

ST HELENA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

ORDER PAPER

First Sitting of the First Meeting of Legislative Council

Monday, 14 October 2013 at 10am in the Court House

- 1. Formal Entry of the President
- 2. Prayers
- 3. Administration of Oaths

Mr Owen O'Sullivan, Chief Secretary Mr Colin Owen, Financial Secretary Mrs Morag Stevenson, Acting Attorney General

- 4. Election: Chairman of the Social and Community Development Committee
- 5. Election: Member of Executive Council
- 6. Address by the President
- 7. Papers
 - SP 14/2013 Applications for Development Permission 2012 Annual Report from Land Planning and Development Control Board (Hon Chairman, Environment and Natural Resources Committee)
 - SP 15/2013 Addendum to Report to Governor in Council Introduction of a Minimum Wage on St Helena, By Employment Rights Committee (Hon Chief Secretary)
 - SP 17/2013 A Bill for an Ordinance The Welfare of Children (Amendment) Ordinance, 2013 (Hon Chairman – Public Health Committee)
 - SP 18/2013 A Bill for an Ordinance The Commissioner for Oaths (Amendment) Ordinance, 2013

(Hon Chairman – Public Health Committee)

SP 19/2013 The St Helena National Trust Annual Report and Financial Statements 2012 – 2013 (Hon Financial Secretary)

SP 20/2013 St Helena Audit Service – Value for Money Review – Government Landlord Housing (Hon Financial Secretary)

SP 21/2013 Schedule of Special Warrant 2012/13 to September 2013 (Hon Financial Secretary)

SP 22/2013 St Helena Audit Service Management Letter and Financial Statements 2011 – 2012 (Hon Financial Secretary)

- 8. Statement: Hon Brian Isaac on behalf of the Social and Community Development Committee
- 9. Questions
 - 1. The Hon Lawson Henry to ask the Honourable Chairman of the Social and Community Development Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Social and Community Development Committee say what has been the accumulative and individual social impact of the reforms implemented, since signing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the St Helena and British Governments, on the various vulnerable groups and what action has been taken to mitigate the impact?

2. The Hon Brian Isaac to ask the Hon Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee tell this house what was the cost of the Security Solar Lights that were erected around the Island and what plans are in place to have all lights working effectively?

3. The Hon Derek Thomas to ask the Hon Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee say what preparation is being made by his Committee to secure funding for District and Community roads?

4. The Hon Cyril George to ask the Hon Chairman of the Social & Community Development Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Social and Community Development Committee tell this Council, has any work been undertaken with a view to repairing our heritage sites e.g. High Knoll; if so can you describe the main works undertaken for this year?

5. The Hon Leslie Baldwin to ask the Hon Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee tell this Council if the Public Transport System is meeting its objectives with current and future demand?

6. The Hon Brian Isaac to ask the Hon Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee tell this house what is Government's policy for the prevention of soil erosion along the embankment of the stream in Lower Sandy Bay and the bridge access to Residents homes in the affected area?

7. The Hon Brian Isaac to ask the Hon Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee:

Will the Honourable Chairman of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee tell this house, if there is any equipment and related materials purchased under the Roads Project which has become obsolete to the project and if so, what is the breakdown cost?

10. Motions

1. (The Honourable Ian Rummery)

That the Commissioner for Oaths (Amendment) Bill, 2013, be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

2. (The Honourable Ian Rummery)

That the Welfare of Children (Amendment) Bill, 2013, be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

3. (The Honourable Lawson Henry)

That this House resolves that the St Helena Government should continue with the scheme it had for self-help affordable housing to meet the overall aim of "economic growth and social development" contained in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by the St Helena and British Governments in December 2010 setting out terms for having an airport.

4. (The Honourable Ian Rummery)

That this House resolves to improve openness and transparency within Government by adopting a presumption of openness within all Government directorates and the Council. That every reasonable effort will be made to make information available by publishing it, or providing it on request, save those relating to national security, law enforcement (that would prejudice the prevention or detection of crime), commercial interests (that would prejudice the commercial interests of an individual or business) legally privileged information and personal information.

5. (The Hon Leslie Baldwin)

That this House calls upon the Government to consider the reintroduction of a Community Work Scheme in order to claim Unemployment Benefits.

6. (The Honourable Derek Thomas)

That this Council calls upon the Government to review the Immigration Ordinance to ensure that both the St Helena Government and the Private Sector are treated equally in respect of the conditions applicable to the employment of immigrant employees.

7. (The Hon Leslie Baldwin)

That this Council believes that the current Health service does not meet the needs of our community.

8. (The Hon Brian Isaac)

That this Council calls upon the Government to take immediate steps to create a level playing field, both financially and otherwise, for all local media organisations.

9. (The Hon Leslie Baldwin)

That this House calls upon the Government to consider lobbying HMG to change the rules regarding receipt of National Lottery Funding by Overseas Territories.

11. Adjournment Debate