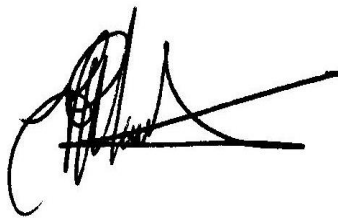


18 January, 2017

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS

Notice has been received from Hon Members of the following oral and written questions to be asked at the Meeting of the Gibraltar Parliament to be held on 18th January 2017.



Paul E Martinez
Clerk to the Parliament

QUESTION No: 1/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Following on from answers provided to Question Nos. 732 of 2016 and 842 of 2016, can the Minister for Sport update this House in respect of the two vacancies within the Gibraltar Sports and Leisure Authority?

QUESTION No: 2/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Sport provide details of any further cancellations, since the answer provided to Question No. 845 of 2016, at any of the Gibraltar Sports and Leisure Authority's premises due to the facilities being unfit for use; inclusive of reasons why the cancellations were necessary and the dates involved?

QUESTION No: 3/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government explain why the installed exercise equipment adjacent to Albert Risso House been fenced off and made inaccessible for a period of 4 years?



QUESTION No: 4/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government provide details of the maintenance programme in place in respect to flood lights at the training pitches at Victoria Stadium?

QUESTION No: 5/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the net cost of the 2016 Gibraltar Music Festival?

QUESTION No: 6/2017

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can the Government confirm or deny whether there are plans to move the production and organisation of the GMF from our local set up to MTV?

QUESTION No: 7/2017

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Has Government made a decision on where the new stadium will be constructed?

QUESTION No: 8/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government explain why O'Hara's Battery appears to be permanently closed?

QUESTION No: 9/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government disclose on which occasions have attractions in the Upper Rock been closed during normal opening hours during the past 5 years, detailing the reason on each occasion and the period closed?

QUESTION No: 10/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government disclose on which occasions certain sectors had the Upper Rock admission fees waived and which sectors these may have been?



QUESTION No: 11/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government provide a schedule with daily statistics for the past 5 years on how many people have purchased tickets for the World War II tunnels, broken into locals and tourists?

QUESTION No: 12/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government confirm that statistics to Upper Rock attractions are not kept in any format whatsoever, whether daily, weekly, monthly or yearly?

QUESTION No: 13/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Has the Government addressed the unassigned responsibilities of storeman at the 100 Ton Gun main store?

QUESTION No: 14/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Further to question 847/2016, have any of the works required additional works to make good any defects, if so have these been at an extra cost?

QUESTION No: 15/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

In relation to the works mentioned in Question 847/2016, did the Gibraltar Tourist Board advertise any of the works to the general public?

QUESTION No: 16/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Further to Question 854/2016, can the Government reveal what sectors the debtors belong to? i.e. taxi, bus, walking tour provider or other?



QUESTION No: 17/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Further to Question 854/2016, can the Government update the arrears position of Debtor A and Debtor B, together with details of any new debts and debtors which may have exceeded their credit periods?

QUESTION No: 18/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Since the Principal Auditor highlighted his concerns in 3.7.13 of the Annual Accounts 2014-2015 has Gibraltar Tourist Board undertaken any further works without channelling them through the Procurement Office which would require the GTB to do so as per the Chief Secretary's directive regarding local procurement tender thresholds?

QUESTION No. 19/2017

UNALLOCATED.

QUESTION No: 20/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can Government say to what extent has Gibraltar participated in the Climate and Clean Air Coalition in the last year and what benefits have been derived from that participation?

QUESTION No: 21/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can the Government report on the progress of the programme to re-introduce the European Flat Oyster to our waters?

QUESTION No: 22/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Since the first meeting with the Head of the Environment for the Junta de Andalucía in May last year, how many technical meetings have subsequently taken place and what has been discussed at these meetings?



QUESTION No: 23/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

What progress has been made on the solar panel project for the hospital and when might we expect it to be completed?

QUESTION No: 24/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government provide details of the arrangements that are currently in place for the use of Bufadero at Lathbury Barracks as a dog park and the intention of the Government for this site moving forward?

QUESTION No: 25/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government provide the projected cost to the public purse for the undertaking of DNA sampling of dogs faeces?

QUESTION No: 26/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government provide the number and nature of incidences relating to unauthorised entries by individuals at both Bayside and Westside Schools since December 2011?

QUESTION No: 27/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government explain how the hardship grant for students undertaking studies in the United Kingdom operates?

QUESTION No: 28/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government explain its position with respect to the mandatory funding of post graduate degrees and professional and vocational training?



QUESTION No: 29/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise who are the members of the Working Group for the development of a Heritage Management Plan for Gibraltar and how often has it met since the announcement of its creation in November 2016?

QUESTION No: 30/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise how many professional archaeologists are currently employed by it on a full time basis?

QUESTION No: 31/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise what progress has been made on the archaeological study or excavation of the Moorish Castle Complex?

QUESTION No: 32/2017

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Is Government satisfied that the certificate in Gibraltar law, which is in its second year and is a requirement in order to practice law in Gibraltar, is being run smoothly?

QUESTION No: 33/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

In connection with Government Press Release 905/2015, dated 9th December 2015, how many Segways have been confiscated by HM Customs?

QUESTION No: 34/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government confirm whether the cost of the recently refurbished zebra crossing at Mid-Town Car Park has been in addition to the overall cost of the project or not?



QUESTION No: 35/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can the Minister with responsibility for Traffic provide figures for the number of vehicles clamped during the months of October, November and December 2016?

QUESTION No: 36/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can the Minister with responsibility for traffic say how many fixed penalty notices were issued to vehicles for parking offences in November and December 2016?

QUESTION No: 37/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

In his budget speech the Minister with responsibility for traffic stated that 326 parking spaces had been sold in the Mid-town car park. In answers to questions in December these sales figures had risen to 456, an additional 130 spaces having been sold. Can the Minister say what prompted the decision to sell more spaces which had previously been available to the public?

QUESTION No: 38/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

In his budget speech the Minister with responsibility for Traffic stated that some parking spaces in the Mid-town car park had been left out, the implications being that it was a small number. In answers to questions last month he stated that the number of rented spaces was 131. What prompted Government to rent more spaces and remove them from public use?

QUESTION No: 39/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can the Minister with responsibility for Traffic confirm that the claim made in his budget speech that with the parking in Mid-town, the Government was providing more than 100 additional public parking spaces than were previously available at the Commonwealth Parade and Naval Ground, can no longer be substantial, given the sale of an additional 130 of the mid-town spaces and the rental of further spaces?



QUESTION No: 40/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Is the Government continuing with its commitment, as set out in the budget speech of the Minister with responsibility for traffic to provide funding this Financial Year to the Garage & Workshop for new equipment, and also that the Garage & Workshop will continue to provide a service to maintain the fleet of Government vehicles, including the refuse collection vehicles?

QUESTION No: 41/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can the Government provide the reason for the diversion of the waterfall at Camp Bay and what costs, if any, have been incurred in the project?

QUESTION No: 42/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can Government explain why the Crypto-currency working group's Second Report of 22nd February 2016 was recalled?

QUESTION No: 43/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government provide an updated schedule of licensed tour guides including their names, nationalities, and year permit was issued?

QUESTION No: 44/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government reveal the value of the landline and mobile telephone bills highlighted by the Principal Auditor in 3.7.6 of the 2014-2015 Annual Accounts?

QUESTION No: 45/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Further to Q524/2016 can the Government confirm that the Superintendent of Prisons has now issued the requisite notice for the mandatory drugs testing of prisoners at HMP Windmill Hill?



QUESTION No: 46/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Further to Q524/2016 can the Government provide details pertaining to the number of mandatory drugs test conducted on prisoners at HMP Windmill Hill?

QUESTION No: 47/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Further to Q524/2016 can the Government confirm that it is the prisoner service itself that prefers voluntary drugs testing arrangements as opposed to the exercise of the power to conduct mandatory drugs testing of prisoners at HMP Windmill Hill?

QUESTION No: 48/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government provide a care worker attendance breakdown for each flat at Dr Giraldi Home and residential satellite units detailing per flat/unit how many care workers are employees of the Care Agency an how many are sub-contracted workers on the 1st, 15th and last day of each month during 2016?

QUESTION No: 49/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

From the Care Workers working on the 1st, 15th and last day of each month during 2016, can the Government disclose how many workers in attendance were providing adhoc services to flats/units not habitually assigned to them and the reason why?

QUESTION No: 50/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Does the Government intend to provide any outdoor recreation whatsoever to the residents of Calpe Elderly Care Ward and John Cochrane Elderly Care Ward?

QUESTION No: 51/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Is the Government in a position to advise to whom the contract has been awarded in respect of the Dementia Care Centre and for how much?



QUESTION No: 52/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise how much the escalators to St Bernard's Hospital cost to purchase and install?

QUESTION No: 53/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of average waiting times at the Primary Care Centre on a monthly basis for the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 54/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of the longest a patient has had to wait to be treated at the Primary Care Centre in each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 55/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of average waiting times for non-urgent referrals from the PCC to consultants or doctors at the Hospital for each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 56/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of average waiting times for urgent cancer referrals from the PCC to consultants or doctors at the Hospital for each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 57/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of monthly average waiting times of people waiting to be treated at the A & E Department at the hospital during the last 6 months?



QUESTION No: 58/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of the longest a patient has had to wait to be treated at the A & E Department in each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 59/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of how many patients have been placed or been admitted to A & E Department in each of the last 6 months and have had to wait for over an hour before their admission to a ward within the Hospital?

QUESTION No: 60/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of average waiting times at St Bernard's Hospital for all operations during each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 61/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please state how many cancellations of operations there have been at St Bernard's Hospital in each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 62/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of the monthly number of in-patients being treated at Xanit Hospital in Spain for each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 63/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of the monthly number of patients in each ward at St Bernard's Hospital for each of the last six months?



QUESTION No: 64/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of monthly average bed occupancy levels at St Bernard's Hospital for each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 65/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government confirm how many additional beds have been added to wards in the last two months in order to cater for patient admissions at the Hospital?

QUESTION No: 66/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government confirm that the GHA has placed beds in the Hospital Gym in case it needs extra beds for admissions?

QUESTION No: 67/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please provide details of both the numerical and percentage bed occupancy rates at St Bernard's Hospital by sufferers of dementia and elderly long stay patients in each of the last 6 months?

QUESTION No: 68/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government say how many nurses are currently employed by the GHA directly?

QUESTION No: 69/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government say how many nurses are placed within the GHA through the services of a recruitment consultant?



QUESTION No: 70/2017

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can the Government say how much the new dementia facility has cost and can they provide a breakdown of costs?

QUESTION No: 71/2017

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can the Minister for Health state whether there has been any progress for the setting up of a 24 hour crisis line to man and care for emergency mental health issues as per the Mental Health Motion of the November sitting of Parliament?

QUESTION No: 72/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Iltamas

Can the Government provide a schedule with the modifications and cost of each modification which will be required to be carried out to public areas and buildings in accordance with the incoming Disability Bill?

QUESTION No: 73/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide details pertaining to the house size requirements in respect of applicants who joined any category of housing waiting lists prior to 8th December 2011 and who have still not been handed keys to a new home; inclusive of dates of joining said lists?

QUESTION No: 74/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide updated details in respect of the number of applicants on all Government Housing Waiting Lists, inclusive of the Pre-List, Social and Medical Lists, as well as indicating their rooms composition entitlements and dates when these applicants joined the respective lists?



QUESTION No: 75/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide a list showing the total number of homes which are currently empty; providing a breakdown of pre-war and post-war properties, indicating their rooms composition, locations and dates as from when these homes have been empty?

QUESTION No: 76/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide details of how many jobs in respect of repairs to rental homes are currently pending (i.e. still not fully completed), indicating the dates when these reports were first made by tenants?

QUESTION No: 77/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide details of how many tenants required urgent decanting from their homes since the answer to Question No. 884 of 2016; indicating the reason why, the date when said decanting became necessary and the date when the tenants were able to return to their home?

QUESTION No: 78/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide details of how many tenants who required urgent decanting from their homes at any time in the past are still waiting to be able to return to their homes?

QUESTION No: 79/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing say how much expenditure has been incurred in respect of legal costs relating to the eviction of squatters from Government rental homes since the answer to Question No. 885 of 2016; providing a breakdown showing the number of homes involved and to whom payments were made?



QUESTION No: 80/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide details of all expenditure incurred, since the answer to Question No. 887 of 2016, in respect of contracts awarded for making empty homes suitable for re-allocation; stating whom payments were made, how much has been paid, the number of residential homes pertaining to each payment, as well as indicating the type/nature of repair works or cleaning services undertaken?

QUESTION No: 81/2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide updated details of outstanding arrears in respect of Government rental homes?

QUESTION No: 82/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise whether PWC have completed any audits of Credit Finance Company Limited?

QUESTION No: 83/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government please provide the total Gross Debt, Aggregate Debt after application of the sinking fund to Gross Debt, Cash Reserves and Net Debt figures for Public Debt for the following date?

1 December 2016

QUESTION No: 84/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government please advise the total liquid reserves figure and its constituents namely Consolidated Fund, Improvement and Development fund, Government Owned Companies, deposits, contingencies and other funds for the following date?

1 December 2016



QUESTION No: 85/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government please advise how total liquid reserves are invested/held given details of all bank/savings bank accounts and cash held for the following date?

1 December 2016

QUESTION No: 86/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government please provide a statement as to its financial performance by individual heads of revenue and expenditure as compared to the 2016/17 approved estimates for the 6 month period to 30 September 2016 including Government Authorities and Agencies?

QUESTION No: 87/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government please advise all companies (with the exception of Aquagib Limited) in which it or the Gibraltar Development Corporation has a joint venture interest and the monetary value of that interest and the percentage of the joint venture company owned?

QUESTION No: 88/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Is the Government planning to introduce any efficiency measures within the GHA?

QUESTION No: 89/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Does the Government intend to change the employment status of frontier workers employed directly by the GHA as nurses on short term contract, from direct employment by the GHA to placement via the services of a recruitment consultant?

QUESTION No: 90/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can the Government say what technology for local improvements to the Environment have been brought to Gibraltar by the Hong Kong company Good Resources Holding Ltd since the Government's announcement on 21st January last year?



QUESTION No: 91/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Has the partnership with Chinese investors claimed by the Chief Minister in a press release of January last year been formalised in any way and what fruits has that partnership borne for Gibraltar?

QUESTION No: 92/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise how many expressions of interest were received on the submission deadline of 22 December 2016 in respect of the leasing of its entire vehicle fleet comprising over 400 vehicles and motorcycles and 90 specialist vehicles?

QUESTION No: 93/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Would the Government agree that under the “conventions of purdah” any political election manifestos currently uploaded to any Government or Government Authority or Agency websites will have to be immediately removed upon the calling of a General or by-election?

QUESTION No: 94/2017

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Further to the answers provided to questions 931 and 932 of 2016, is the Government now in a position to provide answers to those questions?



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

QUESTION No: W1/2017

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can Government provide a schedule of sponsored patients sent to hospitals in the UK, in the last four years, broken down by hospital name and numbers of patients sent to each hospital per year?

QUESTION No: W2/2017

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Further to written Question 67/2016, can the Government provide an updated schedule of statistics with a breakdown including: private vehicles, taxi, coach, walking, cable car & 100 Ton Gun since December 2011?

QUESTION No: W3/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

How many illegal incursions by Spanish fishing vessels took place by month, during 2016?

QUESTION No: W4/2017

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can the Minister for the Environment provide figures for the number of Yellow Legged Gulls culled by month since January 2011?

QUESTION No: W5 of 2017

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Housing provide details in respect of all repairs undertaken to lifts servicing Government rental homes since the answer to Question No. W68 of 2016?

QUESTION No: W6/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government please provide a breakdown of where and how all the monies deposited in the Gibraltar Savings Bank have been invested and the rate of return on each of these investments as at 30 November 2016?



QUESTION No: W7/2017

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government please provide a breakdown with maturity details, monetary amount and interest rates of Gibraltar Savings Bank Debentures or other debt security as at 30 November 2016?