

QUESTIONS BOOKLET

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 15 AUGUST 2023

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1519. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Community Services:

- (1) I refer to the Hardship Utility Grant Scheme (HUGS), in the 2021-22 and 2022-23 financial years, how many applicants received funding as part of this scheme via:
 - (a) Water Corporation;
 - (b) Synergy;
 - (c) Horizon Power; and
 - (d) Alinta Energy?
- (2) For each of the agencies referred to in (1) (a-d), what was the total expenditure allocated to each in the 2021-22 and 2022-23 financial years?

1520. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

I refer to Curriculum and Reengagement in Education (CARE) Schools in Western Australia, and I ask:

- (a) what was the total amount of funding provided by the State Government to operate CARE Schools in 2022 and 2023; and
- (b) will the Minister provide a breakdown of the number of students enrolled at each CARE School in Western Australia in 2022 and 2023 (to date)?

1521. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

I refer to the temporary regional incentives for the attraction and retention of teachers and school leaders in regional areas, and I ask:

- (a) how many teachers received an incentive in 2023 (to date); and
- (b) of those teachers referred to in (1), please provide a breakdown by education region?

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1522. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Community Services:

- (1) I refer to the Grandcarers Support Scheme, how many grandcarers recieved a payment in the following years:
 - (a) 2021-22; and
 - (b) 2022-23?
- (2) how many grandcarers applied but did not recieve a payment in the following years:
 - (a) 2021-22; and
 - (b) 2022-23?

1523. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

- (1) How many teachers resigned from positions at government schools in the following years:
 - (a) 2020;
 - (b) 2021;
 - (c) 2022; and
 - (d) 2023 (to date)?
- (2) how many teachers retired from positions at government schools in the following years:
 - (a) 2020;
 - (b) 2021;
 - (c) 2022; and
 - (d) 2023 (to date)?

1524. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

I refer to the Autism Specialist Learning Program, and I ask:

(a) for each school that offers an Autism Specialist Learning Program, please provide a breakdown of the number of students currently enrolled in the program?

1525. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

For each Agricultural College in Western Australia please advise:

- (a) the current residential capacity;
- (b) the number of residential enrolments in 2022 and 2023 (to date); and
- (c) the total number of student enrolments in 2022 and 2023 (to date)?

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1526. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

For each camp school in Western Australia, please provide:

- (a) the organisation who is contracted to operate the camp school and the date their contract expires;
- (b) the number of students who attended each camp school in 2022; and
- (c) the rates charged by each camp school in 2022?

1527. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education:

- (1) I refer the Kindilink play-and-learn initiative for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children who are not old enough to enrol in school, and I ask: How many children were enrolled in Kindilink in the following years:
 - (a) 2021;
 - (b) 2022; and
 - (c) 2023 (to date)?
- (2) Will the Minister list the schools which currently have a Kindilink programme on their site?
- (3) For each school with a Kindlink on their site, please provide a breakdown of the number of children enrolled in Kindlink in the following years:
 - (a) 2021;
 - (b) 2022; and
 - (c) 2023 (to date)?

1528. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment:

I refer the Minister to the letter dated 26 July 2023 from the Director General of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) to me (Letter) that states: 'Advice was sought from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on the boundary change post the EPA's determination however, due to the technical nature of the subject, the then Department of Environment and Conservation liaised directly with the Western Australian Planning Commission', and I ask:

- (a) what was the date the advice was sought from the EPA on the boundary change;
- (b) which agency sought the advice;
- (c) will the Minister provide and table copies of the request for the advice (including attachments) and the response from the EPA (including attachments);
- (d) if no to (c), why not;
- (e) what was the date that advice was sought from the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC);
- (f) which agency sought the advice;

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- (g) can the Minister provide and table copies of the request for the advice (including attachments) and the response from the DEC (including attachments);
- (h) if no to (g), why not;
- (i) did either of the EPA or DEC receive any correspondence or representations from any other government agency aside from the Western Australian Planning Commission (including the Department of Water, the Water Corporation, the Department of Communities/Housing and the Housing Authority) relating to Greater Bunbury Region Scheme Amendment 0020/57;
- (j) if yes to (i), can the Minister provide and table copies of that correspondence and those representations and any responses from the EPA or DEC; and
- (k) if no to (j), why not?

1529. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Planning:

Since the Government's election in 2017, I ask:

- how many requests or representations from 'aggrieved persons' have been made under:
 - (i) section 211(1)(a) of the *Planning and Development Act 2005 (Act)*; and
 - (ii) section 211(1)(b) of the *Planning and Development Act 2005 (Act)*;
- (b) what local planning schemes did each request or representation relate to and what was the nature of each of these requests or representations;
- (c) which requests or representations did the Minister determine not to take any action under section 211(2) of the Act;
- (d) which requests or representations did the Minister determine to take any action under section 211(2) of the Act and what was the nature of that action;
- (e) which requests or representations were referred to the State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) and what were the recommendations of the SAT and what was the nature of any report received from SAT;
- (f) which requests or representations (if any) became the subject of orders under section 211(4) of the Act and what was the nature of those orders;
- (g) which requests or representations (if any) referred to in paragraph 6 above were appealed to a judge under section 211(6) of the Act; and
- (h) what is the case name for each of any appeals referred to in paragraph 7 above?

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1530. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Water:

- (1) how many odour studies have been undertaken relating to the Water Corporation's wastewater treatment plant in Dalyellup?
- (2) what dates were these odour studies completed?
- (3) can the Minister table these odour studies?
- (4) if no to (3), why not?

1531. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

- (1) How many applications have been made to the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety for geo-tech drilling within the Shire of Collie between 1 January 2022 and 8 August 2023?
- (2) Who were the applicants?
- (3) For what specific purpose were the applications made?
- (4) Which of the applications in (1), were approved?
- (5) Which of the application in (1), were refused?
- (6) Which of the applications are yet to be processed?

1532. Hon Neil Thomson to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

I refer to the back-flip by the Government on the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act* and regulations and the costs associated with it's development, and I ask:

- (a) including the cost of community forums, how much has been spent by the Department of Planning Lands and Heritage in 2022-23 including FTE and direct expenditure; and
- (b) how much has been spent by the Department of Premier and Cabinet in 2022-23 including FTE and direct costs?

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