#### NO. W228 OF 2014

#### THE HON S M FIGUERAS

Can the Minister for Transport provide this House with details of the contract between the Gibraltar Bus Company and the providers of the blue buses, detailing where possible, the effective cost of each bus as well as confirmation of the party/parties responsible for cost of maintenance during the contract term?

#### ANSWER

The Government considers the contract a commercially sensitive document and is unable to provide this information.

The 18 buses cost the taxpayers in 2004, £1,875,330 (one million, eight hundred and seventy five thousand, three hundred and thirty pounds).

The cost of a Denis Dart bus today would be £184,000.00.

## NO. W229 OF 2014

## THE HON S M FIGUERAS

Can the Minister for Transport provide details to this house of the maintenance costs associated with the blue buses since they entered service with the Gibraltar Bus Company?

## **ANSWER**

Maintenance Cost Denis Dart			
Year	Amount		
2004/2005	£107,591.57		
2006	£108,103.47		
2007	£94,458.81		
2008	£106,983.31		
2009	£275,446.33		
2010	£418,063.24		
2011	£375,587.99		
2012	£354,412.26		
2013	£507,244.06		
2014 to date	£399,972.98		

## NO. W230 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Social Services provide the number of times the disability beach accessibility units have been used during 2014, broken down by beach and month?

#### ANSWER

The number of times the disability beach accessibility units have been used during 2014 are as follows:

	June	July	August	September
Eastern Beach	11	20	21	7
Western Beach	0	2	14	0
Camp Bay	0	6	6	0
Catalan Bay	0	4	5	1

#### NO. W231 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health advise whether the cervical screening programme is computerised and the recording and reporting system paperless and if not, when will it be so?

## **ANSWER**

The Cervical Screening programme is not computerised and is not paperless. Some activities of the programme are recorded on computer.

The steps needed to fully computerise the service are being considered.

## NO. W232 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health state if a dedicated Family Planning Clinic, outside of the Well Women Clinic, will be set up at the Primary Care Centre in this coming budget year?

## ANSWER

The possibility is being considered.

## NO. W233 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Further to Question No. 276/2014 and now that all the new GHA management positions have been filled, can the Minister for Health provide this House with a copy of the GHA Review Report?

## **ANSWER**

This will be published shortly.

## NO. W234 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say if means-testing for the allowance for Sponsored Patients will be removed?

## **ANSWER**

Sponsored Patients' allowances are under review, no definite decision has been taken on this yet.

## NO. W235 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, explain how the Occupational Health services will be expanded?

## **ANSWER**

The Budget Speech refers to the introduction of Hepatitis B Vaccination which is part of Occupational Health.

## NO. W236 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, say when the new Consultant Microbiology service will start?

## **ANSWER**

The new Consultant Microbiology Service started on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014.

## NO. W237 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say when the pilot for a bulk meal service will start and in which ward(s)?

## **ANSWER**

The new Kitchen/Beverage bay in John Ward is due to be completed by the end of November 2014.

It is planned to undertake the pilot of a bulk meal service in John Ward shortly thereafter.

### NO. W238 OF 2014

#### THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say for how many days a week the third operating theatre is open and for how many hours on the day(s)?

## **ANSWER**

The third theatre is open every day form 8am until 4pm for Obstetric and General surgical emergencies as well as every Wednesday from 8am – 4pm for Mr Tadros elective General Surgical list.

When we have any of the visiting Consultant Surgeons such as Plastics and ENT then the third Theatre will be additionally opened for from two to five days depending on the numbers of scheduled patients / operations undertaken during their planned visit.

#### NO. W239 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say who the GHA surgeons are who operate in the third operating theatre on the day(s) that it is open?

## **ANSWER**

Mr Ezzat Tadros – Consultant General Surgeon

Professor Saeed – Visiting ENT Specialist

Mr Hugh Henderson – Visiting Consultant Plastic Surgeon

Mr Graham Offer – Visiting Consultant Plastic Surgeon

The third Operating Theatre is also on stand-by for Surgical and Obstetric emergencies, these are undertaken by the Obstetricians and General Surgeons when the other 2 Operating suites are in use.

#### NO. W240 OF 2014

#### THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say when the neo-natal audiology screening programme will start?

## ANSWER

The Child Health team continue to screen targeted children in line with the 8 month distraction test.

In May 2014 the Paediatricians, Audiologist and Child Health team met with Dr Deirdre Lucas and discussed the requirements for re-structuring of the service to place us in line with the UK screening programme, and in order to provide for the service gaps which currently exist for children who fail the initial screening.

The proposal discussed is to be presented by Dr Cassaglia to the GHA Senior Management Team shortly.

### NO. W241 OF 2014

#### THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health provide information on the "Early Birds" Training programme and how many health professionals are involved, stating in which clinical areas?

## ANSWER

#### Background

The Early Bird Training programme was developed by the National Autistic Society (UK) and is a 3 month training programme for parents of pre-school children with autism. The programme combines group training sessions with individual home visits and video-feedback is used to help parents combine theory with practice. It is an autism-specific early intervention programme which does not offer a cure but does offer parents hope to help their child reach his/her potential.

The programme is open to families of children aged between 18 months and 4 years with a diagnosis of an autism spectrum disorder and two places are allocated to each family with six families taking part.

The aims of the programme are as follows:

- To empower parents and carers
- To support families in the period between diagnosis and school placement
- To help establish good practice in these very important early years of development.

The Early Bird approach strives to help families:

- 1. Understand their child's autism
- 2. Structure interactions to help communication
- 3. Develop strategies to pre-empt problem behaviours and successfully manage does that do occur.

#### <u>Staffing</u>

This programme is run locally by two GHA Health professionals an Occupational Therapist and a Speech and Language Therapist who have been trained in UK by the National Autistic Society to deliver training on their behalf.

Training is delivered weekly in the evenings at the School of Health and each session lasts approximately 3 hours.

#### Programme Dates

The first Early Bird programme was successfully run earlier this year, commencing in March and running until mid-June. The next programme is due to begin in February 2015 and there are already 6 families earmarked to attend. Coincidentally this week, both Educational Psychologists are in UK training in order to deliver the follow-up Early Bird Plus programme to parents of school-aged children. This initiative has been funded by the Education department and it is hoped that both courses will run alongside each other. It is hoped that two training courses will be run each year, possibly in spring and autumn but this will depend on demand and staffing.

## NO. W242 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, explain what the Prostate Cancer Screening service consists of?

## **ANSWER**

The service consists of a GP protocol, a Consultant Surgeon protocol, regular consultant clinics and the use of the latest diagnostic equipment.

#### NO. W243 OF 2014

#### THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, elaborate on how the lymphoedema service has improved, especially in relation to upper body lymphoedema after breast cancer?

#### ANSWER

In November 2013, 6 additional nurses received certified training in Lymphoedema care. All patients waiting up till that time were seen and treated. The Primary Care Lymphoedema service now takes referrals for all patients suffering from acute Lymphoedema and there are no waiting times.

As part of the on-going development of the service and best practice guidelines, Primary Care nurses will now be incorporating education sessions regarding the selfmanagement of chronic Lymphoedema to those patients referred for treatment.

Bi-annual reviews are been planned by the Breast Care support nurse in liaison with the Primary Care team.

There has been continued investment in education and tra9ining in the management of Lymphoedema.

There has been an increase in trained HCPs, particularly in Primary Care which has improved the treatment options for patient requiring treatment for Lymphoedema.

There has also been improvement in the communication with compression garment suppliers and the choice of compression garments available to the patients in Gibraltar.

The GHA is able to order direct from the supplier in UK and this has resulted in reduced waiting times for these garments.

The Consensus document from the British Lymphology Society on the Management of Cellulitis is now available on the GHA intranet.

## NO. W244 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, say what the elements of the 'firm Consultant Contract proposal' are and when it will be implemented?

## **ANSWER**

These are still the subject of negotiation and therefore cannot be specified.

### NO. W245 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, say when the contracts of the NCHDs will be reviewed and who will form part of the negotiation team?

## **ANSWER**

A review of the pay and working arrangements of NCHDs, as a precursor to the contract, is currently being undertaken by "The NHS Employers".

#### NO. W246 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say if the Associate Specialist for A&E is an extra body to the existing compliment of A&E staff or does he come from the existing seven doctors in the A&E staff compliment?

## ANSWER

The Associate Specialist for A&E is an extra post in the medical complement.

The successful candidate may be selected from the current A&E staff complement but then he/she will be backfilled.

#### NO. W247 OF 2014

#### THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, give further details of any new services to be offered in the extension for gym and rehabilitation therapies, or is the extension purely to provide further space?

## ANSWER

The expansion of clinical services is a significant opportunity to facilitate quality services by professional multidisciplinary Therapists.

The expanded rehab department will provide additional high level activity I the form of exercise for groups and individuals, with an increase in the current Physiotherapy classes and to include as new services ankle and upper limb classes.

Cardiac rehabilitation service which works in conjunction with Physiotherapy will see Phase III classes increase in number.

The additional facilities will also mean greater scope for rehab of patients with acute and chronic neurological conditions, those who are frequent fallers and for those patients following orthopaedic surgery.

Currently there are no child friendly assessment / treatment areas at St Bernard's for children, therefore those children with Neuro-developmental and MSK needs will benefit from a suitable free area / soft room which can be successfully combined with OT sensory integration to treat them in a safe environment without the distraction of exercise equipment or injury.

Additional office space and larger reception area forms part of the expansion of the rehab department.

#### NO. W248 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, state if part of the expansion of gym and rehabilitation services, the hydrotherapy pool will be opened for use by the patients (after the Ebola crisis is over)?

#### ANSWER

This is one of the possible options, which will need to be considered with the other potential uses.

#### NO. W249 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, say when the new Telemedicine technology will be in place for stroke care?

## **ANSWER**

The review for Stroke Care in Gibraltar has been completed. One of the options involves the use of Telemedicine.

Which option to implement in Gibraltar is currently being considered by the GHA team.

## NO. W250 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health, as per his Budget Speech, say when the GHA will be repatriating diagnostic services such as MRI scans?

## ANSWER

Different options are being explored by the GHA. No firm decision has been taken yet.

### NO. W251 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say what measures are in place at St Bernard's Hospital for the assistance to patients who cannot feed themselves at mealtimes?

## **ANSWER**

- 1. This is a nursing responsibility and nurses support and help patients during mealtimes.
- 2. Relatives / carers are allowed to come and help feed patients as requested by their families.

#### NO. W252 OF 2014

#### THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say, under the new employment solution arrived at by the GHA and Unite, for those GHA contract workers who have been working for less than four years, what the length of the short-term contracts offered to them will be, which will be rolled over to make their employment 'indefinite'?

#### ANSWER

The process commenced by the GSD Administration in respect of contract workers is unaffected by any changes agreed with Unite.

#### NO. W253 OF 2014

#### THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say, under the new employment solution arrived at by the GHA and Unite, for those GHA contract workers who have already completed four years' service, whether 'indefinite' contracts offered are 'permanent and pensionable' contracts or a series of further short-term contracts?

#### ANSWER

GHA contract workers who have been offered indefinite employment are now on indefinite terms may choose either the PF2 pension scheme or the GGSF pension scheme.

## NO. W254 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health state how many individuals in Gibraltar are HIV positive, receiving continuous treatment via the GHA?

## **ANSWER**

Due to small numbers involved this is sensitive information, which can only be provided confidentially, which I will be happy to do.

#### NO. W255 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say how many Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) nurses have been absent, due to sickness or other, since January 2013, broken down by months?

#### <u>ANSWER</u>

	Full- Time	Part- Time	WTE Totals
Jan-13	152	12	158
Feb-13	134	6	137
Mar-13	101	8	105
Apr-13	110	10	115
May-13	116	6	119
Jun-13	96	7	99.5
Jul-13	112	13	118.5
Aug-13	105	8	109
Sep-13	102	10	107
Oct-13	100	7	103.5
Nov-13	127	10	132
Dec-13	109	11	114.5

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	Full- Time	Part- Time	WTE Totals
Jan-14	113	11	118.5
Feb-14	121	8	125
Mar-14	103	10	108
Apr-14	112	6	115
May-14	103	10	108
Jun-14	94	5	96.5
Jul-14	97	7	100.5
Aug-14	114	10	119
Sep-14	111	8	115
Oct-14	116	10	121

#### NO. W256 OF 2014

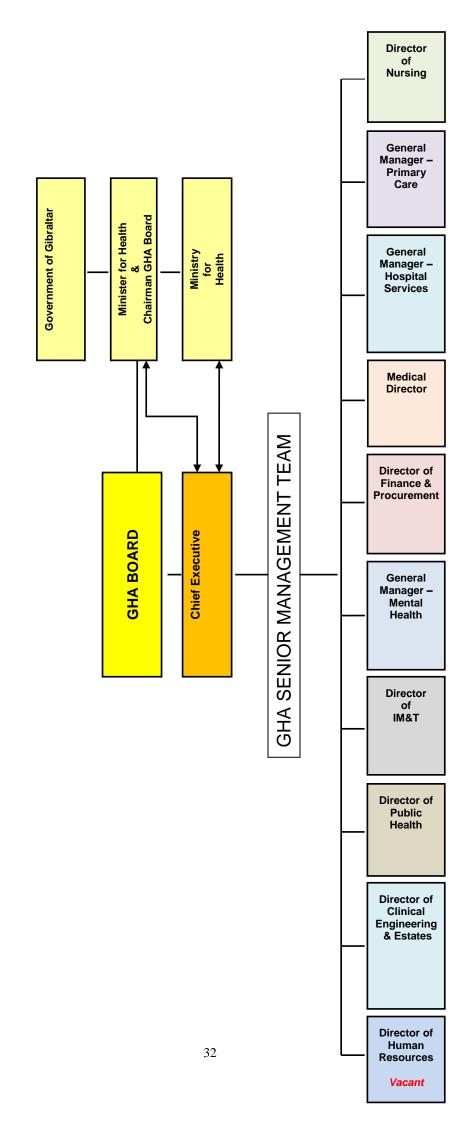
## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health provide a diagrammatic flow chart of the GHA's new management system, including the named individual managerial positions at each layer of management?

#### ANSWER

The Speaker ruled that names of public servants should not be provided in answer to questions.

Therefore, in particular since some of the appointees are recent, the diagram is provided without names.



### NO. W257 OF 2014

## THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health say how many surgery initiatives have taken place since January 2012, for what type of surgery, the date of when undertaken and the length of time each initiative took to deliver?

## ANSWER

Type of surgery	Date
Minor Operations (Lipomas, Sebaceous cysts , BCC's Excision Moles, Ingrown toenails)	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2014 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2014 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2014
<b>Pain Clinic</b> (Lumbar / Cervical Epidural,	18 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2014 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2014
Lignocaine Infusions	12 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2014
Infiltrations Radiofrequency)	28 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2014 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar 2014 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2014
	30 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2014

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DATE	TYPE OF SURGERY	NO. OF PROCEDURES
21.02.12	PLASTIC	3
23.04.12	PLASTIC	5
24.04.12	PLASTIC	4
14.05.12	DENTAL	1
15.05.12	DENTAL	2
15.06.12	DENTAL	3
20.08.14	PLASTIC	4
21.08.14	PLASTIC	3
30.08.12	DENTAL	2
11.09.12	ENT	3
19.11.12	PLASTIC	5
20.11.12	PLASTIC	4
04.12.12	DENTAL	2

# 2012 Main Theatres

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DATE	TYPE OF SURGERY	NO. OF PROCEDURES
30.01.13	ENT	3
07.02.13	ENT	5
11.02.13	PLASTIC	3
12.02.13	PLASTIC	4
13.02.13	PLASTIC	3
14.02.13	PLASTIC	2
25.03.13	PLASTIC	2
26.03.13	PLASTIC	2
27.03.14	PLASTIC	3
14.05.13	DENTAL	2
03.06.13	PLASTIC	2
04.06.13	PLASTIC	3
05.06.13	PLASTIC	4
06.06.13	PLASTIC	2
07.06.13	PLASTIC	3
01.08.13	DENTAL	2
19.08.13	PLASTIC	3
20.08.13	PLASTIC	3
29.08.13	ENT	4

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DATE	TYPE OF SURGERY	NO. OF PROCEDURES
02.09.13	PLASTIC	2
03.09.13	PLASTIC	3
04.09.13	PLASTIC	4
05.09.13	PLASTIC	5
18.11.13	PLASTIC	3
19.11.13	PLASTIC	3
20.11.13	PLASTIC	6

## Main Theatres 2014

DATE	TYPE OF SURGERY	NO. OF PROCEDURES
17.02.14	PLASTIC	3
18.02.14	PLASTIC	3
19.02.14	PLASTIC	2
20.02.14	PLASTIC	2
27.02.14	DENTAL	1
18.03.14	ENT	6
24.03.14	PLASTIC	4
25.03.14	PLASTIC	1
09.05.14	DENTAL	1

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DATE	TYPE OF SURGERY	NO. OF PROCEDURES
12.05.14	PLASTIC	3
12.05.14	DENTAL	1
13.05.14	PLASTIC	3
15.05.14	PLASTIC	2
16.05.14	PLASTIC	2
23.05.14	ORTHO	2
28.05.14	DENTAL	3
30.05.14	ORTHO	3
12.08.14	ENT	2
18.08.14	PLASTIC	3
19.08.14	PLASTIC	3
01.09.14	PLASTIC	2
02.09.14	PLASTIC	3
04.09.14	PLASTIC	3
05.09.14	PLASTIC	4
23.09.14	ENT	4

# Main Theatres 2014

# NO. W258 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health list how many GHA employees have been recruited via S&K Recruitment Business Services Ltd, since 9 December 2011, broken down by nationality, length of contract, grade, position and service area, full-time or part-time?

# **ANSWER**

# <u>Recruitment company</u>: S&K RECRUITMENT (prev known as Service all Centre Ltd)

No.	Nationality	Length employed since Dec 11 ( in months)	Grade	Position & Area	FT/PT
1	Gib	7	Clerk	Ward Clerk - Nursing	FT
2	Bri	21	Clerk	Ward Clerk - Nursing	FT
3	Bri	19	Industrial	Labourer	FT
4	Por	19	Industrial	Labourer	FT
5	Gib	9	Industrial	Stores Supervisor - Stores	FT
6	Gib	19	Industrial	Labourer	FT
			Audio	Typist - Medical Secretary	
7	Bri	6	Typist	Dept	FT
8	Gib	3	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
9	Gib	4	Clerk	Ward Clerk - Nursing	FT
10	Gib	1	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
11	Gib	1	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
			Nurse		
12	Gib	1	Helper	Radiography Helper	FT
13	Gib	7	Clerk	Admin Clerk - Spons	FT
14	Gib	3	Clerk	Admin Clerk - HR	FT
15	Gib	16	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
16	Gib	9	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
17	Gib	7	Clerk	Ward Clerk - Nursing	FT
18	Gib	7	Clerk	Admin Clerk - Finance	FT
19	Gib	2	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
20	Gib	7	Clerk	Admin Clerk - HR	FT

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No.	Nationality	Length employed since Dec 11 ( in months)	Grade	Position & Area	FT/PT
21	Gib	6	Clerk	Admin Clerk - Finance	FT
22	Gib	5	Clerk	Admin clerk - Physio dept	FT
23	Gib	4	Clerk	Admin clerk - Physio dept	FT
24	Gib	0.5	Clerk	Ward Clerk - Nursing	FT
25	Gib	1	Clerk	Admin clerk - Physio dept	FT
26	Gib	13	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
27	Gib	13	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
			Audio	Typist - Medical Secretary	
28	Bri	1	Typist	Dept	FT
29	Gib	1	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
30	Gib	1	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT
31	Gib	1	Clerk	Admin Clerk - PCC	FT

# NO. W259 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health list how many GHA employees have been recruited via employment recruitment companies, since 9 December 2011, broken down by:

- (a) name of employment recruitment company;
- (b) nationality of employee;
- (c) length of contract;
- (d) grade;
- (e) position and service area; and whether
- (f) full-time or part-time?

# ANSWER

# Recruitment company: BETA SERVICE RECRUITMENT

# Total number of employees since 2011 = 1

Nationality of employee	British (UK)
Length of Contract	4 months
Grade	Typist
Position and Service area	Audio Typist – Medical Secretary
	Dept
Full or part-time	Full-time

Recruitment company: S&K RECRUITMENT

Total number of employees since 2011 = 31

PQ W258/2014 has the requested details for this company.

# NO. W260 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Health state how many elderly citizens are presently occupying a bed at St Bernard's Hospital who are waiting for a Care Agency bed, broken down by wards and whether pending placement in the Care Agency or complex discharges pending long-term plans?

# ANSWER

People waiting for a Care Agency bed is as follows:

- 21 Captain Murchison Ward
- 19 Victoria Ward

# NO. W261 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister with responsibility for the Fire Service say if the salary of the Chief Fire Officer has been, or will be, increased from £84,497 as stated in the 2014/2015 Estimates Book of Revenue and Expenditure and if so, by how much?

# ANSWER

As announced by the Chief Minister in his Budget Speech of the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014, the Government, as part of its negotiations with the members of the City Fire Brigade awarded a 5% pay increase and abolished the 3% abatement applicable to their pay. Consequently the Chief Fire Officer's salary as from the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2014 stands at £91,257. The Chief Minister, as minister with responsibility for industrial relations, is currently dealing with many legacy claims, inherited from the previous administration, as part of a holistic review of the Brigade and therefore is not in a position to share any further information until the conclusion of this review.

# NO. W262 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Social Services say how the Ministry for Social Services or the Care Agency helps those with neurological conditions and how information is provided to them on how to access these services?

# ANSWER

There are many types of neurological conditions.

The Care Agency helps those with neurological conditions that impact on their social care needs following assessment by Social Services at which point people will be considered for the different Care Agency services. Advice and practical help may also be provided as well as awareness of support groups and other services outside the Care Agency which may be available.

# NO. W263 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Further to Written Questions numbered 49 and 55 of 2014, can the Minister for Social Services explain why there have been no fostering placements since May 2012 and only seven from December 9<sup>th</sup> 2011 to May 2012?

# **ANSWER**

The number of foster placements in existence is dictated by the number of children that require foster placements as opposed to being driven by individual's wishing to foster. All Looked After Children have care plans, and in these, their placement needs are identified. There cannot be a higher number of foster placements if there is no need for these. Not all Looked After Children want or need to be cared for by foster carers.

All children who were successfully adopted had previously been placed with their pre-adoptive parents therefore eliminating the need for a foster placement.

# NO. W264 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Further to Question No. 300/2014, can the Minister for Social Services say where the Pilot Study is being conducted in relation to data collected of women in the workplace, in which different sectors of the economy, giving the number of women sampled in each workplace?

# ANSWER

The Ministry is now in receipt of raw data which is currently being analysed and considered. The entire workforce in Gibraltar, both in the public and private sector is being considered.

# NO. W265 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Further to Question No. 289/2014, can the Minister for Social Services name the individual lawyers who are undertaking the legal work on behalf of the Care Agency at Hassans and Stow Family Law?

# **ANSWER**

The Care Agency instructs the firm as opposed to individual lawyers. More than one lawyer may work on different instructions. It is a matter for each firm how work is allocated and distributed.

# NO. W266 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Social Services explain how the Care Agency is involved in an 'eating disorder programme' for young women and girls and who is involved?

# **ANSWER**

The Care Agency therapeutic team have been involved in working with the GHA in a multi agency approach to this initiative. The Care Agency has supported the GHA who are now leading on this.

# NO. W267 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Social Services, as per her Budget Speech, give further details on the 'Parent and Child Parenting Assessment Programme' by explaining:

- (a) when was the service introduced;
- (b) who the members of staff who run the service are;
- (c) which families are eligible to enter the programme;
- (d) how long the programme runs for each family;
- (e) how many families are on the programme; and
- (f) what is offered to the families during the programme?

#### ANSWER

- a) April 2014.
- b) Social workers and care workers.
- c) Families where serious child protection issues have been identified.
- d) Depends on the needs of each family. In each family the issues are different, however a Programme may take an average of 13 weeks, and this is reviewed at different intervals so as to assess whether new parenting behaviours and strategies have been learnt by the parent/s.
- e) At present there are two families.
- f) A Parenting Programme will offer guidance on child care, child health and development, behaviour management, independent living skills, safety and hygiene, parents' health, relationships and support, and the impact of the environment and community on parenting. Each programme will be adapted dependent on the needs of the child and parents including parents who have learning disabilities or difficulties.

# NO. W268 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Social Services say which former day centres have now been closed after the opening of the Waterport Terraces centre, and explain why the Waterport Terraces Centre does not open on Wednesdays?

# **ANSWER**

The day centre service held at the South District Senior Citizen's Club and the one held at the Social Services building at Governor's Parade were relocated to the new purpose built centre at Waterport Terraces.

The Waterport Terrace daycentre is currently not open on Wednesdays to enable staff training and development and formal supervision, meetings and training sessions with volunteer staff, facilitate assessments upon new applicants and staff supervision to ensure consistency of care and approach.

# NO. W269 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Social Services list how many Care Agency employees have been recruited S & K Recruitment Business Services Ltd, since 9 December 2011, broken down by nationality, length of contract, grade, position and service area, full-time or part-time?

# ANSWER

The Care Agency uses S & K Recruitment Business Services Ltd since December 2011 for the same purpose it was being used elsewhere in Government before that date i.e. to provide temporary cover.

# NO. W270 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Social services list how many Care Agency employees have been recruited via employment recruitment companies, since 9 December 2011, broken down by:

- (a) name of employment recruitment company;
- (b) nationality of employee;
- (c) length of contract;
- (d) grade;
- (e) position and service area; and whether
- (f) full-time or part-time?

#### **ANSWER**

The Care Agency does not recruit via recruitment agencies other than in the case of Social Workers. Six have been recruited.

- a) Caritas Recruitment
- b) British, German and Spanish
- c) 11 months
- d) Senior Social Worker and Social Worker
- e) Social Services
- f) Full-time

# NO. W271 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Education say what measures will be put in place for working parents in the public sector, who have chosen to change their working hours to start at 8am, to accommodate their young children who cannot access their schools until 8.45am?

# ANSWER

No specific measures have been put in place for working parents in the Public Sector choosing to start work at 8.00 am.

The parents choosing to start work at this time have presumably done so because they already have their childcare options and arrangements in place.

# NO. W272 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Education say if Government has been involved in any way in helping Loreto School set up their new Year 8 entry and if so, how?

# ANSWER

The Headteacher of the Loreto Convent School wrote to the Director of Education explaining that the school proposed to provide a Year 8 class in September 2014 and providing details in relation to curriculum, staffing and premises. The Director of Education was satisfied with the proposed arrangements.

# NO. W273 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Education say if once vacated, the Sacred Heart Middle School building will be given to Loreto School for private secondary education provisions and if so, will Loreto School be buying or renting the building off Government?

# **ANSWER**

Loreto Convent School has not proposed to the Government that it wishes to establish a private secondary school at the Sacred Heart Middle School Building.

# NO. W274 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Education explain why GCSE Science students at Bayside School during last academic year 2013/2014 were without full-time, consistent supply teaching cover for the three science teachers who were on maternity leave and the one science teacher who was on long-term sick leave?

# **ANSWER**

No GCSE Science class was left unattended. The Headteacher informs me that due to an extraordinary combination of circumstances their timetable had to be reshuffled to release suitably qualified teachers from the lower school to enable them to teach the Science GCSE classes. The Department of Education, in turn, covered any shortfall that this may have created in the lower school with supply teachers.

# NO. W275 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Minister for Education provide a list of the AS results for the last five academic years, including this last academic year 2013/14, broken down by, as per the published annual 'A' Level results by:

(a) Subjects;

(b) Schools?

# **ANSWER**

The information requested is set out in the table attached.

	SUMMER 2010	R 2010	SUMMER 2011	2011	SUMMER 2012	2012	SUMMER 2013	2013	SUMMER 2014	2014
Bayside AS	% A-B Pass	% A-E Pass								
Art & Design	64	100	64	100	89	100	80	100	40	100
Biology	6	52	12	35	24	68	17	75	14	52
Business Studies	10	100	29	100	23	100	15	85	38	100
Chemistry	1	44	13	75	25	68	28	61	29	71
English Literature	39	100	12	83	13	06	26	96	15	81
French	29	86	38	88	40	100	25	100	0	100
Geography	0	100	57	86	4	54	23	71	23	88
History	28	94	24	97	15	89	19	96	75	94
Maths	47	82	64	06	44	76	45	79	46	27
Music	0	100	11	67	100	100	83	100	40	100
Performing Arts	0	100	0	75	50	100			33	100
Physics	30	83	47	93	29	65	32	72	23	62
Product Design	22	67	0	56	0	67	33	100	0	50
Religious Studies	20	40	33	100	25	75	40	100	33	100
Sociology	40	93	65	91	28	88	0	64	34	86
Spanish	69	100	64	97	60	98	53	98	67	98
Sports Studies	15	77	25	88	11	68	19	86	9	56
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	SUMMER 2010	R 2010	SUMMER 2011	2011	SUMMER 2012	2012	SUMMER 2013	2013	SUMMER 2014	2014
Westside AS	% A-B Pass	% A-E Pass								
Art & Design	19	95	43	100	67	100	60	100	60	100
Biology	32	85	44	06	16	68	15	78	15	100
Business Studies	36	93	10	06	10	06	10	60	10	60
Chemistry	61	94	0	100	4	59	15	85	15	85
Economics	57	100	50	100	0	100	0	73	0	80
English Literature	19	100	38	100	51	100	29	100	27	100
French	50	100	44	100	50	100	25	100	71	100
Geography	67	83	64	100	44	100	38	100	36	86
History	34	93	23	85	44	100	53	100	23	85
History of Art	6	64	21	86	46	92	33	100	19	89
Maths	74	93	65	88	37	89	52	97	27	83
Music	100	100	29	100	0	100	0	100	33	100
Performing Arts	25	100	13	83	0	80	17	100	0	100
Physics	75	100	73	100	25	100	100	100	44	100
Psychology	31	86	34	84	24	70	34	81	20	80
Religious Studies	б	73	14	93	29	100	60	100	29	82
Spanish	74	100	74	100	75	100	83	100	75	100
Sports Studies	7	79	29	71	17	75	23	100	10	50
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# NO. W276 OF 2014

# THE HON D J BOSSINO

Further to Question W222/2014, can the Minister for Employment provide updated details of the expenditure in terms of salaries paid to the trainees in the FJS?

# ANSWER

Further to Question W222/2014, the updated details are:

Sep - £320K

# NO. W277 OF 2014

# THE HON D J BOSSINO

Since Question W223/2014, can the Minister for Employment provide details of the number of private employers which have employed FJS trainees, with details of how many trainees have been employed by each employer, broken down by month?

# **ANSWER**

The number of former trainees employed by each employer in month 32 is:

Employers	Employees
17	1
1	2
3	3
2	4

# NO. W278 OF 2014

# THE HON D J BOSSINO

Can the Minister for Employment provide the updated information further to Question number W224 of 2014 set out in (a) - (f) in respect of each of the companies mentioned in the question and in the same detail previously provided?

# **ANSWER**

(a) At the start of month 32, the number of trainees in each company was as follows:-

(b) The number of trainees starting during the course of month 32 was as follows:-

# Cont. W278/2014

(c) The number of former trainees employed with the training provider in month 32 was as follows:-

(d) The number of former trainees employed other than by the placement provider in month 32 was as follows:-

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(e) The number of trainees leaving the companies for other reasons in month 32 was as follows:-

# Cont. W278/2014

(f) At the end of month 32, the number of trainees in each company was as follows:-

# NO. W279 OF 2014

# THE HON D J BOSSINO

Further to question W225/2014, can the Minister for Employment provide details of the number of private employers (broken down by industry group) which have employed FJS trainees with details of how many trainees have been employed by each employer, broken down by month?

# ANSWER

Further to Question W225, the number of private employers in month 32, by industry sector, was as follows: -

Sectors	No of Companies
Electricity Supply	0
Water Supply	0
Shipbuilding etc.	0
Other Manufacture	0
Construction	5
Wholesale Trade	0
Retail Trade	0
Hotel Trade	1
Restaurants, Bars, etc.	2
Repairs of Consumer Goods	0
Sea Transport & Related Services	0
Air Transport & Related Services	0
Road Transport (Incl Taxis, Buses, Lorries, etc.)	0
Post & Communication	0
Banking, Finance & Insurance	3
Police & Fire Service (Security)	2
Sanitary Services	0
Education	0
Mental Health	2
Other Services	8

# Cont. Q279/2014

The number of former trainees employed by each employer in month 32 was as follows:-

	Employers	Employees
Month 32	17	1
	1	2
	3	3
	2	4

# NO. W280 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Chief Minister say what the new annual grant for the Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre is?

# **ANSWER**

Answered in question W281.

# NO. W281 OF 2014

# THE HON MRS I M ELLUL-HAMMOND

Can the Chief Minister provide a list of the named beneficiaries and the amount they will each receive from the £950,000 Estimated amount for 2014/2015 for 'Other Grants and Donations', Head 2 (14) (b), in the Government of Gibraltar Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure Book 2014/2015?

# ANSWER

The Government considers that the information is sensitive and confidential. The Government has no difficulty in making the information available to the Opposition if the Hon Members agree to maintain the information entirely confidential.

# NO. W282 OF 2014

# THE HON J J NETTO

Can the Government state how many Moroccan Nationals have been nationalised between 1996 to 2011?

# **ANSWER**

A total of 358 Moroccan nationals have been naturalised between 1996 to 2011.

# NO. W283 OF 2014

# THE HON J J NETTO

Can the Government state how many Moroccan Nationals have been nationalised since 2012 to date on a monthly basis?

# **ANSWER**

A total of 704 Moroccan nationals have been nationalised since 2012.

	2012	2013	2014
JAN		113	103
FEB	18	38	6
MAR	73	8	36
APR	11	5	16
MAY	8	87	
JUN	5	5	2
JUL	1	3	
AUG	4	7	
SEP	7	1	
ОСТ	2	78	2
NOV	33	13	
DEC	15	4	

# NO. W284 OF 2014

# THE HON D A FEETHAM

Can the Government please provide a breakdown of everyone (including public officials) that attended Gibraltar Day in London last month at the expense of the taxpayer together with the total cost thereof?

# **ANSWER**

The information requested is too voluminous to compile at such short notice. It should be possible to provide it in time for the next session of the House.