



QUESTIONS BOOKLET

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2022

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556. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:

- (1) I refer to Curriculum and Reengagement in Education (CARE) Schools in Western Australia, and I ask, what was the total amount of funding provided by the State Government to operate CARE Schools in the following years:
- (a) 2018;
 - (b) 2019;
 - (c) 2020; and
 - (d) 2021?
- (2) For those years referred to in (1), will the Minister provide a breakdown of the number of students enrolled as well as the total enrolment capacity for each CARE School in Western Australia?

557. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:

- (1) Can the Minister provide the most recent student enrolment projections for the years 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027 for the following schools:
- (a) Coolbinia Primary School;
 - (b) Mount Lawley Primary School;
 - (c) Mount Lawley Senior High School;
 - (d) Sutherland Dianella Primary School;
 - (e) West Morley Primary School; and
 - (f) Yokine Primary School?
- (2) For each of the schools referred to in (1), please advise:
- (a) the current total enrolment capacity at the school;
 - (b) the number of transportable classrooms currently installed on the school site; and
 - (c) the school's total enrolment capacity without transportable classrooms?

558. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:

- (1) Can the Minister provide the most recent student enrolment projections for the years 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027 for the following schools:
- (a) Highgate Primary School;
 - (b) Kyilla Primary School;
 - (c) Mount Hawthorn Primary School; and
 - (d) North Perth Primary School?

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- (2) For each of the schools referred to in (1), please advise:
- (a) the current total enrolment capacity at the school;
 - (b) the number of transportable classrooms currently installed on the school site; and
 - (c) the school's total enrolment capacity without transportable classrooms?

559. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

- (1) In 2021, how many referrals were made to the metropolitan Child Development Service to provide assessment, early intervention and treatment services to children for the following services:
- (a) audiology;
 - (b) occupational therapy;
 - (c) paediatrician;
 - (d) physiotherapy;
 - (e) clinical psychology; and
 - (f) speech pathology?
- (2) Of the referrals in (1), how many were submitted by:
- (a) a parent or legal guardian; and
 - (b) a professional?

560. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Community Services:

I refer to the Education and Care Regularity Unit within the Department of Communities, and I ask, what was the total number of outside school hours care, family day care and long day care centres operating in Western Australia in the following financial years:

- (a) 2017-18;
- (b) 2018-19;
- (c) 2019-20;
- (d) 2020-21; and
- (e) 2021-22 (to date)?

561. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:

- (1) I refer to the Department of Education's teacher flying squad that is utilised by Government schools to fill urgent teaching vacancies until a suitable teacher is sourced, and I ask, how many requests has the Department received from Government schools seeking access to teaching services from the teacher flying squad in the following years:
- (a) 2020;
 - (b) 2021; and
 - (c) 2022 (to date)?

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(2) Of those requests referred to in (1), how many were approved by the Department?

562. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Community Services:

(1) I refer to the Community Gardens Grants Program, and I ask, what was the total amount of State Government funding provided to this grants program in the following financial years:

- (a) 2017-18;
- (b) 2018-19;
- (c) 2019-20; and
- (d) 2020-21?

(2) Will the Minister provide a list of the 2021 successful community garden projects, which includes the total amount of funding awarded to each?

563. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Climate Action:

Throughout the 2021 calendar year, I ask:

- (a) how many carbon credit units were purchased by Western Australian Government departments, agencies and trading enterprises, and at what overall cost; and
- (b) of the above, what proportion of these units were purchased domestically, and how many on foreign markets?

564. Hon Wilson Tucker to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

Given that the greenhouse gas emissions, both measured and fugitive, from the current fossil fuel extraction industries already far exceeds the scientifically recognised carbon budget, why is this Government approving more projects?

565. Hon Wilson Tucker to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

Given that Western Australia has one of the highest rates of smoking in the country, what steps has the Government taken to allow access by smokers to harm reduction and quit aids like vaping?

566. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Environment:

(1) Will the Minister provide the following information in relation to bushfires and prescribed burning in Western Australia, in tabular form:

- (a) for each of the past three years, the fire prevention works completed on unallocated Crown land and unmanaged reserves in all regions (as defined by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA)) broken down by the following, including totals for each type:
 - (i) fire break access and maintenance (km);
 - (ii) scrub rolling/slashing and vegetation modification (km);
 - (iii) open-edge burning (km); and

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- (iv) block burning (ha);
- (b) for each of the past three years, the prescribed burns carried out for all DBCA regions broken down by the following categories, including annual totals for each:
 - (i) indigenous vegetation by land category with total – hand burning (ha);
 - (ii) indigenous vegetation by land category with total – aerial burning (ha);
 - (iii) indigenous vegetation by forest type with total – silvicultural burning (ha); and
 - (iv) softwood plantation according to objective with total – burning (ha);
- (c) for each of the past three years, the area and number of prescribed burns carried out for all DBCA regions including the overall total area and number for each year;
- (d) for each of the past three years, the area and number of bushfires attended and monitored by DBCA for all DBCA regions broken down by the following types, including annual totals for each:
 - (i) state forest (native hardwood and softwood plantation);
 - (ii) national parks;
 - (iii) nature reserves;
 - (iv) other DBCA reserves;
 - (v) other Crown land;
 - (vi) private property; and
 - (vii) unallocated Crown land;
- (e) for each of the past three years, the number and per cent by cause of bushfires attended and monitored by DBCA for all DBCA regions broken down by the following types, including annual totals for each:
 - (i) deliberately/illegally lit;
 - (ii) escapes - DBCA burns;
 - (iii) escapes - non-DBCA burning;
 - (iv) accidental - timber industry;
 - (v) accidental - other industries;
 - (vi) accidental - recreationists;
 - (vii) lightning;
 - (viii) unknown; and
 - (ix) other causes;
- (f) for each of the past three years, the area burnt in each of the escapes from DBCA prescribed burns:

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- (i) within each of the three south-west forest regions, by region and as a whole;
 - (ii) within each of the other regions; and
 - (iii) in total; and
- (g) for the year 2020-21, the area and number of bushfires attended and monitored by DBCA for all DBCA regions broken down by the following, including the totals for each region and for each category:
- (i) forest (native hardwood and softwood plantation);
 - (ii) national parks;
 - (iii) nature reserves;
 - (iv) other DBCA reserves;
 - (v) other Crown land;
 - (vi) private property; and
 - (vii) unallocated Crown land?
- (2) Will the Minister provide the following information in relation to bushfires and prescribed burning within the three south-west forest regions (as defined by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA)) for the year 2020-21, in tabular form:
- (a) the area and number of prescribed burns carried out in each land category (as classified by DBCA), including the total area and total number of prescribed burns:
 - (i) in each land category (as classified by DBCA); and
 - (ii) the total area and total number;
 - (b) the area burned in each region by prescribed burns broken down by the following:
 - (i) dominant purpose;
 - (ii) area by season (ha);
 - (iii) grand total by season (ha);
 - (iv) seasonal (per cent); and
 - (v) grand total (ha);
 - (c) the number of prescribed burns carried out in each region broken down by:
 - (i) dominant purpose;
 - (ii) season;
 - (iii) method of ignition (aerial and hand);
 - (iv) number and area (ha) of escapes; and
 - (v) total number of burns;
 - (d) the number and area of silvicultural burns, broken down by:

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- (i) jarrah dominant forests;
 - (ii) karri, karri and marri, and marri forests; and
 - (iii) other forests;
- (e) the number and area of softwood plantation burns, broken down by:
- (i) strategic protection;
 - (ii) clearing burn; and
 - (iii) logging debris removal and silviculture;
- (f) the area and number of bushfires attended and monitored by DBCA broken down by the following, including the total area and numbers for each region and each category:
- (i) state forest;
 - (ii) state forest - native hardwood;
 - (iii) state forest - softwood plantation;
 - (iv) national parks;
 - (v) nature reserves;
 - (vi) other DBCA reserves;
 - (vii) other Crown land;
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- (g) the number and per cent by cause of bushfires attended and monitored by DBCA broken down by the following, including the total number and per cent for each cause:
- (i) deliberately/illegally lit;
 - (ii) escapes - DBCA burns;
 - (iii) escapes - non-DBCA burns;
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567. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to comments from WA Country Health Service to ABC Mid-West and Wheatbelt on 20 January that critically ill COVID-19 patients in regional Western Australia would be sent to Perth for treatment, and I ask:

- (a) how many regional Western Australians are anticipated to require transport to Perth as a result of COVID-19;
- (b) if the Royal Flying Doctor Service or St John Ambulance are required to facilitate these transfers, what additional resources is the State Government providing these organisations to ensure they can maintain current service levels;
- (c) what specific measures has the State Government undertaken to ensure metropolitan hospitals are properly resourced to manage this influx of patients;
- (d) why has the State Government chosen not to properly resource regional hospitals so critically ill patients can receive care close to their homes;
- (e) is the State Government considering or has it entered into any agreement or contract with any other organisation to provide inter-hospital patient transport services; and
- (f) If yes to (e), please provide details?

NIGEL PRATT

Clerk of the Legislative Council