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QUESTIONS

No. 213

Wednesday, 13 June 2012

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5367. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
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- 5550. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
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- 5599. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Police
- 5600. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food
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- 5605. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
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- 5608. Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm to the Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer

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- 5609. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Forestry
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- 5622. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
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- 5647. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 5648. Hon Sally Talbot to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
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*Notice Given**Wednesday, 13 June 2012***5705. Hon Sue Ellery to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Housing**

- (1) How many State Government owned dwellings in the Pilbara are currently vacant?
- (2) How many State Government owned dwellings are currently vacant in —
 - (a) Port Hedland (including South Hedland);
 - (b) Karratha (including Dampier, Wickham and Roebourne);
 - (c) Newman; and
 - (d) Tom Price?
- (3) How many State Government owned dwellings in the Pilbara have been sold in the last 12 months?
- (4) How many State Government owned dwellings have been sold in the last 12 months in —
 - (a) Port Hedland (including South Hedland);
 - (b) Karratha (including Dampier, Wickham and Roebourne);
 - (c) Newman; and
 - (d) Tom Price?
- (5) Does the State Government have any plans to sell any State Government dwellings in the Pilbara, and if so, what are the details?

5706. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Forestry

I refer to forestry activities near Nannup, and I ask —

- (1) Regarding the large stockpile of sheoak currently at McCorkhill Forest Block —
 - (a) how much sheoak has been cut and stockpiled;
 - (b) for what purpose has it been cut; and
 - (c) given how quickly it spoils, why has it been stockpiled?
- (2) Regarding the jarrah stockpiles currently at McCorkhill Forest Block that are marked GFW (green firewood) —
 - (a) how much jarrah has been cut and stockpiled for green firewood;
 - (b) to whom is it allocated; and
 - (c) is the Minister aware that the trees are used by cockatoos as a food source?
- (3) Is the Minister and/or the Forest Products Commission aware that at McCorkhill Forest Block there have been instances of rollers that are contaminated with wet clay from areas affected by dieback, driving in dieback free areas without first removing the wet clay?
- (4) Why is there a lack of facilities at McCorkhill Forest Block for cleaning rollers, to prevent this from happening?

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- (5) Why have boundary trees at Kearney Forest Block (where visibility is good as a result of clearing) been marked or blazed by using an axe which injures the trees, instead of using ribbon which does not injure trees?
- (6) Regarding Helms Forest Block —
- (a) is the reason the fauna habitat zone has been relocated to a previously cleared (burnt) area, to make way for logging;
 - (b) what logging is planned for Helms Forest Block, and when;
 - (c) what assessment has been made of the impact of this logging on —
 - (i) Carnaby's black cockatoos;
 - (ii) Baudin's black cockatoos;
 - (iii) Red tailed black cockatoos;
 - (iv) release and survival of the black cockatoos from the nearby rehabilitation centre at Jalbarragup; and
 - (v) other native fauna;
 - (d) what evidence is this assessment based on;
 - (e) is it the Minister's understanding that this assessment satisfies the Department of Environment and Conservation;
 - (f) what assessment has been made of the impact of relocating the fauna habitat zone to its present location on —
 - (i) Carnaby's black cockatoos;
 - (ii) Baudin's black cockatoos;
 - (iii) Red tailed black cockatoos;
 - (iv) release and survival of the black cockatoos from the nearby rehabilitation centre at Jalbarragup; and
 - (v) other native fauna;
 - (g) what evidence is this assessment based on; and
 - (h) is it the Minister's understanding that this assessment satisfies the Department of Environment and Conservation?
- (7) Why is Nannup Mill using first grade jarrah timber for sleepers instead of value adding?
- 5707. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment**
- (1) What support does the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) provide to registered wildlife rehabilitators and centres in terms of —
- (a) training;
 - (b) insurance (eg workers compensation);
 - (c) joint projects (eg research);
 - (d) funding/grants;
 - (e) reimbursement of expenses incurred;
 - (f) discounts on DEC products (eg national park access, Landscape magazine); and

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- (g) other support?
- (2) What support does the DEC provide to volunteer wildlife rehabilitators in terms of —
 - (a) training;
 - (b) insurance (eg accident/injury/illness insurance);
 - (c) joint projects (eg research);
 - (d) funding/grants;
 - (e) reimbursement of expenses incurred;
 - (f) discounts on DEC products (eg national park access, Landscape magazine); and
 - (g) other support?

5708. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs

I refer to the answers to a question without notice asked of the Minister of Mines answered on 12 June 2012 and an extract from Tabled paper 4583 that accompanied that answer —

‘Recommendation 4: DIA should ensure that mining operators comply with conditions under Section 18 of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972. This will include conducting adequate monitoring and inspections.’

The Department of Indigenous Affairs is leading the response to this recommendation.’

and I ask —

- (1) Has the Department of Indigenous Affairs (DIA) concluded its response to the Auditor General’s Recommendation 4?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If yes to (1), will the Minister table that response?
- (4) If no to (1), when is the DIA expected to respond to the Auditor General’s Recommendation 4?

5709. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to conversations and questions asked in Estimates on Wednesday, 6 June 2012 in relation to bonds and ask —

- (1) When does the Government intend to lift the bond rate to 40 per cent of the total environmental damage?
- (2) In relation to (1), how will this be implemented by mining companies?
- (3) In relation to the implementation of a fidelity account, what will happen to the current bond system when it is introduced?
- (4) In relation to the implementation of a fidelity account, what will happen to insurance or bond coverage in the period between the closure of the current bond system and the fidelity account generating enough funds to cover for rehabilitation of defaulting mining tenements?

5710. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs

I refer to the company Land Access Solutions, and ask —

- (1) Has the Department of Indigenous Affairs (DIA) had any dealings with Land Access Solutions?
- (2) If yes to (1), on how many occasions?

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- (3) In what capacity were these contacts?
- (4) If yes to (1), whom within that company has DIA had communication with?

5711. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to page 169 of the 2012-13 State Budget papers, and I ask the Minister to please explain the \$15 million drop in Administered transactions?

5712. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the third dot point on page 171 of the 2012-13 State Budget papers regarding transparency, and I ask —

- (1) How far advanced is the mining environmental annual reporting system?
- (2) When is the Minister expecting that system to be available to the public?
- (3) Will the information on the site still only be for projects that have been part of a formal EPA-assessment?
- (4) Will the reporting and monitoring information for all projects be available, and if so, when?
- (5) Will a similar system to make public the environmental reporting information for petroleum projects be put into place?
- (6) If yes to 5 —
 - (a) when is this likely to occur;
 - (b) will it provide information on all projects, or only projects that have been formally assessed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); and
 - (c) will it at least provide this information for all unconventional gas projects?
- (7) Has the Minister considered funding and locating monitoring/enforcement staff with the EPA?

5713. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to page 172 of the 2012-13 State Budget papers regarding Geoscience information and advice – ‘Assistance and advice on land-use matters’, and I ask —

- (1) Has the Minister provided any advice regarding the co-location of unconventional gas and farming?
- (2) To whom has this advice been given?
- (3) Will the Minister please table any such advice that has been given to —
 - (a) industry as represented by APPEA;
 - (b) farmers as represented by the Farmers’ Federation; and
 - (c) local communities?
- (4) Is the Minister engaging with WA Farmers’ Federation regarding their desire for a right of veto?

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I refer to note D on page 174 of the State Budget papers regarding the Royalties for Regions Community Services Fund, and I ask —

- (1) Will the Minister please detail the projects that access money from this fund?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

5715. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the \$20.6 million for the Alternative Energy Mobilisation Scheme identified in the 2011-12 Budget that was not spent and is not currently noted in the 2012-13 Budget. I was advised on 1 May 2012 that a revised business case had gone to Regional Development and Lands and that no funds had as yet been released to the Department of Mines and Petroleum. The Financial Review reported 'the collapse of a WA Govt initiative to form a rig club for drilling'. I ask —

- (1) Is this business case still progressing?
- (2) If yes to (1), when is the Minister expecting those funds to become available?
- (3) Has the formation of Enerdrill and their planned import of three drill rigs been incorporated into the revised business case, or will further work now be required?

5716. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to page 177 of the 2012-13 State Budget papers regarding Petroleum State Royalties. I note that the Government received less than half the anticipated royalties in 2011-12 and is predicting a further steep fall in petroleum royalty income in 2012-13, and I ask —

- (1) Why were the actual royalties received from petroleum so much lower than you expected in 2011-12?
- (2) Why are the budgeted royalties for 2012-13 so much lower again?
- (3) As companies are telling communities that they will drill far fewer wells than originally anticipated for an unconventional gas field, will the Minister return the royalty rate for tight gas to the rate for conventional gas projects?

5717. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the money spent on coal industry development in 2011-12, which was twice the budgeted amount, and I ask —

- (1) Will the Minister please explain why this extra money was spent?
- (2) Will the Minister please explain what this extra money was spent upon?
- (3) If no to (1) or (2), why not?

5718. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the proceeds from petroleum permits and licences nearly doubling from 2011-12 actual to 2012-13 budget as detailed on page 177 of the 2012-13 State Budget papers, and I ask —

- (1) Will the Minister please explain the expected increase in terms of —
 - (a) permit numbers; and
 - (b) increased fees?

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- (2) What is the Minister's expectation regarding how many of these will be production licences?
- (3) Does the Minister have an expectation that any of these licenses will be production licences for unconventional gas?

5719. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the new sub-acute service to be established in the Goldfields-Esperance region, and I ask —

- (1) Are these new beds which will be in addition to the beds currently available at Graylands Hospital and other sub-acute mental health facilities in Western Australia?
- (2) If no to (1), are these beds being relocated from Graylands?
- (3) If yes to (2), how many beds will be closed at Graylands?
- (4) If yes to (2), will any funding be redirected from Graylands to the new service?
- (5) If yes to (3), how much?

5720. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the new step up-step down facility at Joondalup, and I ask —

- (1) Will the facility be run directly by the Department of Health?
- (2) If no to (1), which organisation has been identified to run the facility?

5721. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the People with Exceptionally Complex Needs (PECN) pilot program, and I ask —

- (1) Has any funding been allocated for this program for 2012-13?
- (2) If yes to (1), how much?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?
- (4) Is there any intention of expanding this program?

5722. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the Western Australian State Budget 2012-13, and I ask —

- (1) Has any funding been allocated for any new services or programs specifically to meet the needs of people with co-occurring mental illness and intellectual disability?
- (2) If yes to (1), please provide a brief description of any planned programs.

5723. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the Aussie Optimism program, and ask —

- (1) Has any funding been allocated by the Mental Health Commission in the 2012-13 Budget for the delivery of this program?
- (2) If yes to (1), how much?
- (3) Has any funding been allocated for the delivery of any other mental health programs in schools?
- (4) If yes to (3) —
 - (a) how much has been allocated;
 - (b) which programs will be funded; and
 - (c) who will deliver the programs?

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I refer to the Western Australian State Budget 2012-13, and to funding for 'Consumer, Family and Carer engagement,' and I ask —

- (1) How much funding has been allocated to the consumer peak body for each of the next three years?
- (2) Has funding been allocated to progress any new initiatives to support the growth of a consumer workforce?
- (3) If yes —
 - (a) how much; and
 - (b) will the Minister please provide some information on the initiatives planned?
- (4) If no to (2), why not?

5725. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the Suicide Prevention Strategy, and ask —

- (1) How many community action plan (CAP) funding applications have now been received?
- (2) How many CAPs have now been approved?
- (3) For each approved CAP, please provide advice on —
 - (a) the community or interest group being targeted;
 - (b) the name of the group or organisation responsible for delivering the CAP;
 - (c) the amount of funding that each group or organisation has received or will receive; and
 - (d) how many full time equivalents has each individual program or organisation been funded for?

5726. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the Bentley Adolescent Mental Health Unit, and ask —

- (1) What is the current status of the upgrade of the unit?
- (2) How much has been spent in total on the upgrade?
- (3) How much is yet to be spent?
- (4) Has the Government made a decision regarding the future of those beds for older youths which will not be relocated to the new children's hospital?
- (5) If yes to (4), what will happen to these beds?
- (6) If no to (4), when is it expected a decision will be made?

5727. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

- (1) Does the Minister intend to establish a declared place for people with a severe and persistent mental illness?
- (2) If yes to (1), when?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?

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5728. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the first paragraph under 'Mental Illness in the Criminal Justice System' on page 869 of the 2012-13 State Budget papers, and I ask if the Minister would please advise of the source of the statistic that six per cent of adults attending the Perth Magistrates' Courts are estimated to have a serious mental illness?

MALCOLM PEACOCK

Clerk of the Legislative Council