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## QUESTIONS

**No. 115**

**Tuesday, 12 October 2010**

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

2424. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment (*SO 138(d) response - June 29 2010*)

***Notice Given***                      ***Tuesday, 29 June 2010***

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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2722. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Environment

2734. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment

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2769. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Energy

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

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

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2788. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing

2789. Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Education

**Notice Given** **Tuesday, 21 September 2010**

2792. Hon Jon Ford to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

2793. Hon Adele Farina to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

2794. Hon Adele Farina to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Mental Health

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2796. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Water

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2798. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Planning

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2800. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

2801. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

2802. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

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2803. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Environment

2804. Hon Sally Talbot to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

2805. Hon Sally Talbot to the Minister for Fisheries

2806. Hon Sally Talbot to the Minister for Electoral Affairs

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- 2847. Hon Sally Talbot to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Commerce
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2868. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food

With regard to the random audits that the Minister promised during debate on the disallowance of growing of genetically modified (GM) crops in the other place, I ask -

- (1) What is the process for these random audits?
- (2) Have any random audits been carried out?
- (3) If yes to (2), will the Minister please give details including, but not limited to, -
  - (a) how many random audits have been carried out to date;
  - (b) for each random audit that has been carried out;
    - (i) the location (by Shire);
    - (ii) the result;
    - (iii) which persons and/or entities have been informed of the result;
    - (iv) any enforcement action or other action taken by;
      - (A) the Department;
      - (B) Monsanto; and
      - (C) any other person or entity?
- (4) Is it true that letters are being sent from the Department of Food and Agriculture to GM growers, asking if they wish to nominate themselves to be audited?
- (5) If yes to (4), is this what the Minister calls, 'demonstrating the effectiveness of stewardship protocols'?

2869. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing

I refer to the Mardiwah Loop Community on Roberta Avenue, approximately 1.1 km north west of its intersection with the Great Northern Highway Halls Creek, and ask -

- (1) How many housing lots exist on Crown Reserve 41408?
- (2) How many houses currently exist on Crown Reserve 41408?
- (3) How many of these houses were funded by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission?
- (4) How many of these houses were funded by the Department of Housing and Works?
- (5) How many new houses have been added to the Mardiwah Loop Community, using the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds?

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- (6) How many of these original Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission houses have been upgraded and finalized using National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds?
- (7) How many of these original Department of Housing and Works houses have been upgraded and finalised using the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds?
- (8) How many of these original Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission houses, are being upgraded using the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds, and when is completion expected?
- (9) How many of these original Department of Housing and Works houses are being upgraded, using the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds, and when is completion expected?
- (10) How many houses constructed by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission by the Department of Housing and Works, and the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds currently exists on each lot, and on which lot?
- (11) How many new houses constructed under the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds exist on each lot and on which lot?
- (12) What is the individual ownership or leaseholder status, tenancy arrangement, and management for each lot?
- (13) What is the individual ownership or leaseholder status, tenancy arrangement, and management for each new house built on the lots?
- (14) Which community organisation, relevant housing organisation or individuals did the Department engage with in relation to the number of houses required, and the site placement of each of the houses on each housing lot using the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds?
- (15) What was the total expenditure of funds using the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing program, on each block for house construction?
- (16) What was the total expenditure of funds using the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing program, on each block for house maintenance?
- (17) Have any houses been placed on housing lots without the express wishes of the tenant or owner?
- (18) Who decided where houses, and how many were to be located on the housing lots?
- (19) How many Aboriginal people were employed in the construction programs on Crown Reserve 41408?
- (20) How many Aboriginal people employed in the construction programs on Crown Reserve 41408 were local people from Halls Creek?
- (21) Of the Aboriginal people from Halls Creek employed in the construction programs on Crown reserve 41408 how many have been retained by the contractors or have remained in their trade?

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- (22) How many Aboriginal people are employed in the refurbishment programs on Crown Reserve 41408?
- (23) How many Aboriginal people employed in refurbishment programs on Crown Reserve 41408 are local people from Halls Creek?
- (24) What were or are the proposed dates of refurbishment for each house on each lot?
- (25) During the refurbishment program, how many houses were under refurbishment at the same time?
- (26) Where were or are the tenants and occupants of each house being refurbished relocated to during the refurbishment?
- (27) For how long was each group of tenants and occupants, by house, re-housed or relocated?
- (28) Who were the contractors used to build the houses on Crown Reserve 41408 using the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing funds?
- (29) In respect to (28), where did the employees come from?
- (30) During the construction period what accommodation was used by the contractors?

2870. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs

I refer to question without notice No. 754, vandalism, the potential theft of an Aboriginal petroglyph on the Burrup Peninsula, and photographs contained in '2010-09-22 New Vandalism in Kangaroo Paw Valley.pdf' at <http://www.robinchapple.org.au/node/460>, and ask -

- (1) What is the Minister or the Department doing, to stop these illegal acts?
- (2) If no action is being taken in respect of (1), why not?
- (3) What action is the Minister taking to ensure that the identified archaic geometric petroglyph is protected from theft?
- (4) If no action is being taken in respect of (3), why not?
- (5) Is the Minister or the Department taking any action to require companies to induct their employees in the region into the international importance, values, and cultural significance of the Dampier Archipelago petroglyphs?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Has the Minister or his Department informed the Federal Government of these incidents in the National Heritage listed area?
- (8) If yes to (7), -
  - (a) on what date was this referred; and
  - (b) has the Federal authority replied?
- (9) If no to (7), why not?

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2871. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Transport

With reference to question on notice No. 2488 asked in the Legislative Council on 15 June 2010, and the proposed road associated with the Department of Mines Petroleum notation by the City of Kalgoorlie Boulder: Ref 6-04-2010-AD-JL, I ask -

- (1) Given that the road has no speed limits or signage, who is in control of this road and/or its users?
- (2) What jurisdiction do the Police have over this road?
- (3) Are any road grants to the Local Government provided for this road?
- (4) Is Main Roads or the Town of Kalgoorlie the responsible party, -
  - (a) in the event of death or injury;
  - (b) for policing speeding;
  - (c) occupational health and safety;
  - (d) maintenance and dust suppression; and
  - (e) for the relevant signage?

2872. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Planning

- (1) Please list the coastal marinas located in Western Australia?
- (2) For each marina, please list the management body responsible for maintenance?

2873. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Water

I refer to the Bridgetown Regional Water Supply Scheme and ask, according to media by consultants to Water Corporation, Lowe Churchill and Associates, they have created a nine megalitre a day bore and pipeline and pump station project. In communication with constituents in the south-west, the Water Corporation have stated they have installed five megalitre day bore pipeline and pump station project, -

- (1) What is the volumetric capacity of the bore installed at Thomas Road Nannup, and what is the licensed extraction limit for this bore?
- (2) Why was Water Corporation permitted to construct a bore scheme far in excess of licensed requirements, and risk stranded assets into the future?

2874. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Education

I refer to the review of the Federal system of funding Government and non-Government schools, and ask -

- (1) Is the Department of Education providing any support to school communities, including staff and parents, to participate in this review?



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- (2) If yes to (1), what support is being provided?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?
- (4) Will the Minister ensure that parents and staff are provided with information about this important review?
- (5) Is the Minister providing a submission to the review?
- (6) If yes to (5), will she table the submission?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?
- (8) Will the Minister guarantee that she is giving priority to funding Government schools in her input, into the review process?

2875. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to the answers to questions about the Certificates in General Education for Adults (CGEA), and further ask -

- (1) Please provide the number of student curriculum hours purchased and the number of places made available for these courses in, -
  - (a) 2005;
  - (b) 2006;
  - (c) 2007;
  - (d) 2008;
  - (e) 2009; and
  - (f) 2010?
- (2) Were changes in demand for the CGEA predicted for 2010?
- (3) How many student curriculum hours and places will be available for CGEA in 2011?

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2876. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Health

I refer to the answers to my questions of 16 and 21 September 2010, regarding unregulated psychotherapy, and noting that there is no immediate timeframe for protecting consumers of this industry, I ask -

What does the Minister intend to do in the immediate future to protect consumers and regulate this industry?

2877. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Child Protection

I refer to minors who are currently detained in detention centres or places of alternative detention on Christmas Island and at Leonora, and ask -

- (1) Is the Minister of the view that the *Children and Community Services Act 2004 (WA)* and the *Children and Community Services Act 2004 (WA)(CI)*, apply in relation to children held in immigration detention?
- (2) What role does the Department for Child Protection play in the lives of unaccompanied minors in detention?
- (3) How many children in detention is the Department of Child Protection currently involved with?
- (4) What role does the Department for Child Protection play in shaping the policies and activities of SERCO towards children in detention?
- (5) What agreement is there (if any) between the Commonwealth and the State Government in relation to the care of unaccompanied minors during detention and after they are released from detention into the community?
- (6) How many unaccompanied minors released from detention and living in Western Australia are in the care of the Department of Child Protection?
- (7) How many continue to be in the care of the organization Life without Barriers, in lieu of DCP?

**NIGEL LAKE**

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