

WESTERN AUSTRALIA
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 83

Tuesday, 9 October 2018

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1633. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Corrective Services
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1661. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training
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1663. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade

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1664. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to parliamentary questions seeking access to business cases for projects that were approved by the former Liberal National Government, and I ask:

- (a) if these business cases cannot be released due to their status as ‘cabinet-in-confidence’ and ‘long standing convention’, how does the current Government maintain oversight of project delivery, budget and other related matters without access to such key information;
- (b) on what basis did the current Government maintain funding and commitment to these projects without access to such key information; and
- (c) on what basis did the special inquirer undertaking the ‘Inquiry into Government Programs and Projects’ access key documentation such as business cases given the Parliament cannot do so?

1665. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to Legislative Council question on notice Nos 1181 and 1441, in relation to advertising material distributed by the Department of Transport, and I ask:

- (a) do the advertisers make arrangements directly with and pay the contractor that the Minister mentioned in both answers;
- (b) who is the contractor and what is the term of the contract;
- (c) will the Minister please provide a copy of the contract; and
- (d) if no to (a), will the Minister please provide the name of the individual advertisers and advertising costs charged to each in 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18?

1666. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade:

I refer to page 7 of the 2017-18 Annual Report on State Finances, and I ask, with respect to the return of project funds from Local Government to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD):

- (a) what is the total value of returned funds from Local Government to DPIRD in 2017-18;
- (b) please detail by local government, project name and description and reason for the return of funds; and
- (c) please identify the projects which contribute to the ‘higher revenue’ of \$15 million?

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1667. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade:

I refer to page 11 of the *2017-18 Annual Report on State Finances*, and specifically the \$60 million reduction in expenditure relating to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD), and I ask:

- (a) please advise what proportion of the \$60 million in reduced expenditure can be applied to each of the three sub-bullet points being project underspends, salaries and depreciation;
- (b) with respect to project underspends, please detail the project name and description, amount and reason for underspend;
- (c) for each project identified in (b), please advise if the total funding amount has changed or if funding for the project has been re-profiled to reflect milestones;
- (d) with respect to salaries please advise the positions affected and therefore contributed to the \$60 million in reduced expenditure;
- (e) what are the reasons for delays in filling vacancies as highlighted in the *2017-18 Annual Report on State Finances*; and
- (f) have the operations of the agency been impacted by the vacancies identified in (d) and, if so, to what extent?

1668. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts:

I refer to Legislative Council question on notice No. 1432, and I ask, will the Minister please table an unredacted copy of the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts diary including all appointments and travel arrangements for the period 23-25 August 2017?

1669. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Housing; Veterans Issues; Youth:

I refer to the email from the Minister's office, dated 1 October 2018 and received at 8:51am from the Minister's Appointments Secretary, and I ask:

- (a) for what period of time was the Minister in the South Metropolitan Region;
- (b) further to (a):
 - (i) how many meetings, events, functions or similar did the Minister attend;
 - (ii) who attended each of the meetings, events, functions or similar with the Minister; and
 - (iii) did the Minister receive or create any documents during or in preparation for the meetings, events, functions or similar;
- (c) if yes to (b)(iii), what were those documents;
- (d) further to (c), will the Minister table those documents;
- (e) if yes to (d), when; and
- (f) if no to (d), why not?

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1670. Hon Nick Goiran to the Leader of the House representing the Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations:

I refer to the email from the Premier's office, dated 3 October 2018 and received at 4:24pm from your Appointments Secretary, and I ask:

- (a) for what period of time was the Premier in the South Metropolitan Region;
- (b) further to (a):
 - (i) how many meetings, events, functions or similar did the Premier attend;
 - (ii) who attended each of the meetings, events, functions or similar with the Premier; and
 - (iii) did the Premier receive or create any documents during or in preparation for the meetings, events, functions or similar;
- (c) if yes to (b)(iii), what were those documents;
- (d) further to (c), will the Premier table those documents;
- (e) if yes to (d), when; and
- (f) if no to (d), why not?

1671. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations:

I refer to the Premier's visit to the Agricultural Region on Wednesday, 3 October 2018, and I ask:

- (a) on what date, at what time and by what means were the following local Members of Parliament notified of the Premier's visit:
 - (i) Hon Mia Davies MLA;
 - (ii) Hon Martin Aldridge MLC;
 - (iii) Hon Colin de Grussa MLC;
 - (iv) Hon Darren West MLC;
 - (v) Hon Laurie Graham MLC; and
 - (vi) Hon Rick Mazza MLC;
- (b) please provide an unredacted copy of the Premier's itinerary and travel arrangements for Wednesday, 3 October 2018;
- (c) please provide all briefing notes and advice provided to the Premier in relation to meetings, functions and other commitments undertaken by him on 3 October 2018;
- (d) who accompanied the Premier during his visit and at each meeting, function or other commitment attended by him on Wednesday, 3 October 2018; and
- (e) has the Premier complied with his own 'standard protocols' as outlined by him in response to Legislative Council questions on notice Nos 1170 and 1433?

1672. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to students with disability, and I ask:

- (a) how many students at Western Australian government schools have an assessed IQ of 70 to 75;
- (b) are any of the students from (a) eligible for individual disability allocation funding;

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- (c) if yes to b):
 - (i) how many; and
 - (ii) how many of these students do not have a co-existing diagnosis or condition;
- (d) for students from (a) who are not eligible for individual disability allocation funding, do schools receive other funding allocations to meet their needs;
- (e) if yes to (d), will the Minister please detail the nature and amount of any funding allocations;
- (f) is the McGowan Government planning to undertake any work to better address the needs of students with an intellectual disability who do not meet the threshold for individual funding allocations;
- (g) if no to (f), why not; and
- (h) if yes to (f), please advise what work will be undertaken?

1673. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection:

- (1) How many child protection cases are currently under consideration by the Care Plan Review Panel?
- (2) How many cases were under consideration by the Care Plan Review Panel at the same date 12 months ago?
- (3) When did the Care Plan Review Panel last meet?
- (4) How often did the Care Plan Review Panel meet during:
 - (a) January to March 2017;
 - (b) April to June 2017;
 - (c) July to September 2017;
 - (d) October to December 2017;
 - (e) January to March 2018;
 - (f) April to June 2018; and
 - (g) July to September 2018?
- (5) Does the Minister intend to make any changes to the composition or function of the Care Plan Review Panel?
- (6) If yes to (5):
 - (a) what changes will be made; and
 - (b) when?

1674. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services:

- (1) Is any funding provided to community organisations to provide advocacy and practical support for families whose children have been taken into care including to:
 - (a) support them towards reunification; and
 - (b) support them to raise concerns regarding their child's care plan?

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- (2) If yes to (1):
- (a) which organisations are provided funding; and
 - (b) how much does each organisation receive?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?

1675. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the Gooseberry Hill Primary School entry on the Contaminated Sites Database, which states that the school is irrigated by waters pumped from the Ledger Road Dam and will continue to be, and I ask, will the Minister please explain the discrepancy between this information and the response provided to my question on notice No. 1326, answered on 21 August 2018?

1676. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the Gooseberry Hill Primary School entry on the Contaminated Sites Database, which states that the school is irrigated by waters pumped from the Ledger Road Dam and will continue to be, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister please explain the discrepancy between this information and the response provided to my question on notice No. 1326, answered on 21 August 2018; and
- (b) if the school does not use water from the Ledger Road Dam for irrigation, please advise:
 - (i) the date scheme water began to be used for irrigation at the school;
 - (ii) who connected the school's irrigation system to scheme water; and
 - (iii) the total cost of this work?

1677. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Education and Training:

- (1) How many schools built during the 1960s and 1970s are currently used by the Department of Education?
- (2) How many of (1) have been tested for:
 - (a) Dieldrin; and
 - (b) Aldrin?
- (3) How many from (2) returned results over accepted levels?
- (4) Please list those schools which returned results over accepted levels?
- (5) Does the department intend to test any outstanding schools from (1) that have yet to be tested?
- (6) If yes to (5), when?
- (7) If no to (5), why not?

1678. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the establishment of a custody notification service, and I ask:

- (a) has legislation to establish the service been drafted;
- (b) when is it anticipated this legislation will be introduced;
- (c) when is it anticipated the service will begin operating; and
- (d) what else needs to occur before the service begins operating?

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1679. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to the Western Australia Police family violence special case team, and I ask:

- (a) do members of the team receive cultural competency training specific to addressing family and domestic violence issues in culturally and linguistically diverse families;
- (b) if yes to (a):
 - (i) please provide information on the nature and extent of any cultural competency training;
 - (ii) who provides this training; and
 - (iii) what percentage of current staff in the team have undergone this training; and
- (c) if no to (a), why not?

1680. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the physical restraint of students, and I ask:

- (a) are schools required to record all instances of the physical restraint of students by school staff;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) if yes to (a), which specific details are required to be recorded;
- (d) if yes to (a), please advise the number of occasions students were physically restrained by school staff in:
 - (i) 2015;
 - (ii) 2016;
 - (iii) 2017; and
 - (iv) 2018 to date;
- (e) please advise the number of individual students who were physically restrained by school staff in:
 - (i) 2015;
 - (ii) 2016;
 - (iii) 2017; and
 - (iv) 2018 to date; and
- (f) please list, by school, the number of occasions students with disability were physically restrained by school staff in:
 - (i) 2015;
 - (ii) 2016;
 - (iii) 2017; and
 - (iv) 2018 to date?

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1681. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Treasurer; Minister for Finance; Energy; Aboriginal Affairs:

I refer to Western Power, and I ask:

- (a) does Western Power utilise the services of external contractors for repairs, maintenance and other services directly related to the operation of the South West Interconnected System; and
- (b) if yes to (a), please provide:
 - (i) the nature of the work supplied or contracted;
 - (ii) the process used to identify suppliers or contractors and obtain services;
 - (iii) what is the monetary threshold used by Western Power that requires it publicly tender or offer its work;
 - (iv) what level of management has authority to issue work below and above the threshold identified in (iii);
 - (v) what procedures or policies are in place to quality assure work undertaken; and
 - (vi) are the prices fixed at a set rate for the duration of the contract or how do the contracts anticipate variability in quoting and costs relating to undertaking work?

1682. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Commerce and Industrial Relations; Electoral Affairs; Asian Engagement:

I refer to inquiries and/or complaints made to the Department of Consumer Protection in relation to retirement villages, and I ask:

- (a) how many inquiries were received by the department during the 2017-2018 financial year;
- (b) how is the information contained in an inquiry recorded;
- (c) what is the process for escalating an inquiry about a retirement village into a complaint investigation;
- (d) how many complaints were investigated during 2017-2018;
- (e) for each of the years 2010 to 2018, how many FTE officers have been assigned to monitoring compliance;
- (f) what was the minimum time from receiving a complaint to initiating an investigation in 2017-2018;
- (g) what is the maximum time from receiving a complaint to initiating an investigation in 2017-2018;
- (h) how many complaints received during 2017-2018 were finalised;
- (i) how many of the complaints investigated during 2017-2018 resulted in disciplinary action against the management or owners of a retirement village;
- (j) how many complaints and/or inquiries received in 2017-2018 relate to contract terms;
- (k) how many complaints and/or inquiries received in 2017-2018 relate to deferred facilities or management fees;

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- (l) what is the break-down of the number of other complaints and/or inquiries received in 2017-2018 by identified categories; and
- (m) what consultation with external stakeholders has the department undertaken on implementing the outstanding reforms identified during the Statutory Review since May 2017 until September 2018?

1683. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the approximately 2,800 additional dwellings anticipated to be constructed in the short-to-medium term as part of the Metropolitan Development Authority's Redevelopment of the Scarborough Beach area, and I ask:

- (a) has the authority included this growth in dwellings and population as part of the forecasting for primary and high schools in the area;
- (b) will the Minister please provide the 10 year forecasts and current capacities for:
 - (i) Scarborough Primary School;
 - (ii) Deanmore Primary School;
 - (iii) Newborough Primary School;
 - (iv) Yuluma Primary School; and
 - (v) Wembley Downs Primary School; and
- (c) will the Minister please provide a breakdown of where the Minister anticipates the students from these new dwellings will attend high school?

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Clerk of the Legislative Council