

- (15) The formal prosecution proceedings have commenced. The time frame for determination of a prosecution is dependant on court workloads and schedules, and normally is in the range of six months to several years.

DRIVERS' LICENCES - SUSPENSION

Checks

648. Mr RIEBELING to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Justice:

- (1) How many drivers licences have been incorrectly cancelled once a person has been named and suspended?
- (2) What checks are made by the registry to ensure that the correct person has been identified, when a drivers licence suspension has been put in place?
- (3) What procedure exists to remove a drivers licence suspension incorrectly placed on a person?
- (4) During the period of time between starting the process to remove an incorrect licence suspension and the completion of the process can the person, whose licence has been suspended, drive a motor vehicle?
- (5) If the person, whose licence had been incorrectly suspended, was involved in a motor vehicle accident would he/she still be insured?

Mrs van de KLASHORST replied:

the Minister for Justice has provided the following reply -

- (1) The Registrar of the Fines Enforcement Registry is only aware of one case where an individual has wrongly had their licence suspended due to an administrative error within the registry. The registrar is also aware of a number of cases where a party has had their licence suspended when they were not the party who had committed the offence. This was due to the person who committed the offence giving false information to the police.
- (2) The fines enforcement system goes through a comprehensive checking procedure prior to suspending a person's licence. This procedure includes cross-referencing offenders' names, dates of birth and addresses.
- (3) The fines enforcement legislation allows the registrar to remove a licence suspension in cases where the suspension has been incorrectly imposed.
- (4) Once confirmation has been received that a licence has been incorrectly suspended, the process to remove that suspension is completed in a matter of minutes. The affected party would be advised that they can drive once the registrar has indicated that the suspension will be lifted.
- (5) Yes, as the removal of the suspension is backdated to the time of the original suspension date.

DISABILITY SERVICES - CARE IN THE COMMUNITY

Credentials and Consultation

659. Mr CARPENTER to the Minister for Disability Services:

- (1) When will the clients from Pyrton be transferred to private group homes run by the organisation "Care in the Community"?
- (2) How many clients will go to "Care in the Community"?
- (3) Where will these clients be taken from?
- (4) How have the clients been consulted about their move?
- (5) How have the families of the clients been consulted about the move?
- (6) What was the criteria which led to "Care in the Community" being accepted as the private provider of accommodation of Disability Service Commission clients?
- (7) What credentials does "Care in the Community" have in the provision of services to people with intellectual and physical disabilities?
- (8) What local knowledge does "Care in the Community" have about -

- (a) disability services in Western Australia;
 - (b) the social training model for intellectual disabilities; and
 - (c) the clients themselves?
- (9) Is it true that "Care in the Community" has refused to have Disability Services Commission staff, who are experienced with the clients, work in the private group homes?
- (10) Is the Minister aware that many staff have trained, worked with and cared for clients with disabilities for almost twenty years?
- (11) Is it true the employment conditions offered to staff by "Care in the Community" to care for the intellectually disabled clients are as follows -
- (a) flat rate \$27 000 per annum;
 - (b) no penalty rates for weekend work, night shifts or overtime;
 - (c) no sick pay; and
 - (d) no payment for being responsible for clients if required to stay overnight with clients in their home?

Mr OMODEI replied:

- (1) Negotiations with Care in the Community are not yet concluded. It has been proposed that transfers will occur over the period of May-December 1997 but will be dependent on the availability of suitable properties and the completion of all agreed transfer procedures.
- (2) The 'Moving to the Community' tender outcome allocated Care in the Community 11 people for the Young People in Nursing Home project and approximately 19 people for the Pyrtton Redevelopment. Final numbers will depend on the size of each group of people having regard to residents' compatibility and their individual circumstances.
- (3) The Young People in Nursing Homes project group currently live at Mount Henry Hospital. The Pyrtton Redevelopment includes people living at Carramar and Pindarra Hostels.
- (4) Specific consultations with residents are carried out in ways appropriate for each individual.
- (5) Family members of all residents have been advised about the outcome of the 'Moving to the Community' tender process. As each compatible group is confirmed family members and clients have been consulted, information about Care in the Community provided and introductions made to the principal of the agency.
- (6)
 - (i) Capacity to manage both financial and human resources which focus on the residents' needs -
 - (a) an organisation structure that identifies who is responsible for the budget management and how the structure will support the service;
 - (b) proposed staff mix; and
 - (c) staff developmental and supervisory structure and model.
 - (ii) Capacity to plan the service and to be able to measure the agency's performance against service objectives, individual objectives and Disability Service Standards.
 - (iii) Demonstrated ability to describe the concept and the implementation of safeguard for -
 - (a) best practice for individual development;
 - (b) individual planning;
 - (c) consumer participation;
 - (d) continuity of service provision; and
 - (e) ongoing support, development and maintenance of appropriate participation in employment and alternative to employment programs.
 - (iv) Ability to commence the service within the prescribed time frame.

- (v) Compliance with the principles of the DSC policy on charging fees.
 - (vi) Willingness to negotiate a memorandum of understanding with DSC.
 - (vii) Willingness to sign a performance agreement with the DSC.
 - (viii) Compliance with and commitment to, the principles and objectives in the Disability Services Act (1993) and the Disability Services Standards.
 - (ix) Performance of the agency in current and/or previous performance agreements with the DSC.
- (7) Care in the community has extensive experience of providing supported accommodation to people with intellectual and physical disabilities in Plymouth, United Kingdom. This service has been externally evaluated and found to be of a high standard.
- (8) (a) Considerable information was provided as part of the tender process and the principal of the agency has also done a lot of local networking with other agencies providing services to people with disabilities in Western Australia.
- (b) Information concerning the role, training and working conditions of social trainers has been provided to Care in the Community.
- (c) The principal of Care in the Community has spent time with the residents to become familiar with their needs. Detailed information will be made available as part of the transition process.
- (9) No.
- (10) Yes.
- (11) No. Care in the Community have not yet finalised the details of working conditions for staff.

CORONER'S OFFICE - INQUIRIES

Incidence

661. Dr EDWARDS to the Minister representing the Attorney General:

Has there been a coronial inquiry into the deaths of -

- (a) Robert Boxsome, who was accidentally killed on 6 October 1995;
- (b) Arthur John Perrot, who was accidentally killed on 9 February 1996; and
- (c) if not, why not?

Mr PRINCE replied:

The Attorney General has provided the following reply -

- (a) A coronial inquiry is currently in progress.
- (b) A coronial inquiry is in progress and an inquest date will be set shortly.
- (c) Not applicable.

INDUSTRIAL ESTATES - OAKAJEE

Purchase of Land

668. Dr EDWARDS to the Minister for Lands:

- (1) Has LandCorp purchased the two properties located in the proposed Oakajee industrial estate?
- (2) When were these properties purchased?

Mr SHAVE replied:

- (1) No.
- (2) Not applicable.