with an addition 15 in construction and a further 4 in planning phase.

(2) Though the system remains under pressure our hospitals still have beds available and we are able to manage infections and admissions satisfactorily. The intermediate facilities are valuable in ensuring diminished pressure on our acute hospital beds and facilities. The CTICC facility has allowed the Department to decongest the acute hospital platform by admitting patients from acute hospitals across the Cape Metro. The Brackengate intermediate care facility will similarly allow us to decongest the health service platform.

The Department has also launched a patient-facing WhatsApp channel to assist and support patients with access to chronic medication delivery, existing appointments and confirming patient details. This is currently being used and continue to form part of the service delivery initiatives.

## INTERPELLATION

Irregular expenditure: Municipalities in the Western Cape

## 1. Mr M Xego asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the Auditor-General's Local Government General Report for 2018/19 that shows that municipalities in the Western Cape incurred irregular expenditure totalling R2,7 billion:

Whether he can explain how this happened under his and his Department's watch and guidance?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you, Mr Speaker, and thank you to hon member Xego for the interpellation.

Currently in the Western Cape Province there is a memorandum of understanding concluded between the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, and the Minister of Finance, including Provincial Treasury, in which the parties have agreed that the Minister of Finance will take responsibility for all municipal financial matters, whereas the Minister of Local Government will be responsible for, amongst others, all municipal governance and service delivery matters.

Premised on the said agreement, a joint working group has been established between the Provincial Treasury and the Department of Local Government to collaborate in support of local governance and sustainability.

The mandate of the Provincial Treasury can be highlighted as follows:

- Compliance with the MFMA by municipalities and municipal entities in the province.
- The preparation by municipalities in the province of their budget.
- The monthly outcome of those budgets.
- The submission of reports by municipalities in the province as required in terms of Section 5 of the Municipal Finance Management Act 2003.

On the other hand the role of the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, together with the Department of Local Government, in terms of the Constitution and Local Government Structures Act, is to support and strengthen the capacity of municipalities, while the Local Government Systems Act provides the framework for local public administration.

Notwithstanding the fact that questions of irregular expenditure in municipalities fall within the scope of municipal financial management matters, I will respond thereto with the appropriate input provided by the Minister of Finance.

According to the Auditor-General of South Africa, irregular expenditure is defined as:

"Expenditure that was not incurred in the manner prescribed by legislation."

In other words, somewhere in the process that led to the expenditure, the auditee did not comply with the applicable legislation. It implies that the auditee received value for money, but that in the procurement process, or the supply chain management process of goods and services, not all the legislative prescripts were complied with.

Put differently, irregular expenditure does not necessarily mean that money has been wasted, or that fraud or corruption has been committed, or put plainly, that money has been stolen. It is an indicator of non-compliance in the process that needs to be investigated by management to determine whether it was an unintended error that led to negligence or done with the intention to work against the required legislation.

In terms of the auditing standards, there is a great responsibility on the audits to do specific procedures on fraud and corruption. The fact that the Auditor-General of South Africa has not highlighted any fraud or corruption in their audit reports, nor linked it to irregular expenditure, is the highest level of assurance that financial statements are materially free from error.

Irregular expenditure refers to any use of municipal funds that is in contravention of the following legislation:

- Municipal Finance Management Act 2003 and its regulations;
- Municipal Systems Act 2000 and its regulations;
- Public Office Bearers Act and its regulations;
- the Municipal Supply Chain Management Policy, and any bylaws giving effect to that policy.

Examples of non-compliance could include the incorrect establishment of a Bid Adjudication Committee, or inadequate contract management leading ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, your time is up.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Okay. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Thank you for the Minister's response. If we take a closer look at the 2018/2019 Auditor-General's report on the performance of our municipalities, one can easily see the losses and declining of trends over that period of time.

For example, how does one explain that in the past three years, from 2016 up until to 2018, there are three municipalities: the City of Cape Town, George, and Oudsthoorn, who have consistently experienced increases over that time when it comes to issues of irregular expenditure?

So now what we want to understand is how is that being regarded as a normal circumstance? We understand that you might, Minister, hide behind the fact that there is no corruption attached to this, but there is a serious increase in irregular expenditure over a period of three years in this regard. Thank you very much, Mr Speaker.

Mr D AMERICA: Thank you, hon Speaker. The matter at hand is that irregular expenditure has occurred and not wasteful and fruitless expenditure, as being perpetrated amongst our municipalities.

The Minister, Mr Speaker, has distinguished the difference between irregular and wasteful and fruitless expenditure. I can categorically state, and it was supported by a presentation of Provincial Treasury, that no fraud and corruption were detected in those municipalities where irregular expenditure occurred.

Where it did happen, and it was detected in most of those instances, it can be attributed to the fact that in the process of procurement of goods and services, the relevant processes and legislative framework were not always strictly followed. Needless to say, in all of those instances value for money was obtained.

Mr Speaker, it should be noted that it is premature on the part of hon member Xego to judge any of the municipalities where such irregular expenditure occurred. The Standing Committee order requested information from the Auditor-General's office to provide greater clarity on the nature of irregular expenditure and where it occurred. Therefore, it should not stand on the rooftop and condemn [Inaudible.] municipalities prematurely. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Mr B N HERRON: Thank you, Mr Speaker. The Minister is reported to have said that unqualified audits show that taxpayers' money is going where it is meant to go, and not to lining the pockets of friends and families of politicians or corrupt officials, and audits can be valuable tools, but they certainly do not tell us everything.

Steinhoff and VBS have already shown us this in the private sector, and we see it in the public sector too. They do not tell us how the George Executive Councillor for Finance orchestrated the unlawful investment of R350 million of municipal funds so her son could get a massive commission. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

Mr B N HERRON: The audit outcome certainly does not show us a political party ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: [Inaudible.] was his friend.

Mr B N HERRON: Even harder to audit than these kinds of kickback payments are issues around land value. Land is the new currency of corruption. An unqualified audit would never tell us why a government discounts land it sells or overpays for land it buys.

Finding out who benefits from these discounts or inflated purchase prices is not easy. The unqualified audit does not show how the City of Cape Town paid a massive R140 million [Inaudible.] to a developer when it sold prime City centre land, known as Site B on the Foreshore, to Growthpoint. R140 million that has never been recovered.

An unqualified audit does not ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Favours for friends.

Mr B N HERRON: ... show millions of Rands of taxpayers' money in Oudtshoorn, money earned from rent and landing fees at the municipal airport, where, with the knowledge of the former Speaker and now incoming Mayor, being diverted to a private trust account instead of being paid to the Municipality. For at least seven years this money has been lost, sitting somewhere in someone's account.

I hope the Minister will tell us how much is in the Oudtshoorn Trust Fund, who has been in charge of the Trust Fund, and why, since 2013 ... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Ja.

Mr B N HERRON: ... it has never been paid to the Municipality. I hope the Minister will explain ... [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: He knows, he knows all [Inaudible.]

Mr B N HERRON: ... why the DA retains an Executive Councillor for Finance in George, when the evidence of financial misconduct is overwhelming.

Whilst we know audits do not show everything, what we can see from these examples is that if you know how to game the system, audits can be used to show nothing at all. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, thank you, hon member Herron. I saw that you were two seconds beyond time, so I allowed you to enjoy that two seconds.

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Mr Speaker ...

The SPEAKER: Now ... [Interjection.]

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Mr Speaker ...

The SPEAKER: Hon the Leader of the Opposition, is that a point of order?

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: Yes, on a point of order. Mr Speaker, is it parliamentary if one is particularly impressed by a speech that someone has made, like hon member Herron ... [Interjections.] Is one allowed to ... [Interjections.].

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Oh, come on! That is not a point of order.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon the Leader of the Opposition. Thank you, hon members. I am sure that that was just a political statement. May I please, at this stage, hon members, I saw there was a hand up, but hon member Xego, you still have an opportunity to speak. Did you want to raise a point of order?

Mr M XEGO: Yes, it was a point of order, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: I also have hon member Marais. I will recognise you, sir. Hon member Xego, what is your point of order?

Mr M XEGO: I have noted with dismay, Mr Speaker, the manner in which there are regular interruptions from the virtual lines, resulting in us failing dismally to hear. This happened when the Minister was speaking, and it also happened when the hon member America was speaking – we almost heard nothing. That is coming from the virtual platform, which in your opening you made quite clear that there should be no interruptions from our side.

So, there will not be justice in terms of us now responding to whatever has been said, but we cannot hear anything. There is a very bad echo that is coming through.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Xego. You are indeed assisting the Speaker. I will ask the hon members to observe the directives as we agreed upon, all of them, on 17 April. So I am going to raise it to the hon members whenever this occurs. Thank you for bringing it to my attention. I now recognise hon member Christians.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I think we all understand what is wasteful and fruitful expenditure, compared to irregular expenditure.

The question is that the A-G, Mr Kimi Makwetu, said that contracts without the correct due processes continue. So what we need to know from the Minister is who are the guilty parties? Who are the culprits continuing to award contracts without following due processes? We would like to know who the guilty parties are because that is one of the problems that the Auditor-General pointed out, but another point, another section that he has pointed out, he says it continues all the time, it continues.

We want to know from the Minister, and I know we talk about value for money and services are rendered, but if processes are not followed, and we know how that occurs; somebody maybe is not authorised to give you the contract and that person gives you the contract. So, in that there can still be contracts given to cronies because of not following the right processes.

So the Minister must tell us who are the municipalities, who are the culprits, who are the guilty ones that continue awarding contracts without following due processes, and we know that when we talk about irregular expenditure, we are talking about departures from the prescribed regulations.

Are there municipalities that persist – and I know the Minister said now that the Minister of Finance is looking at the financial aspect as well as Provincial Treasury, but we want those municipalities pointed out, and tell us if they continue with it, and bring that to the House, because there are municipalities in the Western Cape that do excellent work, but we will have to sort out these black sheep moving forward. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Mr M XEGO: Thank you, Mr Speaker. To the Minister, there is also no explanation as to where the audit report of Kannaland Municipality was at the time of the Auditor-General's report.

How does the Minister account for the fact that 100% of the municipalities in the province did not comply with supply chain legislation, resulting in the irregularities such as incompetent, even unfair, procurement processes in municipalities at 93%, and that R21 million was spent on prohibited awards to state officials?

These are some of the major questions that are raised by the Auditor-General's report on Western Cape municipalities. However, what is the Minister's response on the assertion that the Auditor-General has said the money wasted on irregular expenditure in the provincial municipalities would have been better utilised if it was spent on housing provision in order to abate the housing crisis that continues to engulf our province? Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Thank you to hon members for their participation in the interpellation.

Yes, hon member Herron, I have said that a clean audit is important, but it is only one of the mechanisms to measure. A clean audit definitely does not give you everything, but I wish that we will stop personalising these things because of course there is an investigation in George, there are three forensic investigations. The George contribution towards the R2.7 billion irregular expenditure is R621 million, and it is part of an investigation. The R350 million referred to, I personally handed it over to the Hawks. We handed it over to the Speaker to investigate, because remember our role in spheres of government; we have got oversight, we have got monitoring and support, and through that at the end of the day the Council needs to investigate. So the Council is busy with those investigations, it is an ongoing process.

Contributing also is:

- City of Cape Town with R950 million irregular expenditure.
- Oudtshoorn with R170 million.
- Bitou with R299 million.

So we have got those figures. In total the increase in irregular expenditure increased for the financial year 2017/18 to 2018/19, from R24,38 billion nationally, to R32,06 billion.

So it is a problem nationally for all of us, and we need to take it seriously, and between the Department, myself, and Provincial Treasury, we put measures in place to see how we can curb and how we can deal with this.

So both Provincial Treasury and the Department of Local Government work collaboratively to ensure that the requested support is provided and that municipalities are aided where the Province has identified a need for specific support in this regard. For example; the Back to Basics programme; the Municipal Governance Review Outlook (MGRO), that was initiated by Provincial Treasury, to drive a single-minded focus on clean governance; Cooperative Governance Review and Outlook Report, to address conformance and performance and; Medium-Term Expenditure Committees, to improve cost efficiency in, and the impact of expenditure, should be noted.

Now it is also important, Mr Speaker, where that money should go to. It is not for us to say, there are also services that we can spend it on, like water, like housing, electricity provision, etcetera. Both departments are thus constantly identifying initiatives to address challenges identified through constant monitoring to enhance municipal financial governance and sustainability of municipalities.

In conclusion, I have already requested that a detailed analysis of irregular expenditure be undertaken with the view of developing support initiatives, and interventions to sophisticate and refine municipal financial governance. I thank you.

[Debate concluded.]

## QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

Question standing over from Thursday, 11 June 2020, as agreed to by the House:

Water supply shortages: informal settlements

# 1. Mr M Xego asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

What have he and his Department done to address the issue of watersupply shortages in informal settlements and rural areas in the province?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Yes, thank you, Mr Speaker and thank you hon member Xego. The reply is as follows:

1. During the Covid pandemic my Department of Local Government gave special attention to ensuring that the most vulnerable communities in the province have access to water.

To this extent, my Department, in collaboration with the Provincial Department of Human Settlements, assisted the Department of Water and Sanitation with coordinating and managing the provision and installation of water tanks in informal settlements in order to increase access to water supply to households.

In order to improve and accelerate the installation of the water tanks and to respond to any challenges, my Department deployed experienced engineers to provide professional support and technical advice directly to municipalities.

As a result, 615 water tanks have been successfully installed in municipalities across the Western Cape. In addition, my Department has also supported drought-stricken municipalities within the province with the development and implementation of drought recovery action plans. In terms of these plans the Department has funded several drought-relief projects over the past three financial years to a total amount of R158 million. These actions or action plans form part of a bigger strategy to address water challenges and to ultimately achieve water resilience in our province.

I am proud of the successes achieved through this programme over the past years, where we ensured that no town in the Western Cape ran out of water.

Lastly, my team is responsible for supporting municipalities in the roll-out of the MIG programme. During recent years, and more specifically now during this pandemic, municipalities have been encouraged to support and prioritise water-related projects.

My Department and I remain committed and will continue with our support in ensuring water security and resilience within our province. I thank you.

Mr M XEGO: Yes, Mr Speaker. I am not sure if the Minister is aware that in the area of Matzikama in Ward 1, there is a squatter camp there, an informal settlement referred to as "JuJu Square", which does not have access to water. They are still at this juncture getting water from formal houses and they depend on handouts of water. That is happening in that particular municipality.

So I am not sure if you depend on reports that you receive from local municipalities, or if there is a physical understanding of the geographical location and what kind of circumstances our people are facing? Thank you very much.

Mr A P VAN DER WESTHUIZEN: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, through you. The Minister of Water and Sanitation, the National Minister, Lindiwe Sisulu, appointed Advocate Terry Motau some two months ago to investigate the numerous reports on findings of fraud in her Department, whilst stating that she has found that there is a culture of non-accountability in water and sanitation.

My question to the Minister is, whether Minister Bredell received any reports of fraud regarding the water augmentation schemes undertaken under his Department? If not, what would he believe to be the difference between the National Department of Water's efforts and that of the Province? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: Mr Speaker, I will try and deal with both questions. I know Matzikama and obviously we need to provide water within the legal framework, in the constitutional framework, and if hon member Xego has got any information that can help us to talk and to contact the Municipality; they should be hands-on, they should send through their needs, so that we can see where we can support and help them. I will be more than willing to help them.

I know the Department of Human Settlements has also done very well and put strong efforts into getting water tanks distributed throughout this province as far as possible, but at the end of the day you also need the Municipality to work with you.

So please, hon member Xego, if you can just provide us with more information, we will definitely support and help where we can.

Hon member Van der Westhuizen, I hope I understand your question correctly. It is well-known that there was under the ANC management of the National Department of Water and Sanitation, under Minister Mokonyane - and there are various ongoing investigations into it - massive fraud and corruption within. If they had done their work, then the Clanwilliam Dam would have been finished, and would have had [Inaudible. – connection lost] capacity in this good rainy season, that would have helped a lot, but more so it would have helped us to establish over 400,000 hectares for small farming.

So it could have done a lot in that area for poverty alleviation, etcetera, and we can pull out many such projects that failed under the National Department of Water Affairs.

Currently, the Province works throughout the municipalities. We have especially put in huge efforts in the Central Karoo area and work with those municipalities. We also had the National Department with us to look at various projects to see how we can work on long-term water sustainability within those areas.

So it is an ongoing process, it is an ongoing programme, and hopefully we will get better cooperation now that we have got a new Minister on a national level. The two of us had a meeting already on the water issues in the province, and hopefully we will now get projects like the Clanwilliam Dam off the ground. I thank you.

#### Healthcare workers: protests

## 2. Ms N Makamba-Botya asked the Minister of Health:

With regard to the protests that took place on 8 July 2020 involving community healthcare workers at a health centre in Site B, Khayelitsha, which resulted in her cancelling her scheduled visit to Khayelitsha:

(a) What were the demands put forward by the healthcare workers and (b) what steps did she take to address these demands?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you, hon Speaker and thank you hon member for the question. The reply is as follows:

- 2. In regard to the community health workers protest. It was about:
  - 1. The absorption of contract workers on DPSA salary level 5.
  - 2. R2,000 Covid danger allowance for all community health workers.
  - 3. Implementation of Resolution 1 of the 2018 Public Health and Social Development Sector Bargaining Council Resolution.
  - 4. Proper PPE for community health workers.

In regard to the salary level 5 DPSA, some members probably might be aware that this is still being debated at national level because Resolution 1 of 2018 was about salaries of community health workers being R3,500 at the time, and also the requirements then, even for the absorption for that salary, was based on the level of education, and also recognition of prior learning, for those who may qualify around that aspect. So there is still some discussion in regard to that, because it is not only a provincial matter, but it goes also to other provinces.

There is no danger allowance for any staff, from community health workers, to the nurses, to the doctors, in regard to Covid.

For the provision of the PPE, the Department developed various circulars. One particular circular, Circular 835/2020, was in regard to PPE. Community health workers are also accommodated in that aspect, and we are also providing free masks through the project.

We still have to wait for the process of the Bargaining Council to be concluded in order to consider any review of the current Western Cape provisions, taking note that community health workers are the backbone of primary healthcare, and yet we find that this category is the one that has always been left behind throughout.

At the time of primary healthcare in the early '60's you will find that primary healthcare was brought by faith-based organisations and other CBO's at the time. The time that HIV/AIDS epidemic started some of them were absorbed as HIV counsellors, and also during the TB epidemic they were absorbed as DOTS, the direct observation treatment for TB, going door to door. But you will find that at a national health level there has never been any recognition of these categories even for the funding.

Whilst for other health professionals or healthcare workers, you will find that there might be some grants, for example, medical interns, or even nursing, when it comes to these categories, you will find that the only money is that coming from the HIV/AIDS grants. There is nothing that talks about a grant in order to make [Inaudible.] the realisation of these health workers.

Even where they are absorbed in some provinces, you will find that it becomes an abnormal persal because within the Bargaining Council agreement the resolution is always, on a yearly basis, extended because it is difficult to implement. Thank you very much. Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, and thanks to the Minister with regards to her response.

She has made mention that there are processes that are actually in progress pertaining to the absorption of the contract workers, and she mentioned other matters pertaining to Covid and all that.

So what I want to know from the Minister is, is the Department in a position to hire some of these health workers on a permanent basis at the moment? And number 2, I just want to find out from the Minister, seeing that these protests are actually emanating from townships, very congested areas, overpopulated areas, has the Department made any provisions to prioritise these areas?

I am sure the Minister is fully aware of the conditions that I am referring to, pertaining to the conditions of our black communities and townships. So as a Department, have you made an exclusive provision in terms of combatting what is happening? I am sure you have not seen any of these protests taking place in other leafy suburbs. It is actually happening in these townships over time.

So what is your Department doing with regards to that? Is there any provision that you are directly trying to help these people coming from these areas? Thank you very much.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you, honourable member. You will find the protests where the majority of the people are unionised. Generally, even without talking about health workers, that is where you will get most of the protests. For example, the majority of those who are in the townships are affiliated to, for example, to NUPSO, but you must understand that there are contract workers throughout the whole province, it is part of the package. They are ward-based, allocated, they are conducting investigations in terms of the various work that they do.

Now on the issue of where we are when it comes to the absorption of these workers, just to remind you what I said earlier. There are groups that are just coming into the province now who would have been trained elsewhere. There is no standardisation of training. There are others, many of whom do not have matric and others who might have matric.

There are also those who in the early '80's who were categorised as community health workers, yet they are HIV counsellors and some of them are still within the NGO sector. The same applies to the TB health workers who go door-to-door.

So the first thing that we did when we had the summit was have these engagements on where do we go from here, what would be our approach? For us when it comes to primary healthcare, intersectoral collaboration and public partnership with civil society is crucial.

So you do not want a situation now where you end up using the cadres of people that are supposed to be community-based and then you take them back to the system and institutionalise them.

Hence the principle was that whatever happens they still have to remain in the communities and be known to the people who are in the communities, and also in terms of the streets where they are known, especially in cases where there are follow-ups and also with regard to their safety.

So it becomes difficult, unlike with other categories of healthcare workers where you will find that you can advertise and then people apply. Here it must be from the bottom-up, from the community and then up to that level.

Of course, because the majority are women and they are coming from poor communities, it means that you also have to look at salaries and also, because some of them might in their 40's, 50's or 60's, at when they might retire, but they will retire with nothing because of how they are being remunerated.

Therefore we have to keep on reviewing, specifically now. We actually started the process before Covid, related to the Universal Health Coverage. What is the role of each and every sector? You look at the whole of the human resources from the community health workers up to the senior medical specialists in a particular area.

So we are already doing that, but the issue is about the need to fund them at a national level. They cannot give them crumbs, using the conditional HIV/AIDS grant, in order for us to remunerate community health workers as they do work that is beyond that.

They need to standardise, because if you are demanding the entry required in terms of their salary, it would be salary level 5. Salary 5 in the Government, according to DPSA, requires a minimum of matric and yet we know there are many of them who do not have matric, yet those people have been there before. So how do we ensure the standardisation, even the recognition of the prior learning around that aspect? Because we do need them, especially with regards to Universal Health Coverage, because later there might be individuals who can render a service, instead of having this middle man or middle person as a NGO needing to employ them. But they can do home-based care, or visit older persons, or even cancer patients.

Pay me as a service provider. We have to look beyond that, so that is why I always say that when we talk about health, we also have to talk about the economy, we also have to talk about jobs, and we accept over 4,000 people who are at that level of education, also the category that we will be able to absorb. We want to absorb more not only in the Metro, but throughout the whole of the province. Thank you.

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. Through you to the Minister. Thank you, Minister, you have touched on some of the points.

In terms of recognition of the community healthcare workers; does the national system in actual fact recognise community healthcare workers? And in the same breath, Mr Speaker, as the request from community healthcare workers was to be permanently employed with benefits, who is ultimately responsible to make such appointments, should it be possible? Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon member Philander ... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: I did not hear that part? Sorry, I did not hear the first part. I only heard the part about who is going to be the responsible. What was that?

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister.

Ms W F PHILANDER: Oh, sorry, Minister Mbombo. Can I ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon member Philander.

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you. Through you, Mr Speaker. Minister, as a request was made by the community healthcare workers to be permanently employed with benefits, who is ultimately responsible for making such appointments, should it be possible?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you. It is part of the Bargaining Council, because all of this is discussed even at the level of the network, in terms of the unions and also with the business sector and all of those. Remember the issue of the R3,500 remuneration was finalised in June 2018 and then was also extended, because it became difficult to apply for those who were earning less and also working less than 40 hours per week. If you give them R3,500 and then they work 40 hours, yet some would have been working probably maybe two days, or even half a day per week. It would mean they were actually not benefitting.

Or you could probably give all of them that amount, irrespective that they do not even have matric, because the requirement there talks about a matric and also the recognition of prior learning, but it means that you will have to decrease the number, because it is not properly funded, it is not adequately funded.

At the time it was R3,500. So, do you decrease them when you need more? Especially in rural areas where you find that the people are unable to go now and again to a clinic, and there is no need for that, because they have to walk some distance because of the public transport. We rely on the contract workers. So, do you decrease them in order to meet up the R3,500, and then also make them work more *vis-à-vis*?

So, it is part of the Bargaining Council, but within ourselves, because they are part of us. They are part of the health system. We create that environment where we listen and then make this case even at the higher level. For example, for me one of my projects, prior even to when I joined the Government, we established that some of these contract workers should work in KwaZulu Natal, but at the time we were focussing on traditional birth attendance. So, what I am trying to highlight is that there is no way we could be able to strengthen primary healthcare without community health workers.

However, because of the spheres of government, where most of these are discussed at a national level, and also through their unions and the Bargaining Council, it will affect even those who are not necessarily part of the Bargaining Council. So, it is a whole set of things. Thank you.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. I think firstly the Minister should be advised to divorce herself of the thinking that people protest because they are unionised, as it undermines the genuine issues that they are raising.

I want to ask, Mr Speaker, and it is linked to what I am saying now, why is it that even on 8 July, since April, you still have health workers, whether they are community health workers or they are your professional health workers; why, until this day, do we have health workers that complain about proper personal protective equipment? Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you, Mr Speaker, honourable member. I repeat what I have just said, because the question from hon member who sponsored the question was asking why do we see most of the protests in these impoverished communities, and we do not see them in other areas? Yet you will find that the complaints, or the issues are general, in the sense that they are all earning a salary, everyone wants their salary.

What I was responding to is that when they were protesting, they were protesting under the banner of a union. You would have seen them even in Nyanga, where they had a banner of a union, NUPSO.

So, it means that they were unionised. It is just the same as a protest for other categories. It could be there is a protest by the EMS, a genuine concern, but one may ask why is it there in the [Inaudible.] because at the time they would have been protesting under a banner. It is not me labelling them, it is them who are saying, this is our memorandum, and it is under the banner of this union. Just to correct that part.

Why are people still protesting? Everyone is protesting, not only in the province, everywhere, generally because it is a new virus. Everyone is scared by the virus; everyone does not actually trust what they are wearing in terms of the PPE.

The national or international requirements may be A, B, C of PPE, but you will still feel that no, A, B, C is not enough, especially if now I see so many people who might be Covid positive. I need D, E, F, and yet D, E, F is not part of the package.

So now we can understand when they say we demand D, E, F because of that. Also you can understand when they hear that one of their co-workers might have passed on, or there has been an outbreak of Covid, which at least now we see lesser of in terms of the health worker infections, but you need to understand that health workers are also a cluster, just like we see a higher level of infections at the shops, just like as we see the infections in the South African police stations, in the Correctional Services, in the communities.

Community health workers also come from the communities. They might be infected at work or they might be infected in their communities. They protest of course. As I indicated, they are only protesting as such, but what I can do is reassure everyone that in the Western Cape we have got enough PPE to last us for however long this pandemic will last according to the projections. We projected in terms of the predictions of the modelling, the worst case scenario, and therefore we ended up accumulating a lot of PPE. In addition, we have seen donations coming from the different countries. There is China and tomorrow we are expecting another donation from Taiwan, and then I also received correspondence from Hungary and all of those. So, there is no shortage.

However, having said that, it does not mean that it should be abused. For example, you cannot wear a N95 mask in an area where you are not supposed to wear it, irrespective of the fact that you know that it at least gives you the assurance that, even if the virus is airborne, it will protect you, but a surgical mask cannot protect you. Unfortunately until the NICD, or there is a national protocol that guides us, you will not all be able to wear white suits because you are scared, and yet you find that in that environment you might have to be wearing an apron.

So, Mr Speaker, what I am trying to highlight is that we journey together with the health workers, because we are all scared and everyone is scared, and we provide psychological support throughout. We have got the buddy system, and we also keep on testing and screening them, and we have prioritised them when it comes to the testing compared to prioritising the general public, except for those who are vulnerable. Thank you.

Ms N MAKAMBA-BOTYA: Thank you, Mr Speaker, I just want to make a comment pertaining to what hon member Kama raised regarding the Minister's response about making an excuse that these areas are being unionised, that is why there is so many riots and protests that are taking place.

I think it is very irresponsible of the Minister to overlook the real challenges that are actually facing these areas, because the Minister cannot tell me that the working conditions of Khayelitsha and the working conditions of Constantia are at the same level.

So I think for her to make a statement that these protests emanate because of unions, that is so wrong of her to say that, because she cannot overlook what the real challenges are that are faced by these people, because of the conditions. I can tell you right now they are never the same with what is happening in other areas. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Yes, of course they are different. For our staff working in the Khayelitsha District Hospital the conditions would be different from someone who is working in the George Hospital, or in the Wesfleur Hospital.

The same applies to the EMS staff who are working in Khayelitsha, or EMS staff who are working maybe in Ravensmead. Of course it is going to be different.

The question that you raise is why is it that the people who seem to be protesting more are the ones who are coming from these areas. I am responding that in those areas, what they do is that they hand in a memorandum under the banner of a union.

You might find that just the same applies with other categories. There might be some staff structures where they might be protesting more, but it does not mean that the problems are not across the board.

As I indicated, everyone wants to have a danger allowance, everyone will want to have an extra salary, everyone will want to have a medical aid, and everyone will want to have a housing allowance, because these are genuine concerns that are being raised throughout. But you were asking in terms of being seen not only by the media and all of those.

This is where you will find that in some cases the union will have written to me and said MEC, we are sending our members who will be protesting at A, B, C, although some of what they will be raising is not related specifically to the Province, but it is part of the visibility. So, I would have already received the letter from them as a union. That is what I am trying to respond to here because remember in terms of the protesting, everyone has got a right to protest, and also you use the language that might be understood by the employer in order for you to get recognition. So therefore, when you disrupt space and protest, you will find that at least it gets more attention than if you keep on sending letters.

So, there is nothing wrong in terms of protesting, but in some instances, indirectly, it is not necessarily the Province, but it is about the whole package against the health system.

So that is what I am trying to highlight. So, I am not dismissing their truth. Of course, everybody is different, as I indicated earlier. If you work in Khayelitsha, you work in Masiphumelele, or you work in Bothasig, it is going to be different. Whether you are a community health worker, whether you are an EMS, whether you are a doctor, it will be different. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

#### Schools: phasing in of grades in August

#### 3. Mr F C Christians asked the Minister of Education:

(a) What is she and her Department doing about the remainder of the grades that are being phased in in August, (b) what measures are being taken to ensure that social distancing is adhered to and (c) how will social distancing be implemented in every school in the province despite the fact that many classes are already overcrowded?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, and to hon member Christians for the question. The reply is as follows:

3. The WCED is following the dates for phasing in of grades as gazetted by the National Minister, which of course may change after this evening's announcement by the President.

Sufficient cleaning and sanitising materials, masks, and thermometers for each extra batch of grades, are delivered before the additional learners arrive. Schools are also able to utilise the [Inaudible.] ahead of the phasing-in timetable, as long as they are able to implement the required protocol, as is provided for by the latest Gazette by the National [Inaudible.]

Now in respect of (b) and (c). It is important to note that as the extra grades return, not all of those learners will be in school at the same time every day.

In order to maintain the 1,5 metre distance between learners, the schools have been asked [Inaudible.]. Some of the models chosen include alternating days or [Inaudible.].

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister Schäfer ...

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Yes?

The SPEAKER: Your line is not very friendly to you.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Oh, dear. I do not know what I can do about it, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: It is better now. Yes, now it is better, thank you. Please proceed.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Okay, shall I start with (b) and (c) again?

The SPEAKER: You may please start the question response, please [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: The whole one?

The SPEAKER: ... hon Minister Schäfer.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: The whole question?

The SPEAKER: Start where you ended.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Okay. Schools, a temporary education plans or TREPs, include:

- Considerations of amending the timetable.
- Factoring in teachers for comorbidities and assigning teachers to new classrooms.
- Learners to remain in classrooms with teachers rotating for the different periods.
- Based on available accommodation, learner numbers and teacher resources, schools to decide on the modality of curriculum application, with emphasis on Grade 12 learners present every day.
- Staggered intervals to limit the number of learners outside at one time and school feeding.

- Taking into consideration learners using learner transport to get to school, bus trips should be optimised.
- Amending the screening plan because more learners will be returning.
- And applying for substitute teachers if teachers fall ill.

Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. I now recognise hon member Christians, if you have a follow-up?

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Yes, thank you, Mr Speaker. I could not hear everything, but thank you hon Minister, I heard some of the response.

Mr Speaker, just a question. We have visited a couple of schools, and in Mitchells Plain they said, because of the Grade 12's taking extra space, they do not know how are they going to phase in the other learners because of the school size, it is too small.

I must say that at many of the schools that we have visited, we saw that there are enough masks and sanitisers. Schools have enough and social distancing can be adhered to because of the small numbers, but there were schools that were concerning, and I want to ask the Minister, is she aware of any schools that approached the WCED to say that they cannot cope with social distancing when we phase in the other learners.

So, as I said, there were schools that were doing excellent, and we compliment those principals for their leadership, but there are also schools that have difficulties. Does the Minister know of any of those schools facing those difficulties, and what are the districts doing to assist those schools because some of the principals are also saying they do not get the cooperation from the districts. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Christians. I am not aware of specific schools, I know there are schools that have, in general, said that they do have space constraints but the information I have is that every school has submitted a TREP in order to say how they are going to deal with the upgrades when they do come in, but if you have specific schools where you are aware that there are further problems, please will you contact me personally and I will see how we can assist them. Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker, and many thanks to the Minister for the responses and to hon member Christians also for the question. I just wanted to get a sense, because hon member Christians mentioned the issue around PPEs and the visits that we made. One concern that came out of some of these visits from some principals was the fact that once grades are going to be phased in more and more, they will most likely run short of the PPEs. I just wanted to get a sense from the hon Minister, does the Department have plans to continue providing schools with PPE moving forward? If so, also how often and when will the PPE supplies to schools be basically replenished? Then also given the new guidelines for the phasing in of more grades, which says that schools must operate at 50% capacity, which then means that classes must be divided into two, what are the plans that the Department has got to basically achieve this? Also, does the Province, does the hon Minister think ... [Interjection.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): A point of order, hon Speaker.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): ... that the Province has the capacity and resources to actually achieve this ... [Interjection.]

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Point of order, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Is that a point of order? Hon Sayed ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): [Inaudible.] ... to now give a point of order, because I am done. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Hon Sayed, will you please take your seat? There is a point of order.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: What is the point of order?

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): The hon member has asked two questions, two different questions to the Minister.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): No, it is one. It is one question. It is part of the same question, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Thank you, hon member Wenger. I just want to check now whether the hon Minister wants to respond to the question being asked as one question or it is a different question. I think the hon Minister can help us in this regard, hon Chief Whip.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Speaker. It was two questions, but I will answer the second question by saying I have already answered that one. So the issue of PPEs, we have made provisions for several ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister, the hon Sayed was still on the floor.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Oh, sorry.

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon Sayed, please proceed.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): No, no, no, hon Chair, it is fine. I am done, I am done. I was ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Thank you. Thank you, hon ... [Interjection.]

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): ... as the hon Chief Whip of the DA came in.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Sayed. Hon Minister, you may proceed.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Speaker. As I said, the second question was already answered in my previous response, but the PPEs, we have made provision for several tranches but certainly not on an indefinite basis. We have also, depending on how long this goes on, made provision for some assistance to schools that have not got the finances, but we do also provide schools with norms and standards funding every year that they are supposed to use some of for normal cleaning material. So they may be asked to use some of that in future, depending on how long the situation endures for. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. I wish to draw the attention of the hon members that the next two follow-ups, one comes from hon Botha, followed by hon Christians and that will be the end of the follow-ups on this question. I now recognise hon Botha.

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. If the hon Minister can just tell us, we know that the Cabinet would have concluded their deliberations and discussions on the way forward in terms of our schools, but given the delays and confusion in the phasing in of grades, hon Minister, would it not be better to scrap the school year and begin again in 2021?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Botha. That certainly is a suggestion that has been made by some people, but unfortunately it is not as simple as that. Scrapping the school year would create unsolvable logistical problems. We are already busy placing learners in the 20/21 school year and if we scrap the school year, this simply means that all of those children currently in the system will stay in the system, so where are we going to put the new Grade Rs and 1s ... [Inaudible – connection lost.] already are struggling with space in schools and it is simply impossible. What will then happen with learners and what about matrics? So over and above that, there are also consequences, the children's health ... [Interjection.]

The SPEAKER: Hon Minister ...?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Yes?

The SPEAKER: Your line seems to be in conflict with you. I do not know why it does not like you, because you were audible and then all of a sudden you were not. So, if you can move to a different spot within the same space where you are.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Let me try. Is that better, hon Speaker?

The SPEAKER: It is much better, hon Minister.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: I have put on my headphones, my earphones. Okay. So, I do not know what you heard last but there are some profound consequences to children's health and safety, food security and financial security and future earnings.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. Hon members, I now recognise hon Christians.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Speaker. Hon Speaker, if the hon Minister can just tell us, is she aware of teachers with comorbidities being forced to be at school, because the ratio between the teacher and the learner, because of social distancing they need the numbers. Is she aware of any teachers being forced by principals to be at school even if they have comorbidities? Is she aware of any of those cases? If she is not, I will bring some of the cases to her, but is she aware, or was it not reported to her previously? Thank you, hon Speaker.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Speaker. The issue of comorbidities needs to be understood within the framework that has been given to us by the Department of Health. We have some teachers who say they have comorbidities, but they are not necessarily the kind of comorbidities that fall within the high-risk category. We have been given very specific criteria, for example hypertension, what the blood pressure readings must be and so on, the same for diabetes and if a condition is actually controlled it does not necessarily mean they should not be at school. So with that said, I am not aware. We have received a number of applications for comorbidities, quite a number, and many of them, the majority of them have been approved. So I am not aware of anybody who qualifies for the concession as a result of comorbidities, who has not been allowed to have it. Thank you.

#### Healthcare facilities in areas with high infection rates

#### 4. **Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Health:**

(a) What was the cause behind the reprioritisation of the testing approach, (b) why did the Western Cape move prematurely from mass community testing and screening and (c) how does the hotspot strategy address concerns about contact tracing?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: †Enkosi [thank you.] Thank you, hon member Philander for the question related to the reprioritisation of the testing approach. The reply is as follows:

4. At the time we had to come up with a reprioritisation as we had a backlog of about 27 000 tests at the time, results that we were waiting for. It meant that the people who were admitted in the hospitals were taking longer because there were persons under investigation. Therefore, we had to prioritise them because the [Inaudible.] would not be able to come up with the necessary interventions in order to save lives.

At the time the backlog meant that even for those health workers who were being exposed and being tested, instead of getting the results on time so that they could go back to work, because the policy, as I say, is about testing on the eighth day where a health worker has been exposed, and then if the test is negative you will be able to return to work without completing the 14 days. So it meant we had to prioritise that when we could not get the assurance at a national level, noting that the National Health Laboratory Services is a national competency. Provinces do not own ... [Inaudible – connection lost].

Secondly, because we were the frontrunners when it comes to the epidemic in the Western Cape, whilst the others were in what they call Stage 4 at the time, the question of the epidemic ... [Inaudible. – connection lost.] which is a mass community screening intervention for us. So there is a different approach when it comes to the testing, depending where, in which stage, where you are when it comes to the epidemic.

Let me give you an example. Currently most of the provinces now have hotspots. Hence they are where we were when it comes to the reprioritisation of the testing. So at the time, while the others were at Stage 4, we were already at Stage 5 with the hotspots, whilst the others were doing the mass screening and testing. Therefore one had to prioritise the hotspots, the vulnerable groups, because it meant there was already a high level of local community transmission in the area. That is the reason that we had to prioritise them. Thank you, hon Speaker.

Ms W F PHILANDER: Thank you very much, hon Speaker. Thank you very much, hon Minister. Hon Minister, what I understand, that as the pandemic progresses and extends, that a new approach needs to be activated. Hon Minister, can you please tell us what is the Western Cape Health Department's strategy and approach on behavioural change within the Western Cape? Thank you, hon Speaker.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you, thank you. Where we are now is about people that have been hospitalised. There have been many deaths and if we are going to talk about the stages according to the national response to the epidemic, we are in a phase where we say re-entry, where we now want to go back to the communities, we are going back to the basics, that we are still going to live with this virus for the next year or two. And therefore, in order to avoid being hospitalised or going to a clinic as we are going towards opening up in the phased approach, for the non-COVID services as well, stick to the basics, which are your mask, physical distancing, avoiding gatherings, staying at home, going out only when it is necessary, especially going for shopping and also the issue of hand hygiene.

So you will have seen that even now, us, as Health, are dishing out masks to get that message out there, as we used to do with HIV Aids where we were dishing out condoms. So the mask is now the new condom, but for COVID, related to the behaviour, because we are permanently in the hotspots. Therefore, people are changing and there are different interventions.

Also, we appreciate that now there is a rapid test using blood samples, which is your fingerprint for virology, for the antibodies. That has been approved. National are still working on the protocol, how we are going to approach it, but generally it is about when you go to a certain area, maybe the taxi rank or a school, if you suspect that there is a high level of infection, you can do random groups just to test them to check whether they have antibodies or not, because we will not be going back to where everyone has to know their status.

At the beginning it was about knowing your COVID status. Now it is knowing your COVID status only if you are in a vulnerable group, meaning you are over 55 years old, you have diabetes or you have other comorbidities. You might be younger but you have got all of those, therefore we have to prioritise them.

So we have to keep on changing, moving with the flow and also responding according to what science determines, because we have to be guided by science.

Healthcare facilities in areas with high infection rates

#### 5. Ms W F Philander asked the Minister of Health:

(a) What plans does her Department have to curb the high infection rate in Gugulethu and Khayelitsha and (b) how will the availability of three completed field hospitals, and possibly a fourth hospital in Paarl, relieve the pressure on community healthcare facilities, especially in areas with high infection rates?

The MINISTER OF HEALTH: Thank you. The reply is as follows:

5. The question was about Gugulethu and Khayelitsha. The question was asked at the time that we are seeing a higher rate of the infections in those particular areas but noting that every area in the Metro does have some high levels of infection, but we find that in some areas, specifically like Gugulethu, and also if you look in terms of the ... [Inaudible.] in terms of the cases of deaths as well, of the population.

So already there are many interventions that are happening there. It is not only about the health; the Cabinet allocated each and every Minister, MEC, in charge of the hotspots, and then in these specific hotspots we zoomed to those vulnerable. That is why the community health workers will find that their scope keeps on changing; now they have to go and find the people who have diabetes and then also might be obese, which we have observed in some people specifically, for example, the over 60s, who are more in Gugulethu. Khayelitsha is a young community, but you will find that there are other comorbidities that are present there.

This is also why that we are opening up in August for non-COVID cases in this kind of area so that we can go back to basics in terms of TB, in terms of HIV, including as part of the package, screening and testing these communities, but the most important thing is the issue of diabetes.

The issue related to the hospitals, the availability and how it is going to relieve pressure: again, I think these questions were probably asked maybe two weeks ago or so. It is quite long, I mean it is mostly outdated information because these three hospitals, the Thusong Centre, the field hospital, the CTICC and also Brackengate are already taking patients. They are relieving the pressure as we have seen that some of our facilities are less than 80% full, for first time actually, in terms of bed occupancy.

Of course, except for Khayelitsha and Eerste River, where I saw that there is 86% in one of those, but they have actually relieved us. Brackengate is going to relieve us more for the Metro East side, which the CTICC has done for the Metro West, including Mitchells Plain, because most of the patients are coming from Mitchells Plain and for the Thusong from Khayelitsha. So we are opening in the first week of August; the first phase I think is 68 beds which is actually going to relieve pressure so much, not only for the Cape Winelands, because we can also take patients from the Swartland to the field hospital.

Noting there are also some beds that have been allocated to field hospitals that are part of existing hospitals, like the Hermanus Hospital where we used an old underground storeroom, converting it into 32 field hospital beds that will be opening soon. The same applies to the [Inaudible.] in George where we have also added an additional 20 beds in a field hospital. 20 beds also in in Vredendal to accommodate those who are on the West Coast, in the upper area.

But hon Speaker, lastly, I just want to add that it is crucial that we now go back and reconsider those other conditions that had to suffer at this time that we are trying to fight COVID. For example, we have seen a drop in the uptake of ARVs for those people who have tested HIV-positive, the uptake for TB treatment, those who are supposed to come and fetch TB medication. There is a 50% decrease in mental health users, who have not taken up their treatment, meaning that you might have lapses down the line. This is not only in the Western Cape, but generally. For us, as the front-runners, we were able to collect this data.

The same applies to the issue of immunisations, especially measles, the first dose of measles immunisation. So you might find in August that you have more pathways. We will say, if ECDs are open, let us go to the ECDs and check the Road to Health interventions to see that they have been updated.

Learners not returning to school in the academic year

#### 6. Ms L J Botha asked the Minister of Education:

- (1) How many applications have been received from parents who will not be sending their children to school for the rest of the academic year;
- (2) whether all these learners will be homeschooled; if so, (a) how many homeschooling applications has her Department received in total, (b)

what is the status of these applications and (c) how many of these learners have comorbidities?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Speaker. Thank you, hon Botha. The reply is as follows:

6. The answer to your question 1 is that the WCED has received 45 257 applications for exemption from public schooling during the COVID-19 crisis. This is in respect of the gazetted directions which do not provide a specific time period for the exemption, so it is not necessarily the entire academic year. An additional 25 applications have been received during lockdown for home education.

Part 2 of the question is: no, only those parents that apply for formal home education will be deregistered from school and undertake home schooling, as it is generally understood. Parents that have applied to temporarily oversee their children's learning at home during the state of National Disaster will not have to deregister their children from school.

Parents choosing the temporary option must take the responsibilities of overseeing the learning of their children at home, including creating a conducive environment for the child to learn at home, accepting the responsibility to oversee the daily learning of their child, including the daily work and assessments, accepting the responsibility of ensuring that they are informed of what work must be learnt and what work must be completed on a daily basis and ensuring that all work and assignments are collected and delivered at school as required and produced by the school.

The figures for the applications that we have received and that have been processed, there have been 25 applications for formal home education received since lockdown, which are currently being considered by the districts. There are 1 083 applications received for temporary exemption from public school attendance because of high risk comorbidity of a child, of which 1 000 have already been processed and approved, and then there are 44 174 applications for temporary exemption from public school attendance because parents are anxious about COVID-19. 11 850 have been approved; 1 644 have not been approved for various reasons, including incomplete paperwork, no signatures and the like, and the remainder are still being processed. Thank you, hon Speaker.

Ms L J BOTHA: Thank you very much, hon Minister, for the response to the question. I would like to understand, hon Speaker; hon Minister, how many learners in regard to the grades that are now already back in the classroom, have not at all attended school yet when their grades have been phased in to the schools, please.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thanks, hon Botha. That I do not have. That is a very detailed, specific question which I will try and get you the answers for, but I will have to give them to you separately. Thank you.

Mr F C CHRISTIANS: Thank you, hon Speaker. Just to the hon Minister: those parents that are anxious to send their children to school, now those children do not have comorbidities, but the parents are anxious, and I heard the hon Minister talk about a temporary exemption. What does that include, a temporary exemption? And if a parent is anxious and she wants to keep her child at home and there is the correct supervision, is that allowed for the remainder of the academic year? Thank you, hon Speaker.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Speaker and hon Christians. Yes, as I said, that is one of the categories that we are processing. That was the 44 000 applications and, as I said, there is no timeframe that has been specified, so we do not yet know whether it is for the rest of the academic year or not, or for a month or two, but we have not specified a time. It will be assessed from time to time depending on the progress of the outbreak, but that certainly is an option and 44 000 applications have already been received in that regard. Thank you.

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP (ANC): Thank you, hon Speaker, and thank you to the hon Minister for the responses and to hon member Botha for the question. Hon Speaker, following on from the hon Minister's response to the follow-up question by hon member Christians, I just wanted to get an idea whether the hon Minister is able to give – it does not have to be in detail - a rough breakdown or an idea of these applications for home schooling in terms of the Quintiles, as per Quintiles as well as the districts.

How many of these applications are from Quintiles 1 to 3 and Quintile 4 or 5? What are the stats, not in numbers but just in terms of whether more were in 1 to 3 or more were in 4 to 5 and how many were from the Metro East and the other districts with learners coming from a poor background? And what are the reasons for these application trends, in the hon Minister's view, particularly the low applications from learners from poor families? Thank you.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Speaker. No, I cannot answer that because we have not finished processing them yet, of course, and I do not have that information, but I can ask for that to be given to me as well once they are completed. So there is no indication yet for that statement made by hon Sayed that there are fewer applications from poor communities, but I can try and get him that information. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. The last follow-up question is by hon Kama who is here in the House.

Mr M KAMA: Thank you very much, hon Speaker, and thanks to the hon Minister for the answers that have been provided. My follow-up, hon Speaker, would be: what communication has taken place with parents to alert them to the various options they have?

I am asking this because, I think last week, I saw a post on the Pauw Gedenk Primary Facebook page that speaks about parents that must come and collect documents and it also had to do with the temporary exemption? When I asked one parent whose child is not going to school about the options they had taken, they did not know any of the options available but were part of that community that is anxious in sending their kids to school because of fear of the pandemic. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: Thank you, hon Speaker and hon Kama. Well, first of all, I have done public statements on the matter. Secondly, our HOD has sent detailed communication to schools and we are relying on school principals to ensure that their school communities are informed of the options. I know many have been. So if that school has not, then we will follow that up. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: Thank you, hon Minister. Hon members, that was the last bite on the Questions for Oral Reply. As of now we have concluded our time. The remainder of the responses to questions will be printed in Hansard. Now we are going straight to Members' Statements and the hon Deputy Speaker will now take over. Thank you very much, hon members.

[Question 7 withdrawn.]

[Question time expired.]

[Replies to questions 8 and 9 to be printed in Hansard]

Questions and replies as received from departments

#### ORAL QUESTIONS

For written reply:

Housing projects: gender-based violence

#### 8. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

Whether his Department has any innovative plans in place or plans to support curbing the spread of gender-based violence when housing projects are undertaken; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

8. It is common knowledge that South Africa has high levels of family and domestic violence. The country is rated 4<sup>th</sup> in the world for its high rates. Annual crime statistics released by the South Africa Police Services reveal the depth of this crisis. This is a pandemic on its own.

Curbing the spread of gender-based violence requires a multidimensional approach that extends substantially beyond human settlements' femicide responsibilities and mandate. Debates over the past years have surfaced suggesting that there should be a multi-sectoral approach aimed at addressing this. The approach should primarily include measures that blend social, participatory and community-driven initiatives as well as those dealing with safety enhancements at the neighbourhood level and spatial design interventions.

As a starting point, within human settlements programmes, both spouses and cohabitating partners are given equal property rights in subsidy houses and other housing opportunities offered. Essentially, this protects women's property rights (and eventually access, although a court may have to intervene) and stops the economic violence of denying women financial assets.

Second, given that a large amount of violence committed at a neighborhood level is gendered, general measures to improve safety in neighborhoods could have a major impact. The Department is exploring means to appoint a Task Team of Crime, Safety and Urban Design experts as service providers who will review and advise on appropriate settlement designs, plan layouts and housing typologies that could enhance safety in dense informal and formal settlements in low-income communities.

Too often, we have heard disturbing incidents where women and children have been assaulted on the way to or from communal toilets in the settlements. These are often located at the back and/or in the darkest areas of the settlements. We hope in the end that Informal Settlements upgrading will be conducted in a manner that incorporates safety into the design and location of communal toilets and water taps. This is in line with the Premier's Safety Plan and the Vision-Inspired Priorities for this term.

Lastly, as a Department, we are engaging with national Departments of Human Settlements, Social Development and Health as well as our counterparts in the province, to discuss means of responding to this societal scourge in a coordinated and meaningful manner. These Departments already work with Non-Profit Organisations that provide services for women and children seeking shelter from their abusers.

COVID-19 impact on community involvement in housing projects

#### 9. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

With reference to his Department's indication that community involvement is crucial when housing projects are planned and implemented; however, COVID-19 requires social distancing and safety protocols:

Whether his Department is adjusting its community-involvement processes and putting new measure in place in light of the coronavirus pandemic; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

#### The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

9. COVID19 has indeed coerced the entire ecosystem including government to approach business processes differently. On a positive note, this unprecedented period has ignited an innovative streak within my Department and we have had to adapt our communication strategies.

At this stage, I have been unable to engage the communities that I serve directly, given that I would personally not want to place anyone in harm's way unnecessarily by hosting large community meetings.

However, in the wake of COVID19, my Department and I have had a number of engagements with Councillors, Community leaders and the Project Steering Committees (PSCs) across the various Metro and other municipalities, in an effort to keep them abreast of the current and future-planned projects in their areas. All of these engagements have adhered to the number of participants present, not exceeding the number of 50, wearing a face mask or facial visor and ensuring that sanitizers are available to all participants and that we ensure COVID-19 compliance in terms of the protocols. The venues which we have used have been large enough for us to set-up all the chairs with a distance greater than 1,5 metres between them to promote social distancing.

We have further supplemented these engagements with pamphlets that provide a status update to each project and these have been disseminated to the various communities. In the coming weeks, I am further amplifying my footprint and will be engaging more municipalities and community structures.

In addition, in June 2020 I started my province-wide outreach to municipalities to update them on our human settlements projects, business plan priorities and budget reprioritisation. The outreach kicked off in the Garden Route, where I spent three days in engagements with the Bitou, Knysna, George, Mosselbay and Oudsthoorn municipalities. These sessions were streamed live on my Facebook page in order to allow the very communities to follow the proceedings and partake virtually by submitting commentary. The live streaming of these sessions has proven to be an opportune platform for the community to voice out their concerns, queries and suggestions. I have truly been humbled by the positive response to these sessions thus far. immensely successful given the positive feedback and influx of enquiries to my office.

The need to engage the community has become greater at this stage given the current fiscal environment with a diminishing budget envelope, certain projects will be affected which would translate to reduced housing opportunities for certain communities, and in this regard, we are devising an innovative communication plan, TownHall Tuesdays, which will be on online/virtual platform to engage large masses. Comprehensive details in relation to the latter will be shared in due course. Questions and replies as received from departments

#### **ORAL QUESTIONS**

For written reply

Voucher Programme and Credit Readiness Programme

#### 1. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

During the meeting of the Standing Committee on Human Settlements on 15 July 2020, reference was made to a Voucher Programme and a Credit Readiness Programme:

- (1) How will these programmes (a) assist the "missing middle" in establishing a good credit record, (b) assist the "missing middle" in purchasing housing units with the support of subsidies and (c) fast track the eradication of any beneficiary backlogs in the province;
- (2) what is his Department's definition of "missing middle";
- (3) whether his Department is aware of such programmes in other provinces; if so;
- (4) whether best-practice case studies have been conducted; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

#### The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

- The Credit Readiness Programme was introduced in 2019 by my (1) (a) Department. It entails coaching individuals who have been disgualified by banks for a mortgage loan, to improve or rehabilitate their affordability and credit profile with the ultimate objective of increasing households' access to mortgage finance for the affordable housing market (R3 501 – R22 000 income). Graduates of the Credit Readiness Programme are informed about units available in Department-led housing and land release projects where selling prices are highly competitive and are affordable for gap households (for example in Swellendam, George and Drakenstein). Essentially, the Programme uses the period while the property is being developed to get the potential homeowner with a blemished credit record, to become "credit ready". The above arrangement means that individuals on the Programme have a strong incentive to drastically improve their credit record and thus graduate from the Programme, as graduation would give them improved access to well-priced units.
  - (b) The Credit Readiness and Housing Voucher programmes together create a mechanism for quickly linking up individuals who are very likely to be awarded a mortgage to a FLISP subsidy in a more targeted manner.

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The Housing Voucher mechanism entails identifying potential beneficiaries who are part of our Credit Readiness Programme, to be pre-screened on the Housing Subsidy System (HSS) to verify FLISP subsidy eligibility. Upon graduating from the Credit Readiness Programme, eligible individuals will be issued with a Housing Voucher to the value of the FLISP subsidy for which they qualify.

Instead of having to go through the process of trying to find a suitable house and applying to the banks for a mortgage and then approaching the Department for a FLISP subsidy, graduates who qualify for a FLISP will be pre-screened on the Housing Subsidy System portal upfront and given a voucher to the value of the FLISP subsidy. They'll be able to use the voucher, and the accurate indication it provides of the mortgage for which they qualify, to enter the market and find suitable property.

(c) The Housing Voucher mechanism will allow the FLISP subsidy to work more effectively, because the pre-approval of the subsidy means that the subsidy will be used to lower the amount beneficiaries will need to borrow, decreasing their monthly payments and improving mortgage affordability and thus increasing the access that the "missing middle" will have to mortgages.

The Housing Voucher mechanism gives the FLISP subsidy further down-market reach and increases the efficacy of the FLISP subsidy programme to bring down the backlog of those households in housing need.

- (2) My Department regards the 'missing middle' as those households sitting in the grey area between fully subsidised housing and middle-class housing (R3501 and R22 000). They are occasionally referred to as households falling in the 'gap/ gap market, that is, the market that does not qualify for residential units supplied by the state but cannot afford those delivered by the private sector.
- (3) My Department is not aware of the existence of these two specific programmes in other provinces.
- (4) As already indicated, my Department is also not aware of whether other provinces have implemented these programmes. It therefore has not specifically consulted any local nor international case studies in formulating both programmes. The programmes were introduced after having taken stock of the barriers and/or implementation hurdles experienced while attempting to roll out the FLISP subsidy in an effective manner over the years.

Beaufort West SAPS: Service Act personnel

### 2. Mr D G Mitchell asked the Minister of Community Safety:

(a) What are the (i) granted number and (ii) actual number of (aa) South African Police Service Act personnel and (bb) Public Service Act personnel at the Beaufort West SAPS and (b) how many vacancies are there currently?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

The South African Police Services informed me as follows:

2. (a)

- (aa) (i) 149 (ii) 147
- (bb) (i) 35 (ii) 31
- (b) 6

Beaufort West SAPS: vehicles

#### 3. Mr D G Mitchell asked the Minister of Community Safety:

- (1) What are the (a) granted number and (b) actual number of vehicles at the Beaufort West SAPS;
- (2) whether any vehicles have been boarded; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what is the average mileage in kilometre of the existing fleet?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

The South African Police Services informed me as follows:

- 3. (1) (a) 47 (b) 42
  - (2) No, zero (0) vehicles boarded in current financial year.
  - (3) Average mileage for 42 vehicles is 156 636.7 kms.

Title deeds: distribution to housing beneficiaries

#### 4. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

With regard to the availability and distribution of title deeds to housing beneficiaries:

(a) What is the number of active deeds offices in the province, (b) what is the operating procedure of any such offices when a COVID-19 case is confirmed on site and (c) what are the alternatives for beneficiaries to receive their deed certificates other than by the traditional route of physically attending the office?

The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

4. We are unfortunately not in a position to respond to the questions as the Deeds Office is a National Government competency. The Director for Land and Asset Management, Mr Roy Stewart's office forwarded the question to the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform for a response.

#### Housing Tribunal: virtual operations

#### 5. Ms L M Maseko asked the Minister of Human Settlements:

His Department launched the virtual operations of its Housing Tribunal during the lockdown period:

- (1) (a) What are the (i) successes and (ii) challenges of these virtual activities and (b) what is the current report on the backlog of cases;
- (2) whether the backlog has been eliminated; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

#### The MINISTER OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:

- 5. (1) (a)
  - (i) (ii) The Rental Housing Tribunal (RHT) was declared an essential service by the delegated authority during lockdown level 4 and virtual hearings commenced on 9 June 2020.

The platform utilised to conduct the virtual hearings is Microsoft Teams, which is the platform used by Western Cape Government.

The support staff have been faced with many challenges in attempting to ensure the effective functioning of virtual hearings, such as:

 Staff required training to utilise Microsoft Teams to set up hearings and communicate with parties regarding the virtual hearing proceedings;

- Wi-Fi connectivity was poor within Norton Rose House as the ground floor of 27 wale street is currently undergoing refurbishment.
- Citizens sometimes don't have the necessary resources (computer, internet connection, data) to participate in virtual hearings.
- Not all parties are technologically savvy or even computer literate and prefer appearing in-person.

As at mid May 2020, there were 152 files awaiting hearing dates (80 matters that were scheduled to proceed during level 4 & 5 lockdown and 71 "new" matters). In addition to the 152 files awaiting hearing dates, there are 164 Communicare matters that were scheduled to proceed during the level 4 & 5 lockdown period. These hearings commenced 27 July 2020.

**RHT Hearings** July 2020 June 2020 Number of hearings scheduled 22 48 (including 12 x Communicare matters) Number of postponed cases 14 20 (including 6 x Communicare matters) 10 (including 6 x Communicare Number of part heard matters 0 matters) Number of cases settled by parties 0 0 before hearing (through mediation) Number of cases struck off the roll 0 1 Number of rulings issued 8 13 Number of default rulings 0 3 Number cases withdrawn 0 1

Virtual hearings proceeded as follows:

(b) Rental Housing Tribunal Performance Report: 1 April to 30 June 2020

In terms of the advice which we have offered, the queries which we received from the 27 March 2020 to the 30 June 2020 amount to 571.

Current Report on backlog:

Case Management Performance 1 April 2020 – 31 July 2020

Number of complaints received and captured	393
Number of cases closed	522
Number of cases open as at 17 July (inclusive of Communicare cases)	2501
Backlog (cases older than 90 days)	2012
Email Enquiries (Prior Lockdown)	+/-1200

Communicare Breakdown of cases at various stages:

Cases closed (tenant withdrew, moved out, passed on etc.)	61
Settlement agreements made rulings of the tribunal	81
Matters heard and rulings made (Ascot Square)	14
Matters scheduled for hearing but subsequently withdrawn (Drommedaris)	89
Settlement Agreements to be made rulings of the tribunal: Tobin Inc.	136
(Closed)	
Matters for hearing (RAC Group)	143
Matters for hearing (inclusive of Neville Petersen & Alan Mkunqwana	194
tenant groups) but had to be postponed because of lockdown. To be	
rescheduled	
Files at pre-investigation stage	57
TOTAL	775

(2) The period of lockdown has really hampered and was a big setback on the progress made by the RHT in reducing the office backlog. Before lockdown, the Tribunal developed a Strategic Plan to deal with all the challenges faced, including backlog.

A work plan was then developed to deal with pre and post lockdown complaints including the backlog. The plan sets out the steps which we will take up to the end of March 2021 to fast track, expedite and finalize the current existing complaints and pro-actively deal with new complaints. The plan includes weekly & monthly monitoring and evaluation of the work or progress.

We can report on the progress from both our strategic document and work plans, as at 31 July 2020:

Work plan

- We have finalized/closed 785 cases
- We have finalized/closed 225 Communicare cases
- We have also received 393 new complaints since the Lockdown to date
- We have reduced the number of the enquires to under 500

Strategy Document

- We have developed a new optimized Standard Operating Procedure
- With full capacity of Tribunal Members, concurrent hearings will be held.
- Customer Relationship Management (CRM) is at an advanced stage before implementation
- Delegations and directions to dispose matters with no jurisdiction and no unfair practice.

The backlog is a moving target but it is envisaged that these interventions will assist in achieving our objectives notwithstanding the risk factors which includes functioning under the new norm with limited resources.

#### Western Cape Government: office space

#### 6. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Transport and Public Works:

With regard to the Western Cape Government offices and other facilities:

(a) What square meterage of office space does the Western Cape Government lease for its use in the City of Cape Town (metropolitan area) and (b) what is the nett rental paid for this leased office space?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS:

6. The Western Cape Government leases 57,277.38 square meterage of office space in the City of Cape Town (metropolitan area) at a rental of R10,285,951.99 per month.

#### Shelters for homeless people: funding

#### 7. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Social Development:

With regard to shelters for homeless people in the City of Cape Town:

(a) What is the total funding that the provincial government invests in shelters for homeless people in the City of Cape Town and (b) what amount is allocated to each shelter?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:

- 7. (a) R 12 422 118
  - (b) Please see below table.

REGION	SHELTER	AMOUNT ALLOCATED
Metro North	The Haven Night Shelter Bellville	R723 734
Metro North	The Haven Night Shelter District Six	R986 390
Metro North	The Haven Night Shelter Kensington	R740 150
Metro North	The Haven Night Shelter Moira Henderson	R789 398
Metro North	The Haven Night Shelter Napier Street	R1 027 430
Metro North	Loaves and Fishes	R534 950
Metro North	Elim Night Shelter	R822 230
Metro North	Carpenter Shop	R832 926
Metro North	Youth Solutions Africa	R575 990
Metro North	Haven Welfare Organization	R579 626
Metro South	The Haven Night Shelter Kalk Bay	R246 472
Metro South	The Haven Night Shelter Retreat	R871 478
Metro South	The Haven Night Shelter Claremont	R262 888
Metro South	The Haven Night Shelter Wynberg	R575 990
Metro South	Happy Valley	R781 190
Metro South	OWL Shelter	R904 310
Metro East	The Haven Night Shelter Kraaifontein	R1 052 054
Metro East	Somerset West	R690 902
SUB TOTAL		R12 422 118

#### Shelters for homeless people: funding

#### 8. Mr B N Herron asked the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

- (a) What is or was the total amount that the City of Cape Town spent on the Strandfontein Camp for the Homeless, (b) which company or companies got the contracts to manage the Ubuntu 1, 2 and 3 sites in this camp, (c) what is (i) the value of the contracts for the management of the Ubuntu 1, 2 and 3 sites and (ii) the value spent to date and (d) what process was followed to award those contract or contracts;
- (2) whether other bids to manage those sites were received; if so, why they were not selected;
- (3) (a) what is the total funding allocated by the City of Cape Town to homeless shelters, (b) what are the amounts allocated to each shelter, (c) which companies or organisations got the contracts to manage the Culemborg site and (d) what is the value of the contract to manage the Culemborg site?

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:

 8. (1) (a) SDECD's [the City's Social Development & Early Childhood Development Department] cost totalled R4 347 985.80 (as per GIA [Grant – in – Sponsorship] reports 1 & 2 – for management and meals); However, additional costs were carried by the City's Disaster Risk Management (for Security, Law Enforcement, Medical Marquee, Toilets, Tents, etc).

In addition, the following expenditure was incurred:

R52.8 million (Safety and Security = R48,4mil + SDECD = R4.4 mil).

A breakdown of the costs associated to the safety and security is provided below:

Project	Expenditure	Amount
Strandfontein	Hire of busses	450 200.00
Strandfontein	Mattresses	376 278.00
Strandfontein	Decontamination	18 726.50
Strandfontein	Water sewerline	238 345.68
Strandfontein	Tents	43 820 785.00
Strandfontein	Security Services	3 556 291.01
TOTAL		R48 460 626.19

#### Safety and Security

b) The Strandfontein COVID 19 lockdown accommodation sites were managed by 3 Operators.

HOMAC [Homeless Agency Committee - Section 79 Committee] has co-opted several Street People Sector Organizations to jointly address the street people phenomenon in the City of Cape Town. These organizations representing the Shelter Operators' Forum and Street People Sector Forum, engage the City, participate in activities and meet on a regular basis to address street people matters in a collaborative way.

The City approached these co-opted organizations to assist during this crisis period as they were always willing to assist in the past and come with a wealth of experience in the Street People sector.

Ubuntu Circle of Courage managed sites 3 and 5; Oasis Reach for your Dream, sites 4 and 6 and Haven Night Shelter organization sites 2 and 7 at the Strandfontein COVID 19 Lockdown complex.

c) The grants and sponsorships for the period were paid in two tranches:

Strandfontein GIA Payments					
Beneficiary / Operator	Approved amount of persons to serve	Approved Amount	Amount Paid out		
1st Report Paymen	ts				
The Haven Night Shelter	1000	R1 983 000	R1 983 000		
Oasis	500	R991 500	R991 500		
Ubuntu	500	R991 500	R991 500		
R3 966 000					
2nd Report Paymer	nt				
The Haven Night Shelter	700	R454 230	R201 663.70		
Oasis	400	R259 560	R98 704.90		
Ubuntu	400	R259 560	R81 617.20		
			R381 985.80		
TOTAL			R4 347 985.80		

(2) There was no tender process. The funding was provided in terms of the Grant in Aid policy through Grant in Sponsorship funding. This process allows Council to identify organizations to deliver services on behalf of Council.

- (3) (a) R 15 387 210 plus R 1 681 127.70 (for City Homeless Shelters: Paint City & Culemborg) paid through Grants and Sponsorship allocations; therefore, total amount of <u>R17 068 337.70</u>
  - (b) Kindly see grid below.

The below was disbursed in the 2019/2020 FY

NAME	NUMBER of Beneficiaries	SOCIAL DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES Fee for a period of six months	MEALS over a period of six months	CLEANING MATERIALS AND TOILETRIES	TOTAL
HAVEN Night Shelter Organization (City- wide)	150	R758 700.00	R1 207 800.00	R90 000.00	R2 056 500.00
OASIS REACH FOR YOUR DREAM	140	R708 120.00	R1 127 280.00	R84 000.00	R1 919 400.00
UBUNTU CIRCLE OF COURAGE	20	R101 160.00	R161 040.00	R12 000.00	R274 200.00
TASP	15	R75 870.00	R120 780.00	R9 000.00	R205 650.00
UBUNTU Circle of Courage: Culemborg Parking Lot	100	R505 800.00	R805 200.00	R60 000.00	R1 371 000.00
MATDOC Outsourcing Projects: Paint City	100	R505 800.00	R805 200.00	R60 000.00	R1 371 000.00
Cape Flats YMCA	30	R151 740.00	R241 560.00	R18 000.00	R411 300.00
The Hope Exchange	100	R505 800.00		R60 000.00	R565 800.00
Service Dining Room: Street People (meals only)	250		R2 013 000.00		R2 013 000.00
MATDOC Outsourcing Projects: Culemborg Safe Space (meals only)	180		R1 449 360.00		R1 449 360.00
	1085	R3 312 990	R7 931 220	R 393 000	R 11 637 210
HAVEN Night Shelter Organization (17000 meals only)			R 750 000		R 750 000
Khulisa Social Solutions(Streetscapes Projects)	250	R1 500 000			R1 500 000
U-Turn Ministries	250	R 1500 000			R1 500 000
		R3 000 000	R750 000		R 3 750 000
GRAND TOTAL:					R 15 387 210

	Culer	nborg GIA Payments	
Beneficiary	Approved amount of persons to serve	Approved Amount	Amount Paid out
1st Report Pay	rments	·	
Matdoc	230	R262 200	R262 200
			R262 200
2nd Report Pa	yment		
Matdoc	230	R480 700	R407 158.00
			R407 158.00
TOTAL			R669 358.00

Paint City GIA Payments			
Beneficiary	Approved amount of persons to serve	Approved Amount	Amount Paid out
1st Report Pay	/ments		
Matdoc Outsourcing	250	R495 750	R495 750
			R495 750
2nd Report Po	ayment		
Matdoc Outsourcing	150	R594 825	R516 019.70
			516 019.70
TOTAL			R1 011 769.70

(3) (c) which companies or organisations got the contracts to manage the Culemborg site and (d) what is the value of the contract to manage the Culemborg site?

There is an approved deviation report (CM02/02/20) awarded to Matdoc CC t/a Matdoc Outsourcing with rates based costing as follows:

#### SUPPLY CHAIN RESOLUTION OF THE CITY MANAGER: 10 FEBRUARY 2020

#### CM 02/02/20 REQUEST FOR DEVIATION AND/OR CONDONATION: PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PROVIDER FOR OPERATION OF A SAFE SPACE FOR STREET PEOPLE

**RESOLVED** that for the reasons set out in the report authority be granted for a deviation from the Supply Chain Management procedures, as allowed in Clause 327.5.5 of the CCT's Supply Chain Management Policy, providing for exceptional circumstances where it is impractical or impossible to follow the official procurement processes where the delivery of a municipal service would be significantly restricted, to:

(a) appoint Matdoc CC t/a Matdoc Outsourcing for the Provision of Professional Service Provider for operation of a Safe Space for Street People, on a month-to-month basis from 01 March 2020 until 31 August 2020, or until the new tender is implemented, whichever occurs first, as follows (excl. VAT):

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	RATE EXCLUDING VAT 2020	RATE EXCLUDING VAT 2021
1	Operating costs	Per person per day	R13,69	R14.58
1.1	General management	Per. month	R104 397.86	R111 183,72

ACTION: NAZLIE DU TOIT, F SEPKINS

The costing for the Culeborg Safe Space for 19/20 FY totalled as follows:

Culembo	org Safe Space Op	erations	
Vendor	Purchase Order	Period	Amount
Matdoc	4503581863	Jul '19 - Aug '19	377 593.42
Matdoc	4503603730	Sep '19 - Feb'20	1 179 969.69
Matdoc	4503686092	Mar '19 - Jun '20	733 666.16
TOTAL			2 291 229.27

The Culemborg Safe Space tender was allocated to MATDOC NPC by the BID ADJUDICATION COMMITTEE (BAC) resolution 245S/2019/20.

The contract is for a maximum of 36 months with the costs breakdown as follows:

Item description	Unit of measure	Year One price per unit (excl VAT)	Year Two price per unit (excl VAT)	Year Three price per unit (excl VAT)
Operating and General Management Cost (This is the Monthly cost for Operating the Safe on a daily basis)	Monthly	R 273 640.25	R 292 795.07	R 313 290.72
Development programme towards reintegration/relocation/reunification:	Monthly	R 3 895.00	R 4 362.40	R 4 885.88

#### Destruction of firearms

#### 9. Mr R I Allen asked the Minister of Community Safety:

It was reported that on 7 July 2020 that 30 000 firearms would have been destroyed in Vereeniging, Gauteng, by the SAPS:

(a) How many of these destroyed firearms were confiscated in the Western Cape and (b) over what period have they been confiscated?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY:

The South African Police Services informed me as follows:

- 9. (a) 1 697 firearms.
  - (b) The firearms were confiscated between 24 June 1999 and 27 September 2019.

## INTERPELLATIONS UNDER NAME OF MEMBER

# (as put to relevant Minister)

Bakubaku-Vos, N G – Social Development
Christians, F C – Agriculture 446 Education 971 Transport and Public Works 688, 761
<b>Dugmore, C M –</b> Premier
Herron, B D – Community Safety
Kama, M – Community Safety
Makamba-Botya, N – Cultural Affairs and Sport
Marais, P J – Community Safety
Maseko, L M – Human Settlements
<b>Mvimbi, L L –</b> Finance and Economic Opportunities
Nkondlo, N D – Finance and Economic Opportunities
Philander, W F – Health
Sayed, M K – Education
Smith, D – Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning 828, 2066
<b>Van der Westhuizen, A P –</b> Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

Xego, M –	
Community Safety	732,765
Education	
Finance and Economic Opportunities	. 1724, 1787
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning	2109

#### QUESTIONS

### (Oral and Written: as put to relevant Minister under name of Member)

#### Allen, R I -

Community Safety	276, 584, 585, 645, 70	09, 744, 746, 925, 961, 964, 1063
	1064, 1120, 11	82, 1772, 1828, 1985, 2006, 2151
Cultural Affairs and Sport		
Social Development		

#### America, D -

Finance and Economic Opportunities	
Human Settlements	
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning	789, 1467
	2084, 2086

### Bans, A P –

Cultural Affairs and Sport	484,	489,	495,	1086,	1420,	1564,	1566,	1569
Health							1422,	1755
Local Government Environmental Aff	airs a	nd D	evelo	pment	Plann	ning	319	, 323

### Baartman, DM-

Community Safety	
Finance and Economic Opportunities	
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Developmer	nt Planning 319, 323
	14, 696, 697, 1183, 1184

### Bakubaku-Vos, N G -

Premier	
Social Development 236, 237, 293, 294, 496, 7	23, 742, 1135, 1136, 1291
	3, 1474, 2058, 2059, 2060

### Bosman, G -

Human Settlements	742, 812
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning	. 693, 810
	812, 2015
Social Development 259, 262, 284, 857, 858, 1327, 1328, 1465, 17	
	015, 2016
Transport and Public Works	

### Botha, L J –

Cultural Affairs and Sp	oort	 
		057, 1427, 1428, 1459

Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning 1	707, 1881
Social Development	1859
Transport and Public Works	693

## Brinkhuis, G

Community Safety	1742
Education	, 1903
Finance and Economic Opportunities	. 1743
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning	
Social Development	2002

## Christians, F C -

Community Safety		
Education4		
Finance and Economic Opp	ortunities	
Health		
Transport and Public Works		

## De Jager, I -

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# Dugmore, C M –

Education			
Premier	458, 463, 517, 928	, 1128, 1331, 1333	, 1450, 1695, 1696, 1745
Transport and Pu	blic Works		

## Herron, B N -

Agriculture	
Community Safety	
Education	
Finance and Economic Opportunities	
Health	1072, 1469, 1866, 1867, 1868, 2013
Human Settlements	
Local Government Environmental Affairs and I	Development Planning 269, 586, 817
	1029, 1329, 1713, 2099, 2101, 2146
Premier	113, 1773
Social Development	
Transport and Public Works	92, 726, 839, 922, 1065, 1296, 2144

### Kama, M –

Community Safety	13, 129, 291	, 292, 440,	516, 663	, 1007,	1084,	1089,	1354
				.1463,	1464,	1477,	1480
Education							2091

# Lekker, PZ-

Community Safety	5, 1118, 1421
Education	
Finance and Economic Opportunities	
Health	
Human Settlements	
Premier	645, 1119, 1292, 1744

Social Development	344
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# Lili, A –

Health	
Human Settlements 16, 140, 491, 492, 498, 660	0, 805, 1081, 1090, 1179, 1289

# Mackenzie, R D –

Community Safety	
Education	
Finance and Economic Opportunities	
Human Settlements	
Premier	
Social Development	
Transport and Public Works	

### Makamba-Botya, N –

Agriculture	
Community Safety	
Education	
Health	
Human Settlements	
Social Development	

## Marais, P J –

Cultural Affairs and Sport	
Health	
Human Settlements	
Premier	

# Marran, P –

Agriculture	. 735, 956, 1218, 1417, 1419, 1754, 1808
Community Safety	
Local Government Environmental Affairs	
Premier	

## Maseko, L M –

Health						.1294
Human Settlements	409, 411, 412,	500, 588,	1044, 1	432, 14	35, 1456,	2060,
		2087	, 2097, 2	2135, 2 <sup>-</sup>	136, 2138,	2141
Social Development						

## Mitchell, D G -

Community Safety	
Human Settlements	
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Develo	opment Planning 20, 919
Transport and Public Works 299, 68	

## Mvimbi, L L –

Education	1134, 1935
Finance and Economic Opportunities	•
Transport and Public Works	
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	1100, 1000

### Nkondlo, N D -

Finance and Economic Opportunities	616, 617, 619, 865, 867, 1076, 1137,
	357, 1358, 1480, 1746, 1869, 1870, 1889,
Health	
Premier	
Transport and Public Works	

## Philander, W F -

Community Safety	590, 1460
Education	
Finance and Economic Opportunities	1461, 1832
Health 247, 257, 258, 279, 591, 673, 710, 738, 813, 926, 1010,	1058, 1063
	, 2129, 2131
Human Settlements	4, 967, 1074
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning	1986
Premier	1998
Social Development	1072
Transport and Public Works	966, 1070

## Sayed, A K –

Education16,	17, 237, 238, 239, 669, 722, 723, 787, 815, 1087, 1088	3
	1117, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1308, 1359, 1407, 1408, 1462	2
	. 1464, 1751, 1797, 1876, 1906, 2052, 2055, 2056, 2093	3
Finance and Economic Op	portunities	2
Health		3
Premier		7

### Smith, D –

Human Settlements
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning 492, 806
Premier

## Van der Westhuizen, A P -

Agriculture	408, 581, 848, 1	030, 1042, 1043, 10	44, 1431, 1455, 1715
		17	57, 1762, 1863, 1984
Finance and Econom	ic Opportunities		594
Human Settlements			
Local Government Er	vironmental Affairs	and Development P	lanning 407, 491
715, 809, 961,	1029, 1032, 1047, 1	048, 1050, 1068, 12	03, 1326, 1456, 1794
Transport and Public	Works		25, 1068, 1069, 1203

## Wenger, M M -

Community Safety	,	.125	, 616, 755, 756
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Cultural Affairs and Sport	
Education	
Health	123, 698, 707, 1425, 1427
Human Settlements	
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Develo	opment Planning 407, 491
Social Development	
Transport and Public Works	

### Windvogel, R -

Health	.127,	128,	285,	289,	556,	557,	579,	673,	1086,	1181,	1304, 1413	, 1414
				1415	5, 147	′4, 1 <sub>4</sub>	475, <sup>-</sup>	1696,	1747,	1810,	1905, 2051	, 2107

# Xego, M –

Community Safety	
Education	
Finance and Economic Opportunities	. 1850, 1894
Health1448	, 1728, 2107
Human Settlements	750, 1811
Local Government Environmental Affairs and Development Planning	2115

### QUESTIONS TO THE PREMIER WITHOUT NOTICE

America, D	504, 1900
Baartman, D M	678
Bans, A P	
Bosman, G	
Botha, L J	
Christians, F C	
Herron, B N	
Maseko L M	
Mitchell, D G	
Mvimbi, L L	
Nkondlo, N D	
Sayed, M K	
Van der Westhuizen, A P	
Wenger, M M	802