PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

ORDER PAPER

THURSDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2020

HOUSE: 14:15

INTERPELLATIONS

QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS TO THE PREMIER WITHOUT NOTICE

Mr F C Christians

Ms L J Botha

Mr D America

Mr M Xego

Ms N Makamba-Botya

Ms P Z Lekker

Mr M K Sayed

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

MOTIONS

ORDER OF THE DAY

Consideration of Report of the Conduct Committee on the failure of Honourable Member G Brinkhuis to submit disclosure forms timeously (2020) (See Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, No 66, dated 21 August 2020, p 196.)

FURTHER BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. Ms N Makamba-Botya: That the House debates the brutality of the police and law-enforcement officials against black people.
- 2. Mr F C Christians: That the House debates the brutality of the police in the Western Cape.
- 3. Mr M Xego: That the House debates the economic opportunities that are facilitated by the Western Cape provincial government to uplift disadvantaged young people in the Western Cape.

- 4. Mr P Marran: That the House debates the unwillingness of the DA to integrate people, as was exposed in the Western Cape High Court's ruling on the DA-run provincial and Cape Town governments' unwillingness to address the apartheid legacy of spatial development and structural racism perpetuated by the DA with the backroom deal for the Tafelberg school site.
- 5. Ms N Makamba-Botya: That the House debates the removal of colonial and apartheid statues and symbols in the Western Cape.
- 6. Mr M K Sayed: That the House debates the double standards of the DA, from pontificating about supporting constitutionality and the rule of law to regularly being found flouting laws by the courts, such as its unconstitutional meddling in the Overstrand Municipality's affairs, not wanting to include this legislature in policy issues and disregarding its obligations to integrate and supply social housing in Sea Point; and notes that the DA continuously acts and treats laws with disdain.
- 7. Mr M Xego: That the House debates the entrenched racism in businesses in the private sector that are operating in the Western Cape.
- 8. Mr D Smith: That the House debates the fact that many senior DA leaders jump ship saying that party has lost direction and that they do not feel welcome anymore, such as Gauteng leader John Moodey who left yesterday.
- 9. Ms N Makamba-Botya: That the House debates the Western Cape Government's role in curbing and addressing the issue of gender-based violence and femicide in the Western Cape.
- 10. Mr M Xego: That the House debates the challenges faced by black farmers in the Western Cape and the role played by the Western Cape provincial government in assisting them.
- 11. Mr M Kama: That the House notes that a senior official of this provincial government, that claims that it fights violence against women and children, still works here with impunity despite that employee who allegedly raped a 7-year-old boy appearing in court 14 times in the past 18 months without any action by his complaisant employer.
- 12. Ms N Makamba-Botya: That the House notes the entrenched racism and sexism in the automobile industry in the Western Cape; further notes that this follows an advertisement posted on Pnet.com (a jobs website) in which the Sean McCarthy Group (one of the largest chains of luxury car dealerships) advertised the vacancy of Marketing Manager through an agency; further notes that the specifications for a suitable candidate for the vacancy were that the person must be white and preferably male; further notes that the advertisement made it clear that the position does not endorse employment equity and affirmative action; and notes that this conduct promotes apartheid-era discrimination and injustice against women and people of colour as it does not only violates the Employment Equity Act but also ignores the spirit and values of the South African Constitution.
- 13. Mr A Lili: That the House notes that the Western Cape High Court set aside the DA-led administration's controversial sale of the old Tafelberg school site to a Camps Bay-based school instead of developing it for housing closer to work for poor workers in Sea Point and surrounds; further notes that this judgment is not only a victory for poor people but again exposed the DA as the party for the privileged and for the preservation of apartheid spatial planning instead; and lastly notes that the DA-run administration failed to comply with its constitutional and legislative obligations to address apartheid spatial planning as it initially promised to use this tract of public property to transform and develop affordable housing.

- 14. Mr P Marran: That the House notes no political party or group that wants this Western Cape province to break away from South Africa has ever succeeded to get any significant support in any poll or election and that the people of this province are not as gullible to be lead down the garden path by the secessionist-minded right-wingers who only bring focus on campaigns such as this and on murders on farms shortly before the elections to stir up emotions such as hate and fear.
- 15. Mr A Lili: That the House notes that the DA federal chairperson, Helen Zille, personally involved herself in, and as the then-Premier possibly influenced and even vehemently defended the controversial Tafelberg site's bargain land sale in Sea Point to a rich group instead of continuing the undertaking to develop it as housing for poor workers closer to their jobs.
- 16. Ms D M Baartman: That the House notes that the Western Cape Provincial Treasury has published the second edition of the Procurement Disclosure Report, which also reveals that the Western Cape has spent 47% of COVID-19 expenditure on SMMEs, amounting to R669 million; further notes the report details all the PPE procurement and expenditure in the Province related to the COVID-19 pandemic, which will be made available on a monthly, quarterly and annual basis to the public; also notes that the report includes information on PPE purchasing and the emergency procurement environment, including the National Treasury's benchmark prices, the various iterations of pricing and how the Provincial Treasury responded; acknowledges that the Western Cape is the only province to have released this information; and congratulates the Western Cape Government for its commitment to transparency and clean governance in the province.
- 17. Mr D Smith: That the House notes that, since the DA got rid of Mmusi Maimane, the party keeps on bleeding as it self-destructs; further notes that especially local government leaders of colour are leaving the DA as they feel unwelcome in a party whose main aim is to protect the privilege of the erstwhile elite; and notes that Gauteng leader John Moodey left yesterday, stating that at least five black mayors in the Western Cape had been replaced by white mayors.
- 18. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes that since the damning Public Service Commission investigative report into the irregular reappointment of the head of the Department of Education, Brian Schreuder, the ANC has called for an urgent discussion with the Premier, the Minister of Education, the Public Service Commission and the Department of Public Service and Administration in the Standing Committee on Education on the problems raised; also notes that the exclusion of the provincial legislature from the process of approval for the arbitrary further extension of the contract of Schreuder is a serious breach and must be brought to the attention of the Members; and requests the Premier to approach a court to get clarity on the appointment.
- 19. Ms R Windvogel: That the House notices that the Western Cape province seems to be way behind state protocol and etiquette when it comes to the national government; also notes that in some areas the province has stopped keeping up, as in Worcester's EMS building where a portrait of a former Premier is still being displayed, namely that of Helen Zille; and finally notes that either news do not travel fast there or the staff are fixated on having the former Premier around.
- 20. Mr M Kama: That the House notes that the heartless DA still defends its Khayelitsha and other evictions and the undignified dragging of a naked Bulelani Qolani in full public view and assaulting him; and notes that the bad DA has so far done the minimum to make good on this ill-conceived actions.

- 21. Mr P Marran: That the House notes the Western Cape administration's unwillingness to cooperate in the Public Protector's probe into COVID-19 acquisitions and that Advocate Busisiwe Mkhwebane started issuing summons to get to the truth; and notes that many people are now asking what the Western Cape is trying to hide.
- 22. Ms A Bans: That the House notes with excitement that the Western Province Rugby Football Union has appointed former South African ambassador to the US and our former Premier Ebrahim Rasool as the new chairperson of the board of directors for this rugby union; further notes that this is a positive step to save and transform the ailing enterprise; and further notes that Rasool replaces retiring Dr Johan van der Merwe.
- 23. Ms A Bans: That the House notes that two right-wing groups, AfriForum and the Institute for Race Relations, publically stated that it will fight Cricket South Africa's transformation to secure the status quo of white supremacy in sport.
- 24. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes that the George school near Herold, known as the Uniting Reformed Church (VGK), is going to close down because the land on which it stands is up for sale; and notes that even though the church council informed the WCED of its intent to sell a few months ago, the WCED had shown no interest in the land to assist the school to continue.
- 25. Mr M Kama: That the House notes that the DA race for a provincial leader has started with a contest between the Honourable Leader of Government Business, Bonginkosi Madikizela, and the Honourable Speaker of the legislature, Masizole Mnqasela; and notes that the latter is visibly supported by the Southern Cape caucus, as the Speaker introduced his number-one supporter on Facebook, who happens to be the son of the Honourable Minister of Human Settlement, Tertuis Simmers.