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MINISTER WP DOMAN

THE PREMIER

THE NATIONAL URBAN RENEWAL PROGRAMME (URP)

I support the attached draft resolution.

ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL

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1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform Cabinet of the current status of the national Urban Renewal Programme (URP).
- 1.2 To confirm the position of the Chief Directorate Local Government as provincial technical champion for URP.
- 1.3 To designate the Premier as provincial political champion for URP.

2. MOTIVATION

- 2.1 URP entails the co-ordination of investment in economic and social infrastructure, human resource development, enterprise development, the enhancement of the development capacity of local government, poverty alleviation and the strengthening of the criminal justice system. Identified anchor projects contribute towards urban and economical renewal, social renewal and law enforcement.
- 2.2 The aim of the programme is to co-ordinate many complementary and competing initiatives in a node and to co-ordinate action in a node with reference to a whole range of spheres and sectors. Co-ordination is done in a holistic approach through the steering structures of the three spheres. The programme is focusing on giving people access to houses, clean water and sanitation, electricity, health and recreation facilities, roads, affordable and efficient public transport and other social infrastructure. URP has a number of pillars for example empowerment, integration, partnerships, identification of anchor projects and focusing on developmental local government.
- 2.3 In October 2001 the national Cabinet approved the Urban Renewal Strategy. Urban Renewal was driven by various local initiatives in a diverse and uncoordinated fashion. On national level eight urban renewal pilot areas were identified. In the Western Cape **Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain** were identified as nodal points. With the implementation of projects during December 2001/January 2002 the Urban Renewal Strategy became a programme. The national Department of Provincial and Local Government (DPLG) is for this programme. At the moment DPLG is busy drafting a policy document that will be guided by the national Integrated Sustainable Rural Development Programme.
- 2.4 DPLG established and chairs an Urban Renewal Forum (URF) as from January 2002. This Forum meets monthly in Pretoria and constitutes representatives from some national departments, some provinces and nodal municipalities involved with the Programme. Another document that will be finalised before the end of July 2002 is the Terms of Reference of the Urban Renewal Forum (hereto attached as Annexure A).

- 2.5 The City of Cape Town identified 36 anchor projects in the two nodes. Meetings are also held between the Chief Directorate Local Government, the City of Cape Town and other Provincial Departments with regard to the co-ordination and integration of funding. These meetings form part of the Provincial Integrated Developmental Plan Assessment Process. At this stage an Integrated Business Plan for both Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain has not yet been undertaken. What has been embarked upon is a Strategic Plan for Urban Renewal that sets the platform for detailed functional area based business planning and provides for overall strategic direction.
- 2.6 For the interim phase DPLG mandated the Provincial Minister of Local Government and the Chief Directorate Local Government to act respectively as the political and technical champions on provincial level. On nodal level the mayor (Mr Gerald Morkel) and the municipal manager (Mr Robert Maydon) of the City of Cape Town were respectively designated as political and technical champions.
- 2.7 The intergovernmental role with regard to the URP within the Western Cape can be described as follows. The Chief Directorate Local Government chair monthly meetings between the relevant role players involved (NGOs, provincial and local government sphere) in URP. Furthermore, the Chief Directorate Local Government chair the Provincial IDP Assessment Committee, which acts as the Provincial IDTT (Interdepartmental Task Team) regarding this national programme. This means that an intergovernmental forum has been established that inter alia manages the programme on a holistic basis and within an integrated fashion.
- 2.8 The City of Cape Town has appointed an Urban Renewal Programme Co-ordinator, who has drafted an interim institutional delivery framework to seek alignment between the three projects currently running in the nodes, namely the national Urban Renewal Programme, the German Programme (German Development Bank – Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau) and the Cape Flats Renewal Project (Provincial Programme). The German programme and Provincial Programme have different focus areas as well as specific aims within the URP nodes. The German Programme is focusing on the heavy end of renewal infrastructural projects, such as the provision of water, electricity, etc. Whilst the Provincial

Programme is focusing on the soft end of renewal infrastructural projects, such as graffiti removal, etc.

- 2.9 DPLG identified 108 urban renewal anchor projects in terms of the Interim Integrated Development Plans. Some of the projects meet urban renewal criteria and those that do not are referred to as flagship/priority projects. During 2001/2002, 36 projects were identified in the City of Cape Town (14 projects in Mitchells Plain and 22 projects in Khayelitsha – Annexure A).

3. Personnel implications

The management and facilitation of URP has no personnel implications for the Province.

4. Financial implications

The management and facilitation of URP has no financial implications for the Province.

5. Priority classification

B-essential

6. Other departments/institutions consulted

The National Department of Provincial and Local Government

The nine Provincial Departments

The City of Cape Town

7. Communication action

No action is required.

8. Recommendation

I recommend the adoption of the attached draft resolutions.

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

DATE

Comments:

The contents of the memorandum has been noted.

MINISTER WP DOMAN

DATE

CABINET MEETING.....

MINUTE NO.

/2002

THE NATIONAL URBAN RENEWAL PROGRAMME (URP)

(19/24/11/B

Planning, Local Government and Housing)

1. RESOLVED that:
 - 1.1 note is taken of the current status of URP.
 - 1.2 the Chief Directorate Local Government act as provincial technical champion for URP.
 - 1.3 Premier is designated as provincial political champion for URP.

SECRETARY: CABINET

VERGADERING VAN DIE KABINET.....

MINUTE NO. /2002

DIE NASIONALE STEDELIKE VERNUWINGSPROGRAM (URP)

(19/24/11/B

Beplanning, Plaaslike Regering en Behuising)

1. BESLUIT dat:
 - 1.1 kennis geneem word van die huidige status van URP.
 - 1.2 die Hoofdirekoraat Plaaslike Regering optree as provinsiale tegniese kampioen vir URP.
 - 1.3 die Premier aangewys word as provinsiale politieke kampioen vir URP.

SEKRETARIS: KABINET

ROUTE FORM FOR MEMORANDUM TO CABINET

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