PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

Note: * Indicates translated version.

FRIDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2020

1. Mr B N Herron to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:

The District Six Museum in Cape Town is reportedly facing closure due to financial constraints:

- (1) Whether she and her Department have any comment on whether the story of District Six the forced removal of people and the stories of the families need to be told, preserved and memorialised; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether she has had any engagements with the District Six Museum's trustees or management; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether her Department has made any funding allocation to the Museum; if so, (a) what amount and (b) in which financial years (including the current and three previous years);
- (4) whether her Department made any financial commitment to the Museum for future financial years; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) whether she has taken any steps to save the Museum from closure; if not, why not; if so, what are they?

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2. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With regard to the unlawful investment of R350 million of municipal funds by the George Municipality with Old Mutual and the commission earned from the transaction by the son of the Executive Councillor for Finance:

(1) Whether this matter has been referred to the Hawks or SA Police Service as a criminal complaint; if so, (a) who reported it, (b) when was it reported, (c) to which

- unit, (d) what is the case number and (e) what was the nature of the criminal complaint;
- (2) whether any political office-bearers were included for investigation; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what is the progress of any criminal investigation?

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3. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

What (a) were the trends in abalone poaching and the fight against abalone poaching over the last two years, and particularly since the implementation of travel restrictions linked to the hard lockdown to fight the COVID-19 pandemic at the end of March 2020, and (b)(i) is the response of the national government to the illegal poaching of abalone and (ii) is the efficacy of this?

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4. Mr D America to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

(a) Which municipalities in the Western Cape applied for national COVID-19 municipal relief funding and/or any change in the use of their grants from the National Treasury and (b) which municipalities received the funding?

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5. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr A T Simmers, Minister of Human Settlements:

With regard to gender diversity in Human Settlements projects:

(a) How many women-owned construction companies are currently involved in projects of his Department, (b) who are the (i) main contractors and (ii) subcontractors and (c) what measures does his Department take to promote gender diversity through its projects?

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6. Mr D G Mitchell to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the municipalities of Laingsburg, Prince Albert and Beaufort West, and the Central Karoo District Municipality:

(a) What was the total amount spent on PPE supplies and COVID-19-related expenditure per municipality, (b) which companies provided the PPE supplies, (c) what rand value was awarded to each company for this expenditure, (d) how were they identified, (e) do they form part of the official supply-chain database and (f) in what ways did residents benefit from the procured PPE by these municipalities?

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7. Mr G Brinkhuis to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

(1) (a) What is the number of gang shootings recorded in Parkwood Estate for the period between June 2019 and the latest date for which information is available, (b) how

- many people were arrested in connection with gangsterism in the same period, (c) what was the nature of the crime, (d) for those arrested, are they still in custody or have they been released on bail and (e) how many of those arrested are reoffenders:
- (2) whether the police station in Parkwood Estate is equipped and fully resourced to maintain law and order in the crime-ridden area; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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8. Ms W F Philander to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:

- (1) (a) How many (i) paramedics in the Western Cape received trauma counselling and (ii) emergency medical personnel completed counselling sessions in the previous two financial years, (b) what were the reasons for non-completion and (c) in the light of ongoing criminal attacks, what measures are put in place by her Department to support such staff members;
- (2) how many criminal attacks on Emergency Medical Services personnel have been recorded in the (i) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years, (b) how many of these attacks occurred in so-called "red-zones" and (c) in how many of these attacks were the SAPS and/or security services present to escort staff members?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 5 October 2020. Should the replies not be submitted before or on the deadline, the Members have the right to have the questions transferred to the Question Paper for oral reply in accordance with Rule 206.