

FOR PSA MEMBERS: PUBLIC SERVICE COORDINATING BARGAINING COUNCIL (PSCBC) -WESTERN CAPE

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Update: Coordinating Chamber of PSCBC Western Cape Province (CCPWCP)

A CCPWCP meeting was held on 20 November 2023, during which the following items were discussed:

Government Employees Housing Scheme (GEHS)

The PSA tabled the matter, requesting the employer to hold road shows on the GEHS, as many members are not aware of the benefits available to them. The employer arranged a webinar for 24 November 2023 to which members in Western Cape Government and labour parties were invited. The same webinar will be held early in 2024.

Cost-containment measures

At the previous meeting it was agreed that a special meeting would be held to discuss this matter. The employer reported that the instruction from the MPSA was only recently received, and it was still in the process of looking into it. It advised that Treasury also has to do planning before any decisions could be taken or implemented. Hence the employer is not ready to hold the special meeting yet.

Safety of staff

Labour previously requested the Director-General (DG) to meet with labour regarding the safety of members. The DG attended the meeting and heard labour's contentions. He informed labour that there was a team, jointly dealing with staff safety, and that it was also on Cabinet's agenda as this was considered a provincial risk. He also informed labour of various matters the employer was busy with to ensure the safety of staff and that there was an improved awareness of challenges members face.

The DG undertook to issue a communique to all WCG employees and stated that a task team, including recognised unions, would be established to deal with members' safety issues.

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