

Minutes of Proceedings

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 17 MAY 2022 2.00pm

1. Meeting of Council

The Council assembled at 2.00pm pursuant to order.

The President, Hon Alanna Clohesy, took the Chair.

Prayers and an Acknowledgement of Country were read.

2. Ministerial Statement — National Volunteer Week

The Minister for Volunteering made a Ministerial Statement with respect to National Volunteer Week.

3. Papers

Rules —

The following Papers were laid on the Table by —

President	
Reports —	
Inspector of Custodial Services, Office of the — Manager protection (March 2022)	
Leader of the House	
Orders —	
Planning and Davidonment Act 2005 (section 76 (5))	Order and reasons from the

Planning and Development Act 2005 (section 76 (5)) — Order and reasons from the Minister for Planning relating to Lot 35 and Lot 50 Station Street, Cottesloe

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Reports —

Review of the Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation Act 2016

Summary Report (December 2021).......1277

Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney General

Magistrates Court (Civil Proceedings) Act2004; Magistrates Court Act 2004 (Magistrates Court Rules Amendment Rules 2022 G.G. 13/05/2022).......

4. Greyhound Racing

Hon Sophia Moermond: To move on the next day of sitting —

That this House —

- (a) notes that the greyhound racing industry in Western Australia is a cruelty fuelled, so-called "sport", that is designed to profit off the immense suffering and pain of racing greyhounds;
- (b) further notes that the wellbeing, safety, and welfare of greyhounds is not the number one priority of Greyhounds WA, instead it is only after corporate profits and government support to enrich themselves; and
- (c) calls on the Government to immediately ban the archaic blood sport that is greyhound racing for good.

5. Leave of Absence — Hon Alannah MacTiernan

The Leader of the House moved, without notice —

That leave of absence be granted to Hon Alannah MacTiernan for three sitting days due to urgent personal business.

Question — put and passed.

6. Suspension of Standing Orders

The Leader of the House moved, without notice —

That so much of Standing Orders be suspended to allow the Estimates and Financial Operations Committee to meet whilst the Council is sitting jointly with the Legislative Assembly on Wednesday, 18 May 2022.

The motion requiring the concurrence of an absolute majority.

Question — put.

The President having counted the Council, and there being an absolute majority present, and no dissentient voice, declared the motion carried with the concurrence of an absolute majority.

7. Suspension of Standing Orders

The Leader of the House moved, without notice —

That so much of Standing Orders be suspended so that Consideration of Committee Reports not be taken on Wednesday, 18 May 2022.

The motion requiring the concurrence of an absolute majority.

Question — put.

The President having counted the Council, and there being an absolute majority present, and no dissentient voice, declared the motion carried with the concurrence of an absolute majority.

8. Order of Business

Ordered — That Order of the Day No. 1, *City of Vincent Local Government Property Local Law 2021* — *Disallowance*, be taken after Order of the Day No. 8, *Civil Procedure (Representative Proceedings) Bill 2021*. (Leader of the House).

9. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure — Consolidated Account Estimates 2022–2023

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Treasurer as follows —

That pursuant to Standing Order 69(1) the Legislative Council take note of Tabled Paper 1270A-D (2022–2023 Budget Statements), laid upon the Table of the House on 12 May 2022.

Debate ensued.

Hon Dr Steve Thomas, by leave, tabled a graph detailing the general government total revenue and Expenditure from 1997-98 to 2021-22. (Tabled Paper 1279).

Debate resumed.

Hon Dr Steve Thomas, by leave, tabled a graph detailing Western Australian mining royalties from 1998-99 to 2021-22. (Tabled Paper 1280).

Debate resumed.

Hon Dr Steve Thomas, by leave, tabled a graph detailing Western Australia's GST revenue from 2000-01 to 2020-21. (Tabled Paper 1281).

Debate resumed.

Hon Dr Steve Thomas, by leave, tabled a graph detailing the total public sector debt from 2008 to 2026. (Tabled Paper 1282).

Debate resumed.

10. Questions Without Notice

Questions without notice were taken.

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a table in relation to the public housing wait-list for the Kalgoorlie electorate, by area office and preference zone, as at 30 April 2022, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Colin de Grussa.

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* a table in relation to the current public housing vacancy rate as at 30, April 2022 for the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, Shire of Coolgardie, Shire of Dundas, Shire of Laverton and the Shire of Menzies, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Colin de Grussa.

The Leader of the House representing the Minister for Homelessness, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* information in relation to emergency housing availability in the central business district and the northern suburbs, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Peter Collier.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Disability Services on behalf of the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Forestry, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* information in relation to Forest Products Commission auction contracts, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Steve Thomas.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Disability Services on behalf of the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Forestry, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* information in relation to Forest Products Commission auction contract holders who also hold another Forest Products Commission contract, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Dr Steve Thomas.

The Minister for Emergency Services, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* information in relation to funding to the Association of Volunteer Bushfire Brigades WA Inc, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Martin Aldridge.

The Minister for Medical Research tabled documents in relation to the Western Australian Future Health Research and Innovation Fund, in response to question on notice 628 asked by Hon Martin Aldridge. (Tabled Paper 1283).

The Minister for Emergency Services tabled documents in relation to the Western Power total fire ban exemption, in response to question on notice 653 asked by Hon Martin Aldridge. (Tabled Paper 1284).

The Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Energy, by leave, incorporated into *Hansard* information in relation to applications before the Western Power Validation Team, in response to a question without notice asked by Hon Colin de Grussa.

11. Distinguished Visitors

The President drew attention to the presence in the gallery of the Honourable Nazih Elasmar, President of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Victoria; the Honourable Colin Brooks, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Victoria; and Anne Sargent, Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Victoria, and, on behalf of Honourable Members, extended a warm welcome.

12. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure — Consolidated Account Estimates 2022–2023

Debate resumed on the motion of the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Treasurer (see item 9 above).

On the motion of Hon Colin de Grussa the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

13. COVID-19 Response Legislation Amendment (Extension of Expiring Provisions) Bill 2022

The Order of the Day having been read for the adjourned debate on the second reading of this Bill. The Minister for Emergency Services, pursuant to Standing Order 125A, declared the Bill to be an urgent Bill.

The Minister for Emergency Services moved, without notice —

That pursuant to Standing Order 125A, the following maximum time limits apply to the following stages of the Bill:

Second Reading 3 hours and 45 minutes
Committee of the Whole 3 hours and 20 minutes

Third Reading 10 minutes

Question — put and passed.

Debate ensued on the second reading of this urgent Bill.

Question — put.

The Council divided.

Ayes (16)

Hon Klara Andric Hon Ayor Makur Chuot Hon Sandra Carr Hon Stephen Pratt Hon Stephen Dawson Hon Martin Pritchard Hon Kate Doust Hon Rosie Sahanna Hon Sue Ellery Hon Matthew Swinbourn Hon Dr Sally Talbot Hon Peter Foster Hon Lorna Harper Hon Darren West Hon Jackie Jarvis Hon Pierre Yang (Teller)

Noes (7)

Hon Martin Aldridge Hon Neil Thomson
Hon Steve Martin Hon Dr Brian Walker
Hon Sophia Moermond Hon Colin de Grussa (Teller)
Hon Tjorn Sibma

Question thus passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Acting President left the Chair.

In Committee

(Hon Dr Sally Talbot in the Chair)

Clause 1.

Debate ensued.

Interruption pursuant to order.

The President resumed the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the Bill, made progress, and seeks to sit again.

Ordered — That the Committee of the Whole House sit again.

14. Adjournment

There being no Members' Statements the Council adjourned at 9.46pm until Wednesday, 18 May 2022 at 1.00pm.

Members present during the day's proceedings

Attendance: Present all Members except Hon Dan Caddy, Hon Nick Goiran, Hon Alannah MacTiernan (*leave*), Hon Kyle McGinn, Hon Shelley Payne and Hon Samantha Rowe.

SAM HASTINGS

Clerk of the Legislative Council

HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC

President of the Legislative Council