

No solutions for land invasion

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An Intergovernmental Task Team set up to deal with the crisis of land invasion in Bhongweni near the East London Airport has failed to present possible solutions to Buffalo City Metro council.



DESPERATE MEASURES: Electricity thieves from Bhongweni informal settlement near the East London airport have strung wires across Buffalo Pass Picture: Alan Eason

City councillors, frustrated by the wait – apparently in part for a legal opinion on the matter – have suggested that BCM find a different approach.

Council has been waiting for a progress report from the task team, but instead of submitting this report last week, city manager Andile Sihlahla asked council to wait until next quarter “due to the unavailability of the Public Works-led Intergovernmental Task Team for the presentation to the mayoral committee”.

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