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Tuesday 14th February 2012
10.00am

1. QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

1. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Chief Minister –

What contingency plans and risk management framework the Government has in place to guarantee the Island's strategic lifeline provided by the Steam Packet Company?

2. The Hon. Member for Douglas South (Mrs Beecroft) to ask the Chief Minister –

If he will negotiate a reduction in the Isle of Man's contribution to defence proportionate to the reduction in the defence budget in the UK?

3. The Hon. Member for Douglas South (Mrs Beecroft) to ask the Minister for Social Care –

What plans he has for defining the meaning of fuel poverty for residents of the Isle of Man?

4. The Hon. Member for Douglas North (Mr Houghton) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

When he will introduce regulations to control on-street parking of motor homes and large vans?

2. QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

1. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Chief Minister –

With regard to the recent public invitation for applications to join various Statutory Boards and Bodies –

- (a) how many people applied for information packs with regard to each of the public appointments;
- (b) how many of these resulted in formal applications;
- (c) what invitations were made for individuals to apply for each of the public appointments, other than those resulting from the advertising in the public media, and, of these, how many resulted in formal applications;
- (d) whether there has been a change in the number and quality of applications since the beginning of the previous Tynwald;
- (e) how many applicants were short-listed, and how many were interviewed, for each of the public appointments; and
- (f) which criteria, with weights, standards and measurement terms, were used objectively for the short-listing and interview processes to determine appointments or nominations for each public appointment?

2. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

With regard to the public invitation for applications to join the Financial Supervision Commission –

- (a) out of the total number of formal applications how many persons (i) have had and (ii) have not had any connection either personally or through an immediate family member or close associate with any organisation regulated by the FSC;
- (b) how many members are retiring from the board of the FSC; how many of these are seeking re-appointment to the board of the FSC; of those seeking re-appointment, how many have any connection either personally or through an immediate family member or close associate with any organisation regulated by the FSC; and
- (c) when appointing or re-appointing members to the board of the FSC, what weight the appointment panel gives to –
 - (i) previous membership of the board of the FSC;
 - (ii) any current or recent connection either personally or through an immediate family member or close associate with any organisation regulated by the FSC; and
 - (iii) any other conflicts of interest?

3. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for the Treasury -

With regard to the public invitation for applications to join the Insurance and Pensions Authority -

- (a) out of the total number of formal applications how many persons (i) have had and (ii) have not had any connection either personally or through an immediate family member or close associate with any organisation regulated by the IPA;
- (b) how many members are retiring from the board of the IPA; how many are seeking re-appointment; and of those seeking re-appointment, how many have any connection either personally or through an immediate family member or close associate with any organisation regulated by the IPA; and
- (c) when appointing or re-appointing members to the board of the IPA, what weight the appointment panel gives to -
 - (i) previous membership of the board of the IPA;
 - (ii) any current or recent connection either personally or through an immediate family member or close associate with any organisation regulated by the IPA; and
 - (iii) any conflicts of interest?

4. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for the Treasury -

What the (a) current and (b) 2008 (i) short and (ii) long term borrowings by the Island's local authorities were, broken down by local authority; and what Douglas Council borrowings were made between 2008 and 2012, and what related bank loan facility was made in each case, including -

- (i) the interest spread to the reference rate;
- (ii) the actual interest rate;
- (iii) maturity;
- (iv) the lender;
- (v) Government sanction for each borrowing; and
- (vi) what security is provided to the lender?

5. The Hon. Member for Douglas South (Mrs Beecroft) to ask the Minister for the Treasury -

What the remit of Internal Audit is and what financial systems reviews it has carried out in the last twelve months?

6. The Hon. Member for Douglas South (Mrs Beecroft) to ask the Minister for the Treasury -

What rest and recuperation payments to staff or contractors Government bodies have made in each of the last five years; how many received such payments; what the total amount paid was; and what the reason for these payments was?

7. The Hon. Member for Douglas South (Mrs Beecroft) to ask the Minister for the Treasury -

(a) How many residential properties were (a) occupied and (b) unoccupied in the previous financial year; broken down by local authority; and

(b) how many residential properties in each category were subject to temporary downward rateable adjustments; how many permanent gross value appeals there were broken down by (i) ratepayers; and (ii) rating authorities; and how many rateable values were adjusted (A) upwards; and (B) downwards, in the previous three financial years, broken down by local authority?

8. The Hon. Member for Ramsey (Mr Singer) to ask the Minister for Health -

(a) What the range of NHS pay for consultants in the various disciplines is (i) for basic pay; and (ii) with overtime; and

(b) what the range of NHS pay per hour overtime for consultants is?

9. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for Health -

If he will list each GP practice on the Isle of Man indicating for each practice

(a) the number of permanent GPs;

(b) the number of patients currently registered;

(c) the number of on the day only appointments available;

(d) the number of appointments which are bookable in advance;

(e) the number of missed appointments which have occurred in each of the past six months; and

(f) the number of missed appointments which have occurred in each of the past three years?

10. The Hon. Member for Douglas North (Mr Henderson) to ask the Minister for Home Affairs –

What value his Department places on the deployment of CCTV as a prevention and detection tool; how valuable CCTV has proved up until now in the prevention and detection of crime; and if he will make a statement?

11. The Hon. Member for Douglas North (Mr Henderson) to ask the Minister for Home Affairs –

How many criminal cases have been sent to the prosecutions section of the Attorney General's Chambers in the past 24 months; and how many of those cases the Attorney General has brought to trial which used CCTV footage as part of the evidence?

12. The Hon. Member for Douglas North (Mr Henderson) to ask the Minister for Home Affairs –

How many local reports of Facebook abuse have been brought to police attention in the last twenty-four months; what action his Department can take against such abuse; and whether any actions have been taken against anyone?

13. The Hon. Member for Douglas South (Mrs Beecroft) to ask the Minister for Home Affairs –

If he will implement a code of practice and licensing system for the use of surveillance cameras?

14. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

- (a) Whether the User Agreement is void because the Extension Agreement between his Department and the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company Limited dated 21st December 2004 was made with Isle of Man Company Reference Number 73 and the Isle of Man Company Registry records that Company Number 73 has been dissolved; and if not, why not;
- (b) whether his Department has entered into a binding agreement that the benefits that Company Reference Number 73 enjoyed by way of the User Agreement have been transferred to another company or Manx vehicle; and, if so, when and why the agreement was entered into and what the agreement contains; and
- (c) whether his Department has sought legal advice in relation to part (a) of the question; and if so, when was it obtained, from whom it was obtained; and if he will make a statement?

15. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure -
- (a) If he will publish on the internet the documents in the Tynwald Library Steam Packet User Agreement File which were either deposited for consultation in the Tynwald Library or put in the folder of Steam Packet documents for public inspection;
 - (b) why the document of 15th November 2005, which deals with the use of about £8 million of public money to purchase land from the Steam Packet or an associated company is not in the Tynwald Library file; and if he will place it in the file; and
 - (c) whether other documents which form part of the Steam Packet User Agreement will be supplied to the Tynwald Library and be available for publication?
16. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure -
- (a) What investigations have been carried out by his Department into the costs and benefits of deepening Douglas Harbour for use of the vessels for provision of freight and passenger services to and from the Isle of Man; and if he will publish the results;
 - (b) what discussions he has held with the Minister for Economic Development and his other colleagues in the Council of Ministers on the results of those investigations;
 - (c) what plans, if any, have been prepared to change Douglas Harbour to enhance provision for such vessels; and
 - (d) what the estimated cost is of implementing any such plans?
17. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure -
- (a) What investigations have been carried out by his Department into the feasibility of constructing any replacement or additional link-span, in Douglas or elsewhere; and if he will publish the results of those investigations;
 - (b) what discussions he has held with the Minister for Economic Development and his other colleagues in the Council of Ministers on the results of those investigations;
 - (c) what plans, if any, have been prepared to construct any replacement or additional link-span; and
 - (d) what the estimated cost is of implementing any such planning?

18. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

- (a) If he will publish information about the group, company and decision making structures covering all Isle of Man Steam Packet Company related entities, updating to present the information provided in November 2008 in appendix J of the Report of the Tynwald Select Committee on the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company;
- (b) which of these entities provides financial and strategic information to his Department and/or other parts of Government, why such information is not provided in this Answer, and whether the information provided is available to (i) Tynwald Members and (ii) the wider public; and
- (c) if he will publish the agendas of meetings between his Department and representatives of the Steam Packet Company?

19. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Mr Hall) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

Whether the Steam Packet Company has exercised its option to extend the User Agreement for a further six years from 2020; if so, when did it do so; if not, what the last date is on which the Steam Packet can exercise this option; in what circumstances his Department would (a) not be obliged to extend the period of the User Agreement to 2026; and (b) terminate the current User Agreement before 2020; and whether his Department has sought legal advice in relation to extension or termination of the Agreement; and if so, when it was obtained, from whom and what the advice said?

3. BILL FOR CONSIDERATION OF CLAUSES

3.1 Gambling Duty Bill 2012

Mr Henderson

Unless the House otherwise determines, the above business will be considered in the order shown.

Roger Phillips
Secretary of the House