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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 14

Thursday, June 21 2001

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Notice Given *Tuesday, May 29 2001*

40. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

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47. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

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50. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
51. Hon Peter Foss to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

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55. Hon Barbara Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education
56. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Police
57. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Federal Affairs
58. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
59. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Local Government

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- 60. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Local Government
- 61. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
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- 69. Hon Dee Margetts to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Consumer Affairs
- 70. Hon Peter Foss to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Justice and Legal Affairs
- 71. Hon Peter Foss to the Leader of the House

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- 72. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Notice Given ***Tuesday, June 19 2001***

- 73. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Forestry and Fisheries
- 74. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Notice Given ***Wednesday, June 20 2001***

- 75. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
- 76. Hon Dee Margetts to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 77. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Police

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78. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

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79. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development

I refer to the Annual Report 2000 Goldfields Ltd page 37, which refers to an incident where the Kalgoorlie Boulder City Council was illegally mining sand on a Goldfields lease -

- (1) Can the Minister state the penalty for unauthorised mining under the *Mining Act 1978*?
- (2) Will the Minister ensure that an urgent and thorough investigation is undertaken with respect to the alleged unauthorised mining of sand and other minerals and that prosecution procedures are implemented well within the 12 months statutory time limit to initiate any proceedings?
- (3) Can the Minister provide the -
 - (a) specific tenement number on which this occurred;
 - (b) tonnage and area in square metres of illegal sand and other minerals mined; and
 - (c) amount of royalties paid to the Government for this illegal sand mining operation?

80. Hon Barry House to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

- (1) Why are DOLA leases at Jarrahwood restricted to 12 months?
- (2) Will the Government consider longer leases, with appropriate conditions, committing leases to local shire and health regulations etc. to encourage better care and maintenance of the properties and surrounding areas?
- (3) If not, why not?

81. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

I refer to the Minister's answer to my question without notice (of which some notice was given) of June 13 2001 stating that the State Government is committed to providing environmental protection services to the Goldfields region and ask -

- (1) Is the Minister committed to both retaining the Kalgoorlie-Boulder DEP office and staffing the Kalgoorlie-Boulder DEP office?
- (2) Given the fact that the DEP has experienced problems in recruiting staff to this regional office, are the positions of Manager or Staff Officer still being advertised, and in what manner?

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82. Hon Barry House to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- (1) Will the Labor Government confirm the building of the 'Sky Jetty' at One Tree Bridge between Manjimup and Nannup, which was previously committed and financed by the Coalition Government as part of the RFA restructure package?
 - (2) If yes, when will the project be built?
 - (3) If not, why not?
83. Hon George Cash to the Minister assisting the Treasurer
- Can the Minister provide to the House estimates for the -
- (a) net operating balance; and
 - (b) net cash flow from operating activities,
- for the year 2000/01?
84. Hon Barry House to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- (1) Does the Government support the inclusion of the Scott Coastal Plain Reserves (UCL 754, UCL 4973, Reserve A12951 and the UCL between Location 753 and the nature reserve at Brennan's Bridge) into the Scott National Park?
 - (2) If yes, what progress has been made towards achieving this goal?
 - (3) If not, why not?
85. Hon Barry House to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education
- (1) Is the Education Department prepared to support the Margaret River Senior High School in its desire to secure a safe link to the Margaret River Recreation Centre for its students, by purchasing the access way on Station Road which is currently owned by the Freeman's Lodge and about to become available?
 - (2) If not, why not?
86. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- (1) Is the Minister aware that residents nearby to the Wagerup Refinery suffer severe air pollution between the months of February and June?
 - (2) Is the Health Department currently conducting air monitoring of the Alcoa Wagerup Refinery?
 - (3) If yes, between what dates is the air monitoring to be conducted?
 - (4) Will the liquor burner be in operation during the full period of air monitoring?
 - (5) Has the Health Department conducted air monitoring in the past?

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- (6) If yes, in which years and for each year between which months?
- (7) Was the liquor burner in operation during the full period of this air monitoring?
87. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- (1) Does the Government intend to nominate the D'Entrecasteaux National Park for World Heritage listing?
- (2) If yes, when does the Government expect to have this nomination completed?
- (3) Does the Government intend to nominate the Gingilup-Jasper Wetland System in the D'Entrecasteaux National Park for RAMSAR listing?
- (4) If yes, when does the Government expect to have this nomination completed?
88. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

In relation to the Minister's media announcement on June 7 2001 on the establishment of a new composting facility, Biowise, in Kwinana -

- (1) What are the 'other wastes', besides biosolids, that will be used by this process?
- (2) What are the 'low environmental and health risks' that have been identified with this process?

89. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Further to question on notice 25 of Tuesday, May 22 2001 -

- (1) Who carried out the study on the association between Perth's air quality, mortality and hospitalisation?
- (2) Which department(s) commissioned the study?
- (3) Who has been conducting the peer review of the study?
- (4) Will the Minister table the reviewer's comments?
- (5) If not, why not?

90. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Further to question on notice 323 answered on Tuesday, March 14 2000 -

- (1) Does landfarming of oil wastes still occur at the Bunbury and Busselton landfill sites?
- (2) If yes, how much is dumped at each landfill site per annum and from what companies does the oil waste originate?

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- (3) If not, when did the practice of landfarming oil waste stop at these two sites?
91. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for Water Resources
- (1) How many algal blooms or outbreaks have occurred in the Swan-Canning River system for each year from 1993?
- (2) For each algal bloom -
- (a) what type of algae was it;
 - (b) what was the location of the algal bloom; and
 - (c) what was the identified cause of the algal bloom?

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