

Auction of station postponed

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The auction of the property which houses Goodwood police station has been postponed to Wednesday 18 December.

The building at 13 Wiener Street in Vasco Estate, was built in 1956 and is zoned Single Residential 1 with a departure for public service usage.

The reserve price for the building, which the public works department has rented on behalf of the police for many years, is listed at R5.8 million.

Spokesperson for the national department of public works, Zara Nicholson, told *Tyger-*

Burger the lease for Goodwood police has been extended for a further 12 months to end December 2020.

“The client department is aware of the impending sale of the building and the South African Police Service is looking for a bigger space.

“The police will remain in the same building until alternative accommodation is acquired as per client’s requirements,” she says.

Asked about the reason for the auction’s postponement, Tanya Jovanovski, franchisee of Rawson Auctions Western Cape, says additional marketing time was needed.

Last week Goodwood Community Polic-

ing Forum (CPF) chair, John Ross, said the “sale” of Goodwood police station has been going on for years.

“We as a CPF are completely in the dark regarding developments and any contingency plans which may be in place should the building be sold.

“This is particularly sad as the CPF should be involved in any such plans. Moving a police station is a massive undertaking and even though Goodwood police is in dire need of a more modern building, this should be in place before the existing building has to be vacated,” said Ross.

The auction will take place at Rawson’s head office in Rondebosch.