# PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

## **QUESTION PAPER**

### WRITTEN REPLY

Note: \* Indicates translated version.

#### FRIDAY, 19 AUGUST 2022

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

With reference to his reply to question 5 of 22 July 2022:

(a) How many service dogs did each of the aforementioned K9 units have in (i) 2018/19, (ii) 2019/20, (iii) 2020/21, (iv) 2021/22 and (v) 2022/23 and (b) what are the reasons for the budgetary decreases between 2018/19 and 2022/23?

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- 2. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:
  - (1) How effective is the use of the Cypermethrin insecticide in treating trees infected with the polyphagous shot hole borer beetle;
  - (2) whether the trees would survive if the beetles were eliminated at the early stages of infestation; if so, what are the relevant details;
  - (3) what is the latest research to address the challenges that infestations with the shot hole borer beetle hold for trees?

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

With respect to the SAPS letter (reference: 26/3/13/4) in relation to the Forensic Science Laboratory in the Western Cape:

- (a) What was the DNA backlog in (i) January, (ii) February, (iii) March, (iv) April,
- (v) May, (vi) June, (vii) July and (viii) August 2022, (b) what progress has been made in

hiring the additional required personnel to increase the laboratory's capacity and (c) what is the laboratory's current output in percentage terms?

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#### 4. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture:

What is the contribution of the horse breeding and trading industry to the Western Cape economy?

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

With regard to the revelation by the Swellendam Municipality, during an oversight visit by the Standing Committee on Human Settlements on 20 June 2022, that the allocation of proposed serviced sites is one of the challenges it faces in carrying out housing developments as there are no proper criteria or guidelines for who would qualify and/or not qualify for a serviced site:

- (1) Whether there has been any training to inform municipalities of the criteria or guidelines; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) how has his Department made sure that municipalities are aware of what is expected of them in regard to serviced sites and (b) what do the criteria regarding serviced sites entail?

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#### 6. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to the Schoongezicht Housing Project, which has been identified as one of the emergency housing projects that will yield 347 housing opportunities, that was confirmed by the Drakenstein Municipality during a May 2022 oversight visit to be implemented in a phased approach:

(a) What are the specifics of the phased approach and (b) when is the implementation date?

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#### 7. Mr D Plato to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to homelessness in the province:

- (1) How many people are currently housed in the province's homeless shelters;
- (2) whether her Department has any plans in place to develop a framework for homelessness in the Western Cape; if so, what are the relevant details?

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#### 8. Mr D Plato to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to the recent closure of the Sassa office in Khayelitsha:

- (1) Whether her Department shares any other facilities with Sassa; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether any of these facilities are scheduled to undergo maintenance in the next 12 months; if so, what are the relevant details?

#### 9. Mr D Plato to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

- (1) What support does her Department provide to (a) Huis Maudie Kriel in Ceres and (b) Huis Ou Meule in Riversdale;
- (2) whether her Department is currently investigating cases of an unnatural death at the two facilities above; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) what is her Department's policy on investigating unnatural deaths at homes for elderly people and (b) what structures does her Department have in place to ensure the safety of homes for elderly people?

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## 10. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (1) (a) What has been the progress of job creation in quarter 1 of 2022 and (b) what is the detailed breakdown of (i) specific numbers, (ii) sectors of the economy, (iii) geographic areas and (iv) number and/or percentage of (aa) young people, (bb) women and (cc) people with disabilities who have been employed;
- (2) (a) what progress has been made with the review of the strategy and (b) when will it be concluded?

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## 11. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (1) Whether the Preferential Procurement Policy (PPP) Framework has been completed; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) can a copy be made available and (c) how is this PPP making provision for social-sector collaboration and for contracting for relevant goods and services by the provincial government and its entities;
- (2) what is her Department's Revenue Enhancement Strategy (RES), (b) what are the new sources of revenue that have been identified and (c) what has been the output from the Fiscal Futures Project to date;

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#### 12. Mr A Lili to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to the development of housing at the Old Salt River Market property:

- (1) (a) What is the value of the property and (b) how much was the property sold for;
- (2) whether Communicare (NPC) was offered any discount on the property; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) were any other developers offered the same revised discount offered to Communicare;
- (3) whether other developers were given the same opportunity to tender for this housing development on the revised discounted property price as offered to Communicare; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

- (4) whether the discounted property at the Old Salt River Market was advertised in the open market at the revised discounted rate as offered to Communicare; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) whether the Salt River Housing Development, including the discounted offer, was open for public comment; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (6) (a) under what housing scheme is the Old Salt River Market property being developed, (b) what is meant by mixed affordable housing and (c) why is retail space included in this housing development?

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#### 13. Mr A Lili to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to the development of housing at the Old Salt River Market property:

- (1) Whether mixed affordable housing falls in the housing scope of the Province; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether homeless families and the backyard dwellers in the Salt River and Woodstock areas will be beneficiaries of this housing development on the Old Salt River Market property; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) how many social housing cooperatives are there in the province, (b) what measures are in place to stop evictions where tenant beneficiaries can no longer afford to pay rent and (c) why was the Salt River Housing Development not considered as a social housing cooperative;
- (4) whether due diligence and a financial audit were done to determine whether Communicare is in good standing; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) what housing model did Communicare propose for this housing development?

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#### 14. Mr A Lili to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

(a) What are the details of all the properties in (i) the province and (ii) municipalities that have been sold to property developers in (aa) 2014, (bb) 2015, (bb) 2016, (cc) 2017, (dd) 2018, (ee) 2019, (ff) 2020 and (gg) 2021 and (b) what is the detailed breakdown according to (i) original property value, (ii) the price it was sold for, (iii) the name of developer who bought the property and (iv) what it was used for?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 2 September 2022. 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.