



QUESTIONS BOOKLET

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2023

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1270. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Emergency Services

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1271. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer the administration of and governance arrangement for the suite of Metronet projects, and I ask, how many non-disclosure agreements have been entered into by parties including contractor, sub-contractors, local government authorities and others regarding Metronet?

1272. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

- (1) For each of the 2020, 2021 and 2022 calendar years, how many Department of Communities tenancy agreements ended?
- (2) For each count in (1), how many agreements ended as a result of:
 - (a) eviction;
 - (b) non-renewal by the Department;
 - (c) non-renewal or break lease by tenant; and
 - (d) any other reason?

1273. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

- (1) At the end of each of the 2020, 2021 and 2022 calendar years, how many social housing properties of each typology (e.g., studio, 3 bedroom, etc.) were:
 - (a) owned and managed by the State Government;
 - (b) otherwise managed by the State Government;
 - (c) owned by the State Government and managed by a Community Housing Organisation; and
 - (d) otherwise managed by a Community Housing Organisation?
- (2) at 31 December 2022, how many applicants on the public housing waitlist were in need of a property of each typology?
- (3) at 31 December 2022, how many priority applicants on the public housing waitlist were in need of a property of each typology?

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For each of the 2020, 2021 and 2022 calendar years, with respect to public housing properties managed by the State Government:

- (a) what was the occupancy rate of all properties, broken down by region and property type;
- (b) what was the median and average turnaround time to relet a vacated, tenatable property; and
- (c) what was the median and average turnaround time to complete works and let a non-tenatable property?

1275. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to the media statement of the Minister for Police on 14 February 2023 entitled 'New firearms crackdown to bolster public safety', and I ask:

- (a) of the 248 licensed firearms that will become illegal from 1 July 2023, how many were subject to an application that commenced on or after 11 March 2017; and
- (b) noting your comment contained in the media statement 'The Western Australian Police Force has informed me there is no practical need for these specific very high-powered firearms in WA', on what basis did WA Police establish that a 'genuine reason' and if applicable a 'genuine need' existed in licensing these 248 firearms?

1276. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to any future upgrade or re-design for the intersection of Stock Road and Forrest Road within the City of Cockburn, and I ask:

- (a) does the Main Roads planning department have a current draft concept plan for this intersection;
- (b) if no to (a), what factors are being considered for the final Stock and Forrest Roads intersection;
- (c) when was the most recent traffic modelling for this intersection undertaken;
- (d) what decisions resulted from the most recent traffic modelling;
- (e) when will a draft concept plan be made available to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage;
- (f) will a draft concept plan be made available to the public and, if so, when;
- (g) does Main Roads WA have a draft concept plan for future changes to Stock Road;
- (h) if yes to (g), when will this plan be finalised and when is it anticipated that works will commence;

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- (i) have any community groups been consulted on any draft plans for either the Stock and Forrest Roads intersection or Stock Road;
- (j) if yes to (i), please list the groups that have been consulted with;
- (k) if no to (i), why not; and
- (l) why has the intersection been excluded from the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage's consultation for the Roe 8 West and Roe 9 Planning Study?

1277. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the media statement issued on 20 February regarding the second stage of the Belong recruitment campaign for nurses and midwives, and I ask:

- (a) has a review been completed into the first stage of the Belong Campaign, and if so, please table this review;
- (b) for each of the following categories, how many recruitments were made as a result of the Belong Campaign:
 - (i) international nurses;
 - (ii) interstate nurses;
 - (iii) international midwives; and
 - (iv) interstate midwives; and
- (c) what incentives is the State Government offering to recruit former nurses and midwives?

1278. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Community Services:

- (1) For each of the 2020, 2021 and 2022 calendar years, with respect to Department of Communities housing properties:
 - (a) how many requests for maintenance were submitted;
 - (b) regardless of whether a request for maintenance was submitted, how many work orders were completed;
 - (c) how many work orders related to urgent maintenance; and
 - (d) where a request for maintenance was submitted, what was the average time taken to complete the works, broken down by region and urgency status?
- (2) with respect to tenant satisfaction with the condition of properties:
 - (a) does the Department collect feedback from its tenants;
 - (b) if yes to (a), please provide the results for each of the 2020, 2021 and 2022 calendar years, by region; and
 - (c) if no to (a), why not?

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1279. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Industrial Relations:

I refer to WorkSafe's Agricultural Industry Inquiry, first announced in June 2022, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister please provide an updated timeline for when the following are due and please table any available reports:
 - (i) interim report;
 - (ii) final report;
 - (iii) Government response to each report;
 - (iv) how many public submissions were received by 30 September 2022; and
 - (v) how were cultural and linguistically diverse groups consulted in relation to the inquiry?

1280. Hon Sophia Moermond to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the Pemberton Timber Mill fire on 9 December 2022, in particular the adjacent Lefroy Brook, and I ask:

- (a) has testing been done on Lefroy Brook for further contaminants at the Pemberton Mill site since the fire;
- (b) was testing done on Lefroy Brook at the Pemberton Mill site previous to the fire;
- (c) if so, what are the locations and frequency of water testing; and
- (d) if testing was conducted, what were the results?

1281. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the public housing waitlist, and I ask:

- (a) for each of the calendar years from 2012-2022:
 - (i) how many new applications were added to the waitlist and how many individuals did that represent;
 - (ii) how many applications resulted in housing being obtained, and how many individuals did that represent;
 - (iii) how many applications were removed from the waitlist for any other reason; and
 - (iv) how many applications in a-c were priority, and how many individuals did that represent?

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I refer to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services, and I ask, in relation to each officer holding a rank of Assistant Commissioner and above:

- (a) the title of each position;
- (b) the person appointed to each position;
- (c) the date on which each person commenced employment in the position;
- (d) the date on which the current contracted term ends for each position;
- (e) the type of motor vehicle that is provided to each position and terms of use; and
- (f) the salary level of each position?

1283. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to Legislative Council question on notice 1177 in relation to Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) protections for emergency services personnel, and I ask:

- (a) for each of the 39 instances in which a claim was made between 2019-20 to 2021-22, what was the time (in days) between each claim being lodged and it being determined;
- (b) for each of the 36 instances in which a claim was accepted between 2019-20 to 2021-22, what was the compensation paid;
- (c) what evidence is required to be provided by a worker to determine a claim of this nature;
- (d) noting that often a diagnosis of PTSD occurs post-retirement, what limitations apply to a retired worker seeking a claim under workers compensation; and
- (e) I refer to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) Wellness Branch, please provide:
 - (i) the number of FTE employed in the branch;
 - (ii) the title of each position;
 - (iii) whether any vacancy exists and for what period has each vacancy existed; and
 - (iv) the total budget allocation provided to the Branch?

1284. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services and for the months of December 2022, January 2023 and February 2023, I ask:

- (a) on how many occasions was a Career Fire and Rescue Service appliance or capability that is ordinarily available 24 hours a day, 365 days per year unavailable;
- (b) for each instance, please identify the appliance or capability that was unavailable;
- (c) for each instance, for what period of time was the appliance or capability unavailable; and

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- (d) for each instance, what was the reason for the appliance or capability being unavailable?

1285. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Local Government:

- (1) I refer to the *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997* and ask, for each of the past three years, how many exemptions have been granted to allow caravans, tiny homes, or pod-homes to remain on private property for a length of time greater than 3 months?
- (2) What guidelines, policies or protocols does the Minister take into account when considering these exemptions, and please table any relevant information?
- (3) Have any exemptions been granted in relation to temporary accommodation in the Kimberley for residents impacted by flooding earlier this year, and if so, how many?
- (4) Has the Minister for Emergency Services made representation to you regarding the need to update regulations to exempt temporary accommodation following natural disasters - such as the caravans supplied by the Government following Cyclone Seroja or temporary accommodation in the aftermath of the Kimberley flooding?
- (5) If yes to (4), please table any correspondence.?

1286. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Emergency Services:

- (1) I refer to the shortage of Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) mechanical technicians, radio technicians and auto electrician and I ask, by full time employee (FTE) how many mechanical technicians were employed and how many positions were vacant as at:
- (a) 1 January 2023; and
- (b) 1 February 2023?
- (2) by FTE how many radio technicians were employed and how many positions were vacant as at:
- (a) 1 January 2023; and
- (b) 1 February 2023?
- (3) by FTE how many auto-electricians were employed and how many positions were vacant as at:
- (a) 1 January 2023; and
- (b) 1 February 2023?
- (4) has the \$250 per week attraction and retention payment been extended beyond 31 December 2022 and if so please provide details?
- (5) how many DFES personnel are currently receiving an attraction and retention payment?
- (6) what is the total value of the attraction and retention payment spent in the 2022-23 financial year to date.?

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