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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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Tuesday, 22 March 2016

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3895. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the 2015 announced “Affordable Housing Strategy 2010-2010” for the Kimberley, and I ask:

- (a) how many of the 845 social housing and 35 discounted rental properties have been delivered to date;
- (b) what is the location or planned location of the 800 social housing dwellings; and
- (c) what is the location or planned location of the 35 discounted rental properties?

3896. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the 2015 announced “Affordable Housing Strategy 2010-2010” for the Pilbara, and I ask:

- (a) how many of the 140 social housing and 20 affordable home ownership dwellings have been delivered to date;
- (b) what is the location or planned location of the social housing dwellings; and
- (c) what is the location or planned location of the affordable home ownership properties?

3897. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the advertising of alcohol products on public transport vehicles and associated signage, and I ask:

- (a) as at 22 March 2016, are any public transport vehicles or associated signage currently displaying alcoholic products and, if so, what are the bus route numbers and location of the signage;
- (b) what are the bus route numbers for the bus id’s listed in question on notice No. 3392;
- (c) what revenue has been raised by the advertisement of alcohol on public transport vehicles and associated signage for the 2015-16 financial year to date; and
- (d) what was the approximate value of revenue received by the Public Transport Authority under the APN Licence Agreement from alcohol advertising on public transport in 2014-15?

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3898. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Housing:

I refer to public housing in Port and South Hedland, and I ask:

- (a) what was the mean waiting time for a family housing application in each of the following periods:
 - (i) 2015-2016 to date;
 - (ii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iii) 2013-2014; and
- (b) what was the mean waiting time for a priority housing application in each of the following periods:
 - (i) 2015-2016 to date;
 - (ii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iii) 2013-2014?

3899. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Housing:

I refer to public housing in Port and South Hedland, and I ask:

- (a) how many properties were listed for sale as at 21 March 2016;
- (b) what is the address and sale price of any property listed in (a);
- (c) what was the original purchase price and date of any property listed in (a); and
- (d) for each of the following periods, what is the address and value of all property purchased and sold:
 - (i) 2015-2016 to date;
 - (ii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iii) 2013-2014?

3900. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Housing:

I refer to public housing in Port and South Hedland, and I ask:

- (a) what was the number of property holdings as at 1 March 2015;
- (b) what was the number of property holdings as at 1 March 2016;
- (c) how many of the properties in (b) are tenanted;
- (d) what is the address of any property that is currently vacant and awaiting refurbishment;
- (e) what is the address and zoning of any vacant land holdings; and
- (f) how many new residential developments are planned over the forward estimates and what is the address of each development?

3901. Hon Sue Ellery to the Minister for Education:

- (1) How many students enrolled in public schools to date in 2016 have been categorised as having a Severe Mental Disorder (please list the numbers as categorised by each school)?
- (2) How many students enrolled in public schools to date in 2016 have been categorised as having Autism Spectrum Disorder (please list the numbers so categorised by each school)?

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3902. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Fisheries:

I refer to the fish trap proposal for a demersal scalefish fishery in the Gascoyne Region, which the Minister decided against supporting, and ask:

- (a) was there a conflict of interest with the proposal between a ministerial staffer and one of the commercial licensee's project managers;
- (b) will the Minister explain why, even though the region is classed as "medium risk area", the department has increased the total bycatch quota by close to 100 tonnes in the past year, in line with the introduction of the fish traps; and
- (c) why was the proposal not listed on the department's "open for comment" section of the website until after the initial closing date for comment?

3903. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

I refer to the Western Australian State Government agreement (the Agreement) with Senator Hon Nigel Scullion that saw the States take on responsibility for municipal and essential services in remote Indigenous communities in 2014. The Agreement is contained in correspondence exchanged between Ministers only and has not been publicly released, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister table the Agreement and/or ministerial correspondence in which the Agreement is contained;
- (b) if no to (a), why not; and
- (c) why does the Minister hold the view that these documents should not be publicly released?

3904. Hon Samantha Rowe to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health:

- (1) How many FTE positions in the South Metropolitan Area Health Service have been abolished, terminated or not had their contract renewed since 30 June 2015 to present?
- (2) How many FTE positions in the North Metropolitan Area Health Service have been abolished, terminated or not had their contract renewed since 30 June 2015 to present, including a breakdown of how many of these positions were based at Fiona Stanley Hospital?
- (3) How many FTE positions across the entire Metropolitan Area Health Service are currently unfilled due to the recruitment freeze, which has been in place since December 2015?

3905. Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson to the Attorney General:

For each Magistrate District:

- (a) what is the average time taken between receiving an application for a Violence Restraining Order (VRO) and an interim hearing being held for each of:
 - (i) 2016 to date;
 - (ii) 2015;
 - (iii) 2014;
 - (iv) 2013; and
 - (v) 2012;
- (b) for each of the years in (a), what is the longest time taken between receiving an application for a VRO and an interim hearing being held;

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- (c) for each of the years in (a), what is the average time taken between an interim VRO being granted and it being issued to the person bound by the VRO; and
- (d) for each of the years in (a), what is the longest time taken between an interim VRO being granted and it being issued to the person bound by the VRO?

3906. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health:

For the calendar year from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2015, what was the number of:

- (a) induced abortions;
- (b) induced abortions over 12 weeks gestation;
- (c) induced abortions for women under the age of 20;
- (d) approvals given by the ministerial panel for abortions at 20 weeks gestation or later; and
- (e) induced abortions at 20 weeks gestation or later?

3907. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to recent statements made by the Minister in Parliament on 16 March 2016 regarding the identification of 100 gigalitres of sustainable, high-quality groundwater in the West Canning Basin, and ask:

- (a) what proportion of the 10,000 square kilometre (sq km) footprint referred to by the Minister in relation to the West Canning Basin underlies the Fitzroy River catchment;
- (b) how many aquifers are included in this 10,000 sq km footprint and what are their names;
- (c) how many, and which, of these aquifers are replenished by surface water inflows;
- (d) how many, and which, of these aquifers discharge water into rivers, streams, pools and wetlands during the dry season;
- (e) when the Minister stated that, "Up to this point, we have proven up a sustainable 100 gigalitres of resource a year" from this Basin, does the Minister mean that this water is now available for allocation to industry or other users;
- (f) what assessment methodology, including environmental and cultural impact assessment, was used to arrive at the figure of 100 gigalitres of sustainable water;
- (g) was any independent advice or input sought in arriving at this figure;
- (h) have the Traditional Owners of the lands covering the West Canning Basin been advised of this potential new water resource and its allocation;
- (i) will there be any open and transparent process involving the public, Traditional Owners and independent experts before any allocations of this water are made;
- (j) if no to (i), why not;
- (k) is the Minister aware of recent reports from the Bureau of Meteorology and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation highlighting the impacts of climate change on northern Australia, including the Kimberley-West Canning, which conclude that it is likely there will be higher temperatures, more extreme weather events (for example, heatwaves, floods), greater variability in rainfall and increased evaporation;

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- (l) has this climate change information been used in arriving at the 100 gigalitres of sustainable water figure;
- (m) if yes to (l), how has it been incorporated;
- (n) if no to (l), why not;
- (o) is the Minister aware of the severe drought currently affecting large parts of the Fitzroy River/West Canning area;
- (p) has this drought and the potential for such droughts to be more common in the future been incorporated into the calculation of the 100 gigalitres of sustainable water;
- (q) if yes to (p), in what way; and
- (r) if no to (p), why not?

3908. Hon Kate Doust to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the Department of Transport's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

3909. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to the Department of Water's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
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3910. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Local Government:

I refer to the Department of Local Government's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
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- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

3911. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer:

I refer to the Department of Treasury's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

3912. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

I refer to the Department of Mines and Petroleum's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

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3913. Hon Kate Doust to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Finance:

I refer to the Department for Finance's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

3914. Hon Kate Doust to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development:

I refer to the Department for Training and Workforce Development's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

3915. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning:

I refer to the Department of Planning's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
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3916. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for Lands:

I refer to the Department of Lands' membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

3917. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to the Department for Regional Development's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
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3918. Hon Kate Doust to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development:

I refer to the Department for State Development's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

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3919. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Fisheries:

I refer to the Department of Fisheries' membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

3920. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to the Department for Agriculture and Food's membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, and ask:

- (a) why is the department a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (b) who made the decision to have the department become a member of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia;
- (c) how much does the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia cost the department; and
- (d) what tangible benefits has the membership to the Committee for Economic Development of Australia delivered to the department?

3921. Hon Darren West to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to question without notice No. 1250 regarding the Farmlands Water Scheme, and I ask:

- (a) was a business case prepared for the work required in this scheme;
- (b) if no to (a), why not; and
- (c) if yes to (a), will the Minister table a copy of the business case and, if not, why not?

NIGEL PRATT

Clerk of the Legislative Council