PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

Note: * Indicates translated version.

FRIDAY, 4 JUNE 2021

1. Mr R I Allen to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

With regard to gang murders reported at the Philippi Police Station, (a) how many murders have taken place from March 2020 to date, (b) how many of these murders have been linked to alleged gang members or gang activities, (c) how many people have been arrested in relation to these crimes, (d) how many people have been convicted in relation to these crimes, (e) how many suspects are (i) currently on trial for alleged gang murders and (ii) awaiting trial for alleged (aa) gang murders and (bb) attempted murders, (f) of the suspects charged, how many cases have (i) failed to be prosecuted and (ii) been withdrawn since March 2020, (g) what were the reasons for the non-conviction, (h) how many suspects accused of murder have been released on bail and (i) what plans does the SAPS have in place to deal with gang murders at this station?

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2. Mr R I Allen to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

With regard to gang murders reported at the Bishop Lavis Police Station, (a) how many murders have taken place from March 2020 to date, (b) how many of these murders have been linked to alleged gang members or gang activities, (c) how many people have been arrested in relation to these crimes, (d) how many people have been convicted in relation to these crimes, (e) how many suspects are (i) currently on trial for alleged gang murders and (ii) awaiting trial for alleged (aa) gang murders and (bb) attempted murders, (f) of the suspects charged, how many cases have (i) failed to be prosecuted and (ii) been withdrawn since March 2020, (g) what were the reasons for the non-conviction, (h) how many suspects accused of murder have been released on bail and (i) what plans does the SAPS have in place to deal with gang murders at this station?

3. Mr R I Allen to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

With regard to gang murders reported at the Manenberg Police Station, (a) how many murders have taken place from March 2020 to date, (b) how many of these murders have been linked to alleged gang members or gang activities, (c) how many people have been arrested in relation to these crimes, (d) how many people have been convicted in relation to these crimes, (e) how many suspects are (i) currently on trial for alleged gang murders and (ii) awaiting trial for alleged (aa) gang murders and (bb) attempted murders, (f) of the suspects charged, how many cases have (i) failed to be prosecuted and (ii) been withdrawn since March 2020, (g) what was the reasons for the non-conviction, (h) how many suspects accused of murder have been released on bail and (i) what plans does the SAPS have in place to deal with gang murders at this station?

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

On 19 April 2021 the City of Cape Town's subcouncil 23 tabled item 23SUB29/4/2021 recommending to Council the approval of grant-in-aid to the value of approximately R3 million. In the terms of the recommendations four service providers were recommended. These recommendations were made in terms of the Grant-in-Aid Policy of the City of Cape Town. A number of allegations of abuse of food relief funds have been exposed over the past few weeks. According to section 8 of the Grant-in-Aid Policy projects, programmes and expenditure that cannot be funded by means of grant-in-aid in terms of this policy would be disaster management and relief (8.1.2):

- (1) (a) How was this relief approved by the subcouncil, (b) in terms of which delegated authority was the grant-in-aid approved by the subcouncil and (c) what are the terms of reference for the implementation of the food relief fund that has been made available by the City of Cape Town;
- (2) whether he will, given these alleged transgressions of the Grant-in-Aid Policy and other allegations (including investigations by the Hawks), initiate a section 106 inquiry; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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5. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With reference to the reply to question 3 and 4 of 30 April 2021:

Concerning the Deputy-Director General: Fiscal and Economic Services (DDG: FES) position:

- (1) Whether there were any internal applicants for the position at the time of application; if so,
- (2) whether any of these internal applicants were employment-equity candidates; if so, why were the internal and/or employment-equity candidates not regarded as competent or suitable;
- (3) whether the head-hunted candidate met all the required experience for the position, including MFMA and infrastructure experience; if not, why was the head-hunted candidate appointed;

Regarding the conflict of interest relating to the DDG: FES and the Chief Director: Local Government Public Finance:

(4) whether an assessment was made by his Department's Ethics Committee before the appointments were made; if not, why not; if so, what were the recommendations;

At the time the offer was made to the DDG, given that the CD would report directly to the HOD:

(5) whether an assessment was made to determine if the post level of the DDG would be diluted due to reduced span of control; if not, will the post of the DDG be reevaluated given that the CD will no longer report to him;

During the notice of intention to fill these senior manager positions to the Provincial Cabinet:

(6) whether the potential conflict was made known to the Provincial Cabinet; if not, why not; if so, were any concerns raised or did anyone raise any concerns regarding but not limited to the impact of this on good governance or employment equity;

Regarding his departmental Employment Equity Plan:

- (7) whether his Department has an approved Employment Equity Plan; if so,
- (8) whether, since the beginning of the Sixth Parliament, his Department has complied with its Employment Equity Plan insofar as the appointment of senior managers is concerned since 1 June 2019; if not, what are the relevant details?

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6. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to the secure care facilities for children awaiting trial, as well as children who have been sentenced:

- (1) What are the details of the structured day programmes and services supported by her Department at these facilities;
- (2) whether there is any data to show the positive effects that these facilities have on clients; if so, what are the relevant details?

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7. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to the social crime prevention programmes supported by her Department to promote a safer environment for children of the province:

(a) What are the details of those programmes in terms of (i) their geographic reach across the province, (ii) their outcomes in relation to child safety and (iii) the nature and extent of the support provided by the Department, (b) how do partner organisations and other entities work with her Department through these programmes and (c) what have been the observed effects that the programmes have on young children?

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8. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to the Reintegration Programme the purpose of which is to promote interpersonal relationships and to reduce the chances of children and adults reoffending:

What trends and/or statistics are available that indicate the number of individuals (a) entering the programme, (b) successfully completing the programme and (c) not reoffending after completing the programme?

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9. Mr C M Dugmore to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

With reference to the reply to question 1 of 27 May 2021:

(a) Which departments were asked to submit reports to the SIU, (b) which reports were submitted and (c) what findings were made against such reports?

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10. Ms A P Bans to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:

With regard to the review of the Western Cape initiation risk adjusted plan and the provincial Department of Health's recommendation for a postponement of the traditional winter initiation season:

- Whether this decision has been communicated to all stakeholders; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) when was the decision communicated and (c) can a copy of the detailed list of stakeholders communicated to be provided;
- (2) whether traditional leaders were consulted before this decision was made; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) can a detailed list of the traditional leaders consulted be provided?

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11. Mr M K Sayed to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

With regard to the protest action by parents who disrupted learning at the Faku Primary School alleging corruption and the mismanagement of school funds by the principal:

- (1) Whether these allegations have been bought to her attention; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) when was she made aware of the allegations, (c) what measures have been taken to investigate the allegations, (d) what progress has been made with the investigations and (e) what remedial action has been taken and/or recommended;
- (2) what is the (a) number and (b) details of all the cases of (i) corruption and fraud, (ii) sexual harassment and (iii) other serious transgressions that are currently under investigation in her Department and (b) what progress has been made with the investigations?

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12. Mr M Kama to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

(a) What are the details of the street lights that have been installed in each of the crime hotspots in the province that are in the top 30 murder precincts nationally in (i) 2014/15,

(ii) 2015/16, (iii) 2016/17, (iv) 2017/18, (v) 2018/19, (vi) 2019/20 and (vii) 2020/21 and (b) how many of these are in good working condition?

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13. Mr M Kama to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

(a) What are the details of the CCTV cameras and/or other safety technology that has been installed in each of the crime hotspots in the province that are in the top 30 murder precincts nationally in (i) 2014/15, (ii) 2015/16, (iii) 2016/17, (iv) 2017/18, (v) 2018/19, (vi) 2019/20 and (vii) 2020/21, (b) how many of these are in good working condition and (c) what is the total breakdown of the expenditure per year?

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15. Mr M K Sayed to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

With regard to the placement of learners in schools in the Western Cape for the 2021 academic year and applications for the 2022 academic year:

- (1) (a) What is the number of applications that have been received for the 2022 academic year and (b) what measures are in place to avoid another situation of unplaced learners,
- (2) what is the detailed (a) list of schools and (b) breakdown of unplaced learners who have been placed in schools in the province in the period January 2021 to May 2021?

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16. Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

(a) What is the number of children who have been murdered in the province in the period January 2020 to May 2021 and (b) what is the breakdown of areas in which the children were murdered?

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17. Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

Whether her Department had any special programmes for National Child Protection Week, in particular to focus on the safety of children; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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18. Ms R Windvogel to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:

(a) What is the number of children who have contracted COVID-19 in the province in the period January 2021 to May 2021 and (b) what is the detailed breakdown of communities in which these children reside?

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19. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to the release of the annual Procurement Disclosure Report:

- (1) (a) What is the (i) number and (ii) details of companies that are not BBBEE compliant to whom contracts were awarded by the provincial government and (b) what are the (i) details of the contracts and (ii) amounts received by each;
- (2) whether there are any contracts for COVID-19-related expenditure that are currently under investigation by the SIU; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) what are the details of the contracts that are being investigated and (c) what progress has been made with these investigations;
- (3) whether all the COVID-19-related expenditure of the province has been audited by the Auditor-General; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 18 June 2021. 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.