

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS CITY OF CAPETOWN URBAN RENEWAL
POLITICAL CHAMPION'S MEETING 14 APRIL 2003
COMMITTEE ROOM 1 IN THE CITY OF CAPETOWN**

1. PRESENT

Mayor: NMfeketo (Chairperson)	COCT
Deputy Minister: NBotha	DPLG
Minister PMeyer	MEC for Health
Minister L Ramatlakane	MEC for Safety and Security
Minister CDowry	MEC for Local Government
Councilor DLandingwe	Executive Councilor: Transport Roads and Stormwater
Councilor SMowzer	Executive Councilor: Trading Services
MMarsden	COCT: Trading Services
LRamncwana	COCT
PTerblanche	COCT
GPenxa	COCT
KYaphi	COCT
ESass	COCT
RDyanti	COCT
AGraham	COCT
IAnthony	COCT
KMeyer	COCT
SMoloto	COCT
PGroenewald	COCT
DHugo	COCT
LMdumyelwa	COCT
AWebster	COCT
XDaku	WESGRO
ESteyn	DPLG Western Cape
Mvan der Merwe	DPLG Western Cape
YSilimela	DPLG Pretoria
EAfrica	DPLG Pretoria
SNaude	PAWC
WArendse	PAWC
NMpambani	PAWC
DReinecke	PAWC Housing
WBasson	PAWC Community Safety
AGaju	PAWC Community Safety
VJohnson	SAPS
CDixon	MPDF
MEsau	MPDF
ISalwary	MPDF
Cee-Jay Williams	MPDF
VSimmers	MPDF
AGoolam	MPDF
DRass	MPDF
MBenu	KDF
HMdoda	KDF

2. APOLOGIES

Councillor S Williams
WMgoqi

Mitchells Plain Sub - Council Chairperson
COCT City Manager

3. OPENING AND WELCOME

Mayor of City of Cape Town, the Ms N .Mfeketse welcomed everyone present.

It was pointed out that the meeting is split between the Political Champions (Politicians) for an hour from 8h30 to 9h30 and the broader meeting commencing at 9h30.

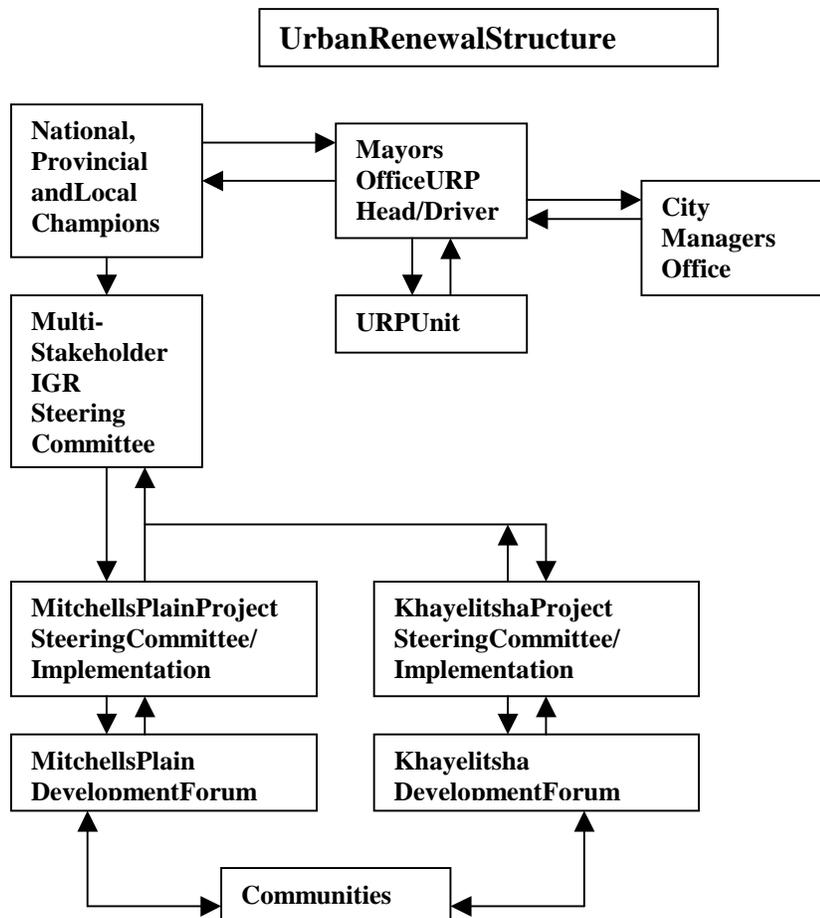
The purpose of the meeting is to report back on the issues of the last meeting.

The issue of Cape Renewal and Urban Renewal was raised by the MPDF and it was agreed that this would be dealt with under Point 5 of the agenda.

4. STATUS REPORTS

4.1. IMPLEMENTATION AND FINALISATION OF THE INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The Urban Renewal Structure was shown on an overhead and is illustrated below:



The Political Champions component of the structure has been established and is meeting on a monthly basis with the current meeting being the third meeting.

The Multi-stakeholder steering committee has met in April and is progressing very well.

With respect to the URP unit, meetings have been held with the Human Resources Department of the City and phase one of the unit should be in place by the 30th May. The initial positions will be advertised internally as there are sufficient skills within the City of Cape Town.

The Mitchells Plain and Khayelitsha Steering Committees are currently running with the Quickwin projects in both areas.

The Mitchells Plain and Khayelitsha Foras have been established and are involved in planning and the initiation of projects. The last box which includes Community involvement needs to be ensured. How is the community involved, what are the benefits to the community and how is the "soft" development being dealt with and how is it progressing.

The MPDF outlined how they have structured their organization to ensure maximum community involvement through the setting up of five strategies or sectors which each include a number of sub-sectors. These groups meet on a regular basis and comprise community organizations and representatives and are convened via the Executive of the MPDF and strategy heads. A plenary meeting has been scheduled for the end of April, which will enable input from the various sectors. The MPDF also has representation on the Multi-stakeholder Steering Committee.

The issue was raised which National and Provincial Departments are represented on the Multi-Stakeholder Steering Committee. All Departments with involvement in Urban Renewal should be represented within this structure. It was responded that the intention was to keep this structure streamlined and the Departments whose presence was required should attend as and when required.

The Urban Renewal Forum has all National Departments represented and meets once a month with the attendance of the Nodeal Local Authorities as well as the coordinating Provincial Government Departments.

The question was raised whether national coordination meetings were held prior to the National Urban Renewal Forum meeting to ensure the coordination of every Department in the program. Is this happening at every level of Government to ensure effective coordination?

DPLG coordinates a National level via the UR Forum, which has met twice this year.

A national work plan is in the process of being finalized which will guide the involvement of the various Departments with respect to their involvement in the program.

The Province is represented on the Steering Committee and all Departments are coordinated via the IDP Coordinating Committee, which deals with the UR Program, the IDP's, the ISRP's and the Provincial Strategic Development Program.

The point of entry into the Province is via the Department of Local Government.

Project specific relationships are directly with the Department concerned.

With respect to the City, coordination is dealt with via the Multi Stakeholder Steering Committee.

There is a requirement for better coordination, which is currently being addressed.

It was concluded that coordination is a critical issue, which requires constant attention from all levels of Government especially from an Inter Departmental point of view.

It was requested that this level of coordination should be outlined by the three levels of Government at the next meeting including how the community bodies are involving the community in the program.

It was pointed out that the City should be responsible to drive and coordinate the program.

4.2. QUICKWIN PROJECTS FOR BOTH NODES

The "QuickWin" projects schedule and description was referred to in the documentation pack attached to the Agenda.

70% of these projects are committed in terms of planning.

Some of the "QuickWin's" are a continuation of existing projects.

There is an emphasis on the soft type of projects with respect to the allocation of the funding and the communities are involved with the implementation of these projects.

The roles of the officials and the community members has been set out and the projects are being set up and implemented through partnership.

4.3. ANCHOR PROJECTS FOR 2003/2004 FINANCIAL YEAR

The initial set of identified Anchor Projects for both nodes was referred to in the documentation pack attached to the Agenda.

Further work is required to finalize the list of Anchor Projects and these projects will appear in the City's budget for 2003/2004, which is currently being finalized.

It was requested that the description of the Wolfgat Anchor Project be adjusted to include the term, "integration of Mitchells Plain with Khayelitsha."

4.4. FUNDING COMMITMENTS FOR 2003/2004 FROM NATIONAL PROVINCIAL LAND CITY

The City was unable to stipulate the budget allocations for the 2003/2004 budget as this budget is in the process of finalization. The Province is currently analyzing its budget complete budget allocation in order to accurately determine the projects of the various Provincial Departments within the two nodes.

This information will be made available as soon as it has been finalized which is expected to be the end of April 2003.

It was further proposed that the political champions of the Province meet under the coordination of the Department of Local Government to ensure that there are no blockages and the information relating to the program is appropriately circulated.

A report with respect to integration will be completed and tabled at the next meeting.

4.5. SUGGESTED LAUNCH OF FURPIN JULY/AUGUST 2003

A launch for Urban Renewal within the two nodes was proposed which needs to be attended by the communities and the President. There must be identifiable progress and the people on the ground must be positive about the program.

It was agreed that a plan be produced for the launch with a target plan and achievable and that this plan be forwarded to the politicians and tabled at the next meeting.

4.6. PROPOSAL FOR DONOR FUNDING

Funding in the amount of R15 million has been offered by Agence Françoise de Développement Proparco. The National Government is encouraging local stakeholder mobilization with respect to the involvement of donors and the private sector. Funders should understand that the objectives of Urban Renewal and they should not be deterministic. There is need to develop a framework and criteria with which to involve funders in the program and to ensure respectability with respect to their requirements.

4,7. DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT FUNDING

There is R1,5 million available from the Department of Arts and Culture for Beautification projects within both nodes.

A plan for Khayelitsha has been developed and Mitchells Plain is still to be determined.

Wendy Arendse is the Provincial Coordinator.

4,8. MANDELA FUND FOR MITCHELLS PLAIN URBAN RENEWAL

There is an amount of approximately R12 million dedicated to this project from BP and Mitsubishi.

A significant amount of progress has been made with this project.

It was agreed that the Deputy Minister could report to the previous President that the project is progressing satisfactorily.

4,9. REPORT ON 10 YEAR BUSINESS PLAN FOR THE NODES

The key challenge is to develop a vision and a strategy for Mitchells Plain and Khayelitsha and this can only be done with an in-depth understanding of the key indicators and dynamics of the two areas.

Based on the vision and strategy a business plan could be developed which is coordinated with the budget allocation of the three levels of Government in terms of their medium term expenditure program. It was further asked whether there is a plan, which, coordinates and guides Urban Renewal in an integrated way for implementation over a ten year time frame.

It was pointed out that there is no plan and it is the intention of the City to produce such a plan.

At a National level, a draft work plan has been distributed with the intention of providing guidance with respect to the identification of projects. It is not expected that this work plan be followed in detail but that it be a guide.

In terms of the Division of Revenue Act, National Government must stipulate a 3 year allocation to Urban Renewal and it would be advisable for the City and the Province to do the same in order to strengthen the program.

5. ALIGNMENT OF CAPER RENEWAL STRATEGY AND URBAN RENEWAL PROGRAMME

There will be a meeting between the officials concerned to be followed by a meeting between the officials and the community. A report will be tabled at the next political champions meeting with respect to the integration of the two programs.

8. CLOSURE

The next meeting is to be held on 19th May 2003 at 8h30 with the first 30 minutes being dedicated to the political champions. The meeting will be held in Committee Meeting Room 1 on the 6th floor of the Podium of the Civic Centre. The meeting was closed at 12h00 and lunch was served.