

28 July, 2021

#### **INTERIM 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 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

Paul E Martinez Clerk to the Parliament

## **QUESTION No: 141/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Does the Government intend to either (1) abolish the right of a party to libel or slander proceedings to elect trial by jury or: (2) reform the law of defamation to narrow the scope and/or availability of the right to a jury trial in respect of claims for libel and slander before the Gibraltar Courts?

## **QUESTION No: 142/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state what guidance or information the Government is providing those who wish to enter into surrogacy arrangements under the new law?

## **QUESTION No: 143/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state whether it intends to increase the availability to assisted living /sheltered accommodation within the community beyond the current resource at Kent House and Sandpits?



# **QUESTION No: 144/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state whether it intends to regulate therapist and counsellors work in the public and private sector?

## **QUESTION No: 145/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state how many clinical psychologists are currently working out of Ocean Views?

#### **QUESTION No: 146/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state whether it intends to appoint a neuropsychologist at Ocean Views?

#### **QUESTION No: 147/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state when routine dental appointments for children will be restored?

#### **QUESTION No: 148/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government update the House on whether it intends to offer vaccinations to children aged 12-15 years of age?

#### **QUESTION No: 149/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government confirm how many therapists are available to children with special needs?

#### **QUESTION No: 150/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state how many routine cervical screening appointments have been cancelled by the GHA over the last 12 months?



# **QUESTION No: 151/2021**

# Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government confirm why old GHA ambulances have not been replaced?

# **QUESTION No: 152/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government confirm that the accident involving an ambulance at Knights Court was as a result of a handbrake failure?

# **QUESTION No: 153/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government confirm the average of waiting time in A&E?

# **QUESTION No: 154/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government confirm the number of complaints it has received in relation to poor quality food prepared for hospital use?

## **QUESTION No: 155/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state the cost of the provision of hospital meals?

## **QUESTION No: 156/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state the number of paediatric consultants specialised in the area of special needs?

## **QUESTION No: 157/2021**

Questioner: The Hon E J Philips

Can the Government state whether all paediatric consultants are on the GMC specialise register?



# **QUESTION No: 158/2021**

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

When does the Government intend to commence construction on a new young offenders secure unit?

# **QUESTION No: 159/2021**

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Have any social workers been interdicted or disciplined since 1 January 2020 and if so on what charge?

## **QUESTION No: 160/2021**

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

How many non-resident COVID positive cases have there been since 21 May 2021 broken down by persons aged over and under 16 and in the case of persons over 16 by vaccination status namely whether vaccinated or unvaccinated?

## **QUESTION No: 161/2021**

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

How many resident COVID positive cases have there been since 21 May 2021 broken down by persons aged over and under 16 and in the case of persons over 16 by vaccination status namely whether vaccinated or unvaccinated?

#### **QUESTION No: 162/2021**

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

Is genome sequencing or analysis being done on all new positive COVID cases, if so from when and if not could the Government explain the scope of work being done on genome testing?

#### **QUESTION No: 163/2021**

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

What support and advisory services will GHA put in place in connection with the commencement of the Abortion law [Crimes (Amendment) Act 2019]?



## **QUESTION No: 164/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

What protocols or directives, if any, has Government put in place, or aims to put in place in relation to mental health support in the workplace following the pandemic?

## **QUESTION No: 165/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can government confirm if in the ERS facilities, newly qualified nurses, on completion of their training continue to be remunerated at the pay grade of trainee nurses?

## **QUESTION No: 166/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

What policy, if any, does Government have in place to promote pulmonary care in our community?

#### **QUESTION No: 167/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Is the cervical screening programme currently up to date or suffering from any backlog and if so, how much backlog is there in terms of people waiting to get a cervical screen?

## **QUESTION No: 168/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can Government update this House on its manifesto commitment to build a cardiac Cath lab by summer 2020?

#### QUESTION No: 169/2021

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Is Government satisfied with its delivery of service for children with type 1 diabetes?

## **QUESTION No: 170/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Can government provide statistics in connection with the success rates of IVF treatment for individuals, sponsored by our GHA in Medrano Fertility Clinic, Spain?



# **QUESTION No: 171/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Is Government satisfied with the standard of our current ambulance fleet?

## **QUESTION No: 172/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

What is government doing about the 240,000 masks that government procured and are not fit for purpose yet remain in storage since the pandemic to date or up until the date that this question was filed on 13 July 2021?

## **QUESTION No: 173/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Does the GHA have counsellors incorporated to its strategy for women seeking abortions, and if so, how many will be recruited to this service?

#### **QUESTION No: 174/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Is the department of public health considering bringing back any preventative measures in connection with the rising number of Covid cases?

## **QUESTION No: 175/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Further to the Government statement confirming the imminent vaccinating of 12-16 year olds against Covid-19 in line with the UK vaccination strategy, is the Government confident the UK will be supplying Gibraltar with more vaccines to cover this demographic?

#### **QUESTION No: 176/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

Has the Government kept a record of side-effects emanating from the administration of the Pfizer vaccine and if so:

- 1. Who is keeping this record?
- 2. When will it be made public?



## **QUESTION No: 177/2021**

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 May 2021 1 June 2021

#### **QUESTION No: 178/2021**

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

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

1 May 2021 1 June 2021

#### **QUESTION No: 179/2021**

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the balance on the Statutory Benefits Fund on the 31 March 2020 and 31 March 2021?

#### **QUESTION No: 180/2021**

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise how many individuals have been requested to increase their voluntary SI contributions from £15 per week to £36.30 per week with effect from 1 July 2021?

#### **QUESTION No: 181/2021**

Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise who are the members of the Social Insurance Advisory Committee under S31 of the Social Security Insurance Act, and when did they last meet?



# **QUESTION No: 182/2021**

## Questioner: The Hon R M Clinton

Can the Government advise the date of the last actuarial report prepared under S30 of the Social Security Insurance Act, and what were its recommendations?

## **QUESTION No: 183/2021**

Questioner: The Hon D A Feetham

Will the Minister with responsibility for disability benefits please provide the breakdown he undertook to provide at the last session of this house in response to supplementary questions to questions 9-10 of 2021?

#### **QUESTION No: 184/2021**

Questioner: The Hon K A Azopardi

How many women aged between 60-64 were in receipt of a State old age pension at 31 December 2020 broken down by those aged:

- (1) 60
- (2) 61
- (3) 62
- (4) 63
- (5) 64

at 31 December 2020?

## **QUESTION No: 185/2021**

Questioner: The Hon Ms M D Hassan Nahon

What policy does Government have in place to support individuals on the autism scale, to find employment?