

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 109

Tuesday, 14 September 2010

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2423. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment (*SO 138(d) response - June 29 2010*)

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2531. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development (*SO 138(d) response - September 8 2010*)

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2573. Hon Ljiljana Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism (*SO 138(d) response - September 9 2010*)

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2645. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Environment

2650. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food

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2662. Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Education

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2665. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism

2667. Hon Helen Bullock to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Health

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2669. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Transport

2673. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

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2675. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Lands

2676. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Housing

2677. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Health

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2681. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Water

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2686. Hon Giz Watson to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

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2687. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

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2760. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport

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2761. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

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2762. Hon Sue Ellery to the Minister for Child Protection

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2779. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

In relation to the Landcorp Expression of Interest (EOI) announced by the Minister on 31 August 2010, to build and operate rental accommodation for Seasonal Staff in Coral Bay, -

- (1) Is the large parcel of land owned by the Baiyungu Aboriginal Corporation (BAC), Lot 308, held in freehold title?
- (2) If yes to (1), -
 - (a) when was that freehold tenure transferred to the BAC; and
 - (b) is the BAC able to seek approval to subdivide Lot 308 to create individual freehold titled Lots that could be sold?
- (3) If yes to (2)(b), what measures are in place or will be put in place and will remain in place, to ensure that the sale of any Lots can only be to workers and business owners needing to reside in Coral Bay, and that the occupation of any dwellings on Lot 308 is restricted to workers, and business owners needing to reside in Coral Bay?
- (4) Is the Minister aware that the Ningaloo Coast Regional Strategy Carnarvon to Exmouth (2004), and preceding planning policies for Coral Bay sought to prevent the creation of freehold residential land in Coral Bay, to avoid the creation of a housing and land market that would not be affordable for many workers, and some business owners in Coral Bay?
- (5) Is it the Minister's intention to release more land for residential or other development in Coral Bay, beyond that already identified in endorsed planning policies, schemes and strategies for the settlement?
- (6) In addition to fully funding all aspects of the construction of Seasonal Staff Accommodation in Coral Bay from the Royalties for Regions fund, will it also be necessary for Royalties for Regions or other sources of Government funding to subsidise the successful proponent, as per 6.3(a) of the EOI, to be able to provide rents for seasonal staff in the range of \$100 - \$110 per week as required under 1.4 a) vii of the EOI?
- (7) On what basis was the affordable rent for seasonal staff set at \$100 - \$110 per week and how does this compare to existing rents paid by seasonal staff in Coral Bay?
- (8) What contributions will employers of seasonal staff in Coral Bay make to the subsidisation of seasonal staff accommodation?
- (9) Is it the Minister's intention to adhere to the planning policy objective referred to in (4), in order to ensure affordable accommodation for workers and business owners in Coral Bay?
- (10) If no to (9), what arrangements has the Minister made to secure ongoing funding to subsidise affordable accommodation in Coral Bay over the longer term?

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- (11) In relation to the Minister's announcement on 23 June 2009, regarding the signing of the Framework Agreement with the Baiyungu Aboriginal Corporation (BAC), which provided several development lease grants and freehold titles to the BAC including for workers accommodation, an eco-tourism site and a Bruboodjoo tourist site, and the announcement on 31 August 2010 regarding the Expression of Interest referred to earlier, which also advises of the transfer of land designated for the development of an eco-tourism site to the BAC, what land tenure was identified in the Framework Agreement for each of the workers accommodation, eco-tourism site and Bruboodjoo tourist site?
- (12) What land tenure was transferred to the BAC for the ecotourism site?
- (13) Has a land tenure been transferred to the BAC for the Bruboodjoo tourist site?
- (14) If yes to (13), -
- (a) what is that land tenure; and
 - (b) is that land tenure consistent with the Ningaloo Coast Regional Strategy Carnarvon to Exmouth (2004) and other existing tourism nodes along the Ningaloo coast?
- (15) In relation to the Landcorp Expression of Interest (EOI) announced by the Minister on 9 April 2009 to build, own and operate rental accommodation for Service Workers in Karratha and the Minister's announcement on 29 April 2010 of the preferred proponent being National Lifestyle Villages, -
- (a) what subsidies and other Government funding arrangements have been put in place to make the project successful as per 5.3 (a) of the EOI and to be able to provide rents for Service Workers in the range of \$350- \$400 per week as required under 1.3 a) iii of the EOI, and which were subsequently announced by the Minister on 29 April 2010 as being in the range of \$350 -\$450 per week;
 - (b) what contributions will employers of Service Workers in Karratha make to the subsidisation of Service Worker accommodation;
 - (c) what arrangements has the Minister made to secure ongoing funding to subsidise affordable accommodation in Karratha over the longer term;
 - (d) given that the Minister's announcement on 9 April 2009 also stated that, 'it was intended that this would be the first of a number of sites in Western Australia's north that would be released by the Government', what additional sites have been or are intended to be released and what subsidies will apply or are intended to apply to provide affordable housing and land in the north of the State;
 - (e) will the Minister also be releasing other subsidised housing and land elsewhere in the State;
 - (f) on what basis is a subsidy provided for affordable housing and land; and
 - (g) how is it determined which towns will qualify?

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2780. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Lands

In relation to the Landcorp Expression of Interest (EOI) announced by the Minister on 31 August 2010, to build and operate rental accommodation for Seasonal Staff in Coral Bay, -

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- (3) If yes to (2)(b), what measures are in place or will be put in place and will remain in place, to ensure that the sale of any Lots can only be to workers and business owners needing to reside in Coral Bay, and that the occupation of any dwellings on Lot 308 is restricted to workers, and business owners needing to reside in Coral Bay?
- (4) Is the Minister aware that the Ningaloo Coast Regional Strategy Carnarvon to Exmouth (2004), and preceding planning policies for Coral Bay sought to prevent the creation of freehold residential land in Coral Bay, to avoid the creation of a housing and land market that would not be affordable for many workers, and some business owners in Coral Bay?
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- (7) On what basis was the affordable rent for seasonal staff set at \$100 - \$110 per week and how does this compare to existing rents paid by seasonal staff in Coral Bay?
- (8) What contributions will employers of seasonal staff in Coral Bay make to the subsidisation of seasonal staff accommodation?
- (9) Is it the Minister's intention to adhere to the planning policy objective referred to in (4), in order to ensure affordable accommodation for workers and business owners in Coral Bay?
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- (e) will the Minister also be releasing other subsidised housing and land elsewhere in the State;
- (f) on what basis is a subsidy provided for affordable housing and land; and
- (g) how is it determined which towns will qualify?
2781. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Planning
- (1) Are there any caveats or memorials on the land titles, for the Arena Joondalup?
- (2) If yes to (1), what are they?
- (3) Are there any other restrictions on building or uses of the land, at Arena Joondalup?
- (4) If yes to (3), what are they?

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2782. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport

I refer to antisocial behaviour statistics that the Public Transport Authority monitor, on the Perth rail network, and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister provide the number of incidents that occurred in each category for each line in the Perth Rail Network, and at the Perth Stations?
- (2) Can the Minister provide the number of incidents that occurred in each category for each bus contract area?

2783. Hon Ken Travers to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation

- (1) What is the current serviceable life of the speed dome in Eddie Barron Drive, Midvale?
- (2) Does the Department of Sport and Recreation have any plans, to replace or refurbish the speed dome?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
 - (a) what are those plans;
 - (b) what are the costs; and
 - (c) when is the expected date of completion?

2784. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment

I refer to the answer to question on notice No. 2610 on 9 September 2010, regarding Bush Forever sites managed by Department of Environment and Conservation, and further ask -

- (1) Will the Minister please table the full list of Bush Forever sites, and the full list of associated managers for each site?
- (2) Can the Minister also clearly identify the Bush Forever sites for which there is no managing agency?

2785. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Lands

- (1) What reviews are being or have been undertaken in relation to pastoral leases and the pastoral industry in Western Australia since October 2008?
- (2) Who is undertaking or undertook the reviews?
- (3) What are the terms of reference for the reviews?
- (4) What consultation has occurred to date in relation to the reviews?
- (5) What consultation is yet to occur and when will it occur for the reviews?
- (6) Will public consultation be a part of the consultations for the reviews?
- (7) What changes to pastoral leases are being considered or proposed in the reviews?

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- (8) Will any of the changes to be considered in the reviews require Native Title to be addressed?
- (9) If yes to (8), will consultation be undertaken with, -
 - (a) native title bodies;
 - (b) claimants; and
 - (c) representatives as part of the reviews?

2786. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment

With reference to answers to question without notice No. 1742 of Tuesday, 7 September 2010, the Roebourne Plains Gilgai grasslands, and Priority Ecological Communities (PEC's), I ask -

- (1) Was the Gap Ridge Industrial Estate surveyed on the ground by a botanist with experience in recognizing this particular PEC?
- (2) If yes to (1), when was the area surveyed?
- (3) If no to (2), why not?
- (4) Have the Roebourne Plains Gilgai grasslands been primarily dormant in the Karratha area for the last twelve months?
- (5) Is it correct that Department of Environment and Conservation's (DEC) record of PEC's are limited to what is reported as it is found in the field?
- (6) Is it correct that the original Biodiversity Audit that identified this PEC (Kendrick and Stanley 2001) specifically list the vicinity of Seven Mile Creek (the area of the Gap Ridge Industrial Estate) as an area where it occurs?
- (7) Did Woodside Pluto's botanist describe the Gap Ridge accommodation site as very degraded with a significant amount of Buffel grass being present?
- (8) If yes to (7), why?
- (9) Did the botanist mistake Roebourne Plains Gilgai grasses as Buffel grass?
- (10) Given that the original Biodiversity Audit that identified this PEC (Kendrick and Stanley 2001) as specifically being in the vicinity of Seven Mile Creek (the area of the Gap Ridge Industrial Estate), why did DEC not ask for the area to be rechecked by the botanist and Woodside Pluto?
- (11) Did Woodside Pluto advise DEC of its botanical mistake in respect of the area of the Gap Ridge Industrial Estate?
- (12) If yes to (11), what processes will DEC put in place to insure mistakes like this do not occur again?

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2787. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

Will the Minister provide the following information in relation to domestic gas quantities in Western Australia -

- (1) The actual, and where applicable, forecast demand in the following years, -
 - (a) 2008-09;
 - (b) 2009-10;
 - (c) 2010-11;
 - (d) 2011-12;
 - (e) 2012-13; and
 - (f) 2013-14?
- (2) The actual, and where applicable, forecast supply in the following years, -
 - (a) 2008-09;
 - (b) 2009-10;
 - (c) 2010-11;
 - (d) 2011-12;
 - (e) 2012-13; and
 - (f) 2013-14?

MALCOLM PEACOCK
Clerk of the Legislative Council