### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## **QUESTIONS**

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## Thursday, 16 August 2018

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- 1564. Hon Robin Scott to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Federal-State Relations
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- 1570. Hon Colin Holt to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Racing and Gaming

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- 1571. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Mental Health
- 1572. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade
- 1573. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Transport; Planning; Lands
- 1574. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Minister for Environment; Disability Services

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## 1575. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the proposed bypass of Great Northern Highway around Bindoon, and I ask:

- (a) what is the total cost of the project;
- (b) what is the total amount of funding committed by the Federal Government;
- (c) what is the total amount of funding committed by the State Government;
- (d) how will any shortfall in funding be addressed;
- (e) what is the timeline for construction commencement and completion;
- (f) please detail the access points to the new highway alignment that will connect to Bindoon town site;
- (g) will a grade separated interchange be located at the southern and northern deviation from the existing Great Northern Highway;
- (h) will the State maintain responsibility for the Great Northern Highway through Bindoon that will be bypassed as a result of this project;
- (i) if no to (h), who will be responsible for this section of road and what arrangements are being considered to ensure the appropriation condition and future funding for this roads maintenance; and
- (j) what work is the State doing with the local community to understand and prepare for the potential impact of bypassing the town site?

# 1576. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

The indigenous stakeholders, as represented by the Rottnest Island Deaths Group Aboriginal Corporation (RIDGAC), are insistent that they are duty bound under their laws, customs and traditions (1994) of what should and should not be done with the Quod and all other infrastructure that was built by their ancestors. It is the duty of RIDGAC to direct what should be done with the Quod and other infrastructures that were built by the ancestors, the places where the prisoners were held in horrific conditions and the places they built as slave labour, including the Governor's mansion/hotel. There has been no commitment for ground penetrating radar (GPR) to be done anywhere else on the Rottnest Island. RIDGAC strongly objects to being forced to accept that the sacred buildings are going to be smothered and overrun by new infrastructure and the organisation not being kept updated or consulted regarding these buildings, and infrastructure. Maintenance is currently being carried out on the Quod and RIDGAC was given only three days notice that these works were to take place. There may be questions of desecration surrounding the building and the only input allowed will be a monitor at the maintenance site, with no preliminary consultation taking place. I ask:

- (a) is the Minister aware of the difference between monitoring and consultation;
- (b) if yes to (a), will the Government call for full and proper consultation before works are carried out;
- (c) if no to (b), why not;

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- (d) will the Minister direct its agent to consult in good faith with RIDGAC;
- (e) will the Minister consult in good faith with RIDGAC concerning these matters;
- (f) when will the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs spend time with the RIDGAC board of directors to help and oversee RIDGAC's concerns regarding all of these issues;
- (g) Wadjemup was never part of the South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council (SWALSC) Native Title grant so why is SWALSC and Rottnest Island Authority (RIA) using Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs) to dominate the standing of RIDGAC, who were appointed and are culturally bound to oversee all Aboriginal issues on Wadjemup;
- (h) is RIDGAC going to be recognised by this Government as the primary body to continue their culturally appropriate duty bound protection and preservation of Aboriginal sites on Wadjemup;
- (i) is the Government going to continue the divisive processes that ignore and continue to override the cultural duties and obligations of RIDGAC;
- (j) will the Government provide information on the Prendiville family's involvement in the development of Wadjemup/Rottnest Island;
- (k) has the Prendiville family been granted ownership of private property on Rottnest Island;
- (l) what is the current makeup of the Rottnest Island Board, and how many are previous RIA board members; and
- (m) who are members of the Rottnest Island Reference Group, and how many are Aboriginal?

# 1577. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

The Rottnest Island Deaths Group Aboriginal Law Men and Elders have always maintained that there are many more than one Burial Site on Wadjemup/Rottnest Island and have constantly attempted to consult with and advise the Government/Rottnest Island Authority (RIA) of this fact. This position has now been supported by historian Neville Green. In an article in *The West Australian*, "Map Link to mystery of Rotto Graves' 24-25, March 2018 by Kent Ascott", it is noted that at least two cemeteries exist on Wadjemup, with one location remaining unknown to date pending further research. Ascott notes that the Island, with nearly 400 known Aboriginal deaths occurring during its time as a gaol, was 'one of the biggest deaths in custody sites in Australia.' I ask:

- (a) does the Government have any plans to locate other burial sites on Wadjemup;
- (b) if yes to (a), when will these plans commence;
- (c) if no to (a), why not;
- (d) are there plans in place to handle any additionally located burial sites;
- (e) if no to (d), why not;
- (f) if yes to (d), what do these plans involve;
- (g) if yes to (d), do the plans allow Rottnest Island Deaths Group Aboriginal Corporation, members, descendants and traditional owners to properly honour those sites and their ancestors under their lore/law, custom and spirit, and allow full self-determination and control of how those sites are cared for and maintained into the future;

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- (h) if no to (g), why not; and
- (i) if yes to (g), will the Minister table the plans?

## **NIGEL PRATT**

Clerk of the Legislative Council