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- 6105. Mr A. Krsticevic to the Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services

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- 6106. Mr I.C. Blayney to the Minister for Housing
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- 6110. Mr W.R. Marmion to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts
- 6111. Mrs A.K. Hayden to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Environment
- 6112. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Transport

**Questions listed for this sitting: -**

**6113. Mr W.R. Marmion to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Energy; Industrial Relations**

- (1) Can the Minister advise that as a part of the McGowan government's "Plan For Our Parks" to create an additional five million hectares of new national parks, marine parks and other conservation reserves by February 2024, it is now increasing the area for possible consideration for inclusion in this plan to six million hectares?
- (2) With the increased area now being considered, how many mining tenements or additional mining tenements are impacted?
- (3) What is now the total number of mining tenements affected and what area of land does this represent?
- (4) Have the mining tenement owners affected by the increased 1 million hectares been notified in writing that their tenements may require new approvals if their land becomes an A-Class reserve, and in addition, the granting of a future mining lease or general purpose lease would require the approval of both Houses of Parliament?
- (5) If yes to (4), how much notice was provided to tenement holders to respond to any letter of notification?
- (6) How many tenement holders have responded to the notification letter with concerns, how many have responded with "no comment", how many did not respond within the deadline and how many have responded after the deadline?
- (7) Will tenement holders who are affected with the possible loss of their tenements receive compensation for sunk expenditure into their tenements?
- (8) Will these affected tenement holders receive a hold on their tenement fees during this period of uncertainty?
- (9) Will exploration mining tenement holders affected by the "Plan For Our Parks" proposal receive a deferral of expenditure requirements during the consideration period? If not why not?
- (10) Will the Minister be able to veto any proposed declaration of land for the creation of additional conservation reserves under the "Plan For Our Parks" that includes a mining tenement?

**6114. Mr P.A. Katsambanis to the Minister for Police; Road Safety**

I refer to hooning vehicles for each of the years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019, and ask:

- (a) How many cars have been impounded by Police:
  - (i) At current date, how many vehicles are currently impounded;
- (b) What is the breakdown of first, second and third offences;
- (c) Of vehicles impounded by Police, how many belonged to a P-plater;
- (d) How many of these were being driven by people under the age of 17;
- (e) How many were instances of someone driving while disqualified;
- (f) How many were instances of someone driving while under suspension;
- (g) How many instances where the vehicle impounded was not being driven by the owner; and
- (h) In each year, how many of the impounded vehicles were not returned to their own?

**6115. Mr W.R. Marmion to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts**

- (1) Can the Minister provide a list of Local Government Inquiries and Reviews undertaken by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) since March 2017, including the starting date, completion date and estimated or actual cost of each?

- (2) How many staff are employed by the DLGSC, how many of these are dedicated to Local Government, and of these, how many are allocated to manage or conduct Inquiries and Reviews?
- (3) What external resources were required to be engaged to undertake each of these Inquiries and Reviews and what was the cost of these engagements?
- (4) For the total cost of each of the Inquiries and Reviews undertaken by the Department, what was the final break down of costs between the DLGSC and the Local Government subject to the review or inquiry?

**6116. Mr W.R. Marmion to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts**

- (1) I refer to the Inquiry into the operations and affairs of the Town of Cambridge authorised by the Director General of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) in April 2018. Can the Minister confirm:
  - (a) That the Director General (DG) wrote to the Town of Cambridge on 6 November 2019 in regard to the Authorised Inquiry and requested the Town undergo a Governance Review with agreement between the Town and the Department on the scope of works;
  - (b) That in his letter of 6 November 2019 the DG also advised that “With accountability and transparency ongoing and a Governance review to support the changes made by the Town, the Department would be satisfied the Town is governing and operating towards the best interests of the community and will withdraw the Authorised Inquiry.”;
  - (c) That the DG received a letter, dated 29 November 2019, on 2 December 2019 from the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Town of Cambridge in which the CEO outlined the Council’s resolution from its meeting of 26 November in response the DG’s letter of 6 November 2019;
  - (d) That on 2 December 2019, the DG appointed 5 additional Authorised Inquiry Officers to recommence the existing Authorised Inquiry;
  - (e) That on 10 December 2019, the DG wrote to the Town of Cambridge in response to the CEO’s letter of 29 November 2019 advising that he was not satisfied that the resolution passed by Council at its 26 November meeting warranted the withdrawal of the Authorised Inquiry and that the Inquiry would continue until further notice; and
  - (f) That the DG has not responded to the letter dated 20 December 2019 from the CEO of the Town of Cambridge in which he reported on the resolutions passed by Council at its meeting held on 17 December 2019 and which authorised him to seek particulars about what concerns the DLGSC have that justifies the continuation of the Authorised Inquiry?
- (2) Can the Minister advise what specific concerns DLGSC still have in regards to the Town of Cambridge and what additional aspects warrant a further Governance Review following the near completion of the current governance review being undertaken?
- (3) Given that the Authorised Inquiry has been going for more than 2 years, can the Minister provide a target date for its completion?
- (4) Can the Minister advise if the Authorised Inquiry has sought to interview all Councillors and ex-Councillors as part of its deliberations, and if not, is there a reason?
- (5) Has the Minister met officially or had discussions with any existing or ex-Councillors of the Town of Cambridge, including the Mayor, since the Authorised Inquiry commenced in April 2018?

**6117. Mr D.C. Nalder to the Minister for Energy**

- (1) What is the breakdown of the cost stack for metropolitan residential electricity customers?
- (2) What is the current percentage of the metropolitan residential electricity cost stack for tariff equalisation?

**6118. Mr W.R. Marmion to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts**

- (1) Can the Minister advise how many organisations responded to the Expression of Interest (EOI) which was released on February 2019 seeking organisations interested in investing in the Sunset Hospital site?
- (2) Of these organisations, how many expressions of interest are still under review and who is responsible for their analysis and making recommendations to the Minister?
- (3) Has the Sunset Hospital EOI process been concluded, and if so, what was the outcome? If not, what date is it planned to be concluded?
- (4) How many organisations currently have a lease for any parts of the Sunset Hospital site and what are the names of these organisations?
- (5) Can the Minister advise if lease rates for the Sunset Hospital site are set at market rate and if so who provides advice on the market rate and what are the current lease arrangements with organisations on the site?
- (6) Can the Minister advise if the Sunset Transformation Committee is still functioning and if so how many times has it met since February 2019?
- (7) Can the Minister advise if the Sunset Transformation Committee or its representatives have met with the City of Nedlands Council and if so on what dates and who did they meet?
- (8) What is the Annual Budget allocated to manage the Sunset Hospital Precinct and how much did it cost to manage for the most recent financial year, 2018-19?

**6119. Mr P.A. Katsambanis to the Minister for Police; Road Safety**

I refer the Minister to on-the-spot-fines, and ask:

- (a) For each of the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 year to date, how many on-the-spot-fines have been issued by the Western Australian Police Force; and
- (b) For each of the years listed above please provide a breakdown of fine type?

**6120. Mr P.A. Katsambanis to the Minister for Police; Road Safety**

I refer to on-the-spot-fines during the COVID-19 state of emergency, and ask:

- (a) Since the commencement of the COVID-19 period of extraordinary powers contained in the *Emergency Management Act 2005*, how many on-the-spot-fines were issued by the Western Australian Police Force?

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**KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON**

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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