

**MINISTRY FOR COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS**

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**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER 2835**

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**Mr K J Mileham (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs**

Whether there are municipal Councillors who are currently facing criminal charges; if so, in each case, (a) which municipality does each specified Councillors come from, (b) which political party does each represent, (c) what is the name of each Councillor, (d) what is each Councillor charged with and (e) what is the current status of each investigation?

**Reply:**

**The Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation (DPCI) provided the response as follows:**

Municipal Councillors are implicated in 15 criminal cases listed in a table below:

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| **Police Station** | **Case No.** | **No. of Suspect involved** | **Status** |
| Beaufort West | 465/01/2016 | 1 | DPP declined to prosecute |
| Witbank | 700/07/2016 | 4 | On trial |
| Belfast | 90/06/2012 | 1 | Under investigation |
| Midrand | 140/05/2017 | 1 | The case was handed for decision and a prosecutor to be assigned. |
| Germiston | 223/06/2017 | 1 | Under investigation |
| Clanwilliam | 152/08/2012 | 4 | Suspects were convicted and sentenced during October 2016. |
| Stellenbosch | 251/12/2011 | 3 | Decision of the NDP on the representation awaited. |
| Stellenbosch | 451/02/2011 | 2 | The case is at SCCU for decision since 2013, J175 awaited. |
| Ladysmith | 132/06/2017 | 5 | Under investigation. |
| Ventersdorp | 63/07/2001 | 2 | Court docket. |
| Potchefstroom | 426/05/2013 | 2 | Docket with DPP for decision. |
| Parkweg  Reitz | 03/08/2011  65/08/2013 | 4 | Docket was handed to prosecutor for further decision. |
| Pofadder | 15/11/2014 | 2 | Under investigation. |
| Garies | 22/02/2016 | 4 | Under investigation. |

1. We are still awaiting a response from the DPCI with regard to the details in which the Councillors are from which municipalities.
2. Awaiting a response from the DPCI.
3. Revealing the names of implicated Councillors may compromise some of the investigations.
4. The status of each investigation is provided as per the response above.