

ST HELENA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

ORDER PAPER

First Sitting of the Eighteenth Meeting of Legislative Council

Friday 16th October 2020 at 10am in the Council Chamber

- 1. Formal Entry of the President
- 2. Prayers
- 3. Address by the President
- 4. Papers

SP 36/2020 (Hon Financial Secretary)

Government of Saint Helena - Statement of Expenditure in Excess -

Financial Year 2019/20

SP 37/2020 (Hon Financial Secretary)

Loan balances recoverable by SHG as at 30 June 2020

SP 38/2020 (Hon Dr Corinda Essex)

St Helena Public Accounts Committee - Report to Legislative Council on the Formal Session of the Public Accounts Committee, held on 3rd

August 2020

SP 39/2020 (Hon Financial Secretary)

Audit St Helena - Investigation: The Bulk Fuel Installation Project

SP 40/2020 (Hon Chief Secretary)

Government of St Helena - Proceedings of the Legislative Council - Tuesday 21st January 2020 - First Sitting of the Thirteenth Meeting

SP 41/2020 (Hon Chief Secretary)

Government of St Helena - Proceedings of the Legislative Council - Friday 28th February 2020 - First Sitting of the Fourteenth Meeting

SP 42/2020 (Hon Chief Secretary)

Government of St Helena - Proceedings of the Legislative Council - Friday 27th March 2020 - First Sitting of the Fifteenth Meeting

SP 43/2020 (Hon Chief Secretary)

Public Engagement on Alternative Governance Systems

5. Questions

1. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Financial Secretary:

Will the Honourable Financial Secretary tell this Council which European Union funding streams St Helena will be eligible to access in 2021/22?

2. The Hon Jeffrey Ellick to ask the Hon Chairman of the Public Health Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Public Health Committee tell this Council what is the role of the Public Health Committee in respect of strategic and policy decisions relating to Covid-19?

3. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Financial Secretary:

Will the Honourable Financial Secretary tell this Council what is the purpose of publishing the St Helena Government Contract Register and why does it only disclose the value of some of the contracts listed?

4. The Hon Jeffrey Ellick to ask the Hon Chairman of the Public Health Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Public Health Committee tell this Council if there has been twenty four hour security around all premises that are used for quarantine of persons arriving from countries which have Covid-19?

5. The Hon Russell Yon to ask the Hon Financial Secretary:

Will the Honourable Financial Secretary inform this House of the finances available to undertake the maintenance of the sea defence's at the Wharf in Jamestown and the recently constructed Jetty in Rupert's?

6. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Chairman of the Social and Community Development Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Social and Community Development Committee tell this Council what is the purpose of the Better Life Allowance and how is this accessed by individuals?

6. Motions

1. The Hon Chief Secretary

That the Legislative Council resolves to consider the report on the public's response regarding the public consultation on the two alternative systems of Governance and that if the threshold of public interest is considered satisfactory, resolve to establish a Progress Committee comprised in the following manner and with the functions set out as follows -

Composition - to be determined from representatives from Elected Members, the office of the Speaker, the St Helena Government, the Attorney General's Chambers, the Governor's Office and from the public who are not employed by the St Helena Government.

Function - finalise the structural arrangements proposed for a Revised Committee or Ministerial system of governance, instruct the Attorney General's Chambers regarding the constitutional and any other legislative amendments necessary to effect the two alternative systems of governance, provide considered alternatives for the question regarding the changes to the system of governance in St Helena that could be considered and decided by consultative poll, consider the financial resources necessary in respect of this endeavour, and liaise with the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office to agree the foregoing.

2. The Hon Jeffrey Ellick

That this House resolves that St Helena Government takes immediate action to consider persons coming to St Helena are tested before departing a country for St Helena, on arrival at St Helena and on the 14th day of quarantine in St Helena.

3. The Hon Jeffrey Ellick

That this House resolves that decisions/polices made in respect of Covid-19 where it affects the lives, rights and freedoms of individuals, decisions are taken by the Politicians (12 Elected Members) to ensure there is democracy through proper debate and scrutiny.

7. Adjournment Debate