

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES

OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN HELD VIA THE CITY'S DIGITAL PLATFORM ON THURSDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2020 AT 10H00.

SECTION 2.1 20 MINUTES FOR QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following questions were put to the Executive Mayor, Ald. D Plato:

Cllr D Dudley (ACDP)

Cllr D Dudley made reference to a PAIA request from the Milneron Central Residents' Association for digital access to records pertaining to the Potsdam Wastewater Treatment Works (WWTW) and related matters, which was declined, whereupon they launched an internal appeal in this regard.

Cllr Dudley asked if the Executive Mayor was aware of the request for information and provide reasons for the City of Cape Town declining the PAIA request.

Answer

The Executive Mayor, Ald. D Plato, responded that the Administration was in contact with the applicant, Organisation Undoing Tax Abuse (OUTA). He indicated that he invited OUTA to a site visit to the Potsdam WWTW. At the time problems were experienced, the Administration procured equipment to replace redundant equipment items.

The Executive Mayor indicated that, for the site visit, he was accompanied by a number of local councillors and community representatives, but unfortunately OUTA did not accept the invitation. The Executive Mayor indicated that the problems at Potsdam WWTW are experienced across the City, as a result of informal settlements on riverbanks, as well as illegal dumping into the sewer system.