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TRISTAN DIMER — GRAYLANDS HOSPITAL

292. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Mental Health:

I refer to the minister's advice last week that one of the occasions Tristan Dimer was detained in Graylands Hospital was under hospital orders from Midland Magistrates Court.

- (1) On 3 January 2013, where and when was Mr Dimer arrested, what was his charge and where was he detained between the time he was arrested and his appearance in the Midland court on 4 January?
- On whose advice did the police tell the court that Mr Dimer could be suffering a mental impairment and request a seven-day hospital order?
- (3) Did the minister or anyone from her staff or department have contact with the police in connection with Mr Dimer before or after his arrest on 3 January?
- (4) Is the minister aware of any other minister or staff having contact with the police in connection with Mr Dimer before or after his arrest on 3 January?
- (5) Was Mr Dimer detained in Graylands Hospital or the Frankland Centre after the seven-day hospital order had expired; and, if yes, why was he detained and was his detention as an involuntary patient?
- (6) On which days between 4 and 29 January was Mr Dimer detained as an involuntary patient?
- (7) What advice has the minister received about the outcome of the State Administrative Tribunal hearing on 24 June?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(2) I advise the honourable member that these questions should be directed to the Minister for Police.
- (3) Neither I nor any member of my staff had contact with the police. The Department of Health is currently reviewing its files. I will provide the information to the member when it becomes available.
- (4) It is not appropriate for me to comment on any contact with the police by another minister or members of that minister's staff.
- (5) Yes. He was detained under form 6 —

Hon Sally Talbot interjected.

The PRESIDENT: Order! I was trying to follow your answer and there was an interruption. Read from the top of that page again.

Hon HELEN MORTON: The answer continues —

- (5) Yes. He was detained under form 6, involuntary treatment in approved hospital, Mental Health Act 1996, as he met all the relevant criteria.
- (6) All.
- (7) The hearing was cancelled by the State Administrative Tribunal as the notice to attend had not been served on Mr Dimer.