



QUESTIONS BOOKLET

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 29 FEBRUARY 2024

Questions appear according to the date on which notice was delivered.

QUESTIONS AWAITING ANSWERS

Notice Given **Thursday, 9 November 2023**

1744. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing (SO108(2) response due 12 March 2024)

Notice Given **Thursday, 16 November 2023**

1754. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing (SO108(2) response due 12 March 2024)

Notice Given **Thursday, 30 November 2023**

1787. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing (SO108(2) response due 12 March 2024)

1789. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing (SO108(2) response due 12 March 2024)

1794. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing (SO108(2) response due 12 March 2024)

1803. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing (SO108(2) response due 12 March 2024)

1804. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Planning; Lands; Housing; Homelessness (SO108(2) response due 12 March 2024)

Notice Given **Thursday, 1 February 2024**

1846. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health

1847. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police

1848. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Corrective Services

1849. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing

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- 1850. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police
- 1851. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 1852. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 1853. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Commerce
- 1854. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Finance; Commerce; Women's Interests
- 1855. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Small Business
- 1856. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Water
- 1857. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Energy; Environment; Climate Action

Notice Given Tuesday, 27 February 2024

- 1858. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 1859. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 1860. Hon Neil Thomson to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police
- 1861. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Community Services
- 1862. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Energy
- 1863. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment
- 1864. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment
- 1865. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing
- 1866. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport
- 1867. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment
- 1868. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Defence Industry
- 1869. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health
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1874. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade
1875. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations
1876. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Transport; Tourism
1877. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Finance; Commerce; Women's Interests
1878. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services; Innovation and the Digital Economy; Science; Medical Research; Minister assisting the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade
1879. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Culture and the Arts; Sport and Recreation; International Education; Heritage
1880. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney General; Minister for Electoral Affairs
1881. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police; Corrective Services; Racing and Gaming; Defence Industry; Veterans Issues
1882. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education; Aboriginal Affairs; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests
1883. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development; Water; Industrial Relations
1884. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health; Mental Health
1885. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Planning; Lands; Housing; Homelessness
1886. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Regional Development; Disability Services; Fisheries; Seniors and Ageing; Volunteering
1887. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Energy; Environment; Climate Action
1888. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education; Child Protection; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services
1889. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Ports; Road Safety; Minister Assisting the Minister for Transport
1890. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Local Government; Youth; Minister Assisting the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
1891. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; Small Business
1892. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food

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1910. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; Small Business
1911. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Ports
1912. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Ports

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1913. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
1914. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Corrective Services

Notice Given **Wednesday, 28 February 2024**

1915. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education
1916. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
1917. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education
1918. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education
1919. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education
1920. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education
1921. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health
1922. Hon Wilson Tucker to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Homelessness
1923. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health

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Notice Given **Thursday, 29 February 2024**

1924. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Treasurer:

I refer to the housing unit being established in the Department of Treasury, and I ask:

- (a) what are the priorities of the housing unit;
- (b) who will the housing unit be reporting to; and
- (c) what are the key performance indicators of the housing unit?

1925. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to Community Cabinet meetings hosted by the McGowan, and now Cook, Governments from 2017 until present, and I ask:

- (a) what was the date(s) and location of each event;
- (b) what was the cost of each event to the State Government; and
- (c) of the individual event costs identified in (b), please break down costs by:
 - (i) advertising expenses;
 - (ii) food and beverage expenses;
 - (iii) venue hire expenses; and
 - (iv) other expenses?

1926. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

I refer to canteens operated in public schools, and I ask:

- (a) how many public schools currently have a canteen available and operating;
- (b) of those identified in (a), how many canteens are operated by:
 - (i) Parents and Citizens Association bodies;
 - (ii) the school itself;
 - (iii) a commercial operator; and
 - (iv) other;
- (c) has there been a reduction in school canteens between 2023 and 2024 and if so, by how many; and
- (d) what support does the State Government offer to school canteens to support their operations?

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1927. Hon Dr Brian Walker to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

I refer the Minister to a recent study, published in the January edition of the peer-reviewed journal *Contemporary Economic Policy*, which found that US states which had legalised recreational cannabis saw a 5.5% increase in public college and university applications, compared to states that have not yet legalised, alongside a noticeably higher standard of application, and I ask:

- (a) what increase, if any, have we seen here in WA in university applications since the pandemic, and what projected figures, if any, do we have going forward?

1928. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Education:

I refer to Legislative Council question without notice 24, in relation to changes to the Department of Education's student health policy, and I ask:

- (a) if a school canteen currently does not sell a ham and cheese sandwich, can it in the future;
- (b) if a school canteen currently sells a ham and cheese sandwich, can it continue to do so;
- (c) if yes to (b), what restrictions would be applied to such a sale;
- (d) if a school canteen currently sells a ham and cheese sandwich but removes it from sale over winter months, can it be returned to the menu in summer; and
- (e) I note your response to question without notice 24 which states, 'No foods, including ham, have been banned from school canteens'. Does this then allow school canteen operators to make their own food choices, with no regard to departmental policies?

1929. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to the new Forest Management Plan, and I ask:

- (a) have 2024 contracts been established for each of the following:
 - (i) firewood suppliers;
 - (ii) sawmills; and
 - (iii) other buyers; and
- (b) if contracts, referred to in (a), have not been established, what is the expected timeline for completion?

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1930. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Small Business:

I refer to the Builders Support Facility, and the website which states that applications have not yet opened, and I ask:

- (a) when will applications open;
- (b) how many expressions of interest were received up to the closure date of 31 January 2024; and
- (c) how many incomplete homes are represented by the combined total of the expressions of interest referred to in (b)?

1931. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

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

- (a) what is the total number of social housing stock as at 29 February 2024; and
- (b) what was the total number of social housing stock as at March 2017?

1932. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Local Government:

- (1) What was the cost of the 2019 *Cat Act Review*?
- (2) What is the budgeted amount for the 2024 *Cat Act Review*?
- (3) How much would it cost the State Government if local governments wished to enforce 24-hour containment of cats under their own local law?
- (4) How much would it cost the State Government to amend the *Cat Act* so that local governments could enforce 24-hour containment of cats?
- (5) How much does the State Government contribute to the Cat Haven?

1933. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health:

What is the cost to the WA health system from managing Toxoplasmosis related health matters due to roaming pet, stray and feral cats?

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Clerk of the Legislative Council