

MEDIA RELEASE

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A resident in Potchefstroom, Stephan du Plessis' father passed away on 27 December 2019. As per his will, his house was sold. The executor attorneys have been waiting since January 2020 for the clearance certificate on the property, in order to finalise the property transfer to the new owner and wind up his estate.

After seven months there is still no certificate. Numerous excuses are given by the municipality, ranging from Covid, to only 1 staff member in the office, to the latest that the "mainframe is broken".

This is not the first query about this matter. The Herald received other queries as well. An attorney says the municipality is costing the clients and attorneys thousands of rands.

The Herald wants to know:

- Why the administration is taking this long?
- What the municipality is planning to do about the backlog?

We would appreciate an answer from the municipality not later than Tuesday, 4 August

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