

On 07 May 2026, Agrément South Africa (ASA), in partnership with the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI), convened a strategic legislative review meeting at the Cape Town Council Chambers to engage with the appointed Legal Drafter, Advocate Naidoo, on the review of the Agrément South Africa Act, 2015 (Act No. 11 of 2015). The engagement formed part of ongoing efforts to strengthen the legislative framework governing innovative building technologies and to reinforce ASA's mandate within South Africa's evolving built environment sector.

The review meeting served as an important platform for ASA and DPWI to assess the effectiveness, relevance, and implementation of the current legislation more than a decade after its promulgation.

As the built environment sector continues to evolve through technological advancements, infrastructure demands, sustainability imperatives, and housing delivery challenges, the review sought to ensure that the Act remains responsive to the current and future needs of the industry.

The primary objective of the engagement was to identify gaps, limitations, and areas requiring improvement within the existing Act. The review process also aimed to align the legislation with broader government priorities relating to infrastructure development, transformation, economic growth, and sustainable human settlements.

The outcomes of the engagement will contribute towards the development of proposed legislative amendments, which the DPWI will subsequently process through the required governmental channels, including submission to Cabinet and Parliament for consideration and approval.

The meeting brought together a high-level delegation from both ASA and DPWI, reflecting the significance of the legislative review process. The delegation included ASA, Chief Executive Officer Manager: Planning Monitoring and Evaluation, the Executive Manager: Technical Services, the Technical Group Leader: Research and Development, representatives from the DPWI Policy Unit, officials from DPWI Legal Services, and the appointed Legal Drafter, Advocate Naidoo.

The engagement further highlighted government's commitment to creating an enabling environment for the adoption of innovative building solutions that contribute towards improved infrastructure delivery, quality assurance, sustainability, and socio-economic development.

Through this legislative review initiative, ASA and DPWI reaffirmed their commitment to ensuring that the built environment sector is supported by a modern, effective, and responsive legislative framework capable of addressing industry challenges while promoting innovation and transformation.