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# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

# **QUESTIONS**

No. 166

Tuesday, 23 October 2007

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4443. Hon Simon O'Brien to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure (SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007)

# Notice Given Tuesday, 20 March 2007

- 4476. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Multicultural Interests and Citizenship (SO 138(d) response May 2 2007)
- 4519. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services (SO 138(d) response May 2 2007)
- 4520. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Small Business (SO 138(d) response May 2 2007)
- 4521. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal-State Relations (SO 138(d) response May 2 2007)
- 4574. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services (SO 138(d) response May 2 2007)
- 4575. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Small Business (SO 138(d) response May 2 2007)
- 4576. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal-State Relations (SO 138(d) response May 2 2007)

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4665. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation (SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007)

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5014. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure (SO 138(d) response - September 16 2007)

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5461. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services

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- 5495. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 5499. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Employment Protection
- 5500. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Housing and Works
- 5501. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- 5502. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Heritage
- 5503. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Land Information
- 5504. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 5506. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Tourism
- 5507. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts
- 5508. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Consumer Protection
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- 5511. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
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- 5517. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
- 5518. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Climate Change

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- 5522. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
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- 5531. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
- 5532. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
- 5533. Hon Nigel Hallett to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
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- 5535. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 5536. Hon Murray Criddle to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
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- 5541. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
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- 5547. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
- 5548. Hon Barry House to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

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- 5549. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 5550. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training

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- 5551. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 5552. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Local Government
- 5553. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Fisheries
- 5554. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- 5555. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- 5556. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- 5557. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development

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- 5558. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
- 5559. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
- 5560. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
- 5561. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 5562. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
- 5563. Hon Nigel Hallett to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
- 5564. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
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- 5570. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Attorney General
- 5571. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 5572. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 5573. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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- 5574. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
- 5575. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
- 5576. Hon Barbara Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 5577. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
- 5578. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Attorney General
- 5579. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
- 5580. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Consumer Protection
- 5581. Hon Norman Moore to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

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#### 5582. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Women's Interests

- (1) How disappointed are you, that despite the Equity and Diversity Plan for the public sector being in place for a number of years -
  - (a) the equity index for women in public employment in 2007 is now lower than four years ago;
  - (b) none of the targets for the number of women employed in the State Emergency Service have been achieved in 2006/2007; and
  - (c) 20 percent of people in the public service, (one in four), still find it acceptable at their agency for staff to make unwelcome comments, jokes or remarks of a sexist nature?
- (2) Do you agree that the statistics and the climate survey provided by the Director of Equal Opportunity in Public Employment in her 2007 Annual Report indicates that, the gender equity in the Western Australian public sector is showing a disturbing trend backwards?
- (3) Because she has dared to produce another report unfavourable to the Government, is Ms Noela Taylor at risk of losing her position as director of Equal Opportunity in public employment?

### 5583. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Racing and Gaming

I refer to page 79 of Racing, Gaming and Liquor's Annual Report 2006-07, in particular 'section 8 Supplies and Services – advertising and promotion', and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister explain why there was a sharp rise in expenditure from \$27 000 in 2006 to \$782 000 in 2007?
- (2) Can the Minister provide a summary of costs incurred for each financial year?

### 5584. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Racing and Gaming

I refer to pages six and twenty one of Racing, Gaming and Liquor's Annual Report 2006-07 where there are two paragraphs referring to the Gaming and Wagering Commission raising approximately \$51 million. Can the Minister explain why page six quotes 'more than \$14.5 million returned to the community...' whereas page 21 quotes, 'more than \$49 million returned to the community...'?

### 5585. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Racing and Gaming

I refer to Racing, Gaming and Liquor's Annual Report 2006-07, in particular 'Revenue Raised by Gambling Fees' and note that the revenue more than doubles from \$77 000 in 2005-06 to \$158 000 in 2006-07 -

(1) Can the Minister give examples of individuals, groups and organisations that pay these fees?

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- (2) Can the Minister explain how this doubling of fees equates with problem gambling in Western Australia and what is the Government's strategy for combating this?
- 5586. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to the Augusta Margaret River Shire's (AMRS) Draft District Town Planning Scheme No.1 (DDTPS1) and ask -

- (1) The AMRS passed the DDTPS1 in February 2006, and subsequently forwarded it to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure in Bunbury. Why has it not been endorsed by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) and the Minister in the intervening 18 months?
- What is the Minster's position on State Government funding for a Perimeter Road for the town of Margaret River?
- (3) Has the Minister been involved in any discussions with landowners or the AMRS about the expansion of the Margaret River town site outside the presently zoned area?
- (4) If yes to (3), what were the outcomes of these discussions?
- (5) If yes to (3), does the Minister believe expansion of the town site is necessary?
- (6) If yes to (5), on what basis is it necessary?

#### MALCOLM PEACOCK

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