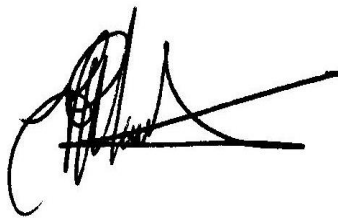


14 February, 2018

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 Wednesday 14th February 2018.



Paul E Martinez
Clerk to the Parliament

QUESTION No: 95/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Where do the rocks being dumped in the sea at Coaling Island originate and can Government state for what purpose they are being dumped there and if the works have been subjected to a full Environmental Impact Assessment and if this has been presented to the DPC?

QUESTION No: 96/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state what steps, if any, are being taken by the Gibraltar Broadcasting Corporation to ensure that subtitles for local programmes on television are available for the hearing impaired?

QUESTION No: 97/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Further to the answer provided to Question No. 595 of 2017, is the Minister for Sport now in a position to inform this House of Government's plans for the relocation of the shooting facilities presently sited at Europa Point?



QUESTION No: 98/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Further to the answer provided to Question No. 8 of 2018, can the Minister for Sport update this House in respect of the Grade 9 (Administrative Assistant) post which was vacant within the Gibraltar Sports and Leisure Authority?

QUESTION No: 99/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Sports inform this House of any staff vacancies or posts which are currently waiting to be filled on a substantive basis within the Gibraltar Sports and Leisure Authority?

QUESTION No: 100/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Sports inform this House how many cancellations have been necessary at any of the Gibraltar Sports and Leisure Authority's facilities since 1st January 2018; indicating the location, date and reason for the cancellation?

QUESTION No: 101/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Sports provide updated details of all payments made during this current Financial Year in respect of any sports related grants?

QUESTION No: 102/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Culture provide updated details of all Cultural Grants awarded during this current Financial Year?

QUESTION No: 103/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Sport update this House with details of agreements entered into and payments made to date by the Gibraltar Football Association in respect of all facilities which they lease at Victoria Stadium?



QUESTION No: 104/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise if it has agreed to pay any compensation to operators of catering establishments in the Victoria Stadium Complex, as a result of the anticipated sale to the Gibraltar Football Association and, if so, to whom and in what amount?

QUESTION No: 105/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government confirm that the two £5m instalments payable by the GFA in this current financial year are still expected to be paid before the 31st March 2018?

QUESTION No: 106/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government confirm the lengthy negotiations since the announcement was made in April 2017 in finalising the sale of the lease for the Victoria Stadium to the GFA will not result in the taxpayer being worse off?

QUESTION No: 107/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government state the expected cost for the building of the University of Gibraltar halls and the name of the contractor?

QUESTION No: 108/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Further to question 231 of 2017, are the black cabs now available for purchase in left hand drive and has Government finalised its agreement with the Gibraltar Taxi Association regarding their purchase?

QUESTION No: 109/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Without disclosing the household itself, can the Government provide a schedule on the number of parking permits issued per household since the recent launch of the parking schemes and the residential building or road the household belongs to?



QUESTION No: 110/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

When will the Statutory Review of the Gibraltar Financial Services Commission carried out in 2016 be published?

QUESTION No: 111/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Has the Gibraltar International Bank obtained alternative clearing facilities to enable it to offer banking facilities to crypto-currency related service providers?

QUESTION No: 112/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Following recent reports in the UK media relating data-cable security vulnerability, is the Government confident Gibraltar's networks are safe from sabotage and attacks?

QUESTION No: 113/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government confirm that the entire £22 million cost of the announced wastewater treatment plant will be borne by the Improvement and Development Fund and if not by whom?

QUESTION No: 114/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state how it intends to reduce the prevalence of tobacco smoking in our community?

QUESTION No: 115/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Further to question 115 of 2017, has Government received a response from to its complaint to the EU Commission reference the flaring at Cepsa and, if so, what is the content of that response?



QUESTION No: 116/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Has the thinking green underwater camera worked at all since the beginning of last month?

QUESTION No: 117/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

What is the cost for each DNA test, or batch of tests conducted on samples of dog faeces?

QUESTION No: 118/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

How many fines have been issued or are pending for ownership of unregistered dogs?

QUESTION No: 119/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

How many meetings of the Heritage Action Committee have taken place since March 2017 and what has been discussed?

QUESTION No: 120/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Can Government provide a list of the number of visitors to the Upper Rock, by month, since July 2014?

QUESTION No: 121/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government provide an update on the arrears detail position of debtors who may have exceeded their credit periods on Upper Rock Nature Reserve entrance fees, together with details of any other debts they may owe to HM GOG and/or its agents?

QUESTION No: 122/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government explain whether it is still pursuing a working Upper Rock - Gibraltar Nature Reserve app?



QUESTION No: 123/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Education provide details in respect of vacant teaching posts, indicating the school/establishment where these vacancies exist; as well as showing how many posts are currently being covered in an acting capacity and from which dates?

QUESTION No: 124/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Has the Minister or Director of Education spoken to Head Teachers about the restrictions on the use of school buildings recently imposed by some schools upon GTA/NASUWT?

QUESTION No: 125/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Does the Government continue to support the restrictions on the use of school buildings imposed by some schools on GTA/NASUWT?

QUESTION No: 126/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

How many times did the Minister or Director of Education meet GTA/NASUWT before 26th October 2017 to discuss the plans that Government subsequently announced on that date?

QUESTION No: 127/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

How many times have Government met GTA/NASUWT to discuss the plans they announced on 26th October 2017 since that date?

QUESTION No: 128/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

How many times did the Minister or Director of Education meet Head Teachers of the various schools to discuss the plans that they subsequently announced on 26th October 2017, giving a breakdown of which Head Teachers were met and when?



QUESTION No: 129/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state the number of children with hearing impairments at our schools?

QUESTION No: 130/2018

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

How is the Department of Education managing the key stage realignment transition in the run up to the new secondary schools?

QUESTION No: 131/2018

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Is the Department of Education currently undergoing a TLR review?

QUESTION No: 132/2018

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Is the Department of Education looking at implementing pay reviews in the run up to the new school structure?

QUESTION No: 133/2018

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Is the Department of Education satisfied with current heating levels in classrooms following last month's calls for heating to be at an appropriate temperature?

QUESTION No: 134/2018

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

How will the vocational courses be managed in the site with the two schools? – shared facility or will each school offer it independently?

QUESTION No: 135/2018

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Does the Department of Education have the staffing levels available to cope with the new schools?



QUESTION No: 136/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

When does the Government expect to provide PGCE's in Gibraltar and what will be the policy for students wishing to undertake this qualification in the UK?

QUESTION No: 137/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

What plans does the Government have for the building currently used by the College of Further Education?

QUESTION No: 138/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government provide details of the recent trip by the Department of Education to Finland, including preparatory work undertaken by the team and the Finnish officials met?

QUESTION No: 139/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

What does the Government intend to do about the illegal use of fireworks in Gibraltar?

QUESTION No: 140/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government confirm whether they are considering introducing electronic tagging of individuals as part of its reforms of the criminal justice system?

QUESTION No: 141/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state whether or not it intends to promote legislation before the House to strengthen measures in relation to sexual harassment in the workplace?

QUESTION No: 142/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state what protocols are in place to limit access to CCTV footage?



QUESTION No: 143/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

As at 31st December 2017, how many individuals were employed directly by the Care Agency and Elderly Residential Services?

QUESTION No: 144/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government state how many workers, as at 31st December 2017, employed directly by the Care Agency were on fixed-term contracts?

QUESTION No: 145/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Mr Speaker, as at 31st December 2017, in what Department within the GHA were the workers employed by the GHA on fixed-term contracts working in?

QUESTION No: 146/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government state how many workers, as at 31st December 2017, employed directly by the GHA were on fixed-term contracts?

QUESTION No: 147/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government state how many workers, as at 31st December 2017, working within Mount Alvernia were on fixed-term contracts?

QUESTION No: 148/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Of the previous three questions concerning fixed-term contracts within the Care Agency, the GHA and Mount Alvernia, please provide a schedule setting out (a) how many successive fixed-term contracts each worker has been engaged on; and (b) the date each were first engaged on the first contract?



QUESTION No: 149/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Further to the answers provided to Question Nos. 658 and 733 of 2017, can the Minister for Health say on which dates the three Charge Nurses took up their Posts on a substantive basis at St Bernard's Hospital A & E Department?

QUESTION No: 150/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state its position with respect to the funding of hearing aids for those suffering from hearing impairment and associated hearing conditions?

QUESTION No: 151/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state the position in respect of the funding of the maintenance of hearing aids issued by the GHA?

QUESTION No: 152/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state the number of adults seen by Audiology Department at the GHA in 2016 and 2017?

QUESTION No: 153/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state why mammograph appointments have been cancelled without advanced notice to patients?

QUESTION No: 154/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state the average waiting time for persons referred to the Orthopaedic clinic for a routine consultation?



QUESTION No: 155/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state the total number of operations carried out in 2016 and 2017?

QUESTION No: 156/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state by percentage cancellations of operations due to bed shortages for years 2016 and 2017?

QUESTION No: 157/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state what statistics it has to hand in relation to number of children and young adults (ages 12-25) diagnosed with depression and other mental health conditions?

QUESTION No: 158/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Further to Question 56 of 2018, can the Government confirm what its policy is in reducing the high levels of obesity in our community?

QUESTION No: 159/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state that the location of CCTV cameras situated at Dr Giraldi Home are restricted to the kitchen, communal areas and sitting room?

QUESTION No: 160/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government, since December 2011, provide details of specialist clinicians who have been providing GHA clinics including: (a) the clinic/trust/hospital the specialist is from; (b) the time period the specialist has been/is hosting the GHA clinics?



QUESTION No: 161/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government state whether any patient has been deprived of the appropriate specialist care as a result of the GHA not making appropriate resources available?

QUESTION No: 162/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state when it intends to bring a Bill before the House in relation to criminalising controlling and coercive behaviour?

QUESTION No: 163/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state the number of lifts which are not yet fully functional at Laguna Estate?

QUESTION No: 164/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state when works are expected to be completed at all our Housing Estates?

QUESTION No: 165/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state what steps it will take to improve general maintenance of our housing estates?

QUESTION No: 166/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state the number of people currently on the Housing Waiting List?

QUESTION No: 167/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state how many Government flats are currently vacant?



QUESTION No: 168/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state whether it intends to build homes for Government rental?

QUESTION No: 169/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state how many people have been able to buy homes which were previous Government rental accommodation since December 2011?

QUESTION No: 170/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Minister for Housing state the criteria for a joint tenancy in respect of Government rental accommodation?

QUESTION No: 171/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state the amount owing in rent arrears for all Government housing?

QUESTION No: 172/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state that it will publish the complete fire safety review of all Government-owned high-rise buildings?

QUESTION No: 173/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Has an investigation been conducted into the collision between two merchant vessels in the Bay on the 24th January and, if so, have the causes been established and have any recommendations been made to reduce the likelihood of similar incidents in the future?

QUESTION No: 174/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Will Government consider implementing measures to prevent bathing in the area to the North of Waterport Terraces, the entrance to the Ocean Village Marina?



QUESTION No: 175/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Government state the total number of:

- (a) notice of vacancies;
- (b) notice of terms of engagement, excluding variations; and
- (c) notice of terminations filed at the Employment Service,

from September 2017 to date?

QUESTION No: 176/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Since the Government has launched its campaign on "Gibraltar; A year of Culture", can it provide details of the investments made in this campaign?

QUESTION No: 177/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government explain why the Visit Gibraltar website meant to have been re-launched last September has not yet launched, including: (a) when they expect the website to be replaced; (b) the entity contracted to perform the change; (c) the expected cost?

QUESTION No: 178/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

When does the Government expect to equalise pensionable age between men and women?

QUESTION No: 179/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government state, since December 2011, how many retired public servants have successfully claimed unemployment benefits post retirement?



QUESTION No: 180/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Further to Q1/2018 can the Government advise whether the meetings with the China Development Bank and the Bank of China in January 2018 have borne any fruit and in addition can the Government indicate what China's interest might be in respect of Gibraltar as regards its "One Belt One Road" development strategy given Sir Joe Bossano's recent visit to Beijing?

QUESTION No: 181/2018

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?

1st November 2017

QUESTION No: 182/2018

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?

1st November 2017

QUESTION No: 183/2018

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?

1st November 2017

QUESTION No: 184/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the balance on the General Sinking fund at 1st November 2017?



QUESTION No: 185/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise how many staff are directly engaged in the operation of the Gibraltar Savings Bank at 31st December 2017 split between permanent and contract staff?

QUESTION No: 186/2018

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

As at the end of December 2017, how many individuals were working within Government departments, companies, agencies or authorities through services provided by recruitment consultancies and agencies, broken down by department, company, agency and authority together with the recruitment consultant or agency concerned?

QUESTION No: 187/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government provide details since January 2016, which civil service posts have not been covered during maternity or long term sickness, including: (a) grade; (b) department; (c) period of absence not covered?

QUESTION No: 188/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Further to the answer to question no. 7/2018, can the Government now provide this House with an update?

QUESTION No: 189/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Is Government still intending to install a lift at the Parliament building and, if so, when?

QUESTION No: 190/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Does Government intend to continue to operate its Brussels office once we leave the EU?



QUESTION No: 191/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Further to Q85/2018 can the Government advise as regards the tenders received for the sites of Bayside, St Anne's and St Martin's Schools has any developer bid for all three sites?

QUESTION No: 192/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government explain how Gibraltar features in the trade agreements being negotiated by the United Kingdom and non-EU countries such as the US, China, New Zealand, Australia etc?

QUESTION No: 193/2018

Questioner: The Hon T N Hammond

Does the Sunborn Hotel hold a building certificate of fitness?

QUESTION No: 194/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of how many employees at the Housing Works Agency have accepted early exit packages, indicating the Grades of those concerned?

QUESTION No: 195/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of how many employees will remain employed by the Housing Works Agency after the termination of those who have accepted early exit packages, indicating the Grades of those concerned?

QUESTION No: 196/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government confirm that it is to transfer the operations of the Housing Works Agency into two Government Owned Companies and, if so, can the Government please identify those companies and the intended date of transfer of employees?



QUESTION No: 197/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Further to Q92/2018 can the Government advise how many modular/prefab building have been purchased for £3.3 million, what is their expected useful life, who were they purchased from and which Government Company is paying for them?

QUESTION No: 198/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise what is its policy in respect of the "right to buy" in respect of Government rental property tenants and are the housing estates subject to the £300 million mortgage namely, Moorish Castle Estate, Glacis Estate, Laguna Estate, Alameda Estate, Mid Harbour and Varyl Begg now excluded?

QUESTION No: 199/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Phillips

Can the Government state what after care is available for those recovering from drug addiction?

QUESTION No: 200/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government explain the delay in reforming the Public Finance (Control and Audit) Act 1977 in line with the recommendations from the Principal Auditor, pledged to have been debated in this House before the 2016 Budget debate?

QUESTION No: 201/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Since December 2011, can the Government provide a schedule of monies paid to International Television channels including: (a) the date the payment was effected; (b) a description of the payment?



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

QUESTION No: W5/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government provide details on the number of teachers that are at each pay scale from M1 through to L40?

QUESTION No: W6/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide an updated list showing the number of Instructors currently working at both the Construction Trades Training Centre and the Engineering Trades Training Centre, indicating the trade in which they instruct and/or assess together with details of the qualifications held by said Instructors and Assessors?

QUESTION No: W7/2018

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can the Minister for Training provide details of all Trainees enrolled at both the Construction Trades Training Centre and Engineering Trades Training Centre since January 2012, showing their start and termination dates together with details of qualifications attained by each individual Trainee?

QUESTION No: W8/2018

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 30th November 2017?

QUESTION No: W9/2018

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 30th November 2017?



QUESTION No: W10/2018

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government please provide a list of companies that the Government, the Gibraltar Development Corporation, any Government Agency or any Government owned companies have acquired a shareholding in (wholly owned or joint venture) from 1st January 2016 to 31st December 2017?

QUESTION No: W11/2018

Questioner: The Hon L F Llamas

Can the Government provide an updated schedule to question W199/2017?