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Questions postponed from previous sittings: -

Tuesday, 13 September 2022

555. Mr P.J. Rundle to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education and Training

Tuesday, 20 September 2022

556. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport

Questions listed for this sitting: -

557. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Energy; Corrective Services; Industrial Relations:

- (1) I refer to the One Future Program:
 - (a) On what date was the One Future Program fully operational; and
 - (b) What was the final cost of the One Future Program?
- (2) I refer to Gold Corporation's Gold Pass program, on what date did the Gold Pass Product begin in operation?
- (3) How many conflicts of interests have been declared by board members and senior Gold Corporation staff for the financial years:
 - (a) 2017-18;
 - (b) 2018-19;
 - (c) 2019-20;
 - (d) 2020-21;
 - (e) 2021-22; and
 - (f) 2022-23 to date?
- (4) How many Freedom of Information requests were lodged to or transferred to Gold Corporation from Departments, Government Trading Entities or Agencies for the 2021-22 financial year?
- (5) How many cases of bullying have been lodged by staff at Gold Corporation the financial years:

- (a) 2017-18;
- (b) 2018-19;
- (c) 2019-20;
- (d) 2020-21;
- (e) 2021-22; and
- (f) 2022-23 to date?

558. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Finance; Aboriginal Affairs; Racing and Gaming; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:

- (1) I refer to the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2022* and related regulations (ACH regulations):
 - (a) How much has been expended on the delivery of the ACH regulations; and
 - (b) How many staff are employed to directly deliver the ACH regulations?
- (2) I refer to the Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority (AAPA) and the Aboriginal Lands Trust (ALT):
 - (a) Is a new ALT strategic action plan currently being developed;
 - (b) If yes to (a), when is the new ALT strategic action plan expected to be finalised;
 - (c) Will the strategic action plan be implemented over a two year period or a four year period;
 - (d) When was Roanna Edwards appointed as Chairperson of the ALT and did Ms Edwards apply through OnBoardWA;
 - (e) Does the Minister intend to keep board members appointed on four year terms; and
 - (f) How many ALT reserves are currently proclaimed under Part III of the *Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority Act 1972* or any relevant legislation which applies to the AAPA and the ALT?

559. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Public Sector Management:

I refer to OnBoard WA and ask:

- (a) How many unique visitors have accessed OnBoard WA;
- (b) How many accounts are active with OnBoard WA;
- (c) How many applications to boards have been received and processed through this portal:
 - (i) In total since September 2017 when OnBoard WA was launched;
 - (ii) 2017-18;
 - (iii) 2018-19;
 - (iv) 2019-20;
 - (v) 2021-22; and
 - (vi) 2022-23 to date;
- (d) As at 1 October 2022:
 - (i) How many Government Trading Entity boards are seeking to fill board vacancies through the portal;
 - (ii) How many Government Agency boards are seeking to fill board vacancies through the portal; and
 - (iii) How many not for profits are seeking to fill board vacancies through the portal;
- (e) How many people have access to the boards@dpc.wa.gov.au email address;
- (f) What hours is the (08) 6552 5666 phone number active and do the calls get redirected to any other hotline or government number after those active hours; and

- (g) Have all board appointments to government trading entities and/or agencies since September 2017 been through OnBoard WA? If not, please detail:
 - (i) The board seeking to fill the vacancy;
 - (ii) Who was appointed to the role;
 - (iii) When the government trading entity and/or agency chief executive officer or equivalent was aware of the appointment;
 - (iv) When the Minister responsible was made aware of the appointment; and
 - (v) The process undertaken to ensure the government trading entity and/or agency board appointee was appropriate for the role?

560. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport; Planning; Ports:

I refer to planned areas for designate sewerage and deep sewerage systems and ask:

- (a) How many properties across Western Australia do not have access to deep sewerage systems? Please breakdown by local government area;
- (b) Of those in (a):
 - (i) How many are planned to be designate sewerage areas;
 - (ii) How many are in METRONET development areas; and
 - (iii) How many properties are in areas not rated for sewerage;
- (c) How many times has the Minister requested information relating to the Kenwick deep sewerage infill program; and
- (d) Given the Armadale rail line is being shut down in 2023 to facilitate upgrades to that train line, was any consideration given to facilitate works in the City of Gosnells so that residents in Kenwick would be able to connect to deep sewerage?

561. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Water; Forestry; Youth:

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562. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Water; Forestry; Youth:

I refer to the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914* (the Act) and ask:

- (a) How many FTE within the following are focused on enforcing water regulation in relation to the Act:
 - (i) Water Corporation; and
 - (ii) Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER);

- (b) What is the process for ensuring the DWER is kept informed of any breaches to Section 17 of the Act which are determined by staff in other departments, government trading entities or agencies;
- (c) What is the process for ensuring DWER is made aware of any breaches to Section 17 of the Act by staff at Water Corporation;
- (d) For each financial year 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 to date, how many Section 17 breach notices were:
 - (i) Issued;
 - (ii) Successfully prosecuted;
 - (iii) Withdrawn; and
 - (iv) Not pursued by DWER;
- (e) What are the ten worst local government areas for being issued breach notices of Section 17 in 2022-23 to date; and
- (f) For 2022-23 to date, how many breach notices were made based on tip offs from:
 - (i) DPIRD employees;
 - (ii) Private Citizens;
 - (iii) Referred internally within DWER;
 - (iv) Referred from Water Corporation; and
 - (v) Western Power, Horizon Power or Synergy?

563. Mr R.S. Love to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the Hydrogen Industry and training programs for skilled workers in relation to the hydrogen sector, and ask:

- (a) How many approved and accredited training courses are on offer in WA specifically in relation to the Hydrogen industry;
- (b) How many apprentices or trainees have signed up to these programs;
- (c) Has the Minister requested development of regulations, legislation and training standards for the Hydrogen industry:
 - (i) If yes, which department, agency or entity is responsible for developing these important legal documents;
 - (ii) How much work has progressed; and
 - (iii) What is the timeline for the introduction of each regulation, legislation or training standard;
- (d) Who has the Minister directly engaged with in relation to ensuring a strong workforce is ready to go for this future industry; and
- (e) Has the Minister engaged with the relevant stakeholders to ensure that the TAFE network is prepared for upskilling skilled workers in the construction and mining sectors, in preparation of creating a strong local hydrogen sector workforce before projects start?

564. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Hydrogen Industry:

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565. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier representing the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to the South West Development Commission; Department of Jobs, Science, Tourism and Innovation; and the Advanced Manufacturing Hub:

- (a) What is the status of this project;
- (b) For this project, how much land to date has been:
 - (i) Acquired;
 - (ii) Leased; and
 - (iii) Gifted in kind from Government;
- (c) Has the feasibility study been completed;
- (d) Will the feasibility study be released? If not, why not;
- (e) How much has been spent to date on this project? Please provide a breakdown of expenditure;
- (f) Regarding local consultation, who has been consulted by:
 - (i) The South West Development Commission on the project since its announcement and when did that consultation occur;
 - (ii) The Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation on the project since its announcement and when did that consultation occur; and
 - (iii) Paxon Consulting Group Pty Ltd on the project since its announcement and when did that consultation occur; and
- (g) Please table the Phase one – Preliminary Assessment Report on the South West Advanced Manufacturing and Technology Hub:
 - (i) If not, why will the Minister not table this report; and
 - (ii) Other than Paxon Consulting, who else helped to compile the report?

566. Mr R.S. Love to the Deputy Premier; Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade; Tourism; Commerce; Science:

- (1) I refer to jobs and trade data, including registrations of business licences, in reference to plumbers and gasfitters trading and employed in Western Australia. What is the 'service gap' between the number of plumbers and gasfitters sought and the number of plumbers and gasfitters currently employed in the following regions:
 - (a) Kimberley;
 - (b) Pilbara;

- (c) Gascoyne;
 - (d) Mid West;
 - (e) Goldfields-Esperance;
 - (f) Wheatbelt;
 - (g) Peel;
 - (h) South West;
 - (i) Great Southern;
 - (j) Metropolitan South;
 - (k) Metropolitan East; and
 - (l) Metropolitan North?
- (2) How does the average state-wide ‘service gap’ compare to other Australian jurisdictions?
 - (3) Can the Minister or department quantify the number of plumbers and gasfitters in Western Australia:
 - (a) Of those in (3), how many have relocated to Western Australia directly from overseas?
 - (4) Where can plumbers and gasfitters trained overseas be assessed in Western Australia to ensure they meet local guidelines and regulations prior to starting or working for a business?

567. Mr R.S. Love to the Deputy Premier; Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade; Tourism; Commerce; Science:

I refer to legislation and regulations around building standards and ask:

- (a) Has the Minister or department started drafting legislation relating to waterproofing standards and training;
- (b) If no to (a), why not;
- (c) Has the Minister or department started drafting legislation or regulations relating to climate conscious roofing materials;
- (d) What representations has the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety made to the Federal Government in relation to building standards and the uniqueness of regional Western Australia; and
- (e) Similarly to (d), what representations has the Minister for Commerce made to the Federal Minister for Housing and Homelessness or the Federal Minister for Industry and Science in relation to building standards and the uniqueness of regional Western Australia?

568. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations:

I refer to the Report on Consultants Engaged by Government for the six months ended June 2021 addendum and the Report on Consultants Engaged by Government for the six months ended December 2021:

- (a) On what date did Sue Ash AO stop providing “Independent Advice – COVID-19 Management” to the Department of the Premier and Cabinet:
 - (i) What did this advice entail; and
 - (ii) Please table the advice received;
- (b) What advice was provided by ‘Delivery Associates Ltd’ in relation to providing strategic advice on vaccine delivery; and:
 - (i) Who was privy to the strategic advice;
 - (ii) Please table the advice received;

- (iii) Did the Government engage any other consultants to provide strategic advice on vaccine delivery? If yes, please detail who those consultants were, period of consultation and amount paid; and
 - (iv) Was this advice solely for COVID-19 vaccine delivery? If no, what other vaccines were subject to the strategic advice; and
- (c) For the strategic consultants who provided information to Infrastructure WA to 'Assist in the development of the State Infrastructure Strategy' please advise:
 - (i) The expert subject matter the consultants were contracted to provide, or the expertise support they were contracted to provide;
 - (ii) The total length of contract and total cost of contract; and
 - (iii) Whether those consultants are still contracted to provide expert advice?

569. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Environment; Climate Action:

I refer to the portfolio of climate action and the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) Climate Action Unit:

- (a) Has the Minister declared any conflicts of interest with regards to the portfolio to date? If yes, please detail;
- (b) How many FTE are in the Climate Action Unit? Please detail how many employees are:
 - (i) Full time; and
 - (ii) Part time;
- (c) How many other staff across various government departments, Government agencies and Government trading enterprises are currently working with the Climate Action Unit on matters relevant to climate action in the portfolios of energy, transport, planning, primary industries, mines, jobs, tourism, health, education, environment, biodiversity, local government, emergency services, communities, water and waste;
- (d) Has the Minister kept the Ministerial Taskforce on Climate Action? If yes please detail:
 - (i) The Minister's currently on the Ministerial Taskforce;
 - (ii) Dates the taskforce has met; and
 - (iii) Length of meetings;
- (e) Please detail current members of the Climate Action and Environment Portfolio Oversight Group, their role in the group and their usual occupation;
- (f) Has the Minister met with the following groups in their capacity as Minister for Climate Action and if yes, please detail the date and who they met with from:
 - (i) Cleanstate;
 - (ii) Extinction Rebellion;
 - (iii) 350 Perth;
 - (iv) WA Forest Alliance;
 - (v) WA Farmers;
 - (vi) Pastoralists 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; and
- (g) Please provide an organisational flow chart of management associated with this portfolio?

570. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport; Planning; Ports:

- (1) I refer to Transperth and technical issues with the network:
 - (a) How many times since March 13, 2021, have there been technical issues with:
 - (i) Transperth Buses;
 - (ii) Transperth Trains; and
 - (iii) Transperth Ferries;
 - (b) In relation to Transperth Buses (a)(i) please detail:
 - (i) The dates those technical issues occurred and when they were resolved;
 - (ii) The service number/s affected;
 - (iii) Whether the issue was due to ageing infrastructure or mechanical parts; and
 - (iv) The type or series of bus and manufacturer / coach builder;
 - (c) In relation to Transperth Trains (a)(ii) please detail:
 - (i) The dates those technical issues occurred and when they were resolved;
 - (ii) The line being serviced;
 - (iii) Whether the detail resulted in trains not being able to operate on the line;
 - (iv) If a train was at fault, whether the train was an A series train or B series train;
 - (v) Whether the resolution was permanent or temporary;
 - (vi) Whether the technical issue was due to ageing infrastructure; and
 - (vii) Whether a bus service deployed as a replacement service and how long the temporary bus service was active for; and
 - (d) In relation to Transperth Ferries (a)(iii) please detail:
 - (i) The dates those technical issues occurred and when they were resolved;
 - (ii) The ferry name and year of deployment; and
 - (iii) Whether a bus service deployed as a replacement service and how long the temporary bus service was active for?
- (2) I refer to TransWA and technical issues with the network:
 - (a) How many times since March 13, 2021, have there been technical issues or major delays (longer than 20 minutes) with:
 - (i) Transperth Coaches:
 - (A) GE1;
 - (B) GE2;
 - (C) GE3;
 - (D) GE4;
 - (E) GS1;
 - (F) GS2;
 - (G) GS3;
 - (H) N1;
 - (I) N2;

- (J) N3;
- (K) N4;
- (L) N5;
- (M) SW1;
- (N) SW2;
- (O) SW3;
- (P) SW4; and
- (Q) Any legacy coach lines which have been cancelled or removed from active service;
- (ii) AvonLink;
- (iii) The Australind;
- (iv) MerredinLink; and
- (v) The Prospector;
- (b) For (a) please detail the dates those technical issues occurred and when they were resolved; and
- (c) For (a) please detail if a replacement service was deployed and if so, what the mode of transport was for that replacement service?

571. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Police; Road Safety; Defence Industry; Veterans Issues:

I refer to road safety and the yellow box markings at signalised intersections program:

- (a) How many iterations of the document 'Policy and Application Guidelines: Yellow Box Junction Markings at Signalised Intersections' have existed since the initiative was announced in 2016;
- (b) Please list the intersections marked, suburb or town of the intersection, number of accidents prior to demarcation and the number of accidents after demarcation in:
 - (i) 2017-18;
 - (ii) 2018-19;
 - (iii) 2019-20;
 - (iv) 2020-21;
 - (v) 2021-22; and
 - (vi) 2022-23 to date; and
- (c) For b (i-vi) please also detail the number of applications received by Main Roads for Yellow Box Junction Markings?

572. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport; Planning; Ports:

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 - (ii) 2018-19;
 - (iii) 2019-20;
 - (iv) 2020-21;

- (v) 2021-22; and
- (vi) 2022-23 to date; and
- (c) For b (i-vi) please also detail the number of applications received by Main Roads for Yellow Box Junction Markings?

573. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier representing the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to Question on Notice 348, asked in November 2021, relating to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) offices at 1 Nash Street:

- (a) Has the annual rent cost changed or has DPIRD received advice that it has been changed;
- (b) Does DPIRD currently occupy all office space at 1 Nash street:
 - (i) If no, which other Government departments, agencies or trading entities are co-located there;
- (c) How many staff are currently at 1 Nash street:
 - (i) How many of these staff work for DPIRD; and
 - (ii) How many of these staff work for a Regional Development Commission;
- (d) Does Corval Partners Limited ATF The Corval Workzone Trust still own 1 Nash Street:
 - (i) If not, who currently owns 1 Nash Street; and
 - (ii) Have Corval Partners Limited ATF The Corval Workzone Trust indicated they may sell 1 Nash Street;
- (e) Has the new temporary laboratory to house critical biosecurity services at Kensington South Perth reached practical completion:
 - (i) If not, what has been the cause of the delay and is there a new completion date; and
- (f) Has a Project Definition Plan for a new DPIRD biosecurity research and development in South Perth been completed:
 - (i) If yes please table; and
 - (ii) If no, why not and when will it be completed?

574. Mr P.J. Rundle to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the home schooling program in WA and I ask:

- (a) How many school aged children are currently registered for home schooling in WA; and
- (b) How does this number compare with the number of school aged children home schooled over the previous four years?

575. Mr P.J. Rundle to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the network of Education Regional Offices and I ask:

- (a) What is the current FTE for each office; and
- (b) What is the FTE for each Education Regional Office for the past four years?

KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
