

Urban Planning & Design Department

2025 Planning Indaba & Exhibition

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REIMAGINE THE FUTURE CAPE TOWN TOGETHER.



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URBAN PLANNING AND DESIGN DEPARTMENT – PLANNING INDABA SERVES as a platform for collaborative scenario planning, with a focus on key assumptions shaping the built environment. It aims to foster meaningful engagement between City departments and stakeholders invested in the future of Cape Town. Join us as we work together to shape a more sustainable, innovative, and inclusive urban future



Date: 11-12 March 2025



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DAY 1 PROGRAMME PLANNING TOGETHER FOR THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT OF CAPE TOWN		
Day 1 programme aims to: - Spatially interpret the City Vision - Explore forward-looking trends and data that inform the land use model (LUM) and the City's spatial plans - Engage in a scenario planning exercise designed to foster collaborative thinking.		
08:30 – 09:00	REGISTRATION	
Tea and coffee served upon arrival		
SESSION 1	Opening	Lead
09:00 – 09:10	Opening and housekeeping rules Location of facilities, WI-FI details, session etiquettes, social media guidelines	Nishendra Moodley
09:10 – 09:20	Welcome address and purpose of the planning Indaba Rob McGaffin Executive Director: Planning and Environment Directorate	Rob McGaffin
09:20 – 09:30	Setting the tone- a brief introduction to Indaba themes Erika Naude Director: Urban Planning and Design Department	Erika Naude
SESSION 2A	Panel Conversation: Interpreting the City of Hope Vision A thought-provoking discussion with industry experts on the interpretation and implementation of the City of Hope Vision. Panellists will explore the core principles, goals, and aspirations behind the vision, providing insights into how it aligns with development in their relative fields.	
09:30 – 10:20	PANELISTS - Hugh Cole: Policy and Strategy. City of Cape Town - Deon van Zyl: Western Cape Property Development Forum (WCPDF) - Zama Mgwatyu: Development Action Group (DAG) - Prof. François Viruly University of Cape Town (UCT) - Prof Nancy Odendaal University of Cape Town (UCT)	Nishendra Moodley & Anna du Plessis
	Participation from the floor Via Menti Meter	All
10:20 – 10:30	Comfort break	
SESSION 2B	Presentation of Forward looking trends/ growth estimate reports Insights will be provided on projected growth patterns, demographic shifts, and other critical trends that inform future planning and decision-making.	
10:30 – 10:45	Presentation 1: Residential growth estimates	Kayleen Simpson
	10:45 – 11:00 Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions or provide input.	
11:00 – 11:15	Presentation 2: Non-residential growth estimates	Paul Court
	11:15 – 11:30 Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions or provide input.	
11:30 – 12:00	Presentation 3: Community facilities growth estimates	Bradley Burger
	• 11:30 – 11:40 Community services • 11:40 – 11:50 Education • 11:50 – 12:00 Health 12:00 – 12:20 Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions or provide input.	Wesley Vorsatz Graham Nevin
12:20 – 12:30	Wrap up morning session and outline afternoon session	Anna du Plessis
12:30 – 13:15	Lunch Break	
SESSION 3	Introduction to the scenario planning workshop This workshop explores the interplay between two key uncertainties — economic growth and informality — to facilitate collaborative thinking on the City's long-term priorities	Anna du Plessis
13:15 – 13:35	Gather in Plenary for workshop briefing.	Annelise De Bruin Nigel Titus
13:35 – 13:40	5 minutes allocated for groups to walk to the respective workshop venues	
13:40 – 14:40	Group 1: City of Hope scenario parallel workshop (Pink) VENUE: THE PAVILLION (30 mins discussion/ 30 minutes consolidation for plenary feedback)	Nick Graham Annelise De Bruin
	Group 2: Downward spiral parallel workshop (Grey) VENUE: GRILL ROOM (30 mins discussion/ 30 minutes consolidation for plenary feedback)	Prof Tanja Winkler Nigel Titus
14:45 – 15:00	Tea/ coffee break	
15:00 – 15:20	Feedback in plenary Group 1: Downward spiral	Prof Tanja Winkler
15:20 – 15:40	Feedback in plenary Group 2: City of hope	Nick Graham
15:40 – 16:00	Facilitated plenary discussion to share key takeaways, insights and reflections of the day. Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions or provide input.	Nishendra Moodley & Anna du Plessis
16:00 – 16:30	Summary of key discussions and insights from the day	Nishendra Moodley Anna du Plessis Erika Naude
16:30	End of Day 1	

DAY 2 PROGRAMME
PLANNING TOGETHER FOR THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT OF CAPE TOWN

Day 2 programme outline

- City departments will demonstrate their role in implementing the City's spatial vision
- Provide an outline of their respective departmental strategy shifts and
- Gather assumptions for each thematic area to be incorporated into the update of the LUM.

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- Summary of key discussions, insights, and outcomes from Day 1.
- Overview of how these discussions will inform the sessions for Day 2

Nishendra Moodley
Anna du Plessis

09:15 – 09:30

Why the thematic sessions and cross-departmental collaboration approach.

Erika Naude

SESSION 5
THEMATIC SESSION PART A

Led by Department heads and facilitated by Nishendra Moodley and Anna du Plessis

09:30 – 09:50
Participatory planning

Cape Peninsula University of Technology.

Dr Belinda Verster

09:50 -10:10
Inputs from plenary

Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions, or provide input on the presented topic.

All

10:10 – 10:30
Urban Mobility

Director: Transport Planning and Network Management City of Cape Town

Neil Slingers

10:30 – 10:50
Inputs from plenary

Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions, or provide input on the presented topic.

All

10:50 – 11:00
Comfort break
11:00 – 11:20
Human settlements

Director: Human Settlements. City of Cape Town

Lawrence Valeta

11:20 – 11:40
Inputs from plenary

Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions, or provide input on the presented topic.

All

11:40 – 12:00
Economy

Director: Economic Development and Investment. City of Cape Town

Lance Greyling

12:00 – 12:30
Inputs from plenary

Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions, or provide input on the presented topic.

All

12:30 – 13:15
Lunch Break
SESSION 6
PLENARY DISCUSSIONS: THEMATIC SESSION PART B

Led by Department heads and facilitated by Nishendra Moodley and Anna du Plessis

13:15 – 13:35
Infrastructure

Head: Infrastructure Planning City of Cape Town

Dr Katherine Hyman

13:35 – 14:00
Inputs from plenary

Attendees are invited to share insights, ask questions, or provide input on the presented topic.

All

14:00 – 14:20
Environment

Director Environmental Resource Management

Lorraine Gerrans

14:20 – 14:45
Inputs from plenary

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All

14:45 – 15:15

Summary of the outcomes for the 2 days

Nishendra Moodley
Anna du Plessis

15:15 – 16:00

SESSION 6: Summary of the outcomes for the 2 days & Way forward

Erika Naude

16:00
Close Day 2