

Rent overdue: cops locked out

CRIME Intelligence Unit officers in Empangeni, KwaZulu-Natal, found themselves locked out of their offices yesterday because the rent hadn't been paid. Police officers found the gates locked and a sign that read: "Notice. These premises have been locked due to non-payment of rental. By management." The building, known as Property House, is on Rex Henderson Road in Empangeni. It is understood that about 40 police officers work there. It wasn't immediately known who the owners of the building were or how much they were owed by the Department of Public Works. Spokesperson Lieutenant-Colonel Thulani Zwane said: "We confirm the incident. For more information, please contact the Department of Public Works." Public Works spokesperson Thami Mchunu wasn't available for comment. Provincial Public Works spokesperson Mbulelo Baloyi said he couldn't comment as the issue fell under the national office of the Department of Public Works. – ANA