



QUESTIONS BOOKLET

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2022

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- 1007. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Lands

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1052. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police
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1054. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Hydrogen Industry
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1056. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Environment
1057. Hon James Hayward to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade
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1059. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Corrective Services
1060. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Emergency Services
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- 1067. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Commerce
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- 1074. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Forestry
- 1075. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Environment
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- 1081. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Environment

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- 1082. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Environment
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1092. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Corrective Services:

- (1) What was/is the number of staff resignations for each one of Western Australia's prisons in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 to date?
- (2) What was/is the number of staff terminations for each one of Western Australia's prisons in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 to date?

1093. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police:

- (1) What was the number of allocated police officers for each of the metropolitan districts on 30 June 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022?
- (2) What changes, if any, are there to the June 30 2022 figures to today's date?

1094. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Corrective Services:

- (1) What is the current allocated staffing number for each of Western Australia's prisons?
- (2) What is the current actual staffing number for each of Western Australia's prisons?

1095. Hon Dr Brian Walker to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer the Minister to numerous examples of verbal advice being offered by officers in the Health Department to vape store owners between 2018 and 2021, confirming that it was legal to sell composite parts of a vape under Western Australian law, and I ask:

- (a) are there any written guidelines with which the Health Department's officers are expected to comply when offering verbal advice, either in person or over the phone to Western Australian businesses in relation to the legality and permissibility of their business practices, and if there are, will the Minister table those guidelines; and
- (b) are any records of such verbal advice maintained, and if not, why not?

1096. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police:

Since the creation of the job description 'St John Ambulance Medical Task' on May 23 2022, how many police force dispatches have been recorded?

1097. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police:

I refer the Minister to his response to question C1149 asked on Wednesday 26 October 2022, and I ask:

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- (a) for the figures relating to 2020, 2021 and 2022 (as at September 30 2022), what was the total number of officers on leave without pay; and
- (b) what was the total number of part time officers?

1098. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Ports:

I refer to the \$70 million contract awarded to Maritime Constructions Pty Ltd for harbour dredging announced in a media release from the Minister for Ports on the 19 of October 2022, and I ask:

- (a) how many employees does Maritime Constructions Pty Ltd maintain permanently in Western Australia;
- (b) did any companies headquartered in Western Australia submit tenders or applications for the project;
- (c) if yes to (b), how many; and
- (d) if yes to (b), what parameters of the Maritime Constructions Pty Ltd tender resulted in it being successful?

1099. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to your answer to question on notice 884 on the provision of ambulance services along the Albany Highway, and I ask:

- (a) how many paid full time paid ambulance officers are maintained at each of the Narrogin and Albany sub-stations;
- (b) how many other full time paid ambulance officers are stationed on the Albany Highway and where are they stationed;
- (c) how many unpaid volunteer ambulance officers are currently rostered on each of the substations along Albany Highway;
- (d) how many ambulances are stationed at each of the substations along Albany Highway;
- (e) what is the ratio of paid ambulance officers to unpaid volunteer ambulance officers at each of the substations along Albany Highway;
- (f) are there any paid ambulance officers working from Katanning and is this level of service adequate;
- (g) how often have air ambulance services been used along Albany Highway in each of the last four years;
- (h) how many ambulances along the Albany Highway are capable of carrying two stretchers at once and where are these stationed;
- (i) what level of personnel are rostered onto each of the substations along Albany Highway, and what proportion of the day does each substation provide cover; and
- (j) are volunteers permitted or encouraged to take ambulances home after hours and, if so, in how many cases for each of the substations along Albany Highway?

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1100. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General:

What is the current means test applied by Legal Aid WA to determine a person's eligibility for legal aid?

1101. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the *Children and Community Services Amendment Regulations 2022*, and I ask:

- (a) what was the catalyst for bringing about these amendments to the regulations;
- (b) who was consulted prior to these amendment regulations being finalised;
- (c) did any person consulted raise any concerns;
- (d) if yes to (c), what were these concerns;
- (e) have the finalised amendment regulations addressed these concerns; and
- (f) if no to (e), why not?

1102. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the *Health Services (Fees and Charges) Amendment Order 2022*, and I ask:

- (a) what was the catalyst for bringing about these amendments to the regulations;
- (b) who was consulted prior to these amendment regulations being finalised;
- (c) did any person consulted raise any concerns;
- (d) if yes to (c), what were these concerns;
- (e) have the finalised amendment regulations addressed these concerns; and
- (f) if no to (e), why not?

1103. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to page 54 of the departments' annual report, which discusses outcomes for the work and development permit scheme, and I ask, of the 1,542 work and development permits issued:

- (a) how many permits were not complied with; and
- (b) how many permits are ongoing?

1104. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to your answer to my question without notice 608 on 9 August 2022, which revealed that between February 2017 and 9 August 2022, the department received 167 police notifications for public schools under the protocol to manage safety arrangements for students when a young person at a school is charged with harmful sexual behaviours, and I ask:

- (a) what was the date of the first notification received;
- (b) what was the longest period of time that a charged student remained at the same school as their victim; and
- (c) what was the average period of time that charged students remained at the same school as their victim?

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I refer to page 146 of the *2021-2022 Annual Report of the Insurance Commission of Western Australia*, regarding the Bell Litigation, and I ask:

- (a) of the \$1.774M in costs attributed to 2021, how much were:
 - (i) legal costs; and
 - (ii) other costs;
- (b) which legal firm(s) or person(s) were paid those costs;
- (c) further to (b), how much did each receive;
- (d) how was the \$9.861M reduction of the Right of Indemnity and the reimbursement of historic Bell expenses to GIF calculated; and
- (e) further to (d):
 - (i) who was the most senior person to authorise this calculation; and
 - (ii) will you table the documents setting out the calculation and the authorisation?

1106. Hon Neil Thomson to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

For all reserves held by the Aboriginal Lands Trust in March 2017, by means of a table, will the Minister please provide the following information:

- (a) the reserve number;
- (b) land identifying number;
- (c) the reserve common name (where one is known);
- (d) the reserve area;
- (e) the reserve resident population (estimate only);
- (f) number of leases issued over the reserve (where relevant);
- (g) the Native Title prescribed body corporate where relevant;
- (h) whether the reserve (as of 1 November 2022) has been divested to the Prescribed Body Corporate or other Aboriginal Corporation; and
- (i) where a reserve is not yet divested estimated date of divestment?

1107. Hon Neil Thomson to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Lands:

Separately, for all non-contiguous housing estate developments (for more than 5 lots at a single location) owned by Development WA, will the Minister please provide by means of a table and with data individualized for each development, as at 1 November 2022 (or nearest date when data can be obtained):

- (a) name of the development;
- (b) suburb of the development;

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- (c) land ID number (where a single lot, where multiple contiguous lots – only quote one land ID number for one lot so the development can be expressly identified);
- (d) number of registered lots in development;
- (e) area of development in hectares;
- (f) valuer general value of each development (include most recent valuation per development with total value for each contiguous group of lots);
- (g) date at which development was transferred to Development WA from the Housing Authority (if it was transferred);
- (h) in regards to (f), the valuation for each lot transferred at the time of transfer;
- (i) for all developments, total new (additional to base) lot yield expected in 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027;
- (j) in regards to (h), total lot yield expected to be used for social housing;
- (k) in regards to (h), total lot yield expected to be used for Government Regional Officer Housing or other Government accomodation;
- (l) the total lots that have already been transferred back to the Housing Authority for social housing;
- (m) in regards to (k), dates of transfer (by subtotal for each development each financial year); and
- (n) in regards to (k), the amount paid by the Housing Authority to the Development WA (by subtotal for development each financial year)?

1108. Hon Neil Thomson to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Lands:

Not including an allocation for administration, on costs or overheads such as support for geographic information systems, information technology and finance, for the end of financial years 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2020-21 2021-22, how many direct full time employees are allocated to the Department of Planning Lands and Heritage for the following activities:

- (a) land management (statutory management);
- (b) land management (policy and other non-statutory);
- (c) strategic land use planning including committee (secretariat only);
- (d) statutory land use planning;
- (e) Aboriginal heritage statutory approvals (statutory management);
- (f) Aboriginal heritage (policy and other non-statutory); and
- (g) heritage (not including Aboriginal heritage)?

1109. Hon Neil Thomson to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to my question without notice asked on 27 May 2021 related to school attendance from 2016 to 2020, and I ask, what is the average attendance rate for students in years K to 12, in 2021 and 2022, in the following locations:

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- (a) Halls Creek;
- (b) Fitzroy Crossing;
- (c) Wyndham;
- (d) Derby; and
- (e) Kununurra?

1110. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Tourism:

- (1) Will the Minister advise who is the member of the Rottnest Island Authority Board appointed under section 6(2)(a) of the *Rottnest Island Authority Act 1987*?
- (2) What are the qualifications and experience of the person appointed under section 6(2)(a) of the Act?
- (3) Will the Minister explain why the Rottnest Island Authority operates as a planning authority yet fails to make publicly available agendas, minutes, and officer reports relating to development applications contrary to the current practice of other planning authorities in Western Australia (notably the Western Australian Planning Commission and each of the 137 local government authorities)?
- (4) Will the Minister consider bringing the Rottnest Island Authority into line with other planning authorities by publishing agendas, minutes and officer reports and receiving deputations from individuals and groups when an application is being considered?
- (5) Are there any plans to review the *Rottnest Island Authority Act 1987*?
- (6) Is the Minister aware that development applications are being considered by the Rottnest Island Authority for the provision of staff housing?
- (7) If yes to (6), is the Minister aware of any impact analysis that has been undertaken regarding development applications for staff housing and, if so, could the Minister please table these reports?

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SAM HASTINGS

Clerk of the Legislative Council