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No action on monkey menace

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G P LEGG'S frustration with monkeys is understandable (March 15). In April last year, after months of attempting to "solve" the problem of monkeys on a rampage in Clayfield, Phoenix, I wrote to the Durban Metro Council in my capacity as councillor, for action.

I argued the need for a well-informed policy to curb the nuisance posed by monkeys in residential areas. Council at that time had appointed Mr Wayne Pothas of the Metro Police Animal Nuisance Department to deal with about 80 cases of "monkey menace" in the metropolitan area, in the absence of any policy.

I therefore proposed that Metro Council develop a policy, in consultation with relevant stakeholders that would include animal rights groups. Such a policy is long overdue.