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ITEM NUMBER: C 51/08/24

ANNEXURE A

QUESTION TO THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR IN TERMS OF RULE 22 OF THE RULES OF ORDER: [WRITTEN RESPONSE]

COUNCIL MEETING: 22 AUGUST 2024

No electricity after 7 months at the Valhalla Park Housing Project in Ward 31

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Beneficiaries they had to sign an acknowledgement letter stating they accept moving into the houses with no electricity with a commitment to have electricity installed at a later stage. Today 7 months later they are still without electricity, and also don't have street lights or a high mast light which are located in a red zone area, crime has increased and at night the place is in total darkness.

Mr Mayor Can you please take Council into confidence:

- I. What happened to the City of Cape Town been serious to provide dignity to beneficiaries and to improve the living conditions of especially those who was living in informal settlements or who were backyarders.
- II. Did the City's human settlements portfolio committee conducted an oversight visit to the Valhalla Park after completion of this Breaking New Grounds housing project and if so what was their findings.
- III. Who signed off this houses in this housing project without being electrified?
- IV. Was there community engagements after the completion of the project and if so what happened to the complaints of the beneficiaries
- V. Who will take responsibility, an email was sent to your department on 7th May 2024 regarding the mentioned matter, but instead of assisting, the blame game started but the beneficiaries are suffering without any one taking responsibility for the electricity crisis that can't be resolved.

Cllr S Thompson (ANC)
31 July 2024

NB: Response to question will be submitted at the next Council meeting

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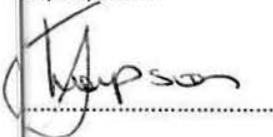
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