

Question on Notice

No. 1314

Asked on Tuesday 31 October 2006

Mr McARDLE asked the Acting Minister for Justice and Attorney-General (Mr Welford) -

QUESTION:

- (1) From the appointment of the current magistrate at the Caloundra Magistrates Court in 2005 to the date of answer to this question, will he advise the number of (a) people who have pleaded guilty or been found guilty of driving a motor vehicle whilst under the influence of alcohol or a drug, (b) people who have been found guilty or pleaded guilty to a charge of driving a motor vehicle whilst disqualified from doing so, (c) interim orders made under the *Domestic and Family Violence Protection Act 1989*, (d) final orders made under the *Domestic and Family Violence Protection Act 1989*, (e) orders that have been discharged under the *Domestic and Family Violence Protection Act 1989*, (f) applications filed under the *Domestic and Family Violence Protection Act 1989* and (g) applications withdrawn under the *Domestic and Family Violence Protection Act 1989*?

ANSWER:

A permanent Magistrate was appointed to Caloundra on 12 September 2005. As a result, the figures below relate to the period 12 September 2005 to 31 October 2006.

- 1(a) 601 people have pleaded guilty or been found guilty of driving a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or a drug;
- 1(b) 193 people have pleaded guilty or been found guilty of driving a motor vehicle whilst disqualified from doing so;
- 1(c) During the stated period, 236 temporary protection orders have been made. This includes temporary protection orders and enlargements of temporary orders. An enlargement of a temporary order occurs when applications are adjourned for further mention or hearing before the court and the temporary protection order that was in place is also extended to the adjourned date.
- (d) 278 protection orders have been made.
- (e) 5 orders have been discharged (or revoked).
- (f) 460 applications have been filed. This includes applications to vary and revoke protection orders.
- (g) 27 applications have been withdrawn. This includes applications to vary and revoke protection orders.