

23 September, 2021

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 Thursday 23rd September 2021.

Simon C Galliano (Ag) Clerk to the Parliament

QUESTION No: 196/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

How many pay and display machines are there in Gibraltar, and out of this number:

-how many are working?-how many accept card payment?

QUESTION No: 197/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government confirm what support it is providing to the Gibraltar Digital Skills Academy?

QUESTION No: 198/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Can Government provide a breakdown of which districts have suffered unplanned power cuts since 1st January 2017 stating the number of power cuts and their approximate duration in each case and the apparent cause?



QUESTION No: 199/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Are Government considering any improvements to the electricity infrastructure given that power cuts are suffered from time to time?

QUESTION No: 200/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please state what the Government's policy is in respect of cruise liner visits, in particular in relation to the disembarkation of passengers and their participation in on-shore excursions.

QUESTION No: 201/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Is the Government satisfied as to the state of cleanliness of the pavement surrounding the air terminal building and the state of repair of the main entrance revolving door?

QUESTION No: 202/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please provide updated details of arrivals by air from the UK on scheduled flights on a monthly basis for 2021 with details of seats used, offered and load factor as set out in Table 2.07 of the Air Traffic Survey 2020.

QUESTION No: 203/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please provide updated details of departures by air to the UK on scheduled flights on a monthly basis for 2021 with details of seats used, offered and load factor as set out in Table 3.09 of the Air Traffic Survey 2020.

QUESTION No: 204/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please provide updated details on a monthly basis for 2021 of Room Occupancy Rates as set out in Table 3.03 of the Hotel Occupancy Survey 2020.



QUESTION No: 205/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please provide updated details on a monthly basis for 2021 in respect of Number of Arrivals (Tourist Arrivals) as set out in Table 4.08 of the Hotel Occupancy Survey 2020.

QUESTION No: 206/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please provide updated visitor arrivals by air, sea and land on a monthly basis for 2021 as set out in Table 4.02 of the Tourist Survey Report 2020.

QUESTION No: 207/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please provide updated details for 2021 in respect of total visitor arrivals as set out in Table 4.03 of the Tourist Survey Report 2020.

QUESTION No: 208/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please provide updated details of motor vehicle arrivals on a monthly basis for 2021 as set out in Table 5.01 of the Tourist Survey Report 2020.

QUESTION No: 209/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Please provide updated details of coach arrivals on a monthly basis for 2021 as set out in Table 5.02 of the Tourist Survey Report 2020.

QUESTION No: 210/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of the number of Trainees currently enrolled at both the Gibraltar Construction Training Centre and Engineering Trades Training Centre, providing details of the estimated completion date of such courses and the qualifications to be obtained upon successful completion of said courses?



QUESTION No: 211/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

When will Gibraltar be able to issue its own twelve-sided one pound coin, given the Minister for Economic Development said in 2017 that Gibraltar would be in a position to do so by March 2018?

QUESTION No: 212/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

What are the Government's intentions with respect to the area where the former GBC premises were situated?

QUESTION No: 213/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Can the Government advise if it has identified new premises for the housing of the Gibraltar National Archives?

QUESTION No: 214/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Is the Government supportive of the proposed development at Rosia Bay?

QUESTION No: 215/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of the number of students currently enrolled at St Martin's School with a breakdown of age ranges?

QUESTION No: 216/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of which Vocational Courses are being delivered at our schools for the academic year 2021/22, together with details of numbers of students following these courses, the educational establishment delivering the courses, the completion date of the courses and the qualifications obtainable upon successful completion of said courses?



QUESTION No: 217/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of the number of new Mandatory Scholarships which have been granted and commencing during the 2021/22 Academic Year?

QUESTION No: 218/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government say how many new applications for Discretionary Scholarships were received for the academic year 2021/22 and, of these, how many were:

- (a) Successful applications as per original applications,
- (b) Successful applications after appeals lodged by applicants,
- (c) Not successful at all, together with reasons why?

QUESTION No: 219/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government say how many new applications for Distance Learning Scholarships were received for the academic year 2021/22 and, of these, how many were:

- (a) Successful applications as per original applications,
- (b) Successful applications after appeals lodged by applicants,
- (c) Not successful at all, together with reasons why?

QUESTION No: 220/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state that it will be removing the green walls at St Anne's and Notre Dame School and replacing the same with artificial planting?

QUESTION No: 221/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state the name of the company which provided the trees at the new Midtown Park?



QUESTION No: 222/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Have jellyfish nets been removed from beaches and if so which beaches and what is the Government's policy on their replacement?

QUESTION No: 223/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

What discussions with commercial parties have there been and what commercial opportunities has Government been approached on or is considering in relation to medicinal cannabis?

QUESTION No: 224/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Have any teachers been warned or disciplined in respect of their compliance or otherwise with the policy requiring masks in schools since the beginning of the school term in September 2021?

QUESTION No: 225/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Of the discretionary grants refused, how many were successful on appeal?

QUESTION No: 226/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can government provide a list of:

Discretionary grant applications by subject for which funding has been sought, followed by which applications were approved/declined, and in the case of unsuccessful applications, what reason was given for refusal?

QUESTION No: 227/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of the Speech Therapy facilities currently in place and available for students of St Martin's School?



QUESTION No: 228/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of the Speech Therapy facilities currently in place and available for users of St Bernadette's Centre?

QUESTION No: 229/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government confirm that it intends to criminalise the possession and supply of nitrous oxide?

QUESTION No: 230/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state whether the support for profoundly deaf people extends to the provision of BSL trained and experienced British Sign Language interpreters?

QUESTION No: 231/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government confirm what support the Government provides to assist profoundly deaf people within the community in their daily interactions with public services?

QUESTION No: 232/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state what plans it has to overhaul the PCC/GHA telephone appointment system?

QUESTION No: 233/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state how many GHA and non GHA operations have been cancelled over the last 3 months broken into a category and reasons for cancellation?



QUESTION No: 234/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state that the commercial entity which has applied to use premises at Europort for the purposes of providing MRI scanning services to the GHA is incorporated in Belize?

QUESTION No: 235/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state the commercial rationale for abandoning its decision to purchase its own MRI scanner?

QUESTION No: 236/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please state how many people have been convicted of drink driving on the basis (or with the assistance) of unapproved breathalyser equipment?

QUESTION No: 237/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government please give a breakdown by year of the people who have been convicted of drink driving on the basis (or with the assistance) of unapproved breathalyser equipment?

QUESTION No: 238/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government state why breathalyzer equipment used to arrest, charge and prosecute individuals in Gibraltar in relation to drink driving offences remained unapproved for what appears to be years?

QUESTION No: 239/2021

Question Withdrawn.



QUESTION No: 240/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government provide an update as to whether and when it intends to institute a policy of covid vaccination for 12 to 15 years old?

QUESTION No: 241/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Can the Government provide an update as to whether and when it intends to institute a policy of booster or third covid vaccination for the population in Gibraltar?

QUESTION No: 242/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

What is Government policy in relation to the covid vaccination of partners of Gibraltar residents who are not themselves registered as residents of Gibraltar but live with their partners?

QUESTION No: 243/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Will the Government commit to reviewing how our laws can be updated to ensure a closer incorporation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Disabled?

QUESTION No: 244/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

To the extent that of the 5436 confirmed COVID cases detected in Gibraltar to 13 September 2021 there have been Repeat Positives [in other words cases of people contracting COVID more than once] can Government provide a breakdown of these by vaccination status namely how many of the Repeat Positives have been vaccinated or are/were unvaccinated against COVID19 at the time of contracting COVID for a second time?



QUESTION No: 245/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Of the 5436 confirmed COVID cases detected in Gibraltar to 13th September 2021 how many people have contracted COVID once and how many have contracted COVID19 more than once ["Repeat Positives"] with a breakdown of how many people have contracted it once, twice or three times or more times?

QUESTION No: 246/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Of the social workers currently suspended, how many of them are on full pay?

QUESTION No: 247/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can the Government provide a list of how many social workers are currently suspended, giving details of how long have they been suspended for, and what the reason for their suspension is?

QUESTION No: 248/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

When will the Care Agency be replacing the two doctors with drug addiction speciality who left Bruce's Farm in the last year?

QUESTION No: 249/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

What aftercare programme is available when patients leave Bruce's Farm?

QUESTION No: 250/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government confirm by what date the children's play park at Laguna Estate is expected to be fully operational and open for public use?



QUESTION No: 251/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Further to the answer provided to Question No. 302 of 2020, can Government provide details of the outcome of the two investigations which were ongoing at the time in respect of possible illegal occupations of rental homes, together with details of all legal costs relating to these investigations?

QUESTION No: 252/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Since 1st January 2012 how many Government housing tenancies have been passed on to family members residing with the tenant after the tenant has:

- (a) been hospitalised,
- (b) admitted into Elderly Residential Care facilities, or
- (c) admitted into Hillsides or Ocean Views,

giving a breakdown of the number of tenancies by calendar year and indicating whether the former tenant had died, been hospitalised or transferred into a care facility?

QUESTION No: 253/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Since 1st January 2012 how many Government housing tenancies have not been approved to be passed on to family members residing with the tenant after the tenant has:

- (a) been hospitalised,
- (b) admitted into Elderly Residential Care facilities, or
- (c) admitted into Hillsides or Ocean Views,

giving a breakdown of the number of tenancies by calendar year and indicating whether the former tenant had died, been hospitalised or transferred into a care facility, together with the reasons why these tenancies were not transferred?

QUESTION No: 254/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

How many claims filed with the Industrial Tribunal are waiting for the appointment of a Chairperson?



QUESTION No: 255/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Of those claims filed with the Industrial Tribunal that are waiting for the appointment of a Chairperson please state the month and year the claims were filed?

QUESTION No: 256/2021

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Does the Government have any intention of examining the viability of engaging a permanent chairman of the industrial tribunal?

QUESTION No: 257/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Does the Government have updated information on the proposed commencement of construction of the Bob Peliza Mews and Chatham Views projects?

QUESTION No: 258/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

When will purchase contracts for buyers of Chatham Views be rolled out, given that buyers were promised when they paid their deposits of £500 close to a year ago, that these contracts would be ready six-eight weeks later?

QUESTION No: 259/2021

Questioner: The Hon D J Bossino

Can the Government advise if it or Credit Finance Company Limited or any other Government owned or controlled entity including the Gibraltar Development Corporation are providing any loans in respect of the redevelopment of the Caleta Palace Hotel?

QUESTION No: 260/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Can the Government advise the projected or contracted cost of moving rubble from the Eastside mound to the reclamation site of Victoria Keys and how long that project is expected to take?



QUESTION No: 261/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Given the costs of supplying the Victoria Keys reclamation material are being borne by the Government is it still the Government's intention to grant the developer a lease for 50% of the Northernmost side of the reclaimed plot and if so why?

QUESTION No: 262/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Can the Government advise if it still intends to lend £50 million to the developers of Victoria Keys?

QUESTION No: 263/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

How many pending applications for ID cards are there at 13 September 2021 broken down by nationality of applicant and by length of time since the application was submitted?

QUESTION No: 264/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

What policy issue is Government considering in relation to so-called "self-sufficient" applicants that is delaying the issue of blue ID cards?

QUESTION No: 265/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

How many applications for Blue ID cards have there been since 1 January 2021 and of those how many have been granted or refused and how many were pending at 13 September 2021?

QUESTION No: 266/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Did Spain discuss the pilot project on electronic reading of passports it is currently running on its side of the frontier with Gibraltar?



QUESTION No: 267/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Are the Government aware of any discussions that Spain have had with Frontex in relation to the Gibraltar frontier?

QUESTION No: 268/2021

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Has the Government had any direct discussions with Frontex or have there been any indirect discussions with Frontex via the UK in which the Government have participated or of which the Government are aware?



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

QUESTION No: W23/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide details of the total number of students currently enrolled at all schools, providing a breakdown per School Year and indicating if the students are either males or females?

QUESTION No: W24/2021

Questioner: The Hon E J Reyes

Can Government provide a detailed breakdown of the expenses charged to Head 17, Sub Head 2(7) entitled Gibraltar College?

QUESTION No: W25/2021

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the total cost of the fireworks display for National Day 2021?

QUESTION No: W26/2021

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise by what process was Isolas appointed to conduct the BID ballot and how much are they charging and who will bear the cost?

QUESTION No: W27/2021

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the total cost of the purchase and fitting out of the RGP Command Vessel the 'Sir Adrian Johns'?



QUESTION No: W28/2021

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the balance on the General Sinking fund on the following dates?

- 1 June 2021
- 1 July 2021
- 1 August 2021

QUESTION No: W29/2021

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 dates?

- 1 June 2021
- 1 July 2021
- 1 August 2021

QUESTION No: W30/2021

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 dates?

1 July 2021 1 August 2021

QUESTION No: W31/2021

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 dates?

1 July 2021 1 August 2021



QUESTION No: W32/2021

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the monetary value of Government deposits with the Gibraltar International Bank for the following dates:?

30 June 2021 31 July 2021

QUESTION No: W33/2021

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the monetary value of Government deposits with the Savings Bank for the following dates:?

30 June 2021 31 July 2021

QUESTION No: W34/2021

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 31 July 2021?

QUESTION No: W35/2021

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 31 July 2021?