

**PARLIAMENT OF THE
PROVINCE OF THE
WESTERN CAPE**

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QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

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Note: * Indicates translated version.

FRIDAY, 6 OCTOBER 2023

1. Mr T M Klaas to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

With regard to the Rhodes High School chaos as reported in the media:

(a) Who caused the chaos, (b) how many people were injured, (c) what has been the reported damage to school property and (d) what action was taken against the culprits?

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2. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

With regard to the Heathfield High School:

(1) (a) Why have the powers and functions of the SGB been revoked and (b) why did the school not fill the vacant positions on the SGB through a by-election;

(2) whether the teaching staff, learners and parents of the school community were given the opportunity to make submissions to him regarding this matter; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) whether an acting principal has been appointed; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) for what period;

(4) whether a curator principal has been appointed at the school; if so, (a) for what period and (b) what is the cost involved?

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3. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

In respect of his Department's performance measured against the performance targets set between 2019 and 2023:

(a) What is his Department's core mandates, (b) what are the annual targets attached to each core mandate, (c) how has his Department performed against its performance targets

in (i) 2019, (ii) 2020, (iii) 2021, (iv) 2022 and (v) 2023 to date, (d) what is the detailed breakdown of each performance target per programme, (e) what are the challenges that his Department faced in achieving its targets and (f) what are the plans that his Department has put in place to improve its performance?

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4. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With reference to the reply to question 5 of 20 July 2023:

- (1) (a) Who are the owners of the houses being leased in the Bloekomlaan Precinct, (b) how many houses are being leased, (c) who is the agent managing the leasing of the houses, (d) what are the rental rates per month of the houses being leased and (e) how much is his Department paying the agent who is managing the leases or what are the details of the annual remuneration agreement between the Department and the agent;
- (2) (a) what is the rest of the Ondertuine Precinct being use for, (b) who is the owner of the garden in the precinct, (c) what are the details of the garden, (d) who is the agent managing the letting of the garden, (e) to whom is the garden being let, (f) what are the rental rates per month being paid by the tenant of the garden to the owner of the property or to the agent and (g) what are the details of the annual remuneration agreement between the Department and the agent?

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5. Mr P Marran to ask Ms M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

Whether there are any municipalities in the province who have been flagged by the relevant institutions for not being VAT-compliant; if so, (a) which municipalities, (b) how much are owed to SARS, (c) why are they not VAT-compliant or have not paid the full VAT bill and (d) what is her Department doing to ensure that all municipalities in the province are VAT-compliant?

(564)

6. Ms P Z Lekker to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

(a) What has the provincial government's legal expenditure been in (i) 2019, (ii) 2020, (iii) 2021, (iv) 2022 and (v) 2023 to date and (b) what is the detailed expenditure breakdown per department comprising the (i) expenditure per legal firm and/or legal practitioners, (ii) details of cases litigated and (iii) reasons thereof?

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7. Mr P Marran to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

(a) What are the details of the (i) Transhex Catalytic Housing Project, (ii) Bredasdorp Site F Housing Project, (iii) second phase of the Upgrading of Informal Settlements Programme (UISP) housing project in Thembaletu and (iv) Lutzville Housing Project, (b) how many housing units have been delivered to date, (c) what is the comprehensive expenditure breakdown, including (i) a list of all the service providers to whom contracts were awarded, (ii) how much each service provider received and (iii) what are the details of the items with their unit prices and (d) in cases where delays have been experienced, (i) what were the causes of the delays and (ii) what interventions were implemented to address these delays?

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8. Mr P Marran to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture:

With regard to the impact of the recent storms in the Western Cape on the agriculture sector:

(a) What is the extent of damage to the sector, (b) what is the detailed breakdown of the costs of the damage and (c) what is the number of (i) facilities affected, (ii) equipment and materials damage and (iii) injuries and casualties of personnel reported, (d)(i) what has been the impact of the storm on farm workers, (ii) how many families are affected, (iii) how many facilities were affected, (iv) what equipment and materials were damaged and (v) how many injuries and casualties were reported and (e)(i) how is the provincial government responding to the impact of the storm on agriculture and (ii) what are the details of the actions and steps taken to assist the poorest of the poor who were affected?

(567)

9. Ms A P Bans to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

(1) Whether his Department has done a cost estimate to hire and deploy professional personnel to victim-friendly rooms in every police station in the province; if so, what are the relevant details;

(2) what is the detailed expenditure breakdown of the Safety Plan for curbing the scourge of (a) GBV and femicide, (b) drugs and substance-use disorder, especially among people young than 35 years, and (c) youth participation in gangs?

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

(1) (a) What is the name of the company that designed the structure that replaced the old low-water crossing at the Algeria Campsite in the Cederberg Nature Reserve, (b) what was the total construction cost of this structure, including the (i) costs for environmental impact studies and (ii) loss of income during the construction phase and (c)(i) when did construction start and (ii) when was the finished structure completed and handed over to CapeNature;

(2) given the fact that the structure was exposed as unfit for purpose by the June 2023 floods, whether legal recourse is available to CapeNature to claim for damages; if so, (a) against which company will the claim be submitted and (b) what would the total costs be to repair the damage;

(3) whether the structure will be redesigned to allow for future water run-off to follow the stream and not to find lower-laying alternatives for the water to flow due to the current design of the river-crossing; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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11. Ms C A T Murray to ask Ms M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to the Port of Cape Town's performance in September 2023:

(a) What was the (i) average waiting time for berth utilisation and occupancy for container ships and (ii) target for the month, (b) what was the (i) average number of twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU) containers (aa) loaded and (bb) unloaded and (ii) target for the month, (c) what was the (i) average waiting time for trucks being (aa) loaded and (bb) unloaded at the port and (ii) target for the month, (d) what was the

(i) average ship turnaround time and (ii) target for the month, (e) what was the (i) average anchorage waiting time and (ii) target for the month and (f) what was the (i) average container dwell time and (ii) target for the month?

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12. Mr G Bosman to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

(a) What measures does the South African Police Service take to recruit criminal informants and (b) how many informants were recruited at each of the Western Cape's police stations in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021, (iii) 2022 and (iv) 2023 to date?

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13. Mr G Bosman to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

With regard to the implementation of Court Watching Brief (CWB) units nationwide:

- (1) How many cases have the CWB units monitored since their inception;
- (2) whether his Department has provided training to any other South African entities on CWB practices; if so, what are the relevant details?

(572)

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

(a) What programmes are funded through the Western Cape Safety Plan to address sexual offences and (b) what is the detailed expenditure breakdown on these programmes in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021, (iii) 2022 and (iv) 2023 to date?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 20 October 2023. 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.