



ST HELENA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

# ORDER PAPER

**First Sitting  
of the  
Fifteenth Meeting  
of Legislative Council**

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**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 10am  
at the St Helena Community College**

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

- SP 01/2024 *(Hon Chief Minister)*  
St Helena Government – Public Holidays (Amendment) Bill 2023
- SP 02/2024 *(Hon Robert Midwinter)*  
St Helena Legislative Council – Private Member’s Bill – Female Genital Mutilation (Prohibition) Bill, 2024
- SP 03/2024 *(Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)*  
St Helena Government – Second Supplementary Appropriation (2023-24) Bill 2024
- SP 04/2024 *(Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)*  
St Helena Government – Second Supplementary Estimates 2023-24
- SP 05/2024 *(Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)*  
St Helena Government – Equality & Human Rights Commission  
Financial Statements and Management Letter for the Year Ended 31  
March 2023
- SP 06/2024 *(Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)*  
St Helena Government – Loan Balances Recoverable by the Saint  
Helena Government as at 31 December 2023

- SP 07/2024 (*Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development*)  
St Helena Government – Statement of Expenditure in Excess,  
Financial Year 2022-23
- SP 08/2024 (*Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development*)  
St Helena Government – St Helena National Trust – Financial  
Statements and Annual Report for Year Ended 31 March 2023
- SP 09/2024 (*Hon Dr Corinda Essex*)  
Audit St Helena - Strategy and Delivery Plan, April 2024 – March 2027
- SP 10/2024 (*Hon Gillian Brooks*)  
Public Accounts Committee – Report to Legislative Council on the  
Formal Session of the Public Accounts Committee held on Thursday,  
10th August 2023
- SP 11/2024 (*Hon Chief Minister*)  
St Helena Government – Proceedings of Legislative Council – Friday  
16<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – First Sitting of the Ninth Meeting
- SP 12/2024 (*Hon Chief Minister*)  
St Helena Government – Proceedings of Ministers Question Time –  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2023 – Fifth Sitting
- SP 13/2024 (*Hon Chief Minister*)  
St Helena Government – Proceedings of Ministers Question Time –  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 – Sixth Sitting

## 5. Questions

**1. The Hon Robert Midwinter to ask the Hon Minister for Health and Social Care:**

Will the Honourable Minister for Health and Social Care tell this Council, if all of the items of essential equipment identified in his response to this House in December 2022 have now been procured by his Portfolio, and if the anticipated health benefits of having these pieces of essential equipment are being achieved?

**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 is the current situation regarding revision of Procurement Regulations and what stakeholder engagement will take place before the revised document is finalised?

**3. The Hon Ronald Coleman to ask the Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development:**

Can the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development tell this Council, who is responsible for the upkeep and safety of the Island's Community Centres and Children's Play areas on the Island?

**4. The Hon Gillian Brooks to ask the Hon Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs:**

Will the Honourable Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs tell this House, what consideration is being given to putting measures in place that will ensure the two-hour parking bays, known as the 'Stand' in Main Street, Jamestown, are used properly?

**5. The Hon Robert Midwinter to ask the Hon Chief Minister:**

Will the Honourable Chief Minister tell this Council, who within the St Helena Government is ultimately responsible for policy development and what policy reforms have actually been achieved over the past two years?

**6. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Chief Minister:**

Will the Honourable Chief Minister tell this House what remains to be done before a Student Scholarship Trust is established, and when it is envisaged that such a Trust will become operational?

**7. The Hon Ronald Coleman to ask the Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development:**

Can the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development tell this Council, what was the cost for the recent restoration works to Jacobs Ladder and who funded this cost?

**8. The Hon Gillian Brooks to ask the Hon Minister for Health and Social Care:**

Will the Honourable Minister for Health and Social Care tell this House, what progress has been made towards amending the Tobacco Control Ordinance in order that it addresses public concerns in regards to vaping?

**9. 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, what progress has been made obtaining fifth freedom rights for Airlink flights stopping in Namibia whilst in transit to St Helena?

**10. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs:**

With the imminent completion of the cargo handling facilities at Rupert's Valley, will the Honourable Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs tell this House whether plans are in place regarding the related logistics, processes and procedures, and when it is envisaged that these will be shared with stakeholders?

**11. The Hon Ronald Coleman to ask the Hon Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs:**

Will the Honourable Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs tell this Council, if it's Government intention to provide adequate and updated road safety Legislation and Regulations especially with regard to appropriate road signs and road safety markings including safe designed parking areas?

**12. The Hon Gillian Brooks to ask the Hon Chief Minister:**

Will the Honourable Chief Minister tell this House, what proportion of the various training-related budgets for financial year 2022/2023, were expended on locally engaged staff versus internationally engaged staff?

**6. Motions**

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

That the Second Supplementary Appropriation (2023/2024) Bill, 2024 be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.

**2. The Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development**

In accordance with and subject to Section 102 of the Constitution, this House empowers the Financial Secretary to authorise the withdrawal of moneys from the Consolidated Fund in order to meet expenditure necessary to carry on the services or projects of the Government in the financial year commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024, until the occurrence of either of the following, whichever is the earliest:

- a) The Expiry of four months from the commencement of the 2024/2025 financial year: or
- b) The enactment of the Appropriation Ordinance for the financial year 2024/2025.

**3. The Hon Chief Minister**

That the Public Holidays (Amendment) Bill 2023 be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.

**4. The Hon Robert Midwinter**

That the Female Genital Mutilation (Prohibition) Bill, 2024 be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.

**7. Adjournment Debate**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN RESPONSE**

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

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development provide this House with a detailed breakdown of the outstanding Ex-student loans that is presented to Council in accordance with section 112(4) of the Constitution, along with details of why this remains in the sum of £74,721, and what action his Portfolio is taking to recover such sums.