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## Submission by Nombeko Constance Leputhing

I make this submission as a resident of Ward (44) which consists of Gugulethu. Our communities on both sides of the railway face very high levels of crime on a daily basis. These include unacceptably large levels of gangsterism, alcohol and drug abuse, rape, domestic violence, child abuse, burglaries, theft, assault etc. Despite the community and government's efforts over the past 14 years these levels of crimes do not seem to be under control or decreasing in our ward.

In fact if anything high profile gang leaders seem to be operating with out having to worry about the South African Police Service, despite the fact that they are two police stations in our area. Our communities are crying out for drastic and urgent intervention from government. Our pleas seem to not be heard.

Its fine for the Scorpions to focus on high profile politicians but as residents of Gugulethu, we are asking for them to focus on those who threaten the safety of our people on a daily basis; namely gangsters, rapists, drug dealers etc. We feel that the Scorpions spend too much time on high profile media cases and too little time on dealing with the unbearable levels of crime experienced by our people on the ground and which the SAPS are not able to cope.

For any clarity please feel free to contact me at 0782190356

Yours, N.C Leputhing