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2966. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Road Safety

For the area of Western Australia bounded by Geraldton to Kalgoorlie, down to Esperance and Augusta, excluding the metropolitan area bounded by Wanneroo, Midland and Mandurah:

- (a) what roads did Main Roads WA upgrade/widen (including on behalf of any Local Government Authority) in the last 10 years (2010-2020);
- (b) how many deaths, serious injuries and crashes were recorded on each of these roads in each of the 5 years prior to upgrading/widening; and
- (c) how many deaths, serious injuries and crashes were recorded on each of these roads in each of the 5 years after (or for as many for which there is data) after upgrading/widening.?

2967. Hon Diane Evers to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Transport

For the area of Western Australia bounded by Geraldton to Kalgoorlie, down to Esperance and Augusta, excluding the metropolitan area bounded by Wanneroo, Midland and Mandurah:

- (a) what roads did Main Roads WA upgrade/widen (including on behalf of any Local Government Authority) in the last 10 years (2010-2020);
- (b) how many deaths, serious injuries and crashes were recorded on each of these roads in each of the 5 years prior to upgrading/widening; and
- (c) how many deaths, serious injuries and crashes were recorded on each of these roads in each of the 5 years after (or for as many for which there is data) after upgrading/widening.?

2968. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

I refer to question on notice 2878, answered on 14 May 2020, and I ask:

- will the Minister please table a list of all the sites and locations of the 463 section 18 applications, for sites on land described as mining leases, previously identified in question on notice 2878; and
- (b) if no to (a), why not?

2969. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Ports

I refer to the post by ABC Kimberley announcing job losses at the Port of Broome, available at https://www.facebook.com/ABCKimberley/posts/10158289997257156, in relation to the Kimberley Marine Supply Base (KMSB), and I ask:

- (a) what roles have been lost at the port this year to date:
 - (i) of those jobs in (a), how many were full-time positions;
 - (ii) of those jobs in (a), how many were part-time positions; and
 - (iii) of those jobs in (a), how many were casual positions;

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- (b) will the Minister please table the 'extensive review' of the Authority's revenue and cost base, referred to by Mr. Craig Faulkner, that influenced the decision to cut staff:
 - (i) if no to (b), why not;
- (c) has pay to the Board of Directors been considered for reduction, in lieu of reducing jobs;
- (d) has pay to the Chief Executive Officer(s) (CEO) been considered for reduction, in lieu of reducing jobs:
 - (i) has the Government considered reducing the CEO hours of work;
- (e) if no to (c) and/or (d), why not; and
- (f) does the current economic situation, as demonstrated by the job losses at the Port, make it less likely that the KMSB project will go ahead as planned:
 - (i) if no to (f), will the Minister please explain the manner in which the project is expected to deviate from the original plan; and
 - (ii) if no to (f), has the KMSB provided a revised business case for the project:
 - (A) if yes to (f)(ii), will the Minister please provide the document;
 - (B) if no to (f)(ii), will the Minister request a revised business case; and
 - (C) if no to (f)(ii)(B), why not?

2970. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection

I refer to non-government community sector organisations who are funded by the Western Australian Government to provide out of home care services, and I ask:

- (a) how many organisations are currently funded; and
- (b) how many of (a) are Aboriginal community controlled organisations?

2971. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

I refer to the Report on Consultants Engaged by Government ending 31 December 2019, and to the engagement of KPMG to undertaken an independent review of complaints in handling youth detention in Western Australia, and I ask:

- (a) is this project now completed;
- (b) if no, when it is anticipated it will be completed;
- (c) if yes to (a), will the Premier please table the project report; and
- (d) if no to (c), why not?

2972. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection

- (1) Will the Minister please advise the number of children on:
 - (a) Protection Orders (supervision);
 - (b) Protection Orders (time limited);
 - (c) Protection Orders (until 18); and
 - (d) Protection Orders (Special Guardian)?

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- (2) How many culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) children are currently on:
 - (a) Protection Orders (supervision);
 - (b) Protection Orders (time limited);
 - (c) Protection Orders (until 18); and
 - (d) Protection Orders (Special Guardian)?
- (3) How many Aboriginal children are currently on:
 - (a) Protection Orders (supervision);
 - (b) Protection Orders (time limited);
 - (c) Protection Orders (until 18); and
 - (d) Protection Orders (Special Guardian)?
- (4) How many Aboriginal children on Protection Orders (time limited) are currently in Aboriginal placements?
- (5) How many Aboriginal children on Protection Orders (until 18) are currently in Aboriginal placements?
- (6) How many Aboriginal children on Protection Orders (Special Guardian) are in Aboriginal placements?

2973. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Corrective Services

I refer to the use of separate confinement in Western Australian prisons, and I ask:

- (a) for each prison and Banksia Hill Detention Centre separately, on how many occasions were prisoners subject to a separate confinement order in:
 - (i) 2018-19; and
 - (ii) 2019-20 to date;
- (b) how many of the orders in (a)(i) and (ii) were made by a:
 - (i) prison superintendent;
 - (ii) visiting justice; and
 - (iii) other (please advise who); and
- (c) for what length of time were prisoners subject to separate confinement under the orders in (a)(i) and (ii)?

2974. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food

I refer to question on notice 2461, relating to Agricultural Protection Board (APB) workers exposed to 2, 4, 5-T in the course of their standard duties, under the Board's direct instructions, and the answers supplied to that question, and I ask:

- (a) have the recommendations from the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, as per the Minister's response to question on notice 2461(b), been finalised:
 - (i) if yes to (a), can the Minister please table the recommendations;
 - (ii) if yes to (a), which, if any, recommendations have been implemented to date;

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- (iii) if no to (a), why have these recommendations not been finalised after some nine months; and
- (iv) what progress has been made in a general sense:
 - (A) in relation to the number of claims;
 - (B) in relation to payments of those claims referred to at (a)(iv)(A);
 - (C) in relation to the nature of the cancers that have been associated with the use of 2, 4, 5-T; and
 - (D) in relation to what screening methods might be available for those cancers referred to at (a)(iv)(C);
- (b) noting that the 2004 register was intended as a working document, what was the total number of persons on that register; and
- noting that the 2004 register was intended as a working document, how many persons on that register has since passed as a result of their illness?

2975. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Road Safety

I refer to question without notice 204 regarding the Rural Road Safety Program, noting the correspondence that was tabled, and I ask:

- (a) has the Minister sought advice from the Road Safety Council or the Road Safety Commission on this \$900 million project;
- (b) if yes to (a), on what date was advice sought and please table a copy of your request and the advice received:
- (c) what role did the Road Safety Commission or the Road Safety Council have in the development of the business case;
- (d) please table the 'paper' referred to in the correspondence contained in Legislative Council tabled paper 3670;
- (e) has the Minister met with the Road Safety Council and or Commissioner to discuss this project and, if so, on what dates did meetings occur;
- (f) has funding for the project been sought from the Road Trauma Trust Account;
- (g) has the project been assessed by the Road Safety Council for funding; and
- (h) if yes to (f) or (g), will the Minister please table any relevant submission, assessment and response?

2976. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Transport

I refer to question on notice 2832, regarding the Rural Road Safety Program announced by the Minister on 1 August 2019, and I ask:

- (a) which agency developed the business case;
- (b) which agency developed the Infrastructure Australia submission;
- (c) when was the business case finalised;
- (d) who approved the business case;
- (e) is the business case Cabinet endorsed or approved;

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- (f) will the Minister please table a copy of the business case;
- (g) what role did the Road Safety Commission or the Road Safety Council have in the development of the business case;
- (h) has funding for the project been sought from the Road Trauma Trust Account;
- (i) has the project been assessed by the Road Safety Council for funding; and
- (j) if yes to (h) or (i), will the Minister please table any relevant submission, assessment and response?

2977. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the *Electricity (Licensing) Regulations 1991* with reference to regulation 52A, and I ask:

- (a) does regulation 52A(2a) provide for notices of completion and preliminary notices to be transmitted by facsimile;
- (b) does the Notice issued by the Director of Energy Safety and published in the *Government Gazette* on 14 June 2019 prohibit the use of facsimile transmission; and
- (c) if yes to (b), is the Notice issued by the Director of Energy Safety unlawful as it contravenes regulation 52A(2a)?

2978. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

In relation to the all WA Country Health Service sites, per month, for the last 12 months, I ask:

- (a) on how many occasions has a doctor not been rostered for each site;
- (b) with respect to (a), what was the reason for the unavailability of a doctor for each occasion;
- (c) with respect to (a), on each occasion a doctor was not available to be rostered, how many ATS 1, 2 or 3 patients presented to each hospital, during each period;
- (d) what strategy has the WA Country Health Service put in place to avoid situations when a doctor is not available to be rostered;
- (e) on how many occasions in the last 12 months at each hospital, has a doctor been rostered but unable to be contacted, or unable to respond;
- (f) with respect to (e), on each occasion a doctor was not available to respond when rostered, how many ATS 1, 2 or 3 patients presented to each hospital during each period; and
- (g) how many salaried doctors are employed by each hospital?

2979. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Police

I refer to intrastate travel directions issued by the State Emergency Coordinator, and I ask:

- (a) in relation to roadside check points, in which locations were these established on a semi-permanent basis whilst the directions were in force;
- (b) of those identified in (a), what was the commencement and conclusion date for each check point;
- (c) what was the total costs incurred that related to intrastate travel restrictions;

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- (d) in relation to (c), will the Minister please breakdown the total costs incurred;
- (e) what was the cost of operating vehicle check points;
- (f) did the State Government reimburse the Australian Government for costs incurred by the Department of Defence, if so, what were those costs;
- (g) did the Western Australia Police Force reimburse the Department of Fire and Emergency Services for costs incurred, if so, what were those costs;
- (h) what was the costs to develop the G2G pass system and for any ongoing and related fees:
- (i) how many G2G pass applications were applied for, and how many were declined;
- (j) for each checkpoint, will the Minister please identify:
 - (i) the number of vehicles and persons intercepted;
 - (ii) the number of vehicles and persons allowed to pass through the checkpoint;
 - (iii) the number of persons who utilised a G2G pass versus those who did not;
 - (iv) the number of complaints received in relation to check point decisions and the number overturned on review; and
 - (v) the total number of hours worked at each checkpoint by:
 - (A) Western Australia Police Force staff;
 - (B) Department of Defence staff or reservists;
 - (C) DFES volunteers;
 - (D) contractors; and
 - (E) others:
- (k) was the State Emergency Coordinator directed by any person or body to establish the intrastate travel directions and/or regional check points;
- (l) if yes to (k), who was the State Emergency Coordinator directed by and what was the direction given;
- (m) what advice did the State Emergency Coordinator consider prior to instituting the directions:
- (n) what consultation was undertaken by the State Emergency Coordinator prior to instituting the directions;
- (o) what guidance material was made available to staff and volunteers at check points and please table all such advice;
- (p) how were the exemptions contained in the directions developed and who was consulted on their development;
- (q) what advice did the State Emergency Coordinator seek or receive from the Department of Health and/or the Chief Health Officer (WA) prior to issuing the directions;
- (r) ®please table any advice received with respect to (q);
- (s) what advice did the State Emergency Coordinator seek or receive from the Department of Health and/or the Chief Health Officer (WA) prior to revoking the directions;
- (t) will the Minister please table any advice received with respect to (s);

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- (u) how many vehicles and persons were intercepted by mobile Police patrols throughout the period in which Directions were in force for the purposes of verifying their lawful travel; and
- (v) how did the State Emergency Coordinator monitor compliance at air ports and sea ports where numerous reports of unencumbered travel took place without any check points being established?

2980. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to a fire which occurred near the intersection of Mogumber Road West and Red Gully Road Mogumber on 15 December 2019, and I ask:

- (a) at what time was Western Power first alerted to a power interruption at this location on the above mentioned day and by what means was notification made;
- (b) was an automatic recloser activated arising from a fault at the location and, if so, at what time was the activation made;
- (c) what was the Western Power response to the fire on 15 December 2019 and what works were carried out on this day or in the days following arising from the fire or related nearby faults;
- (d) will the Minister please table all documents, work orders, photographs, videos or other material relating to the Western Power response to the Mogumber fault on 15 December 2019;
- (e) in reference to pole number MG269 which was destroyed, I ask:
 - (i) what was the condition of the pole prior to the fire;
 - (ii) when was this pole due to be replaced;
 - (iii) when was this pole last inspected and please provide a copy of the inspection record or report;
 - (iv) was one of the two new poles located on the ground (destroyed by fire with identification discs intact) at the corner of Mogumber Road West and Red Gully Road a replacement pole intended for this location;
 - (v) were the remnants of the burnt pole MG269, cross arm and insulators retained as evidence for an investigation into the cause of the fire; and
 - (vi) were photographs taken by Western Power crews of Western Power infrastructure on the day, if so, please table those photographs;
- (f) have the conductors between poles MG268 to MG270 been replaced since 15 December 2019;
- (g) if no to (f), will the conductors be replaced and preserved as evidence for any investigation or claim arising from the fire;
- (h) did Western Power meet the requirements for a Notification, Investigation and Reporting of this incident to the Director of Energy Safety;
- (i) what investigation has been undertaken by Western Power to determine whether its infrastructure played any role in the fire;

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- (j) has Western Power determined whether its infrastructure played any role in the fire's cause;
- (k) what were the losses incurred by Western Power arising from the fire;
- (l) please identify the infrastructure replaced and its location arising from the fire; and
- (m) did Western Power have any outstanding work orders on the distribution network along Mogumber Road West?

2981. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) When was the last Building Condition Assessment process undertaken across all TAFE Colleges in Western Australia?
- (2) Can the Minister provide a list of all identified maintenance, by TAFE College, from the latest Building Condition Assessment undertaken?

NIGEL PRATT

Clerk of the Legislative Council