



ST HELENA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

ORDER PAPER

First Sitting of the Ninth Meeting of Legislative Council

Friday 08th March 2019 at 10am
in the Council Chamber

1. Formal Entry of the President

2. Prayers

3. Elections:

Election of Speaker

4. Address by the President

5. Papers

SP 01/2019 (*Hon Brian Isaac*)
St Helena Public Accounts Committee – Report to the Legislative Council on the Formal Session of the Public Accounts Committee held on the 04th February 2019

SP 02/2019 (*Hon Brian Isaac*)
St Helena Public Accounts Committee – Good practice in the effective oversight of Public Finances in the UK Overseas Territories

SP 03/2019 (*Hon Acting Financial Secretary*)
St Helena Government Response to Recommendations of the Public Accounts Committee in Sessional Papers 38/18, 45/18 AND 47/18

SP 04/2019 (*Hon Acting Financial Secretary*)
St Helena Government – Loan balances recoverable by SHG as at 31 December 2018

- SP 05/2019 *(Hon Brian Isaac)*
St Helena Public Accounts Committee – Report to Legislative Council on the Formal Session of the Public Accounts Committee held on the 29th of August 2018
- SP06/2019 *(Hon Acting Financial Secretary)*
St Helena National Trust Annual Report and Financial Statements
- SP07/2019 *(Hon Acting Financial Secretary)*
St Helena Fisheries Corporation
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st March 2018
- SP08/2019 *(Hon Acting Financial Secretary)*
Equality & Human Rights Commission - Financial Statements for Period 01st August 2015 to 31st March 2017
- SP09/2019 *(Hon Acting Financial Secretary)*
Equality & Human Rights Commission - Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st March 2018
- SP10/2019 *(Hon Acting Financial Secretary)*
Enterprise St Helena - Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st March 2018
- SP11/2019 *(Hon Cyril Leo)*
A Bill for an Ordinance - St Helena National Trust (Amendment) Bill, 2019
- SP12/2019 *(Hon Acting Financial Secretary)*
A Bill for an Ordinance - First Supplementary Appropriation (2018/2019) Bill, 2019
- SP13/2019 *(Hon Derek Thomas)*
A Bill for an Ordinance – Medical, Dentistry and Pharmacy Amendment Bill, 2019
- SP14/2019 *(Hon Acting Financial Secretary)*
First Supplementary Appropriation 2018/19 Estimates

6. Questions

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

What are the current intentions for future divestment/outsourcing of St Helena Government's non-core functions and when will these be made known to the local private sector?

2. **The Hon Cruyff Buckley to ask the Hon Chief Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Chief Secretary tell this House, if the St Helena Police Force has the use of drones at their disposal?

3. **The Hon Gavin Ellick to ask the Hon Acting Financial Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Acting Financial Secretary explain to this House why persons in receipt of pensions are required to pay tax?

4. **The Hon Cruyff Buckley to ask the Hon Chief Secretary:**

Will the Hon Chief Secretary confirm to this House, if the St Helena Police recently carried out an exercise involving firearms, in a residential area, at the car park at the Ladder Hill Colonnade?

5. **The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Honourable Acting Financial Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Acting Financial Secretary tell this House what is the latest timeframe for the completion and commissioning of the new Bulk Fuel installations at Rupert's Bay and how many months of slippage have already occurred in relation to this project?

6. **The Hon Kylie Hercules to ask the Hon Chief Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Chief Secretary say what is the SHG's policies / procedures for recruitment of Ex-Offenders?

7. **The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Honourable Acting Financial Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Acting Financial Secretary tell this House if St Helena Government will give serious consideration to introducing a higher Income Tax Band for persons in receipt of income exceeding £50,000 per annum?

8. **The Hon Clint Beard to ask the Hon Chief Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Chief Secretary tell this House what the new SHG smoking policy entails?

9. **The Hon Kylie Hercules to ask the Hon Chief Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Chief Secretary say what is SHG's policies / procedures in dealing with formal complaints?

10. **The Hon Clint Beard to ask the Hon Acting Financial Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Acting Financial Secretary tell this House what arrears and uncollected fees are owed to SHG?

11. **The Hon Clint Beard to ask the Hon Chief Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Chief Secretary tell this House if there is a policy in place regarding employment initiative for the island?

12. **The Hon Cruyff Buckley to ask the Hon Acting Attorney General:**

Will the Honourable Acting Attorney General tell this House, if there are any provisions within relevant ordinances, to enable safeguards against invasion of privacy, with regards to the use of drones by the Police?

13. **The Hon Kylie Hercules to ask the Hon Chief Secretary:**

Will the Honourable Chief Secretary say what is the roles and responsibilities of the Probation Team within the Police Directorate?

7. Motions

1. **The Hon Acting Financial Secretary:**

That the First Supplementary Appropriation (2018/19) Bill 2019 be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

2. **The Hon Derek Thomas:**

That the Medical, Dentistry and Pharmacy (Amendment) Bill, 2019 to be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

3. **The Hon Cyril Leo:**

That the St Helena National Trust (Amendment) Bill, 2019 be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

4. **The Hon Acting Financial Secretary:**

That this House resolves that the excess expenditure for the financial year 2017/18 in the Statement of Expenditure in Excess 2017/18 laid as SP 46/2018 now stand charged to public funds in accordance with section 106(3) of the Constitution.

5. **The Hon Brian Isaac:**

That this House resolves, further to the good practice of good governance, that Sessional Paper No 05/19 namely the Public Accounts Committee Report to Legislative Council on the Formal Session held on 29th August 2018 is adopted by this Council and requests the responsible member of Executive Council, in accordance with Section 69(9) of the Constitution of St Helena, to advise Legislative Council of the action proposed to be taken by Government in respect of these reports.

6. **The Hon Dr Corinda Essex:**

This House resolves that Government bring forward, as a matter of urgency, a Bill for an Ordinance and associated Rules of Procedure, which will give the Public Accounts Committee the necessary statutory authority for the effective oversight of the public purse in St Helena and to hold to account those entrusted with the stewardship of the public purse.

7. **The Hon Dr Corinda Essex:**

This Honourable House resolves that a thorough review of subsidies and other financial assistance provided to businesses in all forms of agricultural production be undertaken, in close collaboration with key stakeholders and the farmers themselves, to ensure that related policies and practices address the key needs of this sector.

8. Adjournment Debate