

TYNWALD

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QUESTION PAPER

Pabyr Feyshtyn

DOUGLAS
Tuesday 20th October 2020
at 10.30 am

For Oral Answer

1. The Hon. Member for Douglas East (Mr Robertshaw) to ask the Chief Minister –

What assessment or advice he sought from (a) the Public Health Directorate and (b) the Medical Directorate to inform decisions regarding the development and implementation of the five-stage borders plan; and how this has informed his strategy for communicating his policy to the public?
2. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Chief Minister –

What contingency plans have been put in place to ensure food supplies and other essential products reach the Island following the UK's exit from the European Union?
3. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Chief Minister –

Whether the Government intends to bring the UK's Digital Services Tax within the scope of the Common Purse Agreement?

4. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

How Treasury has reviewed its strategies to address a budget savings target; what the revised target is; and where the savings are coming from?

5. The Hon. Member for Douglas Central (Mrs Corlett) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

If he will review the eligibility criteria for bereavement payments?

6. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mrs Lord-Brennan, to ask the Minister for Health and Social Care –

In what ways the Western Wellbeing Partnership is the blueprint for the provision of integrated health and social care since the pilot project commenced in April 2018?

7. The Hon. Member for Garff (Mr Perkins) to ask the Minister for Health and Social Care –

How long a person had to wait from a first appointment with their GP to having a cataract operation in the last year?

8. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Minister for Home Affairs –

What design stage a new combined hub for 999 services is at; and whether anyone has been appointed as project designer?

9. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

What his Department's plans are to refurbish and re-lay disintegrating roads in and around Douglas; and if he will make a statement?

10. The Hon. Member for Garff (Mrs Caine) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

Pursuant to his Answer to Question 84 in Tynwald in September 2020, what the remaining capacity is at Wright's Pit North for the disposal of problematic construction waste; what the current rate of disposal each week is on average; what options are being considered for the interim and long-term disposal solutions for problematic construction waste once Wright's Pit North closes at the end of this year; and how this will comply with the Waste Strategy 2018?

11. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
Pursuant to his Answer to Question 89 in Tynwald in September 2020, when the structural reports on Governor’s Bridge Dip will be published?
12. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for Policy and Reform –
What progress he has made with the review of free TV licences for people over 75?
13. The Hon. Member for Douglas East (Mrs Barber) to ask the Minister for Policy and Reform –
What work his Department undertakes to examine the social responsibility of telecoms providers so that that constructions under the Town and Country Planning (Telecommunications) Order 2019 are as in keeping with the surrounding area as possible?
14. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Minister for Enterprise –
What plans he has to review the work permit system?
15. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –
If he will make a statement on the continuing union dispute?
16. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –
What assessment has been made by the Department of how the industrial action by teachers is affecting the performance of the Island’s students?
17. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –
Whether the works at the National Sports Centre will be completed in time for the half term holiday?
18. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –
If he will make a statement on conservation measures to protect the Summerhill Glen river, following the discovery of a water course pollution incident on 17th September 2020?

19. The Hon. Member for Ramsey (Mr Hooper) to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –

What progress has been made with enabling renewable energy generated in Manx waters to be exported to the UK?

20. The Hon. Member for Ramsey (Mr Hooper) to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –

What plans he has to improve the requirements for display of allergy information on food labels?

21. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Chairman of the Office of Fair Trading –

What support and advice have been given to tenants and landlords about the non-payment of rents; and how payment holidays can be resolved by the implementation of repayment plans before the period of protection ends?

22. The Hon. Member for Ramsey (Mr Hooper) to ask the Chairman of the Post Office –

Whether the Post Office complies with the Isle of Man Government procurement policy aims of competition, fairness, value and transparency; and if she will make a statement?

23. The Hon. Member for Douglas Central (Mr Thomas) to ask the Chairman of the Planning Committee –

What status the written statement and various maps in an unapproved Town and Country Planning (Area Plan for the East) Order 2020 have in relation to the determination of planning applications?

24. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Mercer, to ask the Chief Minister –

How many tonnes of CO2 have been saved by Government Departments since the declaration of a climate emergency was made in May 2019?

25. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Chief Minister –

How many public servants have not returned to the workplace since the lifting of lockdown rules?

26. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Chief Minister –
Who the members of the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs are; and when its last report was published?
27. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
Pursuant to his Answer to Question 75 in Tynwald in September 2020, what spending Axapta records under his Department’s Covid-19 code?
28. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mrs Lord-Brennan, to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
If he will make a statement about the planning application regarding Rockmount and the future of silt from Peel Marina?
29. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –
How many students graduated at the recent Higher Education Awards Ceremony, broken down by (a) on-Island-based courses and (b) off-Island courses?
30. The Hon. Member for Ramsey (Mr Hooper) to ask the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –
What the strategic plans for the Villa Marina complex are; and if he will make a statement?
31. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –
What the current maximum loan available to support postgraduate studies is; and how this sum is determined?

For Written Answer

32. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Chief Minister –
How many financial services transactions, broken down by (a) type of transaction and (b) operational costs, were carried out by the Welcome Centre in each financial year since 2015?

33. The Hon. Member for Douglas Central (Mr Thomas) to ask the Chief Minister (Minister for the Cabinet Office) –

How much each individual Tynwald Member a) received on the monthly payroll, b) had deducted as a GUS section 8 contribution, and c) benefited from a Tynwald employer's GUS pension contribution, in i) September 2010, ii) September 2015, and iii) September 2020, without identifying any Member; and if he will make a statement?

34. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

What instructions have been given to the Isle of Man Government fund managers regarding the investment of reserves in the global financial markets in relation to possible uncertainty in the markets over the next 6 months?

35. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

Further to the decision not to follow the UK specification for £1 coins, what loss there has been through counterfeiting Isle of Man coins (a) to the taxpayer and (b) to the issuing authority?

36. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

What proportion of (a) MERA and (b) JSA claimants are aged between:

- i) 16-25
- ii) 26-35
- iii) 36-45
- iv) 46-55
- v) 56-65 and
- vi) 66+?

37. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

How much debt has been written off by each Department in each year during the course of this administration?

38. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

What business cases he has received from Departments, Offices and Boards under the Covid-19 budget allocation?

39. The Hon. Member for Ramsey (Mr Hooper) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

If he will make a statement on the recent English High Court ruling in respect of business insurance and the potential impact this will have on Island businesses?

40. The Hon. Member for Garff (Mrs Caine) to ask the Minister for the Treasury –

What recent representations he has made in relation to the commercial cashpoint in Laxey this summer; and why it was not permitted for the machine to dispense UK banknotes when the company experienced problems obtaining Manx banknotes?

41. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for Enterprise –

What is being done to assist businesses which are struggling as a result of high cost base issues, such as rent?

42. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Enterprise –

In which sectors of the economy do companies remain most at risk of insolvency; how many jobs this represents; and what is being done to support them?

43. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Enterprise –

What support he has given to the brewing industry; and what further support is under consideration?

44. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mrs Lord-Brennan, to ask the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –

What plans he has to introduce guidance regarding school uniform policy?

45. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –

What immediate action the Department and other agencies took following the discovery of a river pollution incident in the Summerhill Glen River, Douglas on Thursday 17th September 2020; and what the pollutants were?

46. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –

How often the Isle of Man's rivers and freshwater courses are monitored for pollution and water integrity for conservation and biodiversity reasons; and whether this is sufficient?

47. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –

Whether the Marine Drive area is of such wildlife significance that it warrants protection under the Manx Wildlife Act 1990; and whether this would meet his Department's obligations under the 2015-2025 Biodiversity Strategy approved by Tynwald and the Biosphere Designation by UNESCO?

48. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –

What progress his Department has made to designate Marine Drive and associated land along its borders as a Wildlife Site and an Area of Special Scientific Interest; and when protection may be put in place?

49. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –

Why the Department has abandoned its plans for an online planning application service?

50. The Hon. Member for Douglas East (Mrs Barber) to ask the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture –

What developments have been approved under the Town and Country Planning (Telecommunications) Order 2019 since its implementation broken down by type and size of development, date of application, date of approval and location?

51. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Health and Social Care –

How the Isle of Man's Mental Health Service a) staffing levels b) salaries c) costs and d) outcomes compare with the UK per 100,000 population?

52. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Health and Social Care –

How many people are waiting longer than the 18-week referral to treatment benchmark using the UK definition in a) the whole of the UK and b) the Isle of Man?

53. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mrs Lord-Brennan, to ask the Minister for Health and Social Care –

What the total cost of integrated care is in the west of the Island, broken down by project implementation area and including project management, since the project commenced?

54. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Home Affairs –

Whether as part of the sale of Homefield any covenants were added or removed; and what outstanding covenants there were on the property at the time of sale?

55. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Home Affairs –

Why he has abandoned plans to implement a new prevention and early intervention team to work with young people at risk of entering the criminal justice system?

56. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

How many Department of Infrastructure (a) housing tenants and (b) commercial tenants there are; how many in either category were in arrears on (i) 30th September 2019 and (ii) 30th September 2020 and how much was owed; and whether tenants have been spoken to about repayment plans to be activated?

57. The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew (Mr Moorhouse) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

How many times the section of road at the bottom of the Summerhill slip road to 100 metres towards the Summerland site has been dug up and re-laid since the current Promenade works started; what reason was given for each process; and how much this has cost?

58. The Hon. Member for Onchan (Ms Edge) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
- Pursuant to his Written Answer in August 2020 to Question 1 on the Supplementary Question Paper, if he will provide a breakdown of how many hours were operated each day in July and August?
59. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
- Whether the Isle of Man Steam Railway and Dining Car Service was well patronised and operated at a profit in the summer of 2020?
60. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
- Whether the Isle of Man Steam Railway and Dining Car Service will be operating for (a) the autumn school half term and (b) Hop-tu-Naa special services?
61. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
- To what extent the Isle of Man Steam Railway is of increasing social and community value to Island residents, especially since the Covid-19 restrictions to travel have been in place?
62. The Hon. Member of the Council, Mr Henderson, to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
- What plans he has to extend the Isle of Man Steam Railway service for weekends to the end of 2020, including Christmas Holidays and Christmas Holiday special services and use of the dining car?
63. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –
- What structure of project completion bonuses have been negotiated with contractors undertaking the Promenade Scheme, and how much all completion bonuses would be if the Promenade work were successfully completed to the satisfaction of the Department by 31st March 2021?

64. The Hon. Member for Rushen (Mr Speaker) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

What new buses have been purchased from Ireland and from whom; how much was paid for them; whether they are performing as expected; what guarantees accompanied the sale; and whether the vendor is still trading?

65. The Hon. Member for Douglas Central (Mr Thomas) to ask the Minister for Infrastructure –

If he will publish the name and correspondence address of the landlord or landlords of the flats at a) 6 Mona Street and b) 29 Tynwald Street, having sought information from other public entities as necessary?

66. The Hon. Member for Douglas Central (Mr Thomas) to ask the Treasury Member of the Manx Lottery Trust –

Which organisations received grants from the 2019-20 Community Fund administered by the Manx Lottery Trust broken down by a) conservation, b) development, and c) learning; for what purpose and on what terms each grant was made; and if he will make a statement about the costs incurred by the Trust in administering this Community Fund?