

WESTERN AUSTRALIA
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 22

Thursday, 24 August 2017

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- 105. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Education and Training
- 106. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Forestry
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132. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Local Government
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- 228. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Youth
- 229. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Veterans Issues
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- 270. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Commerce and Industrial Relations
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- 274. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Forestry

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- 277. Hon Nick Goiran to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Seniors and Ageing
- 278. Hon Diane Evers to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Public Sector Management
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- 287. Hon Diane Evers to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 288. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Education and Training
- 289. Hon Diane Evers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Mental Health
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- 293. Hon Diane Evers to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection

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- 296. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Fisheries
- 297. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Water
- 298. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Disability Services
- 299. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Environment
- 300. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
- 301. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Fisheries
- 302. Hon Robin Scott to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Transport

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- 303. Hon Robin Scott to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
- 304. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment
- 305. Hon Colin Tincknell to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General
- 306. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Housing
- 307. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Police
- 308. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

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I refer to the youth transitional accommodation program at Driscoll Drive, and I ask:

- (a) when will the program become operational;
- (b) how many young people will be able to be accommodated at the Driscoll Drive site at any time;
- (c) will the program be available to both males and females;
- (d) will the program include the provision of other services to young people in addition to the provision of accommodation;
- (e) if yes to (d), what other services will be provided; and
- (f) which organisation will operate this program?

310. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the 2012 Law Reform Commission report, *Review of Coronial Practice in Western Australia*, and I ask:

- (a) which of the 113 recommendations made by the Law Reform Commission have been acted upon;
- (b) of the recommendations which not been acted upon, which ones are supported by the Government;
- (c) does the Government intend to act upon the recommendations in (b);
- (d) if yes to (c), when; and
- (e) if yes to (c), will recommendations requiring legislative change be addressed through the development of a new Coroners Act or amendment to existing legislation?

311. Hon Colin Tincknell to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:

What is the average waiting period for cases involving child custody disputes to be finalised in the Family Law Court of Western Australia?

312. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

I refer to land, the subject of prospecting licences, not to be again marked out for a certain period of 3 months and the *Mining Act 1978*, and ask:

- (a) can the Minister explain how the State Government of Western Australia benefits from not allowing any person within a period of three months who was the holder of the prospecting licence immediately prior to the date of the surrender of the tenement from then marking out and applying for a prospecting licence or exploration licence over part of or the same area;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;

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- (c) can the minister explain what is the functional purpose of section 45(2) a of the *Mining Act 1978* aimed at achieving;
- (d) if no to (c), why not;
- (e) can the Minister explain what is the definition and meaning of the word “interest” used in section 45(2)(b) which does not appear to be defined under the *Mining Act 1978*;
- (f) if no to (e), why not;
- (g) can the Minister explain what is the functional purpose of section 45(2)(b) of the *Mining Act 1978* aimed at achieving;
- (h) if no to (g), why not;
- (i) can the Minister explain what is the functional purpose of section 45 (2)(c) of the *Mining Act 1978* aimed at achieving;
- (j) if no to (i), why not;
- (k) can the Minister explain what is the functional purpose of section 45(2a) of the *Mining Act 1978* in relation to the holding of shares in a listed public company aimed at achieving;
- (l) if no to (k), why not;
- (m) can the Minister explain how a prospecting licence tenement holder, or person who has an “interest” or a person who is related to the holder, would benefit from not having to comply with section 45(2) parts (a) to (c) of the *Mining Act 1978*;
- (n) if no to (m), why not;
- (o) can the Minister explain the justification as to why a time period of three months has been chosen in the legislation for prospecting licences, exploration licences and mining leases as opposed to a longer time frame as being acceptable before ground can be marked again and applied for; and
- (p) if no to (o), why not?

313. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to the review and subsequent cancellation of Septic Tank Effluent Disposal projects in Bindoon, Boyup Brook, Kukerin and Leonora under the State Government’s Infill Sewerage Program, and I ask:

- (a) what steps have been taken by Water Corporation to communicate the outcome of the review and subsequent change of plans to affected local governments and property owners;
- (b) will the results of these reviews be made public;
- (c) where will funding saved from terminating these planned projects be reappropriated within Water Corporation’s capital works budget; and
- (d) has the Water Corporation undertaken reviews of any other regional projects due to be delivered in the next two financial years that are now earmarked to not proceed?

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314. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

I refer to land, the subject of exploration licences, not to be again marked out for a certain period of three months and the *Mining Act 1978*, and ask:

- (a) can the Minister explain how the State Government of Western Australia benefits from not allowing any person within a period of three months, who was the holder of the exploration licence immediately prior to the date of the surrender of the tenement, from then marking out and applying for another prospecting licence or exploration licence over part of or the same area;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) can the Minister explain what is the functional purpose of section 69(1)(a) of the *Mining Act 1978* aimed at achieving;
- (d) if no to (c), why not;
- (e) can the Minister explain what is the definition and meaning of the word “interest” used in section 69(1)(b), which does not appear to be defined under the *Mining Act 1978*;
- (f) if no to (e), why not;
- (g) can the Minister explain what is the functional purpose of section 69(1) (b) of the *Mining Act 1978* aimed at achieving;
- (h) if no to (g), why not;
- (i) can the Minister explain what is the functional purpose of section 69 (1)(c) of the *Mining Act 1978* aimed at achieving;
- (j) if no to (i), why not;
- (k) can the Minister explain what is the functional purpose of section 69(2) under the *Mining Act 1978* in relation to the holding of shares in a listed public company aimed at achieving;
- (l) if no to (k), why not;
- (m) can the Minister explain how an exploration licence tenement holder, a person who has an “interest” or a person who is “related to the holder”, would benefit from not having to comply with section 69(1) parts (a) to (c) of the *Mining Act 1978*;
- (n) if no to (m), why not; and
- (o) does section 69(2) of the *Mining Act 1978* apply to proprietary limited companies which are not listed or only listed public companies?

315. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

I refer to the June/July 2017 edition of the *National Mining Chronicle* article titled, “State of Affairs”, and the Exploration Incentive Scheme (EIS) co-funded drilling program, and ask:

- (a) is it correct that the Minister told a mining club conference that the Labor Government was fully committed to the retention of the EIS scheme to promote jobs and employment within Western Australia;

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- (b) if no to (a), what is specifically correct in terms of the statements and commitments made by the Minister concerning the EIS when he attended the mining club conference;
- (c) can the Minister explain what is the specific importance as to why all the drilling assay results from mining companies and prospectors under the EIS scheme are released and made publicly available six months after the drilling programs have been completed as opposed to being kept confidential and not made public;
- (d) if no to (c), why not;
- (e) can the Minister explain how making the drill assay results under the EIS from mining companies and prospectors publically available helps the mining industry, Government, potential investors and the regional communities within Western Australia where the drilling is undertaken;
- (f) if no to (e), why not;
- (g) can the Minister explain why the timeframe of six months has been chosen before the public release of all drill assay results and data under the EIS;
- (h) if no to (g), why not;
- (i) can the Minister explain why he regards the Port Hedland channel as being the single most important piece of infrastructure for Western Australia; and
- (j) if no to (i), why not?

316. Hon Robin Scott to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

With reference to all applications for exemptions lodged under the *Mining Act 1978* with the Department for Mines and Petroleum within the last 12 months, will the Minister advise the total financial amount of exemptions applied for, and granted for each of the specific tenements, which have had exemptions refused:

- (a) the specific tenement number;
- (b) the reasons why the exemption was refused; and
- (c) the outcome, including the amount of a fine, if any, or possible forfeiture?

317. Hon Michael Mischin to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the Confiscation Proceeds Account, and ask for information for each of the financial years 2002 to 2017 inclusive, and projected into the 2018 year, on the:

- (a) moneys paid into that account;
- (b) moneys expended on the operations of the Western Australia Police and Director of Public Prosecutions of Western Australia Proceeds of Crime Units;
- (c) moneys paid as grants from that account;
- (d) moneys furnished from that account to Community Legal Centres; and
- (e) balance of moneys held in that account after all payments, grants and outgoings?

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I refer to the cancellation of Septic Tank Effluent Disposal projects in Bindoon, Boyup Brook, Kukerin and Leonora under the State Government's Infill Sewerage Program, and I ask with respect to each location:

- (a) what has been the cost to date of advancing each project;
- (b) what was the estimated cost for each project;
- (c) what are the local environmental implications of the cancellation of each project;
- (d) what are the local development implications of the cancellation of each project; and
- (e) who did the Minister or the Water Corporation consult with before making the decision, with respect to each project?

319. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade:

I refer to unconventional gas in the Kimberley, and ask:

- (a) has the Department for State Development (DSD) or the Minister, received any applications or correspondence relating to an unconventional gas production facility in the Kimberley;
- (b) if yes to (a), who did the DSD and/or the Minister receive this from and when;
- (c) if yes to (a), where is the proposed facility and gas field;
- (d) if yes to (a), will the Minister table the application and/or correspondence;
- (e) if no to (d), why not;
- (f) has the DSD or the Minister had any meetings or correspondence with Mitsubishi or their subsidiaries this year;
- (g) if yes to (f), what was this in regard to;
- (h) have any discussions taken place regarding gas pipelines in the Kimberley;
- (i) if yes to (h), will the Minister table the details; and
- (j) if no to (i), why not?

320. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade:

- (1) Has the Department of State Development or the Minister had any meetings or correspondence with Mitsubishi or their subsidiaries this year?
- (2) If yes to (1), what was this in regard to?
- (3) Have any discussions taken place regarding gas pipelines in the Kimberley with Mitsubishi or their subsidiaries?
- (4) If yes to (3), will the Minister table the details?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?
- (6) Has the Department or the Minister received a map of any proposed pipelines?
- (7) If yes to (6), will the Minister table the map?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?

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321. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the \$8.7 million Royalties for Regions upgrade of the Moora Residential College announced on 29 August 2016, and I ask:

- (a) what is the current status of the project;
- (b) what is the scope of works involved;
- (c) what costs have been incurred to date on the project;
- (d) when will the tender be released for the project; and
- (e) what is the expected commencement and completion date for the project?

322. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the Royalties for Regions funded Southern Inland Health Initiative (SIHI), and I ask:

- (a) who are the members of the SIHI Governance Group;
- (b) what is the SIHI Governance Group terms of reference;
- (c) since March 11, 2017 on how many occasions has the SIHI Governance Group met and which members were in attendance; and
- (d) will the Minister table the meeting minutes since 11 March 2017 for the SIHI Governance Group?

323. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the redevelopment of the Dumbleyung Health Service funded by Stream 4 of the Southern Inland Health Initiative, and I ask:

- (a) does the project maintain the \$2.3 million allocated from Royalties for Regions;
- (b) what is the scope of works that will be undertaken at the Dumbleyung Health Service;
- (c) when will the works commence and what is the expected timeframe for completion of works; and
- (d) has a tender been released for the works to be undertaken and, if not, when will a tender be released?

324. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to the Minister's comments made in the "CRC cuts concern", published in the *Augusta-Margaret River Mail*, dated 2 August 2017, and I ask:

- (a) when will the review be completed;
- (b) who is conducting the review;
- (c) what is the cost of the review;
- (d) what are the terms of reference for the review; and
- (e) what consultation will take place as a result of the review process?

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325. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to the contribution of the Hon Samantha Rowe to the second reading debate on the *Supply Bill 2017* in the Legislative Council on 28 June 2017, and I ask:

- (a) when will the \$50,000 election commitment by the WA Labor Party to construct barbecue facilities at Selby Park Redcliffe be delivered;
- (b) what is the final cost of the project;
- (c) how many local jobs will be created by the project;
- (d) will the project consist solely of locally manufactured products and, if not, what will be the portion of local content in the project;
- (e) what is the cost benefit ratio for the project; and
- (f) will the Minister table the business case for the project?

326. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Treasurer:

I refer to the Minister's answer to question on notice No. 20, answered on 28 June 2017, and I ask again:

- (a) which current Members of Parliament currently enjoy membership of the Parliamentary Pension Scheme; and
- (b) if it is the Minister's intention to not provide the information I seek, when does the Minister intend to fulfil his obligations under section 82 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*?

327. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs:

I refer to section 156 of the *Electoral Act 1907* and the 2017 State General Election, and I ask:

- (a) on what date did the Electoral Commissioner satisfy his requirement under section 156(2);
- (b) how many electors were contained on the list prepared under section 156(2);
- (c) on what date were infringements issued to electors for offences committed under section 156;
- (d) of the infringements issued, how many were for the amount of \$20 and \$50 respectively;
- (e) how many infringements have been waived as a result of an elector giving sufficient reason for failing to cast a vote; and
- (f) for what purpose does the Western Australian Electoral Commission commit funds raised as a result of infringements paid?

328. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to the Minister's media statement on 21 July 2017, "Steps taken to build biosecurity capacity", with reference to the Department of Agriculture and Food's response to secure market access for produce following the discovery of the tomato potato psyllid in Western Australia, and I ask:

- (a) of the 150 staff working in the incident response team, what functions did they play in the response;

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- (b) of the 150 staff working in the incident response team, what departments were they from;
- (c) what was the total cost of the response to the tomato potato psyllid outbreak to date;
- (d) has the Minister selected an implementation working group to review the report's recommendations; and
- (e) who has the Minister selected to form the working group, which is due to report by October 2017?

329. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs:

I refer to the offence provisions contained within Part VII of the *Electoral Act 1907*, and I ask in relation to the 2016-17 year:

- (a) how many complaints were received by the Western Australian Electoral Commission (WAEC) with respect to each offence;
- (b) what action did the WAEC take with respect to each complaint or allegation received;
- (c) how many allegations were referred to the Department of Public Prosecutions for prosecution;
- (d) how many prosecutions took place and of those how many were successful;
- (e) is the Minister satisfied that the WAEC has the resources required to adequately discharge its responsibilities under the *Electoral Act 1907* with respect to upholding its offence provisions;
- (f) with respect to (e), how many staff of the WAEC are directly tasked with responsibility of upholding the offence provisions of the *Electoral Act 1907*, and what are their position titles and qualifications; and
- (g) with respect to the 2008, 2013 and 2017 general elections, how many prosecutions were brought under the *Electoral Act 1907*, and of those how many were successfully prosecuted?

330. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the electronic school zone signs on Robinson Street in Gingin, and I ask:

- (a) on what date were the signs installed and commissioned;
- (b) what was the cost of the installation and maintenance since installation;
- (c) why are the east bound signs still not operating normally with fixed signage attached to the electronic signs; and
- (d) when is it expected that the electronic school zone signs will be operating normally?

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I refer to the resources provided by the Department of Premier and Cabinet, including staff resources to Members of Parliament, and I ask:

- (a) excluding those resources ordinarily provided to Government and opposition parties, has the Premier received any other request from a Member of Parliament or parliamentary party for additional resourcing;
- (b) if yes to (a), who has made the request, on what date was the request made and what is the nature of the request; and
- (c) if yes to (a), has the Premier agreed to such a request, what is the nature and cost of the approved resources and on what basis are they provided?

332. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

- (1) Has the Minister considered whether there should be an advisory panel of archaeological experts on heritage matters and any proposed reforms to the management of Aboriginal heritage?
- (2) Given the administrative changes that took place to the Aboriginal Cultural Material Committee (ACMC) and the Department of Aboriginal Affairs (DAA) under the former Government, will the Minister now reinstate the ACMC processes as they were before the legal advice to the department 1 November 2012, regarding section 5 of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972*?
- (3) Given that the department was disengaging from and refusing to help stakeholders, including miners, are DAA staff now going to start actively assisting those who wish to engage with Aboriginal heritage reporting?
- (4) Given the 30 per cent reduction in DAA staff numbers under the previous Government, will the Minister now appoint or reappoint a suitable number of staff to the department?
- (5) If no to (4), and given the extreme backlog of work, why not?
- (6) How many heritage professionals, qualified archaeologists and anthropologists, are currently employed by DAA?
- (7) Is there a specialist anthropologist on the ACMC?
- (8) Is the department of the view that the ACMC recommendations are valid without the services of a specialist anthropologist?
- (9) If yes to (8), please explain in the context of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972*?
- (10) What sort of departmental material have Aaron Rayner and Katherine Pryzwolnich been allowed to keep since they left DAA and started their own consultancy (AHALogic) which, per Mr Rayners LinkedIn profile “provides expert advice to land users and planners about all matters relating to Aboriginal heritage compliance including statutory approvals, engagement strategies, due diligence and conducting Aboriginal heritage surveys”?
- (11) Does DAA have dealings with AHALogic as a consultant?
- (12) When the DAA is dealing with consultancies, such as AHALogic, what level of qualification or accreditation of consultants is required?
- (13) With regards to (12), is there any level of qualification that is required for heritage professionals who submit reports and recommendations to the ACMC for consideration?

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- (14) Has Mr John Avery been reappointed by the department?
- (15) If yes to (14), in what capacity?
- (16) If yes to (14), on what pay level?
- (17) Under the previous Government, 1,262 sites (see Hansard [COUNCIL — Wednesday, 13 May 2015] p28c-29a) were assessed as not meeting section 5 and therefore not a site (between 1 November 2012 legal advice regarding section 5b and April, 2015). The Minister at the time said that “those Aboriginal heritage places assessed in relation to section 5(b) of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972* will be resubmitted to the Aboriginal Cultural Material Committee for reassessment” (Hon Robin Chapple MLC question without notice 2015-05-19) and gave the figure as 16 places that would be reassessed:
 - (a) what is the current status of those reassessments;
 - (b) will the Minister now direct the ACMC to reassess all of those sites; and
 - (c) what is the current criteria for placing sites into the “Other Heritage Places – Stored Data/Not a Site” category?
- (18) I refer to site 30602 Lake Yindarlgoooda, which was moved into the “Stored Data/Not a Site” category under administrative decisions made by DAA following advice from the State Solicitor’s Office in 2012, and ask:
 - (a) has the site been the subject of impact by mining or other operations;
 - (b) if yes to (b), how has the site been impacted;
 - (c) did these impacts happen while Lake Yindarlgoooda was considered “Stored Data/Not a Site”; and
 - (d) if yes to (c), who is going to be held responsible for the damage to now re-registered Lake Yindarlgoooda Aboriginal heritage site?

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