



## Additional Questions

### Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation

#### The Committee asked:

- 1) I refer to page 184 of Budget Paper No. 2, statement of financial position, and ask what comprises current assets – other?

**Answer:**

‘Current assets – other’ comprises the current portion of loans receivable, prepayments for Tourism events and other prepayments for leases, rentals, licences, maintenance agreements etc.

- 2) I refer to page 184 of Budget Paper No. 2, statement of financial position, and ask what comprises non-current liabilities – other?

**Answer:**

‘Non-current liabilities – other’ includes loans payable to LandCorp, related to the Bentley Technology Park, and the non-current portion of the Department’s Long Service Leave Liability.

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**Hon Alison Xamon MLC asked:**

3) I refer to the fifth dot point on page 175 of the budget, regarding the development of the International Education Strategy and I ask:

a. Will a discussion paper be publicly released ahead of this strategy being finalised:

i. If yes, when; and

ii. If no, why not;

**Answer:**

It is not proposed to publicly release a discussion paper on the Strategy. However, over the past 12 months, the Department has been working on the development of the Strategy, engaging in the following areas of activity:

- identifying strategies relevant to Western Australia from a comprehensive review of international education strategies across Australia, New Zealand and internationally;
- based on this work, developing a discussion paper including core parts of a draft Strategy, for consultation with key stakeholders;
- actively consulting with relevant government agencies, public and private education providers and peak industry bodies in Western Australia;
- hosting a planning workshop with approximately 50 stakeholders from across the international education sector in Western Australia to gather information and consensus views to help finalise development of a Strategy.

More recently, the Department has worked in close consultation with the StudyPerth Board to finalise development of the draft Strategy.

b. Who is being consulted in the development of this strategy; and

**Answer:**

The Department has actively consulted with relevant government agencies, public and private education providers and peak industry bodies on the development of a Strategy. This has included consultation with the following organisations:

Government Agencies:

- Department of Education;
- Department of Training and Workforce Development;
- Office of Multicultural Interests;
- Tourism Western Australia; and
- City of Perth.

Universities:

- Curtin University of Technology;
- Edith Cowan University;
- Murdoch University;
- The University of Notre Dame Australia; and
- The University of Western Australia.

Education Providers/Peak Industry Bodies:

- Study Perth and its members;
- Australian Council for Private Education and Training;
- Western Australian Private Education and Training Industry Association;
- NAVITAS;
- Canning College; and
- public and private providers across all education sectors.

- c. When is it anticipated that this strategy will be completed?

**Answer:**

It is anticipated the Strategy will be finalised in the coming months.

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**Hon Jacqui Boydell MLC asked:**

4) Woodside FIFO Camp: FIFO is a serious concern/issue for this State – I am not sure if you have seen the latest study from Kings College in London and Central Queensland University published in the British Medical Journal which found that, in some communities in WA, as many as one in six people are FIFO and that FIFO has a direct impact on mental health and relationships:

a. What is your Government doing to address this?

**Answer:**

The Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation is not responsible for the approval and oversight of Fly-In Fly-Out (FIFO) activities.

b. If code of practice is being developed – when is this likely to be released? What is the penalties for non-compliance?

**Answer:**

The Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation is not responsible for the approval and oversight of Fly-In Fly-Out (FIFO) activities.

5) Given the growth planning that was done as part of the SuperTowns project, what work remains to be done?

**Answer:**

The Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation is not responsible for the Supertowns project.

6) I refer to Budget Paper 2, Volume 1, page 174 Under the heading State Development dot pot 2 and the reference to the departments work to secure land and infrastructure for lithium processing and I ask:

a. WA Lithium has recently made a decision to process at Kwinana rather than Kemerton is that correct?

**Answer:**

WA Lithium has signed an option to lease a site in Kwinana while it undertakes project feasibility.

b. What work is being done to encourage companies to consider regional areas for processing?

**Answer:**

The Department works closely with proponents to consider the best location for their project to ensure projects are located in Western Australia. This includes undertaking project specific analysis of sites, site visits and the provision of site specific reports. There is also considerable lease cost incentives for regional locations such as Kemerton over sites such as Kwinana.

c. What work is being done to make sure there is something like a ‘domgas’ policy for lithium?

**Answer:**

The Government has announced that it is developing a Lithium and Energy Materials Strategy in consultation with industry.

7) I refer to Budget Paper 2, Volume 1, Page 174, under the sending changes heading, the line item 'Transfer Minningup Pool Tourist Caravan Park Program to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development' and I ask why is that program being transferred?

**Answer:**

The Minningup Pool Tourist Caravan Park program is a Royalties for Regions funded program. Responsibility and the associated funding for the program has been transferred to the South West Development Commission as it is better placed to be the Lead Agency.

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