

MINUTES

OF THE MEETING OF THE SAFETY AND SECURITY PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 04 MAY 2022 AT 09:30 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
6TH FLOOR, PODIUM BLOCK, CIVIC CENTRE, CAPE TOWN

PRESENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS

DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE (DA)

Cllr M L Ngavashe (Chairperson)
Cllr R Bresler
Cllr R W Cannon
Cllr P W De Vos
Cllr T M Geoghegan
Cllr W Harris
Cllr D Z Masiu
Cllr Y Mohamed
Cllr A Plaatjies
Cllr FA Sauls
Cllr M Sibunzi
Cllr J Woodman

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

Cllr M Gadeni (left at 12:30)

GOOD

Cllr S Little (apology for late arrival due to attending a meeting at the Speaker's Office)

AFRICAN CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Cllr M Christians

AL JAMA-AH

None

CAPE COLOURED CONGRESS

None

UNITED INDEPENDENT MOVEMENT

None

UNITED DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT

Cllr B Maqungwana

ECONOMIC FREEDOM FIGHTERS

Cllr N V Tyandela

FREEDOM FRONT PLUS

Cllr L Max

MAYCO MEMBER

Ald J P Smith

PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Cllr A C De Beer (with apology approved by the Chief Whip)

Cllr J Martlow (with apology)

Cllr K W Gxasheka (with apology)

Cllr M F Achmat (with apology)

Cllr N Satarien (with apology)

Cllr L Martin (with apology)

OFFICIALS PRESENT

V Botto - Acting ED: Safety and Security Services

W Le Roux - Chief: Metro Police Services

I Schnetler - Chief: Fire Services

A Wehr – Head OPS: Fire & Rescue

J Pillay – Deputy Chief Licensing and Logistics

P Robberts – Director: Operational Coordination

B Lackay - Director: Training and Development

B Schuller - Director: CCTV

R Wiltshire – Chief: Law Enforcement Services

S Groep - Head: Finance

N Parker - Head: Finance (Traffic Services)

A Visser - Manager: Support Services

A Mortimer - Manager: EPIC

J Minnie - Manager: Disaster Management Centre

M Peter - Manager: Finance

S Visser - Manager: Public Emergency Comms Centre

G Felix – Manager: Joint Ventures

A Daniels - Human Resources Business Partner

T Smith - Operational Coordination

J Lee - Special Operations, Metropolitan Police Services

M Seti – Legal Advisor

L von Molendorff – Executive Committee Officer

S Mabona – EPWP student

J Arnoldus – Information Officer: Events Department

PRESS / PUBLIC

None

SS 01/05/22 OPENING AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Chairperson, Cllr M L Nqavashe welcomed the members and officials present at the meeting, whereupon a moment of silence was observed.

The portfolio committee congratulated Mr. V Botto on his appointment of ED: Safety and Security Services.

SS 02/05/22 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The portfolio committee noted the following apologies received from councillors and officials:

- Cllr A C De Beer (with apology approved by the Chief Whip)
- Cllr J Martlow (with apology)
- Cllr K W Gxasheka (with apology)
- Cllr M F Achmat (with apology)
- Cllr N Satarien (with apology)
- Cllr S Little (apology for late arrival due to attending an urgent meeting at the Speaker's Office)
- Cllr Gadeni (apology for leaving at 12:30)

- M Rhode
- N Ngele
- P Ndinisa

RESOLVED that the above apologies received from Councillors and officials for this meeting, be noted.

SS 03/05/22 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT OR ADDRESS

The Chairperson, Cllr M Nqavashe addressed the Portfolio Committee as per his Chairperson's report, attached to these minutes as **Annexure A**.

SS 04/05/22 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 06 APRIL 2022

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Safety and Security Portfolio

Committee meeting held on 06 April 2022, be confirmed.

ACTION: N MEISSENHEIMER

SS 05/05/22 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON 30 MARCH 2022

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 30 March 2022, be confirmed subject to the following corrections:

That Cllr Y Mohamed be recorded as being present.

That Cllr Tyandela be recorded as being absent with apology.

Cllr De Vos to be indicated as a member of the DA.

That Ms M Peter and Mr P Ndinisa to be recorded as being present during the meeting.

ACTION: N MEISSENHEIMER

SS 06/05/22 MATTERS RECEIVING ATTENTION

1. STATUS REPORT ON PROGRESS WITH CERTIFICATION OF DRONE SYSTEM

For the minute refer to item **SS 08/05/22**.

ACTION: B SCHULLER, V BOTTO

2. ESTABLISHMENT OF SAFETY AND SECURITY TASK TEAMS

RESOLVED that the Chairperson: Safety and Security Portfolio Committee provide a list a Safety and Security task teams to be established.

ACTION: CLLR M NQAVASHE, V BOTTO

3. PRESENTATION: EPIC OPERATION

For the minute refer to item SS 07/05/22.

ACTION: A MORTIMER

4. REPORT ON THE FUNCTIONING OF MUNICIPAL COURTS FOR THE PERIOD 1 OCTOBER 2021 TO 31 DECEMBER 2021

Cllr Bresler was of the view that it should be established

whether more courts are needed (appointment of more magistrates) or alternatively if stuck-off cases are largely due to officer errors, in which instance current training could be outdated.

RESOLVED that

- a) an updated report be submitted on all statistics, reasons for discrepancies and officer's errors relating to offences dealt with by Municipal Courts at the next Portfolio Committee scheduled for 1 June 2022.
- b) the relevant officials arrange a meeting with the Department of Justice on all discrepancies, as well as to engage with the Portfolio Committee to explore and strengthen the intergovernmental relationship.

ACTION: L BUNGANE ; Y WILLIAMS

6. SAFETY AND SECURITY PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE: POLICY AND BY-LAW DEVELOPMENT – 2022

The portfolio committee noted the status of pending Safety and Security policies and by-laws and requested a report from the Metropolitan Police Training Academy on the status of training in respect of new Safety and Security By-laws and Policies.

RESOLVED that the Safety and Security Portfolio committee receive a status report on the training in respect of new Safety and Security By-laws and Policies.

ACTION: B LACKAY; W LE ROUX

SS 07/05/22 PRESENTATION: EPIC OPERATIONS

Mr. A Mortimer presented the status report to the portfolio committee and responded to questions for clarification. Copies of the presentation were emailed to the portfolio committee members subsequent to the meeting.

It was requested that criteria (x4) be set for future reports and that the committee members be provided with the report in advance of the meeting to scrutinize the information in preparation of discussion during the meeting. It was further noted that the format of the report will be refined during the next couple of months depending on the portfolio committee's needs.

Cllr Little asked if councillors can have access to the EPIC system in order to read and analyse the information per area.

Cllr Bresler asked at what stage EPIC technology would be available to officers who submit Metro Police-, Law Enforcement - and Traffic Services statistical reports at Subcouncil level.

It was further requested that it be arranged with IS&T that EPIC be installed on the laptops of the portfolio committee members and that it be followed up with a training session.

Mr. Mortimer presented the EPIC report for the month of April 2022 and responded to questions for clarification.

RESOLVED that

- a) the contents of the presentation be noted, with comments, requests from the portfolio committee;
- b) criteria (x4) be set for future reports and that the committee members be provided with the presentation/report in advance of the meeting;
- c) EPIC be installed on the laptops of the portfolio committee members and that it be followed by a training session.

ACTION: A MORTIMER

SS 08/05/22

REPORT ON PROGRESS WITH CERTIFICATION OF THE DRONE SYSTEM

Mr. B Schuller gave an overview on the report and responded to questions for clarification.

It was suggested that the number of pilots receiving training be increased for sustainability and operational purposes.

The portfolio committee requested that going forward, to receive progress reports on the certification of the drone system on a quarterly basis.

RESOLVED

- a) That the content of the report on the progress with certification of the drone system **BE NOTED**.
- b) That the Safety and Security Portfolio Committee receive reports on the progress with certification of the drone system on a

quarterly basis. (*Next report due on 3 August 2022*)

ACTION: B SCHULLER

SS 09/05/22 VACANCY STATUS AS AT 6 APRIL 2022: DIRECTORATE SAFETY AND SECURITY

Ms. A Daniels gave introductory remarks to the report and responded to questions for clarification.

It was clarified that unfrozen posts are already in the system and cannot re-entered from the start.

RESOLVED that the contents of the Vacancy Status as at 6 April 2022: Directorate Safety and Security **BE NOTED**.

ACTION: A DANIELS

SS 10/05/22 PROGRESS REPORT ON THE 2021/22 CAPITAL AND OPERATING EXPENDITURE FOR SAFETY & SECURITY AS AT 13 APRIL 2022 FOR OPERATING EXPENDITURE AND 13 APRIL 2022 FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Ms. M Peter gave an updated verbal report and responded to questions for clarification in that regard.

RESOLVED that the contents of the Progress Report on the 2021/22 Capital and Operating Expenditure for Safety and Security as at 13 April 2022 for Operating Expenditure and 13 April 2022 for Capital Expenditure be noted.

ACTION: M PETER

SS 11/05/22 QUARTERLY REPORT: FIRE SERVICES - JANUARY TO MARCH 2022

Chief Fire Officer I Schnetler spoke to the highlights in the quarterly report and pointed out that information on the education section has been duplicated and information on Subcouncil 13 has been omitted from the report. He undertook to provide the outstanding information on Subcouncil 13 via email.

Cllr De Vos thanked the Fire Services Department for assisting with the KZN fires.

Further discussion ensued, whereupon concerns were raised in respect of the positioning of shacks/houses too close to one another which prevent fire trucks from accessing and moving in between houses to get closer to the fires.

Educational- and Community awareness programmes were mentioned as well as the importance of reemphasizing the re-blocking system through the Human Settlements Department. Further discussion ensued whereupon it was proposed that a joint site visit to high density areas which poses a fire risk be held with the Human Settlements Portfolio Committee.

The Chief: Fire Services, Mr I Schnetler emphasized the importance of having fires prevented in the first place through targeted educational programmes, secondary hereto is adequate access to burning shacks.

RESOLVED

- a) That the quarterly report of Fire Services for the period January to March 2022 be noted, with comments.
- b) That the Chief: Fire Services submits a report on incidents of vandalism and sabotage of equipment and infrastructure experienced by the Fire Services department across the metro for the current financial year, also indicating the number of fire officers injured by the public.
- c) That re-blocking in high density areas be re-emphasized and that a joint site-visit with the Human Settlements Portfolio Committee be arranged to view high density areas (*i.e. Masiphumelele in Noordhoek*) which poses challenges to reach burning shacks.

ACTION: I SCHNETLER; CLLR N NQAVASHE; M PLUKE

SS 12/05/22 QUARTERLY REPORT PUBLIC EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION CENTRE: JANUARY TO MARCH 2022

Ms. S Visser gave an overview on the report and responded to questions for clarification. During ensuing discussion, she undertook to provide the members of the portfolio committee with the link to the PECC Campaign ads– via WETransfer.

RESOLVED that the Quarterly report for Public Emergency Communication Centre for the period 1 January to 31 March 2022 **BE NOTED**.

ACTION: S VISSER

SS 13/05/22 QUARTERLY REPORT: DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT: 1 JANUARY - 31 MARCH 2022

Mr. J Minnie introduced the report and pointed out highlight and challenges for the quarter January 2022 to March 2022.

Discussions related to operational planning around possible Stage 8 load shedding as well as other possible disasters to ensure business continuity.

RESOLVED that the Quarterly Report: Disaster Risk Management: 1 January 2022 – 31 March 2022 **BE NOTED**.

ACTION: J MINNIE

SS 14/05/22 QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2022 - 31 MARCH 2022 ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE SPECIALISED AND LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN

Chief Wiltshire introduced the report on the agenda and pointed out highlights and challenges for the quarter 1 January 2022 – 31 March 2022.

RESOLVED that the quarterly report for the period 1 January 2022 – 31 March 2022 on the functioning of the Specialised and Law Enforcement Services for the City of Cape Town **BE NOTED**.

ACTION: R WILTSHIRE

SS 15/05/22 QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2022 - 31 MARCH 2022 ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE TRAFFIC SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN

Deputy Chief Pillay introduced the report for the quarter January 2022 – March 2022 and pointed out highlights and challenges in that regard.

The portfolio committee noted that the requested information on duration of repairs to motor vehicles is addressed in the report. It was however agreed that the report as submitted to CIVOC on the age analyses of maintenance and repairs to motor vehicles also be submitted to the Safety and Security Portfolio Committee.

In response to discussions and concerns raised around motor vehicle and taxi behaviour and possible victimisation of taxi's, the members of the portfolio committee members were invited to attend a CCTV monitoring- and response session of traffic behaviour on the N2 and other highways.

RESOLVED

- a) That the contents of the quarterly report for the period 1 January 2022 – 31 March 2022 on the functioning of the Traffic Services for the City of Cape Town **BE NOTED**.
- b) That the members of the portfolio committee be invited to attend a CCTV monitoring- and response session on traffic behaviour on the N2 and other highways.
- c) That Traffic Services consolidate a report on repairs and maintenance of vehicles and the duration thereof for submission the Safety and Security Portfolio Committee. *(Similar to the report as submitted to CIVOC.)*

ACTION: J PILLAY; P ROBERTS

SS 16/05/22 STATUS REPORT: TRAFFIC SERVICES (MARCH 2022)

In addition to noting the contents of the report, concern was raised in respect of overloading of vehicles that transfer children to and from schools. It was noted from discussions that it is enforced by scholar patrols as well as general enforcement as well as jointly with the Provincial Traffic authorities, as well as that educational and awareness campaigns are conducted in this regard. It was proposed that the Safety and Security Portfolio Committee members undertake

a site visit to schools to investigate the overloading of vehicles transporting children to and from schools.

Cllr Maqungwana requested that the categories of transgressions be listed in the next report to the portfolio committee.

RESOLVED

- a) That the contents of the Status Report from Traffic Services for the month of March 2022 **BE NOTED**.
- b) That the categories of transgressions be listed in the next report to the portfolio committee.
- c) That the Safety and Security Portfolio committee members be invited to attend a site visit to schools to investigate the overloading of vehicles transporting children to and from schools.

ACTION: K HECKRATH; J PILLAY; P ROBERTS

SS 17/05/22

QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2022 - 31 MARCH 2022 ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE SERVICES OF THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN

Chief Le Roux gave introductory remarks to the report and responded to questions for clarification.

Discussion ensued around the response times in terms of reporting of drug houses through C3 notifications. It was noted that joint operations with SAPS as well as with other stakeholders are being conducted in this regard.

Further discussions ensued around possible recall of vehicles during times of unrest as well that domestic violence should not be taken lightly as it involves extreme emotions and perpetrators see law enforcement as a barrier which creates dangerous situations for law enforcement officers.

RESOLVED that the contents of the quarterly report for the period 1 January 2022 – 31 March 2022 on the functioning of the Metropolitan Police Services for the City of Cape Town **BE NOTED**.

ACTION: A MARAIS; W LE ROUX

SS 18/05/22 MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN POLICE'S SAFETY AND SECURITY TRAINING ACADEMY FOR MARCH 2022

RESOLVED that the contents of the monthly report of the Cape Town Metropolitan Police's Safety and Security Training Academy for March 2022 **BE NOTED**.

ACTION: B LACKAY

SS 19/05/22 QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN POLICE'S SAFETY AND SECURITY TRAINING ACADEMY FOR THE QUARTER JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2022

Mr B Lackey gave a summary for the quarter January – March 2022 and pointed out highlights and challenges experienced for the quarter.

The portfolio committee commended the department for its achievements. The importance of refresher training to equip officers to deal with daily situations of danger was highlighted by the portfolio committee.

The portfolio committee proposed that a site visit to the Training College be arranged in order for the new portfolio committee members to familiarise themselves with the college. The chairperson requested, that in addition to the college, the Marine Unit could be included in the visit.

RESOLVED

a) that the contents of the quarterly report of the Cape Town Metropolitan Police's Safety and Security Training Academy for the quarter January, February and March 2022, **BE NOTED**.

b) that a Safety and Security Portfolio Committee site visit be arranged to the Training College and Marine Unit.

ACTION: B LACKAY

SS 20/05/22 REPORT ON THE CCTV CAMERA ROLLOUT PLAN 2021-2026

Mr. B Schuller gave introductory remarks to the CCTV Camera Rollout Plan for 2021 – 2026 and responded to questions for clarification. The portfolio committee noted that it is a 5-year roll-out plan with a two year review period.

The following aspects were pointed out during discussions:

- Nyanga and Samora Machel are two different SAPS stations and planning should be done accordingly. It was noted that there is no capital contribution from SAPS towards installation of CCTV cameras in hotspot areas.
- In regard to response times, it was noted that the vehicle closest to the incident is notified to respond.
- In regard to damage to CCTV cameras, it was noted that there are one year maintenance plans in place as well as maintenance funding. The increasing amounts of maintenance funding due to vandalism is concerning. Installation of cameras at city facilities, wireless solutions as well as research into solar panels are currently being explored to curb vandalism.
- Ward funding would assist in achieving CCTV installation targets.

RECOMMENDED that the Safety and Security Portfolio Committee support the CCTV Rollout Plan 2021-2026 for onward submission to the Executive Mayor and the Mayoral Committee (MAYCO) for approval and implementation.

ACTION: B SCHULLER

VOLUME 2

SS 21/05/22

THIRD QUARTER'S PROGRESS REPORT ON CORPORATE PERFORMANCE

The Safety and Security Portfolio Committee pointed out that information on the target for the number of areas in which additional CCTV cameras have been installed as well as information on the target for the community satisfaction survey have been omitted from the report and requested that it be reflected in the next report to the portfolio committee.

RECOMMENDED that the report on the impact and performance of the 2021/2022 third quarter's progress be submitted to the Executive Mayor together with the Mayoral Committee for submission to Council.

ACTION: M ABASS; M RHODE

THE MEETING ENDED AT 14:45.

**CLLR M L NQAVASHE
CHAIRPERSON**

DATE