

REPORT TO SUBCOUNCIL

1. **ITEM NUMBER:** **06SUB21/05/23**

2. **SUBJECT**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION GARDEN'S (EEG) KHOEKHOEN EDUCATION AND EXHIBITION MATERIALS BETWEEN MARCH AND JULY 2023.

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OPENBAREDEELNAMEPROSES TUSSEN MAART EN JULIE 2023 VIR DIE BELEEFLEERTUIN (EEG) SE KHOEKHOEN-OPVOEDINGS- EN UITSTALMATERIAAL.

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INKQUBO ENGENTATHONXAXHEBA YOLUNTU ENGEMFUNDISO ENGEMFUNDISO EGADINI NGAMAVA (EEG) EJOLISWE KUMAKHOISAN NEEMATHIRIYELI EZINGOMBONISO PHAKATHI KWEYOKWINDLA NEYEKHALA 2023.

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3. **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the public participation process is to solicit inputs and comments on the Khoekhoen education materials that will be used as background for educational lesson plans, activities and exhibition displays inside the domed educational space. The structure and its contents will form part of the Experiential Education Garden (EEG) development in Green Point Park (GPP).

Attached as Annexure A: Public Participation Plan.

4. **FOR NOTING BY**

This report is for noting by the Subcouncil as per delegation 1(5) of part 24 of the System of Delegations: "To request reports from the line functionaries on activities planned to be executed within the Subcouncil area."

5. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The public participation process will ensure a facilitated approach, which seeks to inform, consult, involve, collaborate, educate and raise awareness on an ongoing basis with key stakeholders on issues they are interested in or affected by. The aim is to solicit inputs and comments from key stakeholders, such as first nations groups (e.g. the Khoekhoen descendants), to ensure that the information that the City will be conveying to the general public about the heritage and culture of the Khoekhoen is respectful, accurate and mindful of the fact that this history does not belong to the City, but to the Khoekhoen.

The Khoekhoen education programme and exhibition displays will form part of the current construction of a domed educational space with exhibitions inside and complemented by landscaping in the EEG of GPP.

The first phase of the project was launched in December 2020 and during the second phase of the project, scheduled for February to November 2023, more elements will be added - including the dome structured classroom. The dome's design will reference the dwellings of the Khoekhoen and pays tribute to their heritage as a first nations group. The aforementioned exhibition displays and educational programmes will serve to further relay the history of the Khoekhoen. These components will also link to the current Khoekhoen structures and information in the Biodiversity Showcase Garden in GPP.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

- The Sub Council note the information contained in this report.
- The Sub Council also note the process and timeframes as shown in the Public Participation Plan as Annexure A.
- The Sub Council and Councillors share the information on their social media platforms.

AANBEVELINGS

Daar word aanbeveel dat:

- Die subraad kennis neem van die inligting vervat in hierdie verslag.
- Die subraad ook kennis neem van die proses en tydraamwerke soos aangetoon in die openbaredeelnamenplan aangeheg as bylae A.
- Die subraad en raadslede die inligting op hul sosialemediaplatforms deel.

IZINDULULO

Kundululwe ukuba:

- IBhungana maliqwalasele ingcaciso equlathwe kule ngxelo.
- IBhungana kwakhona maliqwalasele inkqubo namaxesha amiselweyo, abonakaliswe kwiSicwangciso seNtathoxaxheba yoLuntu esikwisihlomeloA.
- IBhungana nooCeba mababelane ngengcaciso kumaqonga abo ale mihla angezothungelwano ngezintlalo.

7. DISCUSSION/CONTENTS

Green Point Park (GPP) is a well-used District Park situated in Green Point and forms part of the Cape Town stadium precinct. Aside from the garden and water systems, open lawn areas and shaded spaces, the Experiential Education Garden (EEG) adds another feature of interest to the park in one of the areas situated on the outskirts of the park. This areas was previously underutilised as a natural grass meadow space.

During the first phase of the project, that was opened on 20 December 2020, the following elements were constructed: a textured boardwalk; an interactive water feature with shade structure and a mosaic sandbag seating wall; a weather station; educational mosaics and animal print stepping stones; a mosaic hopscotch game pad; woven bird nests; spider's web climbing structure; a climbing tree; a sand pit with discovery elements; a crawling tunnel; and sculpted wooden seating that resembles animals.

Between the months of February to November 2023, additional elements will be added. Amongst others, an interactive permaculture/foraging garden; medicinal, edible and scented plants; a drinking fountain; supplementary shade and seating structures; solar panel animals; and, ultimately, a domed educational space that is referential of a Khoekhoen dwelling.

The EEG will link to the Biodiversity Showcase Garden (BSG), as well as the Smart Living Education (SLE) Centre adjacent to the park, of GPP. The environmental and heritage education and training programmes that are hosted in the BSG and SLE Centre will also be linked to the EEG.

See attached Annexure B: A presentation of the EEG Development as background.

7.1. Constitutional and Policy Implications

None

7.2. Sustainability implications

Does the activity in this report have any sustainability implications for the City?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
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7.3. Legal Implications

None

7.4. Staff Implications

No ☒

Yes ☐

7.5. POPIA Compliance

☒ It is confirmed that this report has been checked and considered for POPIA Compliance.

7.6 Other Services Consulted

Public Participation Unit

ANNEXURES

- Annexure A: Public Participation Plan
- Annexure B: EEG Presentation

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Recommended

DATE 14 March 2023

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DEPARTMENT**

Comment:

NAME: **LORRAINE GERRANS**

DATE

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NAME: **ROBERT MCGAFFIN**

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