

ST HELENA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

ORDER PAPER

First Sitting of the Seventeenth Meeting of Legislative Council

Friday 16th August 2024 at 10am in the Council Chamber

- 1. Formal Entry of the President
- 2. Prayers
- 3. Address by the President
- 4. Papers
 - SP 21/2024 (Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)
 St Helena Government A Bill for an Ordinance Supplementary
 Appropriation (2024/25) Bill, 2024
 - SP 22/2024 (Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)
 St Helena Government Supplementary Estimates 2024/25
 - SP 23/2024 (Hon Dr Corinda Essex)

St Helena Legislative Council – Select Committee 2 – Additional Reponses pertaining to the 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 24/2024 (Hon Karl Thrower)

St Helena Public Accounts Committee – Report to Legislative Council on the Formal Session of the Public Accounts Committee held on Thursday, 14 December 2023

SP 25/2024 (Hon Karl Thrower)

St Helena Public Accounts Committee – Report to Legislative Council on the Formal Session of the Public Accounts Committee held on Thursday, 13 June 2024 and Addendum Report

SP 26/2024 (Hon Minister for Treasury & Economic Development)
St Helena Government – Performance Audit: Recommendations
Follow-up, August 2024

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, provide this Council with an update on what medical equipment is currently out of commission at the hospital, along with what action is being taken to rectify any deficiencies in this respect?

2. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex 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 remains to be done before Fixed Penalty Notices can be introduced, and when it is envisaged that the necessary actions will be completed?

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

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development inform this House, is it the intention of Government to increase the tax threshold so that low income earners remain outside the tax bracket?

4. The Hon Robert Midwinter to ask the Hon Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs:

Will the Honourable Minister for Safety, Security and Home Affairs tell this Council, further to the response given in this House on the 28th June 2023, what progress has been made towards bringing amended Road Traffic legislation and associated regulations to this House, and when such amendments may now be expected?

5. 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 pertaining to the business case, submitted for EDIP funding, relating to improvements to the gutter adjacent to the street in Upper Jamestown in order to enhance pedestrian safety and storm water drainage?

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

Will the Honourable Minister for Treasury and Economic Development inform this Council if there are any current plans to divest non-core functions of SHG to the private sector and if so, when would work likely start and when would the anticipated completion be?

7. 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 conditions or restrictions are placed on State Owned Entities by the St Helena Government in respect of their operational policies and procedures, particularly in areas relevant to public finance such as the setting of pay scales and the procurement of goods and services?

8. The Hon Dr Corinda Essex to ask the Hon Minister for Environment, Natural Resources and Planning:

Will the Honourable Minister for Environment, Natural Resources and Planning tell this House what measures are in place for the cleaning of streets throughout Jamestown?

9. The Hon Ronald Coleman to ask the Hon Minister for Environment, Natural Resources and Planning:

Will the Honourable Minister for Environment, Natural Resources and Planning tell this House whether throughput from the offshore fishing into the factory at Rupert's, is of the quantity to significantly contribute to boosting the Island's economy, as was envisaged when the decision was taken by SHG to lease the factory in 2021?

6. Motions

1. The Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development

That the Supplementary Appropriation (2024/2025) Bill, 2024 be approved in principle and referred to a Committee of the Whole Council.

2. The Hon Karl Thrower

That this House resolves, in accordance with section 69(9) of the Constitution of St Helena, that Sessional Papers No 24 and No 25 of 2024, namely the Public Accounts Committee Report to Legislative Council on the Formal Sessions held on 14 December 2023 and 13 June 2024 respectively, is adopted by this Council and requests the responsible member of Executive Council, not later than the first sitting day following the expiration of six weeks after 16 August 2024, to advise the Legislative Council of the action proposed to be taken by the Government of St Helena in respect of this report.

3. The Hon Minister for Treasury and Economic Development

That this House resolves that the excess expenditure for the financial year 2022/23 in the Statement of Expenditure in Excess 2022/23 laid as SP 7/2024 now stand charged to public funds in accordance with section 106(3) of the Constitution.

7. Adjournment Debate