**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION 2194-2020**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO: 36-2020, DATE OF PUBLICATION 9 OCTOBER 2020:**

**“Ms C King (DA) to ask the Minister of Sports, Arts and Culture”:**

What are the total costs (a) associated with geographical name changes and (b) of the geographical name changes of (i) of East London and (ii) King Williams Town **NW2763E**

**REPLY:**

(a). In instances where geographical names are changed, the costs associated to such changes will relate to the advertisements in local newspapers; venues of local consultation meetings; honoraria paid to the Provincial Geographical Names Committees and the South African Geographical Names Council for their sittings as well as the costs related to the replacing of road information signs by the South African Roads Agency (SANRAL) and affected Municipalities.

Such costs vary depending on process followed, number of consultations etc. Once process is finalised only then can final costs be determined and subsequently be provided to Hon Member.

(b). The South African Geographical Names Council (SAGNC) has not yet received the applications to change the names of (i) East London and (ii) King Williams Town.