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3393. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Education and Training *(SO 138(d) response - May 24 2006)*

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3509. Hon Nigel Hallett to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Public Sector Management *(SO 138(d) response - June 20 2006)*

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3539. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

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3549. Hon Simon O'Brien to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

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3551. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

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3579. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for the Environment

3580. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

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3587. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne

3588. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

3589. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Public Sector Management

3590. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development

3591. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Federal Affairs

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3593. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation

3594. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

3595. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Science and Innovation

3596. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Resources and Assisting the Minister for State Development

3597. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Public Sector Management

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3653. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services

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3654. Hon Nigel Hallett to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development

3655. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

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3657. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Education and Training

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3661. Hon Norman Moore to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

3662. Hon Anthony Fels to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

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3682. Hon Murray Criddle to the Minister for Education and Training representing the Treasurer

I refer to comments made by the Treasurer in the Legislative Assembly on Wednesday 31 May 2006 in relation to the State Government's 2006-07 $5 billion Capital Works Program and the percentage of that Budget spent in regional areas. Given $903 million of the $5 billion will be spent in non-metropolitan regions, can you please advise for each of the following regions -

(a) Gascoyne Region;

(b) Goldfields Esperance Region;

(c) Great Southern Region;

(d) Kimberley Region;

(e) Mid-West Region;

(f) Peel Region;

(g) Pilbara Region;

(h) South West Region; and

(i) Wheatbelt Region,

the following -

(i) details on each project funded;

(ii) amount allocated to each project in 2006-07;

(iii) total cost of the Capital Works Project; and

(iv) expected completion date?

3683. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training

I refer to the student services and amenities fee levied this year on students attending the University of Western Australia, Murdoch University, Curtin University and Edith Cowan University and ask -

(1) What is the fee to be charged for semester two at each of the above universities for full-time, part-time and external students?

(2) How many students (full-time, part-time and external) will be charged this fee in semester two at each of the above universities?

(3) How much income does each university expect to receive in semester two through the collection of these fees?

(4) How much income did each university receive through the collection of these fees in Semester one?

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(5) Will new students who enrol after 1 July 2006 be required to pay the fee in semester two at any of the above universities?

3684. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development

I refer to application number 13/16195, 04/00766 and 04/12289 originally made on 6 November 2003 by MJ Lundstrom for land situated and described as Lot 29 Tredrea Place, Myalup. This refers to extractive industry limestone, Shire of Harvey District Planning Scheme No. 1 and Notice of Planning Permission and ask -

(1) Can the Minister confirm that the Shire is allowed to ask for a levy of $0.10/m3 of extracted material, paid six months in advance, being paid to Council to assist in the maintenance and upgrade of Taranto and Tredea Roads?

(2) Is this the equivalent of a road tax?

3685. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

I refer to question on notice number 3230 of 14 March 2006. Given that the detailed cost estimate for the new Denmark health facility was $9 million and members of the Project Working Group were recently advised by the Regional Director of Health that the cost of the buildings is rising at one per cent per month, that would bring the cost to $10.89 million by November 2005 when the Minister announced the new amount of $18 million -

(1) What is the additional cost for?

(2) Why is it not covered by the one per cent advised to the Project Working Group?

(3) How much of the additional $7.11 million is due to site costs related specifically to the need for thickened slabs, double reinforcing, additional beams, subsurface drainage and run-off treatment ponds detailed in the Site Masterplanning Report, which would not be required at the golf/Shire site?

3686. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

I refer to question on notice number 3230 of 14 March 2006 and the alternative golf/Shire site. The Minister has been supplied with a report by an engineer that the oils at the alternative golf/Shire site are Class A, meaning very favourable for building. In addition the report indicated that there would be substantial cost savings and no risk of cracking in slabs and masonry, which could be expected in future on the community park site -

(1) Will the Minister have an estimate made of the cost savings of using the golf/Shire site?

(2) If not, why not?

(3) Given that the cost of extending sewerage would have to be added to the cost of using the golf/Shire site, has the Department ever obtained an estimate of -

(a) the cost of sewer extension; and

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(b) the share of the cost that could be covered by others, including the Education Department, Shire offices, country club and housing?

(4) If no to (3), why not?

3687. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

I refer to question on notice number 3230 of 14 March 2006. The Minister has advised in her response to this question on 4 April 2006 that the Business Case for the new Denmark health facility identified 52 places not beds as being needed by 2006 in Denmark. However, the Business Case in fact shows that 58 places are needed by 2006 and of these 52 are for high and low aged care and therefore residential beds. Given this -

What will the effect of the change in Commonwealth benchmarks be on this estimate of the need?

3688. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

I refer to question on notice number 3230 of 14 March 2006 and the recent visit to Denmark by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Country Health for closed meetings with the Shire councillors -

(1) Is it correct that the choice of site for the new Denmark health facility is still subject to resolution of the appeals to the Appeals Convenor and the amendment of the Town Planning Scheme?

(2) Does the community have the right to change the site choice through these processes?

(3) Should the community take into consideration the money spent by the Department on site-specific planning when deciding what is the best site?

(4) If yes to (2), how does the community obtain a full comparison of the costings for the alternative sites?

(5) If no to (2), why did the CEO of Country Health complain to the Denmark Shire councillors about money the Department had spent 'at risk'?

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Clerk of the Legislative Council