

#### ST HELENA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

### ORDER PAPER

# First Sitting of the Sixteenth Meeting of Legislative Council

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 at 10am in the Council Chamber

- 1. Formal Entry of the President
- 2. Prayers
- 3. Address by the President
- 4. Papers
  - SP 14/2024 (Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)
    St Helena Government Estimates of Recurrent and Capital
    Expenditure and Revenue 2024/25 2026/27
  - SP 15/2024 (Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)
    St Helena Government A Bill for an Ordinance Appropriation Bill,
    2024
  - SP 16/2024 (Hon Dr Corinda Essex)
    St Helena Legislative Council Private Member's Bill Liquor (Amendment) Bill, 2024
  - SP 17/2024 (Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)
    St Helena Government Currency Fund Annual Financial
    Statements and Management Letter 2022/2023
  - SP 18/2024 (Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)
    St Helena Government Withdrawal Warrant 2023/24
  - SP 19/2024 (Hon Dr Corinda Essex)
    St Helena Legislative Council Select Committee 2 Report to Legislative Council on the First Meeting of Select Committee 2,

published on 4 December 2023 – Disposal of St Helena Government Assets (Excluding Lands and Buildings)

SP 20/2024 (Hon Gillian Brooks)

St Helena Public Accounts Committee – Report to Legislative Council on the Formal Session of the Public Accounts Committee held on Thursday, 27th October 2022

#### 5. Questions

### 1. The Hon Robert Midwinter to ask the Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development:

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development tell this Council, pursuant to the written answer given on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024, which requested a detailed breakdown of the outstanding Ex-student Loans, exactly who owes exactly how much to the St Helena Government, and also how long each sum of money has been outstanding?

### 2. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development:

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development tell this House what action has been taken to explore the re-introduction of child allowances and/or other incentives to increase the birth rate?

### 3. The Hon Andrew Turner to ask the Hon Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs:

Will the Honourable Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs tell this Council what work is being undertaken to ensure residents of Lower Alarm forest have a safe and passable road considering the poor weather and proposed construction project in the area?

### 4. The Hon Ronald Coleman to ask the Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development:

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development tell this Council; with the continued price increases facing the people of St Helena especially the elderly, the vulnerable and single parents, who are struggling to make ends meet with everyday living, what plans has the government put in place or will put in place to help our people with these hardships?

#### 5. The Hon Gillian Brooks to ask the Hon Chief Minister:

Will the Honourable Chief Minister tell this Council what is the current level of bonding applied to overseas students funded by the St Helena Government and what terms and conditions are attached to this funding arrangement?

#### 6. The Hon Karl Thrower to ask the Hon Chief Minister:

Will the Honourable Chief Minister tell this Council whether she can confirm that the review of Primary Education is on target to be completed by August of this year, and will she provide an update regarding progress to-date?

#### 7. The Hon Robert Midwinter to ask the Hon Chief Minister:

Will the Honourable Chief Minister tell this Council, who within St Helena Government is ultimately responsible for the implementation and delivery of the Economic Development Investment Programme?

### 8. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development:

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development tell this House if consideration has been given to establishing a relocation scheme to assist St Helenian families living abroad who wish to return to work on the island and whether it is intended to introduce such a package?

### 9. The Hon Ronald Coleman to ask the Hon Minister for Health and Social Care:

Will the Honourable Minister for Health and Social Care tell this Council; what are the immediate plans for the future for this government, for looking after the needs of our aging and vulnerable people, who really need to the taken into care but cannot be accommodated to improve their quality of life?

## 10. The Hon Gillian Brooks to ask the Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development:

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development tell this Council what provision is made within the St Helena Government budgets for disaster recovery and under which Portfolio would this sit?

#### 11. The Hon Robert Midwinter to ask the Hon Chief Minister:

Will the Honourable Chief Minister tell this Council, what is the percentage variance between the lowest and highest paid member of the St Helena public service, and how does this compare with the salary range variance of the public service in the UK?

#### 12. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Chief Minister:

Will the Honourable Chief Minister tell this House what progress has been made towards the introduction of a casual work scheme for unemployed persons medically fit to work?

### 13. The Hon Ronald Coleman to ask the Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development:

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development tell this Council when this government will be in a position to allow our people who have the means, to install Star Link or other types of systems to improve their communications?

### 6. Motions

### 1. The Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development

That the Appropriation Bill, 2024 be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.

#### 2. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex

That the Liquor (Amendment) Bill, 2024 be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

### 7. Adjournment Debate