

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 214

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2024

1. Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 12.00 noon pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker took the Chair.

An Acknowledgement of Country and Prayers were read.

2. Death of Geoffrey Royden Grewar – a former Member of the Legislative Assembly

The Minister for Police, without notice, moved,

That the House records its sincere regret at the death of Geoffrey Royden Grewar and tenders its deep sympathy to his family.

The motion was supported by Ms L. Mettam, Mr P.J. Rundle and Mr T.J. Healy.

Question put and passed unanimously with members and officers of the Assembly standing in their places as a mark of respect.

3. Petitions

The Vines proposed Outline Development Plan No. 37 – Ms J.J. Shaw presented a petition from 309 people asking the Legislative Assembly and Minister for Planning to reject The Vines proposed Outline Development Plan No. 37 – Amendment 9, proposing the significant redevelopment of The Vines golfing amenity (P. 68).

Denmark Primary School Kindy Carpark – Ms E.J. Kelsbie presented a petition from 351 people asking the Legislative Assembly to call on the Government to fund the redevelopment of the Denmark Public School Kindergarten Carpark as a matter of urgency (P. 69).

4. Papers

The following papers were presented and ordered to lie upon the Table of the House –

By the Clerk –

Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for – Closing the Gap – Annual Report 2024 (3425).

Auditor General, Office of the – Financial Audit, WA Student Assistance Payment – Controls Review, Report 7, 27 November 2024 (3426).

Commissioner for Children and Young People – Voting Age Survey, Key findings from the WA Commissioner for Children and Young People’s ‘Voting Age’ Survey 2024 (3427).

Communities, Department of – Project Stella Village – Overview, November 2024 (3428).

Local Government Advisory Board – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3429).

Official Travel – Report of Overseas Air Travel undertaken by Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries and Government Officers on Official Business, for the Three Months Ended 30 June 2024 (3430).

Western Australia Local Government Grants Commission – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3431).

5. Correction to Tabled Paper

The Speaker announced that she had authorised corrections to the following Tabled Paper tabled on 19 September 2024 –

Public Transport Authority – Annual Report 2023–2024 (3193).

Paper

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By the Speaker –

Public Transport Authority – Annual Report 2023–2024, Erratum (3432).

6. Brief Ministerial Statements

Brief Ministerial Statements were made by –

The Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests on the Inaugural Multicultural Expo held on 16 November 2024.

The Minister for Housing on the new 30-dwelling community housing development on Brown Street in Busselton.

The Minister for Housing on the wind up of Goldmaster and the Stella Orion Project.

The Minister for Disability Services on the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan Progress Report.

The Minister for Seniors and Ageing on the Age-friendly Communities Connectivity Grants Program.

The Minister for International Education on the Western Australian International Education Familiarisation Program.

The Minister for Sport and Recreation on the Western Australian Institute of Sport Awards of Excellence and the Hall of Champions celebrations.

The Minister for Culture and the Arts on the launch of Art on the Move’s 2025 program.

The Minister for Youth on the LGBTIQ+ Inclusion Strategy.

7. Mining Amendment Bill 2024

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum, pursuant to notice, moved,

That a bill for “An Act to amend the *Mining Act 1978* and to make consequential amendments to the *Mining Legislation Amendment Act 2014*.” be introduced and read a first time.

Question put and passed.

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum presented an explanatory memorandum and bill read a first time.

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum moved, That the bill be now read a second time.

Ms M.J. Davies moved, That the debate be adjourned.

Question put and passed.

8. Suspension of Standing Orders – Messages from the Legislative Council

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum, pursuant to notice, moved,

That for the remainder of this year, so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as is necessary to enable Messages from the Legislative Council to be taken into consideration on the day on which they are received.

Question put and passed.

9. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That consideration of Government Business Order of the Day No. 6 be resumed.

10. Premier’s Statement

The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate upon the question, That the Premier’s Statement be noted, was read.

Debate resumed.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Mr S.N. Aubrey speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

11. Questions

Questions without Notice were taken.

Questions on Notice Nos 1404, 1418, 1420, 1423, 1424, 1428, 1440, 1442, 1445, 1446, 1450, 1459, 1461, 1464, 1465, 1469, 1476, 1478, 1481, 1482, 1486, 1493, 1495, 1498, 1499, 1503, 1510, 1512, 1515, 1516, 1520, 1527, 1529, 1532, 1533, 1537, 1544, 1546, 1549, 1550, 1554, 1561, 1563, 1566, 1567, 1571, 1578, 1580, 1583, 1584, 1588, 1595, 1597, 1600, 1601, 1605, 1614, 1616, 1619, 1620, 1624, 1631, 1633, 1636, 1637, 1641, 1648, 1650, 1653, 1654, 1658, 1664, 1665, 1668, 1670, 1673, 1674, 1678, 1686, 1688, 1691, 1692, 1703, 1705, 1708, 1709, 1713, 1721, 1723, 1726, 1727, 1731, 1740, 1767, 1777, 1779, 1782, 1783, 1786, 1787, 1800, 1804 and 1807 were answered.

12. Variation to the Order of Business

Ordered, That Private Members’ Business Notice of Motion No. 2 be next considered.

13. Cook Labor Government

Mr R.S. Love, pursuant to notice, moved,

That this House condemns the Cook Labor Government for its failure to effectively manage government, distracted by wrong priorities and pushing political ideology ahead of the needs of West Australians.

Debate ensued.

Debate interrupted by the Chair (Minister for Training and Workforce Development speaking) and adjourned until a later stage of the sitting.

14. Valedictory Speeches

Mr J.R. Quigley, Mr D.A. Templeman, Mr S.A. Millman and Dr D.J. Honey, pursuant to notice (*see 13 November 2024, paragraph 4*), made their valedictory speeches.

15. Messages from the Legislative Council

Messages from the Legislative Council were reported returning the following bills without amendment –

27 November 2024

Local Government Amendment Bill 2024 (Message No. 168).

Young Offenders and Prisons Legislation Amendment Bill 2024 (Message No. 169).

Family Court Amendment (Commonwealth Reforms) Bill 2024 (Message No. 170).

State Superannuation Amendment Bill 2023 (Message No. 171).

16. Adjournment

Ms C.M. Rowe moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The Assembly adjourned accordingly at 7.10 pm until Thursday, 28 November 2024 at 9.00 am.

Members present during any part of the day's proceedings – All the members except Ms E.L. Hamilton, Mr D.J. Kelly, Mrs M.R. Marshall and Mr K.J.J. Michel.

MATHEW BATES
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

HON. MICHELLE H. ROBERTS
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly