

# **Minutes of Proceedings**

#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

# TUESDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER 2021 2.00pm

#### 1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 2.00pm pursuant to order. The President, Hon Alanna Clohesy, took the Chair. Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

#### 2. Statement by President — Election of a Senator — Ms Dorinda Cox

The President made the following Statement —

I have the honour to inform you that at a Joint Sitting of the Houses of Parliament of the State of Western Australia held in Perth on 14 September 2021, the Members of such Houses, sitting and voting together in pursuance of section 15 of the *Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act*, did choose Dorinda Cox of 14 Harwood Close, Canning Vale, Western Australia, to hold the place vacated by former Senator the Honourable Rachel Siewert.

#### 3. Statement by President — Updates to Standing Orders

The President made the following Statement —

Last Thursday the Council agreed to amend a number of the Council's Standing Orders, with many of the changes to come into effect from today. The Council's staff have reprinted the Standing Orders and have updated your binder in the Chamber. If you have removed your copy of the Standing Orders from the Chamber, please see the staff from the Administration Office to update your binder. The new Standing Orders are also available on the Parliament's website and POWAnet. I thank the Legislative Council staff for the quick turnaround on the new Standing Orders.

Members are reminded that the dinner suspension will be for one hour on Tuesday evenings going forward. The bells will ring at 6.55 pm to reflect these new arrangements. Afternoon tea will be provided on a Wednesday and Thursday, as it is on a Tuesday, however, no formal afternoon tea suspension will occur on those days.

# 4. Message from His Excellency the Governor — Assent to Bills

The President reported the receipt of a Message from His Excellency the Governor assenting to the following Bills —

9 September 2021 — Message No. 19	Act No.
Arts and Culture Trust Bill 2021	15 of 2021
Family Court Amendment Bill 2021	16 of 2021
Ticket Scalping Bill 2021	17 of 2021
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## 5. Papers

The following Papers were laid on the Table by —

#### President

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State Administrative Tribunal Act 2004 (State Administrative Tribunal Amendment Regulations (No. 4) 2021 G.G. 10/09/2021)	
6. Order of Business	
Ordered — That Orders of the Day Nos 1, <i>City of Kalamunda Dogs Local Law 2021 — Disall</i> and 2, <i>Weapons Amendment Regulations 2021 — Disallowance</i> , be taken after Order of No. 12, <i>Administration Amendment Bill 2021</i> . (Leader of the House).	
7. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure — Consolidated Account Estimates 202	1-2022
The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Min Mental Health representing the Treasurer as follows —	ister for
That pursuant to Standing Order 69(1) the Legislative Council take note of Table 534A-D (2021–2022 Budget Statements), laid upon the Table of the Ho	-

Debate ensued.

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Hon Dr Steve Thomas, by leave, tabled a chart in relation to the iron ore price in Western Australia as at 13 September 2021. (Tabled Paper 567).

Debate resumed.

Hon Dr Steve Thomas, by leave, tabled a chart in relation to iron ore royalty income for the Western Australian State Government from 1998–1999 to 2020–2021 financial years. (Tabled Paper 568). Debate resumed.

#### 8. **Questions Without Notice**

Ouestions without notice were taken.

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer tabled a breakdown of COVID-19 recovery initiatives by type and agency, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Steve Thomas. (Tabled Paper 569).

The Minister for Regional Development, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a table detailing other initiatives to receive Royalties for Regions funding which have subsequently reduced the Royalties for Regions funding for the Country Water Pricing Subsidy, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Steve Thomas.

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment tabled a breakdown of the FTEs, by job description and level relating to Service Four (Environmental Regulation), to be recruited by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Tjorn Sibma. (Tabled Paper 570).

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* information in relation to the cost and location of additional ventilators purchased in preparedness for the COVID-19 pandemic, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Steve Martin.

#### 9. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure — Consolidated Account Estimates 2021–2022

Debate resumed on the motion of the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer (see item 7 above).

On the motion of Hon Pierre Yang the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

#### 10. Children and Community Services Amendment Bill 2021

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of this Bill. Debate resumed.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Acting President left the Chair.

#### **In Committee**

(Hon Peter Foster in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate ensued.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Child Protection tabled the non-legislative recommendations of the statutory review of the *Children and Community Services Act 2004*. (Tabled Paper 571).

Debate resumed.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 2.

Debate ensued.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4.

Debate ensued.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Child Protection moved, That the Deputy Chair report progress and seek to sit again.

Question — put and passed.

The President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the Bill, made progress, and seeks to sit again.

Ordered — That the Committee of the Whole House sit again.

#### 11. Order of Business

Ordered — That Order of the Day No. 1, *City of Kalamunda Dogs Local Law 2021 — Disallowance*, be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

#### 12. City of Kalamunda Dogs Local Law 2021 — Disallowance

The Order of the Day having been called for the motion of Hon Lorna Harper moved as follows —

That, pursuant to recommendation of the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation, the *City of Kalamunda Dogs Local Law 2021* published in the *Gazette* on 16 April 2021 and tabled in the Legislative Council on 4 May 2021 under the *Dog Act 1976*, be and is hereby disallowed.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and passed.

#### 13. Order of Business

Ordered — That Members' Statement be taken forthwith. (Leader of the House).

#### 14. Members' Statements

Statements were taken.

#### 15. Finance Legislation Amendment (Emergency Relief) Bill 2021

The President reported the receipt of Message No. 35 from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Bill for concurrence.

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Finance moved, That the Bill be read a first time.

Question — put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Finance moved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Finance tabled an Explanatory Memorandum relating to the Bill. (Tabled Paper 572).

Debate stands adjourned.

### 16. Adjournment

The Council adjourned at 9.56pm until Wednesday, 15 September 2021 at 1.00pm.

# Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Dr Sally Talbot.

#### **PAUL GRANT**

**HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC** 

Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Council

President of the Legislative Council