



QUESTIONS BOOKLET

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1753. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing

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1757. Hon Neil Thomson to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport

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1759. Hon Neil Thomson to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health

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Notice Given **Wednesday, 29 November 2023**

- 1766. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney General
- 1767. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport
- 1768. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health

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Notice Given**Thursday, 30 November 2023****1769. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade:**

- (1) Alcoa is reporting that it has submitted a revised Mining Management Plan (MMP) for 2023 - 2027 to address concerns that have been raised, and that it is expecting approval decisions to be made by this government before the end of the year. I refer to this advised Mining Management Plan (MMP), and I ask:
 - (a) will the Minister table Alcoa's revised Mining Management Plan 2023-2027;
 - (b) if no to (a), why not;
 - (c) Will the Minister give a commitment that the public will be given the opportunity to see Alcoa's Mining Management Plan and on what date; and
 - (d) if not to (c), why not?
- (2) Alcoa has reported that it has made three concessions in its revised MMP: agreed additional water controls; agreed distances between mining disturbance and key reservoirs; and agreed rehabilitation acceleration. Will the Minister provide detail on what changes Alcoa is proposing to make to address environmental and public health concerns:
 - (a) if no to (2), why not;
 - (b) has there has been agreement between Alcoa and the State Government on these concessions; and
 - (c) if yes to (2), with which government body did Alcoa agree to these concessions?
- (3) Alcoa has reported that it believes it is doing all the right things to either avoid an EPA assessment of its MMP, or to at least not have its permits held back.:
 - (a) does the Minister consider that the changes Alcoa has made to its revised MMP satisfy environmental and public health concerns; and
 - (b) Is the revised MMP fit for approval?
- (4) Please outline the process and timeline for the renewal of Alcoa's 21-year lease?
- (5) Is the Minister aware that the third 21-year lease renewal process provides for the State Government to implement new conditions and limitations:
 - (a) will the Minister review the current conditions and undertake a commitment to implement new conditions and limitations in line with contemporary expectations; and
 - (b) if no to (5), why not?
- (6) What new conditions and limitations, if any, does the Minister consider to be appropriate given that the lease and State Agreement Act were granted in the 1960s?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given Thursday, 30 November 2023****1770. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Water:**

In relation to the Dalyallup Odour Buffer Zone Changes, will the Minister please provide copies of,:

- (a) any memorandums or internal communication/correspondence within the Water Corporation (with attachments) related to the Bunbury Wate Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Odour Buffer and the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS) minor amendment 0020/57 including the memorandum dated 14 September 2007;
- (b) Water Corporation letter/email to Western Australian Planning Commission dated 22 August 2011;
- (c) Water Corporation's letter/email reference: JT1 2009 11892 V01 dated 11/1/2013;
- (d) Water Corporation's letter/email reference: JT1 2009 11892 V02 dated 09/05/2013;
- (e) Any other correspondence between Water Corporation and the Environmental Protection Agency and The Department of Environment and Conservation relating to the GBRS minor amendment 0020/57; and
- (f) if no to (a), to (e), why not?

1771. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Water:

I refer to the Bunbury/Dalyellup Wate Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) and document 2537 tabled on 19 September 2023, in particular the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) Air Quality Management Branch Technical advice dated 5 July 2011 and DEC South Region's advice on behalf of DEC's Air Quality Branch DEC letter re: PRS32982 dated 7/12/2012, and I ask:

- (a) has the Water Corporation undertaken an Odour Management Plan as required by DEC:
 - (i) If yes to (a), would you please provide a copy;
 - (ii) If yes to (a), does it form part of the licence under the *Environmental Protection Act*;
 - (iii) If no (ii), why not; and
 - (iv) If no to (a), why not;
- (b) has the Water Corporation, as required by DEC, provided DEC a letter which confirms the commitment by Water Corporation to undertake odour remediation to the satisfaction of DEC if any unreasonable odours are emitted from the premises:
 - (i) If yes to (b), would you provide a copy of the letter;
 - (ii) If no to (i), why not; and
 - (iii) If no to (b) why not;
- (c) If no to (a), and or (b), would you please provide copy of any final agreement or correspondence between Water Corporation and DEC that satisfied DEC so in 2013 DEC did not object to the amendment to GBRS 0020/57 proceeding; and
- (d) if no to (c), why not?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Thursday, 30 November 2023****1772. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Water:**

I refer to the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS) minor amendment 0020/57 initiated by the Water Corporation, the report by Water Corporation 'Greater Bunbury Region Scheme Amendment No. 10XX/XX Amendment Report –Version 1 – Dated 30 March 2010 (WaterCorp2010) that the Water Corporation submitted for the amendment, and I ask:

- (a) did the Water Corporation apply for a smaller buffer area for the Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) from the one recommended by the 2007 odour modelling study (Figure 18) by Consulting Environmental Engineers included in the WaterCorp2010 Report:
 - (i) if yes to (a), why;
- (b) would you please provide any odour modelling study that supports the odour buffer established with amendment 0020/57:
 - (i) if no to (b), why not;
- (c) did the Water Corporation communicate with Satterley Property Group or the Department of Communities when the 2007 Odour Modelling Study was finished or when it was in process of being finished:
 - (i) if yes to (c), would you please table the correspondence between the Water Corporation and Satterley Property Group /Department of Communities; and
 - (ii) if no to (c), why not; and
- (d) did the Water Corporation communicate with Satterley Property Group or the Department of Communities while the WaterCorp2010 Report was being prepared or after it was finished:
 - (i) if yes to (d), would you please table the correspondence between the Water Corporation and Satterley Property Group /Department of Communities; and
 - (ii) if no to (d), why not?

1773. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Water:

I refer to Water Corporation Map "Proposed amendment to the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme –wastewater treatment plant odour buffer – special control area (SCA No.4) "dated 12 April 2011 (Figure 1) as it shows in tabled document 2537 Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) letter re: PRS32982 dated 7 December 2012 and the report by Water Corporation Greater Bunbury Region Scheme Amendment No. 10XX/XX Amendment Report –Version 1 – Dated 30 March 2010 (WaterCorp2010) that the Water Corporation submitted for the GBRS amendment0020/57, and I ask:

- (a) is the Minister aware that the Water Corporation map with the proposed odour buffer area is dated 12 April 2011, around 6 months later than the WaterCorp2010 Report;

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- (b) is the Minister aware that proposed odour buffer area in the map dated 12 April 2011 is smaller than the proposed zoning map (Annexure 4) by Water Corporation on the WaterCorp2010 Report;
- (c) is the Minister aware that the WaterCorp2010 report does not explain the reduction in the odour buffer from that recommended in the 2007 odour modelling study by consulting environmental engineers; and
- (d) did the Water Corporation prepare other maps for the odour buffer area that preceded the one dated 12 April 2011:
 - (i) if yes to (d), would you please provide a dated copy of all the versions of the odour buffer area maps previous to the one dated 12 April 2011; and
 - (ii) if no to (d), why not?

1774. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Water:

I refer to the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS) amendment 0020/57, the Dalyellup Greenpatch development in close proximity to the Bunbury/Dalyellup Wate Water Treatment Plant (WWTP), the works approval application (W6637) in January 2022 by Aqwest on behalf of Water Corporation to construct and operate the Water Resource Recovery Scheme (WRRS) within the premises of the Bunbury/Dalyellup WWTP, and Licence Number L5972/1992/14 Amendment on May 2022, and I ask:

- (a) would the Minister please provide a copy of DWER's resolution/s relating to W6637;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) were Water Corporation and/or Aqwest aware whether there were any submissions against works approval W6637;
- (d) did Water Corporation/Aqwest apply to construct and operate the WRRS through an amendment to the Licence:
 - (i) If yes to (c), why was the works approval process not followed; and
 - (ii) If no to (c), which avenue/process did Water Corporation/Aqwest follow to obtain approval to construct and operate the WRRS;
- (e) would the Minister please provide a copy of any correspondence between Water Corporation and Aqwest, EPA and/or DWER regarding the application to construct and operate the WRRS; and
- (f) if no to (e), why not?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Thursday, 30 November 2023****1775. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment:**

Can the Minister please provide copies of:

- (a) any correspondence between the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding Odour Buffer for the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) during the time of minor amendment 0020/57 to the present year;
- (b) all correspondence between EPA and Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC)/Department of Planning and Infrastructure regarding 0020/57 including the EPA email to WAPC dated 22 September 2011.; and
- (c) if no to (b), why not?

1776. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the Bunbury/Dalyellup Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP), the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS) minor amendment 0020/57 and document 2537 tabled on 19 September 2023, in particular the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) Air Quality Management Branch Technical advice dated 5 July 2011 and DEC South Region's advice on behalf of DEC's Air Quality Branch dated 7 December 2012, and I ask:

- (a) could the Minister provide a copy of the correspondence between DEC Air Quality Management Branch and DEC South Region;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) has DEC received from the Water Corporation any letter committing to undertake odour remediation to the satisfaction of DEC if any unreasonable odours are emitted outside Water Corporation's licence;
- (d) if yes to (c), could you provide a copy of the letter;
- (e) if no to (c), why not;
- (f) has the Water Corporation provided DEC with an Odour Management Plan (OMP) in the way it was required by DEC;
- (g) if yes to (f), could you provide a copy of the OMP;
- (h) if no to (f), why not;
- (i) If yes to (f), is the OMP part of the Licence under the Environmental Protection Act;
- (j) if no to (f), why not;
- (k) If no to (c) and or (f), could you please provide copy of any final agreement or correspondence between DEC and the Water Corporation that satisfied DEC so DEC in 2013 did not object to the amendment to GBRS 0020/57 proceeding; and
- (l) if no to (k), why not?

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I refer to the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS) amendment 0020/57, the Dalyellup Greenpatch development in close proximity to the Bunbury/Dalyellup Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP), the works approval application (W6637) in January 2022 by Aqwest on behalf of Water Corporation to construct and operate the Water Resource Recovery Scheme (WRRS) within the premises of the Bunbury/Dalyellup WWTP, and licence number L5972/1992/14 amendment on May 2022, and I ask:

- (a) could the Minister provide a copy of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) resolution/s relating to W6637;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) did DWER receive any submissions against works approval W6637;
- (d) could the Minister provide any correspondence between DWER, Water Corporation and the EPA regarding the application to construct and operate the WRRS;
- (e) if no to (d), why not;
- (f) has W6637 been finalised:
 - (i) If yes to (f), would you provide a copy of the documents that confirm this;
 - (ii) if no to (f), why not;
 - (iii) If yes to (f) could you provide any documents that explain the reason why W6637 was finalised; and
 - (iv) if no to (iii), why not; and
- (g) was the request to construct and operate the Waste and Resource Recovery (WRRS) approved through an amendment to the licence:
 - (i) if yes to (g), why was the works approval process was not followed;
 - (ii) if yes to (g), did DWER communicate the change to the stakeholders that submitted to W6637; and
 - (iii) if no to (g), why not?

1778. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Planning:

Can the Minister please provide copies of:

- (a) Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) letter/email reference: RLS/0320/1 dated 21 March 2013;
- (b) if not to (a), why not;
- (c) WAPC/Department of Planning and Infrastructure correspondence with Water Corporation, EPA and DEC relating to GBRS minor amendment 0020/57; and
- (d) if no to (c), why not?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Thursday, 30 November 2023****1779. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Treasurer:**

I refer to the claim for payment of unclaimed monies to the estate of Beris Doreen Sleight, and I ask, can you confirm if and when the estate will receive the funds?

1780. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Planning:

I refer to the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS) amendment 0020/57, Water Corporation letter dated 22 August 2011, EPA's email dated 22 September 2011 suggesting Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) to contact the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) Air Quality Branch directly and DEC South West Region letter dated 13 November 2012 recommending that WAPC liaise directly with DEC Air Quality Branch, and I ask:

- (a) Did the WAPC contacted DEC Air Quality Branch directly;
- (b) if yes to (a), could the Minister please provide copies of any correspondence;
- (c) if no to (b), why not;
- (d) Did any of the WAPC/Department of Planning and Infrastructure reports (August 2012 and March 2013) relating to minor amendment 0020/57 explain that the odour buffer was not supported by the odour modelling study provided by the Water Corporation;
- (e) If yes to (d), could you please provide a copy of the document; and
- (f) if no to (e), why not?

1781. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment; Climate Action; Racing and Gaming:

I refer to the global methane pledge, to which Australia became a signatory on 23 October 2022, that aims to collectively to reduce global methane emissions across all sectors by at least 30 per cent below 2020 levels by 2030, and I ask, what specific actions and strategies is the Western Australian government undertaking to cut methane and other fugitive emissions across all sectors by at least 30 per cent below 2020 levels by 2030 in line with the global methane pledge?

1782. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police:

- (1) How many firearms, excluding paintball guns and firearm parts, were stolen from firearm license holders in the following years:
 - (a) 2020;
 - (b) 2021; and
 - (c) 2022?
- (2) Of those firearms stolen in each year how many were recovered by police and charges laid on those who stole the firearms?

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I refer to the current firearms licensing and registration system, and I ask:

- (a) how many firearms licence holders are currently registered on the licensing and registration system; and
- (b) of those registered on the licensing and registration system, how many firearms licence holders have more than:
 - (i) five firearms on the licence condition "recreational hunting shooting";
 - (ii) 10 firearms on the licence condition "club use";
 - (iii) 10 firearms on the licence condition "occupational use, primary producer"; and
 - (iv) 10 firearms on the licence condition "occupational use, professional shooter"?

1784. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police:

- (1) How many paintball markers are licensed in Western Australia?
- (2) How many paintball markers referred to in (1), are licensed to an individual on an individual licence?
- (3) How many paintball markers referred to in (1), are licensed to a commercial operator under a corporate licence?
- (4) Are the paintball markers referred to in (1), included in the 360 000 total number of firearms in Western Australia?

1785. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the Housing Diversity Pipeline, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister please provide a list of addresses of each of the nine sites released to the market;
- (b) what is the physical size of each of the sites in (a);
- (c) how many expressions of interest were received for each of the nine sites released to the market;
- (d) the Minister had advised that not all sites are developable given current market constraints. Which sites are not currently developable;
- (e) the Department lists four sites for which offers are being shortlisted and progressed. For each site, how many offers have been shortlisted;
- (f) when will the competitive procurement process conclude;

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- (g) how many new social homes is this program currently estimated to deliver, based on the four sites under consideration; and
- (h) how many new affordable homes is this program currently estimated to deliver, based on the four sites under consideration?

1786. Hon Steve Martin to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the Environmental Protection Authority's report on the proposed 2024-33 Forest Management Plan, which recommended a caps on the numbers of hectares burnt under Western Australia's prescribed burning program, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister rule out ever agreeing to a cap on the State's prescribed burning program; and
- (b) if no to (a), how would the Department decide which areas would be treated, and which would be left unsafe, in the event that caps were reached?

1787. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the Government Regional Officer Program (GROH), and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister please provide the total number of GROH houses, by region, for the following years as of 30 June:
 - (i) 2017;
 - (ii) 2018;
 - (iii) 2019;
 - (iv) 2020;
 - (v) 2021;
 - (vi) 2022; and
 - (vii) 2023;
- (b) for each date listed in (a), what was the total number of vacant houses;
- (c) for each vacant houses total in (b), how many houses had been vacant for six months or more;
- (d) as of today, how many houses are allocated to each client agency across the State; and
- (e) how many houses in (d) are currently vacant, per client agency, across the State?

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1788. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the public housing waitlist, and I ask:

- (a) how many applications, representing how many people, are currently on the waitlist;
- (b) how many applications, representing how many people, are on the priority housing waitlist;
- (c) how many applications in (a) represent a single person only;
- (d) how many applications in (b) represent a single person only;
- (e) how many children are represented amongst the applications in (a);
- (f) how many children are represented amongst the applications in (b);
- (g) how many applications in (a) referenced family violence concerns;
- (h) how many applications in (b) referenced family violence concerns;
- (i) for those in (a), what is the average time in weeks that those applications have been on the waitlist; and
- (j) for those in (b), what is the average time in weeks that those applications have been on the waitlist?

1789. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to social housing in Western Australia, and I ask:

- (a) how many public houses, community houses, and total social houses were in stock, by region, as of 30 June for each of the following years:
 - (i) 2017;
 - (ii) 2018;
 - (iii) 2019;
 - (iv) 2020;
 - (v) 2021;
 - (vi) 2022; and
 - (vii) 2023;
- (b) how many public houses, community houses, and total social houses, are in stock currently, by region;
- (c) how many new public houses has the Department of Communities built, per region, for each of the years listed in (a);
- (d) how many new community houses has the Department of Communities built, per region, for each of the years listed in (a);

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- (e) how many new community houses has the Department of Communities funded or partly funded, per region, for each of the years listed in (a); and
- (f) how many new public houses has the Department of Communities added to the stock via purchase, per region, for each of the years listed in (a)?

1790. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the public housing waitlist, and I ask:

- (a) for each of the following financial years, how many applications for public housing were submitted to the Department:
 - (i) 2017-18;
 - (ii) 2018-19;
 - (iii) 2019-20;
 - (iv) 2020-21;
 - (v) 2021-22; and
 - (vi) 2022-23;
- (b) for each of the years in (a), how many applications were approved or added to the waitlist;
- (c) for each of the years in (a), how many applications were declined or not added to the waitlist;
- (d) for what reasons might an application be declined or not added to the waitlist; and
- (e) for the year 2022-23, what were the top five reasons for applications being declined or not added, and how many applications were declined per each reason?

1791. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the public housing waitlist, and I ask:

- (a) for each of the following years, how many applications, representing how many individuals, were successfully housed:
 - (i) 2017-18;
 - (ii) 2018-19;
 - (iii) 2019-20;
 - (iv) 2020-21;
 - (v) 2021-22; and
 - (vi) 2022-23; and
- (b) for each of the years in (a), how many applications, representing how many individuals, had been on the waitlist for three years or more?

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I refer to Western Power connection times for new residences, and I ask:

- (a) for the year 2022-23, what was the average number of days it took to successfully install new power services for single residential connection applications, from the day of application lodgement to functioning power connection, per region;
- (b) for the year 2022-23, what was the average number of days it took to successfully install new power services for small multi-residential connection applications, from the day of application lodgement to functioning power connection, per region; and
- (c) for the year 2022-23, what was the average number of days it took to successfully install new power services for large multi-residential connections, from the day of application lodgement to functioning power connection, per region?

1793. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:I refer to the government media statement on 5th September 2021, entitled "\$875 million to significantly boost social housing in WA", and I ask:

- (a) how many social homes have been built since the announcement, which indicated that around 3,300 social homes would be funded;
- (b) how much of the \$875 million allocated in the announcement has been spent, as of today;
- (c) how many social homes have been built using the \$750 million Social Housing Investment Fund;
- (d) how many social homes have been built using the \$228 million set aside for short term projects to increase social housing; and
- (e) how many social homes have been built using the \$522 million to deliver new social homes from 2022-23?

1794. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the Social Housing Economic Recovery Package (SHERP), and I ask:

- (a) how many social housing properties have been built or purchased (off the plan) as part of the \$97 million Workstream 1;
- (b) how many properties have been refurbished as part of the \$142 million Workstream 2;
- (c) how many regional social housing properties have had maintenance work as part of the \$80 million Workstream 3;
- (d) how many jobs have been supported through the SHERP's delivery;
- (e) how many in (d) have been regional jobs; and

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- (f) did any of the \$319 million allocated for delivery of the SHERP go unspent, and if so, how much?

1795. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the proposed new Aboriginal Short Stay Accommodation sites in Geraldton, Kununurra and Perth, and I ask:

- (a) noting that the Geraldton project was announced in August 2020:
 - (i) what is the expected construction start date for the Geraldton site; and
 - (ii) by what date will the facility be operational;
- (b) noting that the Kununurra project was announced in August 2020:
 - (i) what is the expected construction start date for the Kununurra site; and
 - (ii) by what date will the facility be operational; and
- (c) noting that the Perth project was announced in December 2020:
 - (i) what is the expected construction start date for the Perth site; and
 - (ii) by what date will the facility be operational?

1796. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to Priorities 1-7 in the Ageing with Choice 2019-2024 report, and I ask:

- (a) noting that the 2019-2024 period is nearly over, how has the Department of Communities implemented the following 'actions':
 - (i) "pursue inclusive community engagement in the design and planning of diverse and affordable communities";
 - (ii) "facilitate dialogue between consumers, industry and local government to better understand older people's housing needs and preferences and unlock latent housing demand";
 - (iii) "deliver and promote liveable design homes in developments close to public transport or high amenity locations";
 - (iv) "engage with aged care providers to identify opportunities to integrate aged care within developments";
 - (v) "trial the uptake of shared and other co-ownership models targeted to older people with limited income and assets in State Government developments";
 - (vi) "develop and investigate innovative housing options for older women, including co-housing";
 - (vii) "investigate targeted opportunities to incentivise the development and supply of affordable homes that are designed to enable ageing in place,

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including possible rebates for liveable design homes in Department of Communities' developments to encourage older people to rightsize to more suitable homes";

- (viii) "trial the use of ancillary dwellings and moveable units for social housing eligible tenants to connect older people on very low incomes to family and support networks";
- (ix) "repurpose larger social houses to create smaller and more manageable homes for older, single person households"; and
- (x) "redevelop the Affordable Housing Online Portal so older people and their families can find affordable housing options that can support ageing in place more easily"?

1797. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the proposed medium to high density urban infill project, Bentley 360, and I ask:

- (a) noting that expressions of interest began in May 2018 and concluded in late 2019, and that no suitable developer has yet been identified, is it the intention of the Government to abandon this project; and
- (b) if no to (a), when will the revised development timeframe for delivering this project be announced?

1798. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the North Beach Redevelopment project, which aims to create a mix of social, affordable and private housing, and note that community engagement on the project was completed in 2018 and 2019, and tenant relocations have been finalised in March 2023, and I ask:

- (a) what is the current status of this project;
- (b) is the Government continuing with this project;
- (c) when will expressions of interest be invited from the community housing sector, and developers; and
- (d) when will this project be completed?

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I refer to the North-West Aboriginal Housing Fund, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister please provide the number of homes built or purchased under the North-West Aboriginal Housing Fund, by local government area, for the following years:
 - (i) 2018-19;
 - (ii) 2019-20;
 - (iii) 2020-21;
 - (iv) 2021-22; and
 - (v) 2022-23?

1800. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the METRONET Social and Affordable Housing and Jobs Package announced on 10 May 2018, and I ask:

- (a) noting the target of 320, how many new social housing dwellings have been built as part of the package;
- (b) noting the target of 400, how many affordable homes have been built as part of the package;
- (c) noting the target of eight, how many "high-density mixed-tenure projects" have been completed; and
- (d) how many "unique compact urban communities on strategic sites close to METRONET stations" have been completed?

1801. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the Smith Street Build-to-Rent Project, which the Department of Communities lists as a "key component of the WA Government's Housing Diversity Pipeline of sites", note that respondents were shortlisted as of 12 August 2022, and I ask:

- (a) is the Government proceeding with this project; and
- (b) what is the status of the procurement process?

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1802. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the public housing spot purchase program, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister please provide the number of homes spot purchased per region, for the following financial years:
 - (i) 2017-18;
 - (ii) 2018-19;
 - (iii) 2019-20;
 - (iv) 2020-21;
 - (v) 2021-22; and
 - (vi) 2022-23?

1803. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to Western Australia's public housing stock, and I ask:

- (a) for what reasons are homes usually removed from stock; and
- (b) how many homes have been removed from the total stock, per region, in the following financial years:
 - (i) 2017-18;
 - (ii) 2018-19;
 - (iii) 2019-20;
 - (iv) 2020-21;
 - (v) 2021-22; and
 - (vi) 2022-23?

1804. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Planning; Lands; Housing; Homelessness:

I refer to the statewide builders panel, and I ask:

- (a) how many social homes have been delivered using this program since establishment in November 2022:
 - (i) for the number of social homes in (a), at what cost?

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I refer to the Infrastructure Development Fund, and I ask:

- (a) how many applications have been received for the Targeted Apartment Rebate, to date;
- (b) how many applications in (a), have been approved, to date;
- (c) what is the total spend on the Targeted Apartment Rebate, to date;
- (d) how many applications have been received for the Unlocking Infill Projects stream, to date;
- (e) how many applications in (d), have been approved, to date;
- (f) what is the total spend on the Unlocking Infill Projects stream, to date;
- (g) how many applications have been received for the Unlocking Regional Worker Accommodation Opportunities stream, to date;
- (h) how many applications in (g), have been approved, to date; and
- (i) what is the total spend on the Unlocking Regional Worker Accommodation Opportunities stream, to date?

1806. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to stage 1 of Perth Active Transport Improvements, listed on the Infrastructure Australia website (<https://www.infrastructureaustralia.gov.au/map/perth-active-transport-improvements>) on 24 June 2022 and currently waiting on the proponent to identify and analyse potential investment options before Stage 2 of Infrastructure Australia's Assessment Framework can commence, and I ask:

- (a) has the Western Australian government, as proponent, provided potential investment options to Infrastructure Australia;
- (b) if yes, will the Minister please table the documents provided to Infrastructure Australia;
- (c) when does the government anticipate that the Perth Active Transport Improvements program will commence;
- (d) when does the government anticipate that the Perth Active Transport Improvements Program will be completed; and
- (e) why does the state government need investment from Infrastructure Australia to deliver on active transport improvements, given the significant budget surplus we have in Western Australia?

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I refer to Alcoa's bauxite mining operations in Western Australia, along those of its subsidiaries and associated companies, and I ask:

- (a) how many tenements are held by each company, broken down by the type, number, and hectare size;
- (b) when are each of the mining license held by the companies identified at (a) due to expire;
- (c) how many hectares have been mined in each of the last five years;
- (d) what is the total area mined to date;
- (e) what is the total area cleared to date for mines, roads, conveyor belts, residue disposal and any other purpose;
- (f) how much of the total area mined required the clearing of native forest;
- (g) how much of the total area cleared was native forest;
- (h) how many hectares have been rehabilitated to date;
- (i) how much of the area at (h) has been rehabilitated with Jarrah forest species;
- (j) how much rehabilitated forest has been returned to the State over the last 10 years;
- (k) what is the current annual production, in metric tonnes, of:
 - (i) bauxite; and
 - (ii) alumina;
- (l) how many hectares are currently used as Residue Disposal Areas;
- (m) what is the total area of closed Residue Disposal Areas;
- (n) how much residue has been produced in each of the last five years;
- (o) what is the total amount of residue produced to date;
- (p) when did Alcoa begin exporting bauxite;
- (q) how much bauxite has been exported to date; and
- (r) will the Minister table a map showing:
 - (i) the mining leases;
 - (ii) the area mined to date;
 - (iii) Residue Disposal Areas;
 - (iv) all other areas from which jarrah forest has been and remains cleared;
 - (v) the total area cleared to date; and
 - (vi) the area rehabilitated to date?

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I refer to Prescribed Burn FRK_099 (81 ha in Walpole National Park, on the banks of the Frankland River), and I ask:

- (a) what are the reasons for this prescribed burn; and
- (b) what is the fire history of the area, including all past fires (both prescribed burns and wildfires) and the month and year they occurred?

1809. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Climate Action:

I refer to the four-week consultation period for the WA government's climate change legislation, beginning on Wednesday, 20 September and ending on Tuesday 17 October, and I ask:

- (a) how many submissions were received:
 - (i) from stakeholders who were invited to give feedback; and
 - (ii) from individuals and groups not on the list of stakeholders that was tabled as part of the answer to Question Without Notice 1248 on 17 October 2023;
- (b) how many of the submissions received were:
 - (i) supportive of the proposed climate change legislation; and
 - (ii) critical of the proposed climate change legislation;
- (c) unlike the link to provide feedback on the government's climate change legislation, will the Minister commit to making all submissions public; and
- (d) if no to (c), why is the government afraid of public scrutiny of its flagship climate change legislation?

1810. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the appointment of Darren Walsh to a five-year term on the board of the "independent" Environmental Protection Authority (EPA), and I ask:

- (a) when was Darren Walsh appointed to the EPA;
- (b) were nominations called for the position on the board to which Mr Walsh was appointed;
- (c) if no to (b), why not;
- (d) if yes, how many other individuals were considered for the position;
- (e) has Mr Walsh declared to the Minister or to the EPA any existing or potential conflicts of interest in relation to his role on the EPA;
- (f) If yes, what are those conflicts or potential conflicts;
- (g) does Mr Walsh or any of his immediate family own, hold shares in, or sit as a Director on, any companies whose projects, or whose client's projects, are or may be subject to EPA assessment;
- (h) if yes to (yes), which companies or clients and which projects; and

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- (i) have these actual or potential conflicts of interest been declared to the EPA in any of its meetings since Mr Walsh commenced as a member?

1811. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

I refer to airborne Nitrogen Dioxide and Particle Matter clouds seen over Varanus Production Area, centred to the east of Montebello Islands and north of Lowendal Island, using Copernicus satellite imagery and showing extremely high and dangerous concentrations of NO₂ and PM_{2.5} since at least Friday 27 October 2023, and I ask:

- (a) is the Department aware of a breach of the Santos gas production license to operate smokelessly from the Varanus Production Area at any time during:
 - (i) August 2023;
 - (ii) September 2023;
 - (iii) October 2023; and
 - (iv) November 2023;
- (b) if yes to (a), what was done or is currently being done to contain the pollution;
- (c) if nothing was done at any point during breaches, why not;
- (d) will Santos be fined for breaching their gas production license;
- (e) if not, will the department investigate the matter;
- (f) if not, why not;
- (g) if any breaches are confirmed, will decisive action be taken against Santos;
- (h) if no to (g), why not; and
- (i) what was done to ensure health impacts of NO₂ and PM_{2.5} were advised to City of Karratha residents and further minimised for Dampier, Karratha, Roebourne and any other residential communities impacted?

1812. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to airborne Nitrogen Dioxide and Particle Matter clouds seen over Varanus Production Area, centred to the east of Montebello Islands and north of Lowendal Island, using Copernicus satellite imagery and showing extremely high and dangerous concentrations of NO₂ and PM_{2.5} since at least Friday 27 October 2023, and I ask:

- (a) is the Department aware of a breach of the Santos gas production license to operate smokelessly from the Varanus Production Area at any time during:
 - (i) August 2023;
 - (ii) September 2023;
 - (iii) October 2023; and
 - (iv) November 2023;
- (b) if yes to (a), what was done or is currently being done to contain the pollution;

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- (c) if nothing was done at any point during breaches, why not;
- (d) will Santos be fined for breaching their gas production license;
- (e) if not, will the department investigate the matter;
- (f) if not, why not;
- (g) if any breaches are confirmed, will decisive action be taken against Santos;
- (h) if no to (g), why not; and
- (i) what was done to ensure health impacts of NO₂ and PM_{2.5} were advised to City of Karratha residents and further minimised for Dampier, Karratha, Roebourne and any other residential communities impacted?

1813. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Emergency Services:

- (1) I refer to incidents involving injuries to Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) personnel or damage to DFES appliances, in relation to the burnover incident at Wooroloo in February 2021, and I ask:
 - (a) in relation to a truck rollover near Boyanup in July 2022;
 - (b) when and where did this incident take place;
 - (c) did any DFES personnel sustain injuries and if so, what was the extent of the injuries;
 - (d) did any DFES appliances sustain damage and if so, please provide detail;
 - (e) has a safety investigation been completed by DFES or WorkSafe; and
 - (f) if yes to (d) please table the investigation?
- (2) in relation to a 3.4 Urban Tanker rollover on the Minilya-Exmouth Road on 27 April 2023:
 - (a) when and where did this incident take place;
 - (b) did any DFES personnel sustain injuries and if so, what was the extent of the injuries;
 - (c) did any DFES appliances sustain damage and if so, please provide detail;
 - (d) has a safety investigation been completed by DFES or WorkSafe; and
 - (e) if yes to (d), please table the investigation?
- (3) in relation to a 12.2 tanker rollover in the Perth metropolitan region in October 2023:
 - (a) when and where did this incident take place;
 - (b) did any DFES personnel sustain injuries and if so, what was the extend of the injuries;
 - (c) did any DFES appliances sustain damage and if so, please provide detail; and
 - (d) is DFES or WorkSafe conducting an investigation into this incident?
- (4) in relation to reports of a burnover event during the Mariginiup Bushfire in November 2023:
 - (a) when and where did this incident take place;

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- (b) did any DFES personnel sustain injuries, and if so, what was the extent of the injuries; and
- (c) is DFES or WorkSafe conducting an investigation into this incident?
- (5) since 1 January 2023, is the Minister aware of any additional incidents where DFES personnel or appliances sustained injuries or damage, and if so, please provide detail?
- (6) are 3.4 urban tankers or 12.2 tankers fitted with rollover protection systems, and if not, is DFES considering rollover protection systems for these appliances in future?

1814. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Fisheries:

I refer to the Office of the Auditor General's "Regulation of Commercial Fishing" report dated 7 December 2022 which found key weaknesses in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development's (DPIRD) monitoring and enforcement of regulatory compliance of the commercial fishing industry, I ask:

- (a) The Auditor General recommended (recommendation (3)) DPIRD strengthen its integrity framework by (i) developing and formalising strategies to mitigate the risk of industry capture, (ii) ensuring the framework reflects integrity risks specific to fishery officers and the industry, and (iii) ensuring complaints about conduct are investigated independently. The implantation time frame for each of these three actions is December 2023. For each of these actions, will the Minister table:
 - (i) details of any relevant improvements DPIRD has made to its integrity framework;
 - (ii) whether the action will be fully completed within the December 2023 implementation timeframe; and
 - (iii) if no to (ii), the reason for the delay and when the action is currently anticipated to be completed; and
- (b) The Auditor General also recommended (recommendation (1(b))) DPIRD set clear targets for its compliance activities and track performance against those targets to assess whether compliance activities are undertaken and effective. Will the Minister table:
 - (i) the targets DPIRD has implemented for its compliance activities, if any;
 - (ii) if no targets have been implemented to date, why not and when is this anticipated to occur; and
 - (iii) whether DPIRD intends to implement any targets in addition to those identified at (i) and (ii)?

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I refer to the proposed floating wharf at the Port of Broome, and ask:

- (a) what on-site works have been conducted at the location of the proposed floating wharf at the Port of Broome;
- (b) who conducted this work;
- (c) what dates did the work commence and finish;
- (d) did the company that conducted the works contact the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) prior to the commencement of operations to ensure there would be no disturbance to the registered Heritage Site 12783 Entrance Point/Yinara;
- (e) is DPLH aware of the company contacting the knowledge holders of the site to ensure they wouldn't be impacting on any heritage sites that were not registered;
- (f) if no to (e), why not;
- (g) is DPLH investigating a potential breach of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 at the Port of Broome;
- (h) if no to (g), why not;
- (i) if yes to (g), will the government prosecute if the Act has been breached; and
- (j) if no to (i), why not?

1816. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Fisheries:

I refer to concerns raised by the Auditor-General in their "Regulation of Commercial Fishing" report dated 7 December 2022 regarding possible conflicts of interest between the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) and the commercial fishing industry, and I ask:

- (a) was the Minister aware that a Senior Fisheries Officer at DPIRD recently completed a 12-month secondment at the Western Australian Fishing Industry Council Inc (WAFIC) and if not, why not;
- (b) if yes to (a), was the Minister made aware of the secondment prior to its commencement in May 2022 and if not, why not;
- (c) in light of the concerns raised by the Auditor-General, does the government continue to support secondments between WAFIC and DPIRD;
- (d) if yes to (c), what is the rationale for this given the Auditor-General's documented concerns around conflicts of interest between DPIRD and the commercial fishing industry;
- (e) is the Minister aware of the concerns relating to conflicts of interest (actual or perceived) between DPIRD and WAFIC as the peak commercial fishing lobby group, and if so, has the Minister taken any actions in response (for example, attended any

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relevant briefings or meetings, sought updates from DPIRD on relevant actions, etc.);

- (f) have any DPIRD Fisheries Officers undertaken (or currently undertaking) secondments in other peak fishing body organisations, such as RecFish West, and if yes, will the Minister identify the names of those organisations;
- (g) if no to (f), why not, given Fisheries Officers are seconded to WAFIC; and
- (h) will the Minister table the following:
 - (i) the process(es) for identifying, assessing the suitability, and approving the secondments of DPIRD's Fisheries Officers; and
 - (ii) a list (which may be anonymised) of secondments undertaken in the last 5 years by Fisheries Officers to non-government agencies, including (where possible) the Officers substantive position title at DPIRD at the time of the secondment, the organisation and role to which they were seconded, and the secondment duration?

1817. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the Fremantle Passenger Terminal footbridge that has been closed since August 2022, and I ask:

- (a) why has the footbridge remained closed since August 2022;
- (b) if works are needed to improve or maintain the footbridge, are these scheduled and when will they commence;
- (c) if no to (b), why not;
- (d) is there a timeline for reopening the footbridge and if so, will the Minister provide an update on the progress towards reopening; and
- (e) if no to (d), why not?

1818. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Climate Action:

I refer to the media release \$134 million boost to create jobs, reduce emissions which states the electric vehicle (EV) target for the government fleet has been lifted to 50 per cent, and I ask:

- (a) when does the state government expect to meet their 50 per cent EV target;
- (b) does the EV target apply to all vehicle categories in the government fleet;
- (c) if no to (b), why not;
- (d) what are the vehicle categories the EV target applies to and what percentage of the government fleet do these vehicles make up;
- (e) what percentage of the overall government fleet is exempt from the EV target; and
- (f) how many government fleet vehicles will be electric when the government meets the EV target?

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I refer to the shocking statistic that on average one child per fortnight is killed by a parent or step-parent and the research that some of these children's lives may have been saved if corporal punishment was prohibited, and I ask:

- (a) has the government considered the prohibition of corporal punishment;
- (b) if yes, please provide an update on what is being done by this government to prohibit corporal punishment; and
- (c) if no to (a), why not?

1820. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Corrective Services:

- (1) Are external parties - including lawyers, advocates, service providers and family members - allowed to schedule phone appointment with prisoners at Casuarina Prison?
- (2) Please list the reasons that external parties are allowed to schedule a phone appointment with a prisoner at Casuarina Prison?
- (3) Does Casuarina Prison have a policy of restricting phone appointments for prisoners to matters relating to criminal court purposes?
- (4) If yes to (3), when was this policy implemented and why was this policy implemented?

1821. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the Indian Pacific passenger train and to the answers to question on notice 1629, and I ask:

- (a) did the planning study for the Public Transport Authority conducted on relocating the Indian Pacific from the existing terminus at East Perth to an alternative location recommend that the Indian Pacific still arrive and depart from East Perth Terminal once the Ellenbrook Line opens;
- (b) did this planning study recommend that Kewdale is the preferred new location for the Indian Pacific;
- (c) will this study be made public;
- (d) if no to (c), why not;
- (e) will there be direct wheelchair access to the Indian Pacific train at the new location;
- (f) if no to (e), why not;
- (g) will this new location offer continuous shelter from the elements;
- (h) if no to (g), why not;
- (i) will this new location offer toilet facilities; and
- (j) if no to (i), why not?

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- (1) Is the Minister aware of how woman's refugees come to put men's names on 'alert lists'?
- (2) Is there a process for removing said alert if the man is proved innocent by the courts or complaints about his violence are found by the police dcp or others to have no basis?
- (3) Will the Minister confirm how many domestic violence offenders are women - as a percentage?
- (4) Given the amount of time taken up on magistrates court with Family Violence Restraining Order (FVRO) can the Minister confirm if there is a penalty for those who make false reports of family violence?
- (5) How many convictions have been made for perjury for false reporting of domestic violence via the FVRO system?
- (6) Will the Minister consider dispensing with the ex parte application for FVROs to ensure that those men and women falsely accused have a chance to rebut false claims before they are thrown out of their homes and ostracised from their children?
- (7) Further to above, and taking into account the damage done when children are deprived of a meaningful relationship with both parents, is parental alienation recognised in the Family Court of Western Australia (FCWA) and magistrates court as a sometimes deliberate strategy to obtain some or majority custody of children on WA?
- (8) Further to above, is the Minister aware of any stats on wrongfully FVROs being used as a tactic by both men and women to obtain an advantage re possession of homes and custody of children and to therefore place the vexatious complainant in a superior position for future children and property proceedings in the family court?
- (9) if yes to (8), please provide said statistics?

1823. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Tourism:

I refer to the Fremantle built replica ship H.M. Bark Endeavour which will soon celebrate the 30th anniversary since her launch. It is hoped that she will return to Whitby England for Captain Cook's 300th anniversary celebrations in 2028. The next five years of the life of the Endeavour will be the most significant in the past 25 years. As a ship built here in Western Australia, we have not had her visit Western Australian shores since 2011, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister advise if there have been any considerations and planning for bringing the Endeavour back to Western Australia at any time in the next five years and, if so, can the Minister please provide some details of the plans;
- (b) have any plans been made to financially support volunteers and the trip to England for Cook's 300th anniversary; and
- (c) if yes to (b), please provide some details of the plans?

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- (1) What is the total aggregate gas demand to supply the LNG export capacity of the proposed Burrup Hub facilities, including Pluto Train 1 and 3 and North West Shelf over their proposed lifetime?
- (2) Which gas reserves have been identified by Woodside to supply the expanded Burrup Hub?
- (3) What proportion of the total aggregated lifetime gas demand from the Burrup Hub would be filled by these identified reserves?
- (4) Where does the Commonwealth anticipate the additional gas will come from to supply the remaining lifetime gas demand for the expanded Burrup Hub?
- (5) Has any analysis been undertaken by the Government to determine where Woodside may source the gas from in (4)?
- (6) If so, will the Minister table this analysis in (5)?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?
- (8) Does the Government consider that the onshore Canning Basin could be a potential future source of gas to supply the expanded Burrup Hub?
- (9) If no to (8), why not?
- (10) Does the Government consider that further developments in the onshore Perth Basin could be a potential future source of gas to supply the expanded Burrup Hub?
- (11) If no to (10), why not?
- (12) What other undeveloped gas reserves are considered to be potential candidates to meet the demand created by the Burrup Hub?
- (13) Does the Commonwealth consider there will be a shortfall of gas supply between the size of the identified reserves and the size of the lifetime demand that will be created by the expanded Burrup Hub facilities?
- (14) If so, what is the government's estimate of the size of this shortfall?
- (15) Will the Commonwealth grant approvals for Woodside to operate LNG export and processing capacity at the Burrup Hub where the company has not identified sufficient gas to meet the demand this will create?
- (16) Will the Commonwealth consider the impacts that approving gas export capacity far beyond the size of identified gas reserves may have on Australia's domestic gas market and strategic energy needs, including our energy security?
- (17) If so, how and when will these matters be considered, under what legislative provisions and by which agency?
- (18) Did the Commonwealth government consider these matters when approvals were granted for LNG export facilities in Queensland?
- (19) If so, how were they considered, by what agency and under which legislation?

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- (20) Will the Government table the relevant studies and analysis that was undertaken at the time?
- (21) Other than environmental approvals, what other approvals does Woodside require from the Commonwealth Government to operate its LNG export facilities?
- (22) What is the process for issuing these approvals, by which agency and under what legislation, and when is this expected to occur?
- (23) Do these approvals involve the consideration of strategic implications for Australia's energy needs and energy security?
- (24) If no to (23), why not?

1825. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Treasurer:

- (1) What is the current annual royalty income paid by Woodside for gas supplied to its Burrup Hub facilities and what is the estimate of royalty income that would be paid:
 - (a) three years time;
 - (b) five years time; and
 - (c) 10 years time?
- (2) Has the Commonwealth estimated or projected total or annual royalty income that would be paid over the life of the proposed expanded Burrup hub?
- (3) If so, will the Minister table these estimates?
- (4) If not, why not?
- (5) Will Woodside's proposed Burrup Hub expansion result in more or less royalties being paid, compared with current royalty receipts?

1826. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Finance:

- (1) What is the current annual royalty income paid by Woodside for gas supplied to its Burrup Hub facilities and what is the estimate of royalty income that would be paid:
 - (a) three years time;
 - (b) five years time; and
 - (c) 10 years time?
- (2) Has the Commonwealth estimated or projected total or annual royalty income that would be paid over the life of the proposed expanded Burrup hub?
- (3) If so, will the Minister table these estimates?
- (4) If not, why not?
- (5) Will Woodside's proposed Burrup Hub expansion result in more or less royalties being paid, compared with current royalty receipts?

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I refer to the presumption of innocence until guilt is proven, and I ask:

- (a) does the presumption of innocence apply to men when they are accused of domestic violence;
- (b) if yes to (1), what standard of proof is required for a Family Violence Restraining Order to be issued; and
- (c) what steps is the Minister taking to ensure men are not wrongly accused of serious offences by angered partners in emotional circumstances?

1828. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment:

- (1) In relation to the North West Shelf Extension proposal, will the environmental impacts associated with the development of gas reserves needed to supply the demand created by the facility over its lifetime be considered under the EPBC indirect consequences policy, which states that "Indirect consequences of an action may include off-site impacts including, but not limited to upstream impacts (such as the extraction of raw materials which are used to undertake the action)"?
- (2) Are the environmental impacts of developing these reserves, including those in Commonwealth waters, being considered by the State Environmental Protection Authority assessment process for the North West Shelf Extension project, or will these be considered separately by the Commonwealth Department?
- (3) If the latter, when will this occur?

1829. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the Covid19 vaccination status of Western Australians, and I ask:

- (a) of the total number of Western Australians to die from COVID-19 up to 30 June 2023, how many were:
 - (i) vaccinated;
 - (ii) unvaccinated; and
 - (iii) unknown;
- (b) of the total number of Western Australians to be hospitalised because of COVID-19 up to June 30 2023, how many were:
 - (i) vaccinated;
 - (ii) unvaccinated; and
 - (iii) unknown; and
- (c) of the total number of Western Australians who required intensive care unit care because of COVID-19 up to 30 June 2023, how many were:
 - (i) vaccinated;
 - (ii) unvaccinated; and

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(iii) unknown?

1830. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the number of miscarriages recorded in Western Australia, and I ask:

- (a) what was the total number of miscarriages recorded in Western Australia in each calendar year from 2017 to 2023 (most recent available data); and
- (b) if this headline data is not readily available, how does the Minister know if there is an issue relating to miscarriages in Western Australia or not?

1831. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment; Climate Action; Racing and Gaming:

- (1) Will the Commonwealth consider or assess the climate change implications of Woodside's proposed Burrup hub developments, including the North West Shelf extension?
- (2) If so, how will this consideration or assessment occur, by what agency, at what stage, under which legislation, and what criteria will be applied?
- (3) Will the proposed North West Shelf extension be assessed in relation to its impacts on Australia's national emissions reduction targets and budget, or in relation to the hard cap on emissions under the Safeguard Mechanism?
- (4) Has Woodside applied for a variation to its current baseline under the Safeguard Mechanism for its Pluto LNG facility, to accommodate the doubling in size of the facility?
- (5) Will the Commonwealth grant a higher baseline for the Pluto LNG production facility under the Safeguard Mechanism when Train 2 is built to process Scarborough gas, or will it operate under its existing baseline?
- (6) Will the Government assess the impacts of the Pluto Train 2 extension on Australia's national carbon pollution reduction targets or the hard cap under the Safeguard Mechanism?
- (7) If so, how will this assessment occur and what criteria will be applied?
- (8) Has Woodside applied for a variation to its current baseline under the Safeguard Mechanism for its North West Shelf LNG facility, to accommodate the doubling in size of the facility?
- (9) What is the current operating output in LNG of the North West Shelf LNG production facility and what is the proposed operating capacity of the facility in Woodside's North West Shelf extension proposal?
- (10) Will the Commonwealth grant a higher baseline for the North West Shelf LNG production facility under the Safeguard Mechanism, or will the facility operate under its existing baseline?
- (11) Will the Government assess the impacts of the North West Shelf extension on Australia's national carbon pollution reduction targets or the hard cap under the Safeguard Mechanism?

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- (12) If so, how will this assessment occur and what criteria will be applied?
- (13) Has the Commonwealth Government reviewed the State-imposed Greenhouse Gas Abatement Plans (GGAP) for the Pluto LNG facility and the proposed Greenhouse gas Abatement Plan for the North West Shelf extension, to assess if they are consistent with the Commonwealth requirements under the Safeguard Mechanism?
- (14) If no to (13), why not?
- (15) If yes to (13), will the Minister provide a summary of this assessment and its findings, and table any relevant documents?
- (16) If no to (15), why not?
- (17) Does the Commonwealth consider that the approved and proposed GGAP's for the Burrup hub facilities meet the standards set out in the ISO guidelines for Net Zero and the UN High Level Expert Group on net zero commitments from non-state entities?
- (18) What proportion of the abatement required to meet the Safeguard Mechanism requirements is expected to be delivered through offsets or SGM credits for:
 - (a) the Pluto LNG Facility between now and 2030;
 - (b) the Pluto LNG Facility between now and 2050;
 - (c) the North West Shelf Facility between now and 2030; and
 - (d) the North West Shelf Facility between now and 2050?
- (19) What proportion of the overall amount of offsets that will be available under the Safeguard Mechanism to 2030, given the hard cap requirement, will be used by the Burrup Hub LNG facilities?
- (20) What proportion of the overall amount of offsets that will be available under the Safeguard Mechanism to 2030, given the hard cap requirement, is expected to be used by the Australian LNG facilities in total?

1832. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to the retail cost of firewood, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister advise if the average cost of firewood has increased since the announcement that native forestry would be banned;
- (b) if no to (1), why is the Minister not informed with regards to retail firewood costs; and
- (c) what steps is the Minister taking to ensure Western Australians have access to affordable firewood into the future to address cost of living pressures?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Thursday, 30 November 2023****1833. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Police:**

I refer to the proposed firearm reforms and the power for police to determine the suitability of a person for a firearms licence based on the "views and opinions" of that person, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister provide a list of defined "views and opinions" that police will use to determine a person's suitability for a firearms licence;
- (b) if no to (1), will the police commissioner of the day subjectively decide what views or opinions make a person unsuitable for a firearms licence; and
- (c) if a person believes the Cook Labor Government is authoritarian, lacking in transparency and driven by Fabian socialist ideology, would that be a view and opinion that would make them unsuitable for a firearms licence?

1834. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the answer provided in response to my question without notice in relation to potentially building the new women's and babies hospital in Kings Park next to the Perth Childrens Hospital, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm the Cook Labor Government will prioritise a small parcel of class A reserve scrubland over the care of Western Australian babies;
- (b) can the Minister confirm changes to the boundaries of Kings Park can be made by Government by making changes to the *Botanic Gardens and Parks Act 1998* and any relevant regulations;
- (c) what important paediatric and neonatology services will be located at Fiona Stanley Hospital, and will these duplicate services offered at Perth Children's hospital; and
- (d) which paediatric and neonatology services will only be offered at Perth Childrens Hospital?

1835. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

- (1) As part of the assessment of the cultural heritage impacts of the North West Shelf extension, will the Commonwealth consider whether free, prior and informed consent and other relevant principles of the United Nations (UN) Declaration on the Rights and Interests of Indigenous peoples have been met by the proponent?
- (2) if no to (1), why not?
- (3) if yes to (1), how will these principles be considered in the assessment process and what criteria will be applied?
- (4) can the Minister provide an overview of the cultural heritage impacts that are in scope of the current assessment of the North West Shelf extension?
- (5) in relation to (4), does this include cultural heritage impacts of the gas field developments that are required to supply the North West Shelf into the future, for the life of the development?

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- (6) if no to (4), and (5), why not?
- (7) if yes to (4), and (5), what gas fields or reserves are being considered as part of this assessment?
- (8) does the Government consider that impacts to cultural heritage in the Kimberley as a result of development of the onshore Canning Basin to supply the North West Shelf facility are relevant considerations for assessment?
- (9) if no to (8), why not?
- (10) what conditions for the protection of cultural heritage currently apply to the *Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC) approval for the Pluto LNG facility?
- (11) does the Commonwealth agree with the recent advice of the State EPA, that the state cultural heritage conditions for the Pluto LNG facility are inadequate?
- (12) if no to (11), why not?
- (13) will the Commonwealth review the conditions on the Pluto LNG facility under the EPBC Act to ensure that cultural heritage impacts from the project are acceptable?
- (14) if no to (13), why not?
- (15) are the cultural heritage impacts of processing Scarborough gas at the Pluto LNG facility and using Scarborough gas at the Perdaman ammonia facility considered relevant indirect consequences within the scope of the the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA) assessment of the Scarborough offshore gas development according to the EPBC indirect consequences policy and NOPSEMA's environment regulations?
- (16) if no to (15), why not?
- (17) if yes to (14), when will they be assessed by NOPSEMA?

1836. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Environment:

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1837. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to *WA Vaccine Safety Annual Report 2022*, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm people under the age of 35 in Western Australia experienced Myocarditis as a result of Covid-19 vaccination;
- (b) what was the total number of under 35 year olds who were confirmed to have suffered from Myocarditis from as a result of a Covid-19 vaccine in Western Australia;
- (c) what is mortality rate for under 35 year olds from Covid-19 globally; and
- (d) how is the Minister able to distinguish between myocarditis caused by the covid virus, and myocarditis caused by a Covid-19 vaccine?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Thursday, 30 November 2023****1838. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Emergency Services representing the Minister for Corrective Services:**

I refer to young people currently detained at Banksia Hill Detention Centre and Unit 18 of Casuarina Prison, and I ask will the Minister provide:

- (a) a breakdown of the principal charges and offences that have led youth detainees into custody; and
- (b) a breakdown of the young people currently detained at Banksia Hill Detention Centre and Unit 18 respectively, by principal charge and offence in (a), for which they are currently facing or currently serving a sentence?

1839. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to the number of people prosecuted for illegal sandalwood related activities since 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2023, and I ask:

- (a) how many people were prosecuted for illegal wild sandalwood harvesting;
- (b) how many commercial sandalwood growers have been prosecuted for failure to comply with 2019 reforms;
- (c) what was the total number of tonnes of wild sandalwood that was illegally harvested;
- (d) what was the total market value of the amount of sandalwood that was illegally harvested; and
- (e) what was the total amount of revenue collected from licence fees including renewals, as well as inspection fees?

1840. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Child Protection:

I refer to the practice of removing children from their parents after a report of physical punishment or smacking, and I ask:

- (a) can the minister advise if and when smacking a child for disciplinary purposes is legally allowed;
- (b) how many reports of unacceptable physical punishment did the Department of Child Protection receive in the period 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023;
- (c) how many reports of unacceptable physical punishment did the Department of Child Protection act on and investigate in person in the period 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023; and
- (d) how many times were children removed from their parents following a report of unacceptable physical punishment in the period January 2023 to 30 June 2023?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Thursday, 30 November 2023****1841. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:**

I refer to a block of seven government-owned units located at 26 Wotan St, Innaloo that, as of Monday 27 November 2023, are unoccupied, and I ask:

- (a) are these units completed;
- (b) when were they completed;
- (c) why have they remained unoccupied since completion; and
- (d) when will these dwellings be given to people on the housing waitlist in who are in desperate need of housing?

1842. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

- (1) How many public housing homes were sold or decommissioned in each of the following periods:
 - (a) 2021-22;
 - (b) 2022-23; and
 - (c) 2023-24 to date?
- (2) How many public housing homes does the government intend to sell or decommission in:
 - (a) the remainder of 2023-24;
 - (b) 2023-24 overall; and
 - (c) 2024-25?

1843. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to capacity issues at Albany Hospital, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister advise if the \$350 million needed to upgrade Albany Hospital will be spent to ensure the people of Albany are kept safe;
- (b) can the Minister advise what the value of expired RAT kits was in terms of the 110 million kits purchased by the Western Australian Government;
- (c) has the Minister considered somehow building the Albany Health Campus from expired RAT kits; and
- (d) if no to (c), how will the expired RAT kits in the Government's possession be disposed of?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Thursday, 30 November 2023****1844. Hon Ben Dawkins to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Planning:**

I refer to the recent bushfires in and around Wanneroo, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm the total number of homes and significant structures lost in the recent bushfires;
- (b) how many of the homes or properties lost in the fires are owned by the Department of Planning or the Western Australian Planning Commission;
- (c) can the Minister confirm that all the necessary firebreaks or other bushfire mitigations, required by Local or State government, had been put in place for all Department of Planning or Western Australian Planning Commission owned properties:
 - (i) prior to the fires occurring; and
 - (ii) by 1 November 2023 in accordance with the timeframes required by Local Council; and
- (d) if no to (c), why not?

1845. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to public housing properties managed by the State Government during the the period from 1 January 2023 to date, and I ask will the Minister table following broken down by region and property type:

- (a) the occupancy rate of all properties;
- (b) the number of properties deemed to be non-tenantable;
- (c) of the properties at (b), the number:
 - (i) the government has decided to:
 - (A) dispose of; and
 - (B) redevelop; and
 - (ii) the number currently under consideration for redevelopment; and
- (d) for each of the past 5 calendar or financial years, the median time for redevelopment of a non-tenantable property to be completed?

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