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**491. Dr L A Schreiber (DA) asked the Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure:**

(1) Whether her department took a decision regarding the preservation for the long term of the abandoned and vandalised property owned by her department at 18 Market Street, Stellenbosch; if not, why has a decision not been taken; if so, what was the decision;

(2) whether any steps have been taken by her department to curb the vandalism and illegal occupation of the specified property until a decision is taken; if not, why not; if so, what time line will be linked to this;

(3) whether her department was informed that the house on the property has been assessed as a structure worthy of preservation; if so, what is her department’s plans for the future of the property? **NW673E**

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**REPLY:**

**The Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure:**

1. I have been informed the Department of Public Works and infrastructuredecided to let out the property through an open tender process.
2. Yes, measures were put in place to install security burglar bars and guards on the property to prevent vandalism and illegal occupation.
3. Yes, the structural engineer is to assess the property and identify any repair that needs to bedone.