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### QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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#### Questions postponed from previous sittings: -

Tuesday, 15 June 2021

1. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health
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3. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health

Thursday, 17 June 2021

4. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister representing the Minister for Mental Health
5. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister representing the Minister for Mental Health

Tuesday, 22 June 2021

6. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health

Wednesday, 23 June 2021

7. Mr V.A. Catania to the Minister for Lands
8. Mr V.A. Catania to the Minister for Commerce
9. Mr V.A. Catania to the Minister for Environment
10. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health

#### Questions listed for this sitting: -

##### 11. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Women's Interests:

I refer to a letter received from Bravehearts Foundation Limited on 14 June 2021, which was copied to the Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence and Community Services requesting the Department investigate the matters raised, and ask:

- (a) Has the Department of Communities Complaints Management Unit received a complaint about how the case in question has been handled:

- (i) If yes to (a) what deadline was given to resolve or respond to the complaints made;
- (b) Is the Minister aware of the complaints made regarding her Department's treatment of issues raised by the complainant:
  - (i) If yes to (c) when were the complaints brought to her attention;
- (c) Has the Minister, or any other Ministers to her knowledge, sought to intervene in the complaint process or held audience with the complainant regarding the case in question;
- (d) What oversight, if any, does the Minister have over the Department's complaints process;
- (e) Has the Minister or her department made any representations to the Federal Department of Home Affairs with regard to the case the complaint relates to; and
- (f) Besides raising with the WA Ombudsman, what escalation apparatus are available to complainants unhappy with the treatment of their complaints by the Department?

**12. Ms M.J. Davies to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education and Training:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**13. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister representing the Minister for Mental Health:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
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**14. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister representing the Minister for Regional Development:**

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- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
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**15. Ms M.J. Davies to the Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations:**

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  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;

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**16. Ms M.J. Davies to the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Medical Research; State Development, Jobs and Trade; Science:**

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  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
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**17. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs; Industrial Relations:**

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  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**18. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Hydrogen Industry:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
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**19. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Tourism; Culture and the Arts; Heritage:**

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  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
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**20. Ms M.J. Davies to the Attorney General; Minister for Electoral Affairs:**

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  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
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**21. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Police; Road Safety; Defence Industry; Veterans Issues:**

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- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
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**22. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Energy; Corrective Services:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**23. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Transport; Planning; Ports:**

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  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
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  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
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**24. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Finance; Lands; Sport and Recreation; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**25. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**26. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Water; Forestry; Youth:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
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**27. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Environment; Climate Action; Commerce:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

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  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**28. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Housing; Local Government:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**29. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Disability Services; Fisheries; Innovation and ICT; Seniors and Ageing:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**30. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Emergency Services; Racing and Gaming; Small Business; Volunteering:**

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
  - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020-21 Financial Year;
  - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
  - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
  - (iv) The number of reports made public?

**31. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:**

Will the Minister advise when the results of the April 2021 noise monitoring survey conducted on Indian Ocean Drive, across three lower coastal communities within the Gingin Shire, will be publicly released?

**32. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Energy:**

- (1) What is the Minister's ongoing commitment to Stand Alone Power Systems in the Mid West?
- (2) Please detail the selection criteria when nominating customers for Stand Alone Power systems?

**33. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the extension of Tonkin Highway between Ellenbrook and Muchea (NorthLink), since the project opened to traffic in April 2020, and I ask:

- (a) How many claims for compensation has Main Roads WA or its contractors received relating to damage caused by loose surface material; and
- (b) How many claims have been settled and what is the total value of compensation payments to date?

**34. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health:**

- (1) How many emergency department (ED) presentations have been made in WA public hospitals for each month in:
  - (a) 2017-2018;
  - (b) 2018-2019;
  - (c) 2019-2020; and
  - (d) 2020-2021?
- (2) For each of those years, how many ED presentations were made in:
  - (a) Perth metropolitan area; and
  - (b) Regional areas?
- (3) For each of those years, how many ED presentations were made in:
  - (a) Armadale/Kelmscott Hospital;
  - (b) Joondalup Hospital;
  - (c) Fiona Stanley Hospital;
  - (d) Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital;
  - (e) Perth Children's Hospital;
  - (f) Rockingham General Hospital;
  - (g) King Edward Memorial Hospital;
  - (h) Peel Health Campus;
  - (i) St John of God Midland Hospital;
  - (j) Royal Perth Hospital;
  - (k) Albany Regional Hospital;
  - (l) Bunbury Regional Hospital;
  - (m) Geraldton Regional Hospital; and
  - (n) Northam Regional Hospital?

**35. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health:**

- (1) How many frontline full-time equivalent (FTE) health workers were employed in the WA health system in:
  - (a) 2017-2018;
  - (b) 2018-2019;
  - (c) 2019-2020; and

- (d) 2020-2021?
- (2) How many FTE Department of Health employees were employed in:
  - (a) 2017-2018;
  - (b) 2018-2019;
  - (c) 2019-2020; and
  - (d) 2020-2021?

**36. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health:**

I refer to the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) frontline health workers in the WA health system and ask:

- (a) How many FTE nurses were employed in each quarter in:
  - (i) 2017-2018;
  - (ii) 2018-2019;
  - (iii) 2019-2020; and
  - (iv) 2020-2021;
- (b) How many FTE midwives were employed in each quarter in:
  - (i) 2017-2018;
  - (ii) 2018-2019;
  - (iii) 2019-2020; and
  - (iv) 2020-2021;
- (c) How many FTE doctors were employed in each quarter in:
  - (i) 2017-2018;
  - (ii) 2018-2019;
  - (iii) 2019-2020; and
  - (iv) 2020-2021; and
- (d) How many FTE paediatricians were employed in each quarter in:
  - (i) 2017-2018;
  - (ii) 2018-2019;
  - (iii) 2019-2020; and
  - (iv) 2020-2021?

**37. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister representing the Minister for Mental Health:**

I refer to Tropical Cyclone Seroja, and I ask:

- (a) How many mental health outreach programs are available in each of the 13 local government areas in the declared disaster area:
  - (i) For those in (a), please detail the number of people who have sought help from each local government area; and
- (b) Has the Minister visited any of the 13 local government areas:
  - (i) If yes, on what dates and who did they meet with?

**38. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:**

I refer to project approvals for exploration, licences to mine resources or similar, and I ask:

- (a) For the following years please identify how many project approvals were sought:
  - (i) 2017-18;

- (ii) 2018-19;
  - (iii) 2019-20; and
  - (iv) 2020-21; and
- (b) For those in (a), please detail how many projects proceeded to the next stage of approval?

**39. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to Metronet, and I ask:

- (a) Have any changes been made to the timelines for completion of Metronet station projects since 13 March 2021:
  - (i) If yes, please detail?

**40. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the Metronet Morley-Ellenbrook line, and I ask:

- (a) What was the announced completion timeline;
- (b) What is the expected completion timeline;
- (c) Please detail the timeline for staging;
- (d) What was the initial forecast cost for the project;
- (e) What is the current forecast cost for the project; and
- (f) Please detail any changes in contract costs?

**41. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the Metronet Thornlie – Cockburn Link, and I ask:

- (a) What is the announced completion timeline;
- (b) What is the expected completion timeline;
- (c) Please detail the timeline for staging;
- (d) What was the initial forecast cost for the project;
- (e) What is the current forecast cost for the project; and
- (f) Please detail changes in contract costs?

**42. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the Metronet Forrestfield Airport Link, and I ask:

- (a) What is the announced completion date;
- (b) What is the expected completion date;
- (c) Please detail the timeline for staging;
- (d) What was the initial forecast cost for the project;
- (e) What is the current forecast cost for the project; and
- (f) Please detail any changes in contract costs?

**43. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the Metronet Yanchep Rail Extension, and I ask:

- (a) What was the announced completion date;
- (b) What was the expected completion date;
- (c) Please detail the timeline for staging;



- (d) What was the initial forecast cost for the project;
- (e) What is the current forecast cost for the project; and
- (f) Please detail any changes in contract costs?

**44. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to Metronet and the Bellevue Assembly Facility, and I ask:

- (a) How much of the \$1.25 billion contract has been awarded to local Western Australian manufacturers;
- (b) How much of the \$1.25 billion has been awarded to non-local manufacturers;
- (c) How many full-time equivalent (FTE) are associated with this facility? Please breakdown into casual, full time and part time employees;
- (d) How many training placements will be available at the facility for:
  - (i) 2020-21;
  - (ii) 2021-22;
  - (iii) 2022-23; and
  - (iv) 2023-24;
- (e) Can the Minister confirm that the only diesel trains assembled at the facility will be for the Australind Rail Service line; and
- (f) Has the timeline for the Australind project changed:
  - (i) If yes, please detail?

**45. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Climate Action:**

I refer to the portfolio of Climate Action, and I ask:

- (a) What are the roles and responsibilities you seek to bring to this portfolio, which would have previously been administered by other departments;
- (b) Has the Minister declared any conflicts of interest with regards to the portfolio to date:
  - (i) If yes, please detail;
- (c) Which departments are responsible for managing the Climate Action portfolio;
- (d) How many full-time equivalent (FTE) are located within each department;
- (e) How many FTE are:
  - (i) Casual;
  - (ii) Full Time; and
  - (iii) Part Time;
- (f) What is the lead department for Climate Action;
- (g) Where are staff primarily located;
- (h) What is the Annual Budget for the Climate Action portfolio;
- (i) What websites fall under the administration of the Climate Action portfolio;
- (j) With regards to the electric highway project:
  - (i) Will the Minister have an active role in pursuing this project; and
  - (ii) Has the Minister engaged the Federal Government on this project, If yes, please table documents related to this engagement which can be made public;
- (k) Does the Minister plan to convene any meetings, forums or the like in relation to Climate Action:
  - (i) If yes, please detail;

- (l) Has the Minister met with the following groups in her capacity as Minister for Climate Action and if yes, please detail the date and who she met with:
- (i) Cleanstate;
  - (ii) Extinction Rebellion;
  - (iii) 350 Perth;
  - (iv) WA Forest Alliance;
  - (v) WA Farmers;
  - (vi) Pastoral and Graziers Association;
  - (vii) Chamber of Minerals and Energy;
  - (viii) Regional Chambers of Commerce and Industry;
  - (ix) Chamber of Commerce and Industry Western Australia;
  - (x) Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association;
  - (xi) Electric Vehicle Association of WA;
  - (xii) RegenWA;
  - (xiii) State Soil and Land Conservation Commissioner; and
  - (xiv) Natural Resource Management groups;
- (m) Can you provide an organisational flow chart of management associated with this portfolio:
- (i) Is there a strategic plan for this portfolio? If so, please detail that plan;
- (n) Does the Minister for Climate Change have a formal consultation role in any decisions of government; and
- (o) Was the Minister for Climate Change consulted regarding approvals for the Scarborough Gas Field?

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**KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON**  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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