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*6344 NURSE TO PATIENT RATIOS AT GOSFORD HOSPITAL—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What is the Government position towards nurse to patient ratios at Gosford Hospital?

Answer—

The Government supports a formula based on "nursing hours per patient day" in suitable wards and units, including those at Gosford Hospital.

*6347 HEAVY METAL CONTAMINATION IN NEWCASTLE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

(1) Will the Chief Scientist investigate heavy metal contamination in Newcastle?

(a) If not, why?

Answer—

I am advised:

There is considerable research already undertaken into this issue, as well as extensive planning controls and education initiatives.

*6348 HUNTER TAFE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

(1) How many students were enrolled at Hunter TAFE in each year from 2011 to 2017?

(2) How many teaching staff were employed at Hunter TAFE in each year from 2011 to 2017?

(3) How many non-teaching staff were employed at Hunter TAFE in each year from 2011 to 2017?

(4) What was the course completion rate at Hunter TAFE in each year from 2011 to 2016?

Answer—

(1) to (4) TAFE NSW operates in a competitive environment and does not provide data by location. TAFE NSW does provide staffing and enrolment data as part of its annual reporting, which can be found at <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about-tafensw/annual-report> and at <http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au/about-us/how-we-operate/annual-reports>.

*6350 RESPONSE TO REPRESENTATIONS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Attorney General—

(1) When will a response be received to my 11 October 2016 representations made on the request of my constituent about his request for review of two convictions under Section 76 of the Crimes (Appeal and Review) Act?

(2) What action has been taken to investigate the concerns of my constituent which are outlined in my letter?

(3) What are the normal timeframes for responses to members' representations?

Answer—

I am advised:

A response to your representation was sent to your office on 31 August 2017.

*6351 DOLTONE HOUSE JONES BAY WHARF—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

(1) When will a response be received to my 4 May 2017 request and repeated follow up calls and emails to meet with the compliance officer responsible for Doltone House Jones Bay Wharf?

(2) What restrictions apply to Members of Parliament discussing compliance concerns with department officers?

(3) What options are available for Members of Parliament to address compliance concerns if department staff are directed not to communicate with them?

(4) What further action will the Government take to ensure members of Parliament can advocate on local compliance concerns?

Answer—

(1) An answer was delivered to your office on 14 September 2017.

- (2) There are no restrictions.
- (3) I would suggest raising it with the Minister responsible.
- (4) The Government will always support local members who raise legitimate community concerns.

*6352 REDUCTION BURNING IN NEW SOUTH WALES NATIONAL PARKS AND FORESTRY AREAS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) What is the current progress of reduction burning in New South Wales National Parks and Forestry areas by the NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service?
- (2) What is the target for reduction burning in 2017?
 - (a) What was the target in previous years from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?
- (3) How much reduction burning occurred in New South Wales National Parks and Forestry areas for each year from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Under the Enhanced Bushfire Management Program, the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) aims to treat 135,000 hectares (ha) each year as a five-year rolling average. NPWS is not responsible for reduction burning in forestry areas.

(2) As above.

(3)

Year	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017 to date.
Reduction burns (hectares)	56,060	53,532	209,363	114,065	116,976	201,612	84,528*	3110*

* data is yet to be finalised and subject to change.

*6353 ACCIDENTS AT THE MECCANO SET—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

How many motor vehicle accidents were recorded at the 'Meccano Set' in Lansdowne in each year from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?

Answer—

I am advised:

Since 2011, there have been 59 motor vehicle accidents at the 'Meccano Set'.

*6354 UPGRADES TO NEW SOUTH WALES SCHOOLS—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) That is the estimated total cost of upgrades to:
 - (a) Auburn North Public;
 - (b) Belmont High School;
 - (c) Cammeraygal High School;
 - (d) Carlingford Public School;
 - (e) Cecil Hills Public School;
 - (f) Epping Public School;
 - (g) Fort Street Public School;
 - (h) Lidcombe Public School;
 - (i) Marie Bashir Public School;
 - (j) Oran Park Public School;
 - (k) Prestons Public School;
 - (l) Rosehill Public School;
 - (m) Russel Lea Public School;
 - (n) Rutherford Public School;
 - (o) Wamberal Public School;
 - (p) William Stimson Public School;
 - (q) Willoughby Girls High School;
 - (r) Willoughby Public School;
 - (s) Ajuga School;

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- (t) Bardia Public School;
- (u) Bolwarra Public School;
- (v) Coolah Central School;
- (w) Homebush West Public School;
- (x) Rainbow Street Public School?

Answer—

The estimated total cost of every project requested is commercial-in-confidence information as the projects have not been tendered as yet. This allows the department to ensure value for money on school infrastructure projects.

*6355 COST OF NEW SCHOOLS—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What is the anticipated/budgeted cost of the following new schools:
 - (a) Arthur Phillip High School;
 - (b) Parramatta Public School;
 - (c) Ballina High School;
 - (d) Bella Vista Public School;
 - (e) Narellan Public School;
 - (f) Ultimo Public School;
 - (g) North Kellyville Public School?

Answer—

I'm advised the current estimated total cost of the Arthur Phillip High School and Parramatta Public School project package is \$225 million.

The current estimated total cost of the Narellan School project is \$20.5 million.

The estimated total costs of the other projects are commercial-in-confidence as these projects have not yet been tendered.

*6357 TRUANCY IN THE CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What options is the Department of Education pursuing to reduce the level of truancy in the Cessnock electorate?
- (2) Is the Department working with other community stakeholders to reduce the level of truancy?
 - (a) If so, who are they?
 - (b) Do they hold regular meetings?
 - (i) If so, what are the details of these meetings?
- (3) How many students from the Cessnock electorate of 'compulsory school age' have been directed to attend a compulsory school attendance conference since its inception?
- (4) Generally, what reasons are provided by students who fail to attend school?
- (5) How many parents from the Cessnock electorate have been referred for compulsory attendance enforcement action for failing to ensure their child attends school since 2014?

Answer—

(1) to (5) I'm advised support is provided by staff such as student support officers, school counsellors, and learning and support staff who assist students with additional needs in behaviour, wellbeing and school attendance.

Schools in the Cessnock electorate and departmental officers work with other stakeholders and agencies to improve school attendance. Agencies that support students and the department include NSW Police, the Department of Family and Community Services, the local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group and Headspace.

In Cessnock, the Responding to Educational Neglect program involves an interagency committee that meets once a term to identify and respond to underlying issues affecting school attendance.

Data related to compulsory school attendance conferences and compulsory attendance enforcement is not held centrally by the Department of Education.

Reasons provided for students who fail to attend school are highly contextualised and it is difficult to provide generalised descriptions.

*6358 SPECIAL INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTION—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) How much will be raised from the Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC)?
- (2) How much will the SIC contribute to the Parramatta Light Rail?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The range for the 12 Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) areas across metropolitan Sydney is \$4.2 to \$6.5 billion. This does not include the newly announced priority precincts that are outside the proposed Special Contribution Boundaries - we have not commenced work at this time
- (2) Regarding Greater Parramatta and Olympic Park - Total forecast SIC income is \$1.7 billion. Given Government's previous commitment to only funding \$500 million of regional infrastructure from this, Parramatta Light Rail contribution is \$1.2 billion (for the entire GPOP area, not just stage 1).

*6360 BUILDING SAFETY IN CHILDCARE FACILITY CONSTRUCTION—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

- (1) Who is responsible for ensuring that all health and safety building requirements are satisfactorily completed in the construction of private child care facilities?
- (2) Who is responsible for the safety of children in private child care facilities in relation to fire hazard and safe haven requirements?
 - (a) How is compliance to safe haven requirements ensured?
 - (b) What mechanisms are in place to evaluate and monitor fire hazard and safety procedures in private childcare facilities?
- (3) Has consideration been given to the fact that the Building Code of Australia should require sprinklers in multilevel childcare facilities?

Answer—

(1) The Minister for Planning.

(2) Under the Education and Care Services National Law, the approved provider of an education and care service is responsible for the safety of children in their service in the event of a fire, and must have policies and procedures for emergencies and evacuations in place.

(a) There is currently no requirement for the provision of safe havens in child care facilities.

(b) The Department of Education regulates childcare services under the Education and Care Services National Law. The department requires every early education and care service to anticipate emergencies through a risk assessment and to have plans in place to effectively manage incidents.

If a fire safety or child protection issue is identified by a visiting departmental authorised officer, and there is a significant risk to children, the service is placed on a high level monitoring and compliance plan to ensure the safety of children and compliance with the law.

(3) The Department of Planning and Environment is responsible for administering the Building Code of Australia in New South Wales. This question should be properly directed to the NSW Minister for Planning.

*6362 NORTHCONNEX TOLL—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How will the NorthConnex toll be designed?
- (2) How much will the NorthConnex toll be from the M1 to the Gore Hill Expressway?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information is available on the NorthConnex website.

*6363 ADDITIONAL PARKING SPOTS AT GOSFORD HOSPITAL—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

When will the additional 800 parking spots at Gosford Hospital be available for users?

Answer—

The additional 800 parking spaces at Gosford Hospital are expected to be available in early 2019.

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*6364 ADDITIONAL STAFF FOR GOSFORD HOSPITAL—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many additional staff will be allocated to expanded services at Gosford Hospital when the upgrade is complete?
- (2) What funding allocations have been made to fund these additional staff?

Answer—

Staffing levels will be in line with activity requirements and models of care.

*6365 ELECTRICITY LEASE PROCEEDS IN THE WOLLONGONG LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Mr Paul Scully asked the Premier—

- (1) Considering the response to LA Q5875, has the Government invested any of the electricity lease proceeds in the Wollongong Local Government Area?

(a) If so:

- (i) What projects has the Government invested in;
- (ii) What is the total investment for each project?

Answer—

I refer you to my previous answers on this topic. Our \$20 billion Rebuilding NSW program will invest in world-class infrastructure across New South Wales, including Wollongong.

None of this could have occurred under a Labor government.

*6366 HEALTH IMPACTS OF WESTCONNEX WORKS AT FORMER ALEXANDRIA LANDFILL SITE—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) Is there available information to demonstrate that local residents have not been subjected to known carcinogens such as benzene as a result of WestConnex excavations on the former Alexandria Landfill site?
- (2) Is there available information to demonstrate that standard practices for safe landfill operations have been undertaken including:
 - (a) Covering exposed and disturbed areas daily with high-density polyethylene (HDPE) material;
 - (b) Transporting the leachate which can't be quickly treated onsite to off-site leachate treatment facilities?

Answer—

I am advised:

Environmental issues are managed in accordance with Planning Approval Conditions and Construction Environmental Management Plans.

*6367 BEREAVEMENT COUNSELLING—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How much money does the Government spend on free bereavement counselling services in:
 - (a) Sydney Local Health District;
 - (b) Northern Sydney Local Health District;
 - (c) Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District?
- (2) What is the eligibility criteria for people wanting to access bereavement counselling in the following Local Health Districts:
 - (a) Sydney Local Health District;
 - (b) Northern Sydney Local Health District;
 - (c) Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District?
- (3) Why does the criteria for eligibility for people wanting to access bereavement counselling differ between Local Health Districts?

Answer—

The priorities of the service delivery models for the provision of bereavement services vary in each Local Health District.

*6368 DEFINITION OF THE WOLLONGONG LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA AS METROPOLITAN—Mr Paul Scully asked the Premier—

- (1) Has the Government received representations from Illawarra stakeholders in relation to the definition of the Wollongong local government area as metropolitan?
 - (a) If so, which stakeholders have made representations to the Government?
- (2) Why is Wollongong local government area defined as metropolitan?
- (3) Is the Government considering changes to the current definition of Wollongong local government area, including that it is regional capital?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1) to (3) There is no standard methodology for defining a Local Government Area (LGA) as metropolitan or regional. Agencies can consider different factors when classifying LGAs depending on the policy objectives of a program and the needs of the New South Wales community as a whole.

*6369 UPGRADE OF THE UNANDERRA STATION CONCEPT DESIGN WORK—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Considering the response to LA Q5460, will the Minister publicly release the concept design work for the upgrade of the Unanderra Station, which was completed in July 2011?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

You recently put in a GIPA application requesting this information.

The concept design work reflects investigations completed in 2011 and may not reflect current or future requirements.

*6370 SYDNEY LIGHT RAIL PROJECT—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Is the Sydney Light Rail on time and on budget?
- (2) Is the Sydney Light Rail tracking 'green' on time status?
- (3) Is the Sydney Light Rail tracking 'green' on cost status?
- (4) Have any deadlines been missed as part of the Sydney Light Rail construction program?

Answer—

I am advised:

Light rail construction is underway and the project is on target to commence operations in 2019 within the \$2.1 billion construction budget.

*6371 SYDNEY LIGHT RAIL COMPENSATION CLAIMS—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Have any of the compensation claims from the contractor for the Sydney Light Rail been resolved?
- (2) What is the value of compensation claims that have been resolved?
- (3) What is the total budget for compensation claims/contingency budget for the Sydney Light Rail?

Answer—

I am advised:

Disclosure of any commercially sensitive information, such as the value of contingency, could be prejudicial to both parties.

*6372 SYDNEY AND NSW TRAINS ELECTRICITY SUPPLY—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What company currently supplies electricity to Sydney and NSW Trains?
- (2) What is the 2017-18 Budget for electricity supply for Sydney and NSW Trains?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Origin Energy Limited.
- (2) This information is available in the Sydney Trains Annual Report.

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*6373 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS IN THE CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How many school zone flashing lights have been installed in the Cessnock electorate since school zone signs inception (as at 10 August 2017)?
- (2) How many traditional school zone signs in the Cessnock electorate remain in place?
- (3) How many schools in the Cessnock electorate have more than one school zone flashing light sign?
- (4) How many schools in the Cessnock electorate have more than three school zone flashing light signs?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*6374 TEACHING POSITIONS ADVERTISED IN THE CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many teaching positions advertised for public schools in the Cessnock electorate from 1 January 2017 to 31 May 2017 were:
 - (a) Full-time;
 - (b) Part-time;
 - (c) Casual?

Answer—

I'm advised there were:

- (1) (a) 13.
- (b) Nil.
- (c) Nil.

*6375 RAIL LEVEL CROSSINGS IN THE CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How regularly are the following rail level crossings inspected for safety reasons:
 - (a) Mulbring Street, Aberdare;
 - (b) McFarlane Street, Cessnock;
 - (c) Vincent Street, Cessnock;
 - (d) Greta Street, Kearsley;
 - (e) Mitchell Avenue, Kurri Kurri;
 - (f) Mcleod Road, Loxford;
 - (g) Neath Road, Neath?
- (2) What types of maintenance works are undertaken at these rail level crossings to ensure network safety?
- (3) Are there any plans to install flashing lights at the following rail level crossings:
 - (a) Mitchell Avenue, Kurri Kurri;
 - (b) Neath Road, Neath?

Answer—

I am advised:

These rail level crossings are privately owned and operated. Under the Rail Safety National Law, Rail Infrastructure Managers like the owners of these crossings, are responsible for the roads intersecting with the rail line and the ongoing maintenance of the crossings. The National Rail Safety Regulator has responsibility for compliance and enforcement of the National Law.

*6376 OFFICE OF STATE REVENUE AND STATE DEBT RECOVERY OFFICES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many Office of State Revenue and State Debt Recovery offices existed on 31 July 2017?
- (2) Where were these offices located?
- (3) When was the decision made to rename the Office of State Revenue and State Debt Recovery to Revenue NSW?
- (4) What reasons were provided for the renaming?
- (5) What stakeholders were included in the decision-making process?
- (6) What is the total cost to re-badge all administration, signage, website, staff clothing and all other

materials that contained the logos of either the Office of State Revenue or State Debt Recovery?

(7) How will this rebranding process be funded?

Answer—

(1) Eight.

(2) Parramatta (2), Maitland (2), Lithgow, Gosford, Newcastle and Wollongong.

(3) The Administrative Order was approved on 28 June 2017.

(4) Revenue NSW is responsible for two main functions of collecting tax and administering fines. These functions were split between the Office of State Revenue for taxes and State Debt Recovery for fines. Having a dual brand creates confusion for customers and a siloed approach to working for our staff.

Combining under a single name emphasises our role and services as the Government's revenue management agency so it is clearer to our customers what we are doing and why. This makes us more accountable to the public and provides better customer service.

(5) A range of stakeholders were consulted in relation to improving customer experience within the Office of State Revenue and making our customer interactions clear, simple and effective, which resulted in the rebranding and the development of a Customer Charter. We drew upon these learnings and feedback from agencies including the Customer Service Commissioner, Service NSW, the NSW Business Chamber, NSW Law Society, NSW Australian Institute of Conveyancers, NSW Ombudsman, Roads and Maritime Services and local councils.

(6) and (7) All costs associated with the rebranding will be met within Revenue NSW's existing internal budget.

*6377 BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE FUND—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

(1) What schools have been successful in receiving funding through the Before and After School Care Fund?

(2) What councils have been successful in receiving funding through the Before and After School Care Fund?

Answer—

(1) The Government is investing a record amount in before and after school care. Locations are determined on merit, in consultation with stakeholders.

(2) Blacktown City Council, Glen Innes Severn Council, Inner West Council and Penrith City Council have received funding through the Government's \$20 million Before and After School Care Fund

*6378 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT NUMBERS IN THE CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education—

(1) What were the enrolled student numbers in the following high schools in the Cessnock electorate as at 30 June 2012?

- (a) Cessnock High School;
- (b) Kurri Kurri High School;
- (c) Mount View High School;
- (d) West Wallsend High School?

(2) What were the enrolled student numbers in the following high schools in the Cessnock electorate as at 30 June 2017?

- (a) Cessnock High School;
- (b) Kurri Kurri High School;
- (c) Mount View High School;
- (d) West Wallsend High School?

Answer—

Student enrolment data is available via the MySchool website.

*6379 LOWER HUNTER HOSPITAL EXPENDITURE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) What is the total funds that have been spent since the Lower Hunter Hospital announcement on planning, site preparation, consultant fees etcetera to 31 July 2017?

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- (2) How much funding has been allocated and funded by the Government for the construction of the hospital?
- (3) What is the projected total cost of construction?
- (4) Will construction commence before total funding is sourced?
 - (a) If yes, what percentage of total funding will need to be funded to trigger commencement of construction?

Answer—

The Government has committed \$450 million for the delivery of the new Maitland Hospital.

*6380 ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHERS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many teachers in the Cessnock electorate offer English as a Second Language (ESL) support to students?
 - (a) Have all of these teachers attained the necessary qualifications to provide this support?
- (2) How many teachers across the Hunter offer ESL support to students?
- (3) Have all of these teachers attained the necessary qualifications to provide this support?
- (4) How many teachers across New South Wales offer ESL support to students?
 - (a) Have all of these teachers attained the necessary qualifications to provide this support?
- (5) What additional education or training do ESL teachers need to undertake before they can offer support to students from ESL backgrounds?

Answer—

(1) to (5) I'm advised that all teachers in NSW public schools regularly provide support to students who are learning English as an additional language or dialect.

*6381 SYDNEY GATEWAY—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) When was the masterplan for the Sydney Gateway presented to Roads and Maritime Services?
- (2) Has Roads and Maritime Services approved the Sydney Gateway masterplan?
- (3) What is the current estimated total cost of the Sydney Gateway?
- (4) When will the final cost of the Sydney Gateway be announced?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*6382 FINES ON SYDNEY TRAINS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many fines have been issued to passengers travelling on T2 Southern Line services each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?
- (2) How many passengers were given cautions for travelling on T2 Southern Line services without a valid ticket each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?
- (3) How many fines were withdrawn for travelling on T2 Southern Line services without a valid ticket each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?
- (4) How many fines have been issued to passengers travelling on T1 Western Line services each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?
- (5) How many passengers were given cautions for travelling on T1 Western Line services without a valid ticket each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?
- (6) How many fines were withdrawn for travelling on T1 Western Line services without a valid ticket each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?
- (7) How many fines have been issued to passengers travelling on T5 Cumberland Line services each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?
- (8) How many passengers were given cautions for travelling on T5 Cumberland Line services without a valid ticket each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?
- (9) How many fines were withdrawn for travelling on T5 Cumberland Line services without a valid ticket each year since the 2013 timetable changes (to 8 August 2017)?

Answer—

Revenue NSW is unable to provide this information as the data is not provided with that level of detail by the issuing authority.

*6383 UPGRADE TO MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What is the budget for any planned upgrade to Merrylands High School?
- (2) What is the timeline for any planned upgrade to Merrylands High School?

Answer—

I'm advised that the Secondary School Renewal Project at Merrylands High School, which is currently in construction, has an estimated total cost of approximately \$2.3 million. The project is anticipated to be completed before the end of 2017.

*6384 FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT CAPITAL WORKS PROJECTS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What major capital works projects are scheduled to commence for the emergency department at Fairfield Hospital?
 - (a) What works will be carried out as part of this project?
 - (i) When are these works scheduled to commence?
 - (ii) How much will these works cost?
 - (iii) When are these works anticipated to be completed?

Answer—

The Government is currently delivering on the redevelopment of the emergency department at Fairfield Hospital and has committed over \$7 million to the project.

*6386 MECCANO SET MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADE WORKS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How much has been spent on maintenance and upgrade works at the Meccano Set in Lansdowne in each year from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?
- (2) What maintenance and upgrade works have been completed in each year from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?
 - (a) Are any works scheduled to begin in 2017?
 - (i) If yes, when are the works anticipated to be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

Maintenance of the 'Meccano Set' structure, including the signs and traffic signals, is included in the annual Traffic Maintenance Budget, which is part of a Statewide budget. Works on the structure are expected to be undertaken in 2018.

*6387 TOURISM STRATEGIES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

- (1) What tourism strategies does the Government presently have in place to promote tourism in the following areas:
 - (a) Fairfield;
 - (b) Canley Vale;
 - (c) Canley Heights;
 - (d) Cabramatta;
 - (e) Woodpark?

Answer—

The Government has released its Western Sydney Visitor Economy Strategy as the strategic framework to grow the region's visitor economy. The strategy identifies specific supply side issues, including infrastructure and skills, as well as ways to stimulate demand in order to grow the visitor economy in Western Sydney which encompasses the areas of Fairfield, Canley Vale, Canley Heights, Cabramatta and Woodpark.

Stakeholder consultation was undertaken in the development of the Strategy through an online survey and roundtables with key sectors from across Western Sydney. Representatives from these areas have been included in the consultation process.

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Destinations, events, attractions and experiences in these areas such as the Fairfield City Museum and Gallery and Cabramatta food scene are promoted by the NSW Government, through Destination NSW's consumer website Sydney.com and relevant social media activities.

Other initiatives to support the visitor economy in these areas include the Get Connected program which allows tourism operators and events to promote their products and events via the Sydney.com website. Currently there are 18 products listed via Get Connected for the areas of Fairfield, Canley Vale, Canley Heights, Cabramatta and Woodpark comprising events, attractions, accommodation and restaurants.

Content on the Sydney West destination pages on Sydney.com is currently being reviewed and will undergo a full refresh to ensure that it is current and accurate.

Destination NSW also supports these areas with media visits as well as publicity and marketing support. Recent media visits have included a Vietnamese food tour for visiting Indian media in Cabramatta in January 2016 and a visit by New Zealand media Fairfield and Cabramatta in July 2016 to explore the multicultural food scene.

*6388 BUS SERVICE ROUTES IN THE FAIRFIELD LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

(1) How many different bus service routes were operational throughout the Fairfield local government area for each year from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?

(a) How many buses were operating along each route for each year from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) There are 29 bus routes currently operating in the Fairfield local government area, compared to 26 bus routes in 2011 and 2012, 27 bus routes in 2013 and 29 bus routes in 2014, 2015 and 2016.

(a) The number of buses used to provide these services is an operational matter for the bus operator to determine.

*6389 TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT THE INTERSECTION OF MAUD STREET AND POLDING STREET, FAIRFIELD WEST—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

(1) What consultation has taken place prior to the installation of the traffic lights at the corner of Maud Street and Polding Street, Fairfield West?

(2) How many motor vehicle accidents were recorded at this location in each recurring year from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The installation of the traffic lights at the corner of Maud Street and Polding Street, Fairfield West should be directed to Fairfield City Council as the road authority for this intersection.

(2) 5 crashes in 2011

1 crash in 2012

2 crashes in 2013

3 crashes in 2014

Nil crashes in 2015

1 crash in 2016

Nil crashes in 2017 – based on information available as at 28 August 2017.

*6390 POLDING STREET, WEST FAIRFIELD ROUNDABOUT—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

How many motor vehicle accidents were recorded at the Polding Street, West Fairfield roundabout in each year from 2011 to date (as at 10 August 2017)?

Answer—

I am advised:

2011: 16 crashes

2012: 14 crashes

2013: 11 crashes

2014: 9 crashes

2015: 20 crashes

2016: 23 crashes

2017: 7 crashes, based on information available as of 28 August 2017.

*6393 AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) What assessment has the government carried out of the effectiveness of the Affordable Rental Housing State Environmental Planning Policy?
- (2) Has this policy resulted in increased provision of affordable housing and what evidence is available to show this?
- (3) What assessment has the Government made about whether the policy's boarding house incentives have achieved an increase in low cost rental accommodation?
- (4) What further action will the Government take to ensure increased low cost rental accommodation?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government is currently reviewing the Affordable Rental Housing State Environmental Planning Policy as part of its ongoing wider review of all State Environmental Planning Policies, this includes boarding house provisions.

The review of current housing policies will help the Government to ensure that its planning policies continue to encourage the development of a range of different types of affordable housing in different places to help respond to local needs. The Greater Sydney Commissions Draft District Plans nominate a 5% to 10% affordable rental housing target, subject to viability, in urban renewal and land release areas.

The Affordable Rental Housing State Environmental Planning Policy has helped facilitate the delivery of a wide variety of affordable housing across New South Wales.

*6394 UNSAFE APARTMENT BUILDING CLADDING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made about responsibility for cladding that does not meet fire/building regulations that has been installed on apartment buildings?
- (2) Does the Government expect that apartment owners will have to pay for rectification where builders or contractors have installed unsafe cladding?
- (3) What action can apartment owners take where certifiers or contractors have installed cladding that does not meet fire/building regulations?
- (4) What further action will the Government take to ensure that the costs of replacing unsafe cladding is allocated to those responsible?

Answer—

- (1) Responsibility for remediating non-compliant cladding and any action available will be dependent upon the circumstances of each individual building, and depending on the circumstances responsibility could be enforced through statutory warranties determined in the Home Building Act as well as elements of the Australian Consumer Law.
- (2) Generally, building owners, through the owners' corporation, are responsible for the repair and maintenance of common property. However, they may have rights against builders and developers.
- (3) Individual strata owners or Owners' Corporations can take action to seek remedy for defective building work, such as unsafe cladding, by enforcing statutory warranties or pursuing breaches of Australian Consumer Law. Owners in multi-unit developments of three storeys or less may lodge an insurance claim under the Home Building Compensation Fund for failing to fix defective work.
- (4) As part of the whole of government ten point plan for improving building safety, the Government is introducing new legislation to prevent people throughout the building supply chain from importing, supplying, selling or using building products that are unsafe.

*6395 AA COMPANY HOUSE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

When will AA Company House in Hamilton Newcastle be listed on the State Heritage Register?

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Answer—

It was gazetted on the State Heritage Register on 25 August 2017.

*6396 AMBULANCE RESPONSE TIMES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What is the average wait time for an ambulance in Newcastle?
- (2) What is the State average wait time for an ambulance?
- (3) What is the acceptable benchmark response time in New South Wales?

Answer—

NSW Ambulance activity and performance data is publicly available on the Bureau of Health Information website at www.bhi.nsw.gov.au/.

*6397 BANNING SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Will the Government take action on banning single-use plastic bags that are damaging the Newcastle environment?
 - (a) If not, why?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government's current anti-litter priority is the implementation of a 10-cent container deposit scheme, scheduled to roll out across the state in December.

Drink containers eligible for the scheme will make up 43 per cent of litter volume across New South Wales. While the Government recognises plastic bags are an issue for the environment, they make up less than three per cent of litter volume.

The Government has allocated \$30 million until 2020/21 for litter reduction programs.

*6399 NEWCASTLE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN – KING EDWARD PARK—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

Will consideration be given to removing Schedule 1 from the Newcastle Local Environment Plan 2012?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Newcastle City Council has resolved to prepare a planning proposal to remove item 1 from Schedule 1 of the Newcastle Local Environment Plan.
- (2) The Department of Planning and Environment will ensure that any planning proposal submitted by Council will be assessed on its merits in a timely manner.

*6400 NEWCASTLE VISITORS CENTRE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will consideration be given to installing a visitors centre at the Newcastle Interchange?

Answer—

I am advised:

This matter should be referred to the Minister for Tourism and Major Events and Assistant Minister for Skills.

*6401 DAMAGED PROPERTY ALLEGEDLY DUE TO WESTCONNEX—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) How many reports of damaged property allegedly due to WestConnex has Government, Sydney Motorway Corporate or Roads and Maritime Services received since the commencement of the WestConnex project?
- (2) How many homeowners have been compensated for damage to property?
- (3) What has been the total cost of compensating homeowners for damage to property?

Answer—

I am advised that properties within the project area are offered property conditions surveys. Accepting a condition survey is voluntary. These inspections assess the condition of buildings before and after

construction and ensure a clear record of a property's condition. All reasonable measures are taken to determine the cause of any damage to properties. Any damage attributed to the project will be repaired at cost to the property owner.

*6402 CROSSING SUPERVISOR FOR HABERFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

What arrangements have been put in place at Haberfield Public School for a crossing supervisor following a child being struck on Bland Street earlier this year?

Answer—

I am advised:

Roads and Maritime Services has conducted four separate eligibility assessments of the Bland Street crossing at Haberfield Public School for a school crossing supervisor. The crossing does not meet the criteria.

The most recent assessment was conducted on 27 March 2017.

Eligibility criteria is on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*6403 THIRD STAGE OF WESTCONNEX—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

(1) Has the Minister met with the Lord Mayor of Sydney or City of Sydney traffic engineers to discuss the City's alternative proposal for the third stage of WestConnex?

(2) Has the Minister met with the Administrator of the Inner West Council or Inner West Council traffic engineers to discuss the Council's alternative proposal for the third stage of WestConnex?

Answer—

Ministerial meeting disclosures are publically available.

*6404 SYDNEY SECONDARY COLLEGE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Education—

(1) When did Sydney Secondary College cease accepting out of area enrolments and out-of-area enrolments for siblings of current students?

(2) When was the last time Sydney Secondary College staff or representatives attended a primary school outside of its catchment area to advertise enrolments?

(3) On how many occasions did Sydney Secondary College staff or representatives attend a primary school outside of its catchment area to advertise enrolments before that time?

Answer—

(1) I'm advised Sydney Secondary College (Balmain and Leichhardt campuses) made changes to its enrolment policy at the end of February 2017.

The changes allow the college to continue to accept applications for non-local enrolments, but it is no longer able to guarantee siblings of non-local students will be enrolled in the mainstream setting at the Leichhardt and Balmain campuses. This information was communicated at the Balmain and Leichhardt campus open nights and on their individual campus websites.

Non-local enrolments for the selective classes continue to be accepted in accordance with the selective schools process.

(2) I'm advised that college representatives were invited to attend one school outside the college's catchment area (Ashbury Public School) in February 2017 to discuss their selective stream and specialist band programs.

(3) I'm advised that prior to 2017, college representatives have visited up to three non-local primary schools with band programs per year to discuss the college's selective stream and specialist band program.

*6406 MONITORING AND REGULATION OF RENT BIDDING APPS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

What is the Government doing to monitor and regulate rent bidding apps such as Rentberry?

Answer—

Currently there is no evidence to suggest the company Rentberry has started in New South Wales.

From time to time these types of online platforms come to Fair Trading's attention and each business is

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assessed on a case by case basis and according to their business model.

Fair Trading proactively works with the trader to ensure that appropriate licences are held or obtained were applicable and compliant under the Property, Stock and Business Agents Act 2002 the Australian Consumer Law, and/or other relevant legislation administered by Fair Trading.

*6408 FUNDING FOR SCHOOL MAINTENANCE BACKLOG—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Of the over 2100 schools in New South Wales to receive funding under the extra \$60 million to reduce the maintenance backlog, announced on 2 May 2017:
 - (a) Which schools in the Maitland electorate have been allocated funds?
 - (b) What are the total funds that each school will receive?

Answer—

The Government's record \$747 million funding for school maintenance over four years will address maintenance issues in almost every government school in New South Wales. The \$60 million is part of the total \$390 million that has been allocated to planned maintenance in 2016-17 and 2017-18.

All schools in the Maitland electorate maintained by the Department of Education will benefit from this spending on maintenance.

Information on maintenance expenditure at each school is published on the Department of Education's website at the end of each financial year, as will be the case for all maintenance expenditure incurred in 2017-18.

*6409 OPAL CARDS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What is the cost of producing and distributing each Opal card?
- (2) How many Gold Opal cards have been issued to aged pensioners in the Maitland electorate?
- (3) What is the average processing time for aged pensioners who apply for an Gold Opal card in the Maitland electorate?
- (4) How many aged pensioners are in the Maitland electorate?
- (5) How many Gold Opal cards have been issued in each financial year from 2015-16 to 2016-17?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The cost of distributing each Opal card will vary depending on the quantity of Opal cards distributed within each order and the method of distribution.
- (2) There are currently over 290 customers who have Gold Opal cards in the Maitland electorate.
- (3) The large majority of orders are completed within two business days and provided to Australia Post for distribution.
- (4) This needs to be referred to Department of Human Services (DHS).
- (5) 771,523 in 2015-16
474,699 in 2016-17.

*6412 LIQUOR LICENCE CONSULTATION—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—

- (1) What evaluation has the government carried out of the Liquor and Gaming website information and process to ensure it is user-friendly for members of the community?
- (2) How many complaints have been made about this website over the past two years and what changes have been made in response?
- (3) What changes has the Government made to use plain language and improve accessibility of this website?
- (4) What sections of the website are directed towards community members who wish to comment on liquor licences, rather than towards licensees applying for liquor licences?
- (5) How does the Government ensure that consultation material is in plain language with clear information about the process and contact officers?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to improve the Community Impact Statement process?
- (7) What further action will the Government take to encourage and support community comment on liquor licence impacts?

Answer—

- (1) A refreshed Liquor & Gaming NSW (L&GNSW) website was launched in 2016. Its design and content was based on stakeholder consultation, so it could better meet the needs of customers and the community. As a dynamic platform, improvements are made on a regular basis informed by community and customer feedback. Further improvements are planned to make the website easier to follow for the community and businesses.
- (2) Since the website was launched in February 2016, there have been 6 direct submissions of feedback about the website and all of these have been addressed.
- (3) Plain language is used. There are accessible PDF, online forms and fact sheets. It complies with the Government WCAG2.0 AA access standards.
- (4) The "Community Involvement" section of the website outlines how the community can have their say in the liquor and gaming licensing process and policy reviews. The online Liquor and Gaming Application Noticeboard provides liquor licence application information and the opportunity for the community to submit feedback. It also provides contacts for the Community Access team who provide education to communities on how they can get involved.
- (5) L&GNSW consultation materials use plain English to communicate the purpose, process and closing dates of public consultations, including useful questions to guide discussion, and contact details for more information. Feedback can be submitted in writing and by email, through the L&GNSW website, by online survey, and through the Government's Have Your Say website.
- (6) L&GNSW is currently evaluating the CIS process, including ways in which the community can be better encouraged and supported to comment on proposed liquor licences. An extensive public consultation has been undertaken to inform the evaluation. The feedback provided through the consultation process will inform future enhancements.
- (7) L&GNSW is continually looking at ways to better encourage and support community comment on liquor licence impacts, as demonstrated in the initiatives referred to above.

*6413 CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN COUNCIL INDEPENDENT HEARING AND ASSESSMENT PANEL MEMBERS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) What will be the remuneration for potential Canterbury-Bankstown Council Independent Hearing and Assessment Panel members?
- (2) Will this cost be borne by the Department?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The appropriate level of remuneration for panel members is still being considered. Councils will be responsible for meeting the operating costs of their independent Hearing and Assessment Panels. These costs will vary based on factors such as frequency of meetings and the number of development applications any given council receives.

*6414 ADDITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CLASSROOMS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many extra high school classrooms has the Department projected are needed to service the extra 100,000 people expected to reside within the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor?
- (2) When will there be a commitment to constructing these extra high school classrooms?

Answer—

The Department of Education is well advanced in its planning for schools along the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor and has been working closely with the Department of Planning and Environment, local councils, UrbanGrowth NSW and the Greater Sydney Commission to explore opportunities and consider solutions to meet student enrolment demands where and when they will arise.

The Government's record \$4.2 billion investment in new and existing school facilities includes three projects that will benefit the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor by increasing local enrolment capacity. These projects will redevelop Canterbury South Public School and upgrade Ashbury Public School and Yagoona Public School.

*6415 CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN COUNCIL INDEPENDENT HEARING AND ASSESSMENT PANEL—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

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- (1) Will property developers, real estate agents, and lobbyists, be excluded from being appointed to the Canterbury-Bankstown Council Independent Hearing and Assessment Panel?
(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

Amendments to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 prohibit councillors, property developers and real estate agents from being members of local planning panels.

Panel members will be subject to a strict code of conduct which will prevent them determining any matter in which they have a financial or non-financial interest.

- *6416 SUICIDE RATE OF PATIENTS IN MENTAL HEALTH UNITS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

How many mentally ill or mentally disordered patients have committed suicide while receiving treatment or care in a publicly funded mental health unit in each year from 2011 to 2017 (as at 9 August 2017)?

Answer—

This information is published annually and is available in the Report on Government Services at:

<http://www.pc.gov.au/research/ongoing/report-on-government-services/2017/health/rogs-2017-volume.pdf>.

- *6417 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CORONIAL INQUEST—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

- (1) Will the Government prioritise implementing the recommendations of Magistrate Derek Lee, Deputy State Coroner, following the Inquest into the death of Ahlia Raftery?

(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

- (1) NSW Health has accepted and is actively implementing all of the Deputy Coroner's nine recommendations.

The NSW Health response is due to the State Coroner by 9 December 2017.

- *6418 ADDITIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many extra primary school classrooms has the Department projected are needed to service the extra 100,000 people expected to reside within the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor?

- (2) When will there be a commitment to constructing these extra primary school classrooms?

Answer—

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- *6419 ADDITIONAL HOSPITAL BEDS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many extra hospital beds has NSW Health projected are needed to service the extra 100,000 people expected to reside within the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor?

- (2) When will there be a commitment to funding these extra hospital beds?

Answer—

Local Health Districts undertake services planning, which take account of population growth and ageing. Capital investment is considered as part of usual NSW Budget processes.

*6421 FUNDING FOR SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

(1) Considering the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor has projected an influx of 100,000 residents along the Metro Corridor, will the Department fund new sport and recreation facilities prior to the completion of the metro extension from Sydenham to Bankstown?

(a) If not, then why not?

Answer—

This is a question for the Minister for Planning.

*6422 AIR CONDITIONING IN SCHOOLS IN THE MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Education—

(1) How many schools in the Maitland electorate do not have air conditioning installed in their classrooms and schools halls?

(a) What are the names of these schools?

Answer—

(1) I'm advised the Department of Education aims to provide air cooling to all habitable spaces in schools where the mean maximum January temperature is 33 degrees Celsius or higher; in schools with students that have special needs; and in all demountable teaching spaces. In the Maitland electorate there are no schools where the mean maximum January temperature is over 33 degrees Celsius. Many schools, however, choose to install air conditioning at their own expense.

(a) I'm advised that, as at 25 August 2017, all schools in the Maitland electorate have air cooling in some permanent spaces.

*6423 SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYMENT INCENTIVE SCHEME—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

(1) How many small businesses in the Maitland electorate have received a grant under the Small Business Employment Incentive scheme in each of the 2015-16 and 2016-17 financial years?

(2) What was the average grant received by small businesses in the Maitland electorate under the Small Business Employment Incentive a scheme in each of he 2015-16 and 2016-17 financial years?

(3) What was the average grant paid to small businesses in New South Wales under the Small Business Employment Incentive scheme in each of the 2015- 16 and 2016-17 financial years?

Answer—

(1) 2015-16 - 0

2016-17 - 19

(2) 2015-16 - 0

2016-17 - \$1,480

(3) 2015-16 - 0

2016-17 - \$1,727

*6424 CLUBGRANTS CATEGORY 3 FUND—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—

(1) What was the contribution to the ClubGrants Category 3 Fund from clubs located in the Maitland electorate for each year from 2015 (as at 1 August 2017)?

(2) How many ClubGrants Category 3 Grants have been awarded in the Maitland electorate since 2015 (as at 1 August 2017)?

(a) What was the amount of each of these grants?

(b) Which organisations received funding?

(c) What were the projects for which the funding was received?

(3) How many applications were submitted for ClubGrants Category 3 Grants from organisations in the Maitland electorate since 2015 (as at 1 August 2017)?

Answer—

(1) On 19 July 2017, I announced changes to ClubGRANTS Category 3 Infrastructure Grants. The changes will give more communities the opportunity to access funding.

\$68,277 over the period 1 September 2015 until 31 August 2016 (the last Gaming Tax Year).

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(2) One grant of \$101,150 was awarded to the Maitland Repertory Theatre for the construction of a new rehearsal space and storage building at Maitland Repertory Theatre. Details of all successful projects are available on the Liquor and Gaming NSW website.

(3) A total of 37 applications were submitted in that period.

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- 6476 OWNER OF TOMAREE LODGE—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 6477 WORKERS COMPENSATION ACT 1987—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
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- 6481 VEHICLE SANCTIONS SCHEME—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
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- 6490 REGIONAL CONFERENCING DEVELOPMENT PILOT GRANTS PROGRAM—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
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- 6494 OPAL CARD CONTRACT—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 6495 RED TAPE REDUCTION IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
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- 6497 UPGRADE OF NORTH STRATHFIELD RAILWAY STATION—Ms Jodi McKay to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
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- 6499 TENDER FOR THE WOLLONGONG HARBOUR MASTER PLAN—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—
- 6500 CLASSIFICATION OF WOLLONGONG—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
- 6501 HOMEBUSH WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Jodi McKay to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6502 FUTURE USE OF NSW LAND TITLES OFFICE IN ORANGE—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—
- 6503 WESTERN TRAIN LINE SCHEDULES—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
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- 6505 FINES ON INTERCITY TRAINS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
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- 6507 UNPAID POWER BILLS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) Is the Government aware that in New South Wales 68,000 homes are at risk of having their electricity cut off and over 85,000 families owe least \$600 in unpaid power bills?
 - (2) How is the Government helping these families?
 - (3) What is the Government doing to ensure that struggling families are aware of financial assistance available to help them with increasing power bills?
- 6508 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE RAINBOW FAMILIES, LOVE MAKES A FAMILY REPORT—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How is the Government responding to the following recommendations made by the Rainbow Families, Love Makes a Family report:
 - (a) As part of a Legislative Council Inquiry into Assisted Reproductive Technology/IVF, investigate the establishment of a heavily regulated local surrogacy industry that better protects the rights of children, women and prospective parents;
 - (b) Provide adequate counselling for those using altruistic surrogacy to create a family by fully trained and supervised therapists/psychologists;
 - (c) Establish and fund Gay and Lesbian Liaison Officers at major New South Wales public hospitals to assist with providing health care to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex and Questioning parent families;
 - (d) Provide specialist training to medical professionals and health workers on family diversity;
 - (e) Adopt and promote the National LGBTI Health Alliance's Genders, Bodies and Relationships Passport in all New South Wales public health settings;
 - (f) Update the Baby Blue Book (or Child Personal Health Record) to make it more inclusive of family diversity;
 - (g) Update all medical records and health-related forms to be gender neutral where feasible, including removing 'mother' and 'father' in instances where it is not necessary to know the sex of a parent?
- 6509 RAINBOW FAMILIES, LOVE MAKES A FAMILY REPORT—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—
- (1) How is the Government responding to the following recommendations made by the Rainbow Families, Love Makes a Family report:
 - (a) Provide specialist training for teachers at preschools and long day care services in family diversity, respecting the fact that children come from single parent families, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex and Questioning parent families, foster families and more;
 - (b) Standardise all paper and electronic enrolment forms to stipulate the more neutral 'parents' as opposed to 'mother' and 'father'?
- 6510 LIBRARIES FUNDING MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- How much funding did the Government allocate to libraries in the Maitland electorate in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2017-18 (as at 14 September 2017)?
- 6511 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE RAINBOW FAMILIES REPORT—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Attorney General—
- (1) Has the Government responded to, or is the Government planning to respond to, the findings in the Rainbow Families, Love Makes a Family Report?
 - (2) If so, how is the Government responding to the following recommendations made by the Rainbow Families report:
 - (a) Provide training for staff at the Office of Births, Deaths and Marriages around family diversity and non-traditional family structures and inclusive language;
 - (b) Remove the need for same-sex parents to complete a special registration of birth form;

- standardise all forms and make them available online;
- (c) Allow up to four parents to be listed on NSW Birth Certificates?
- 6512 HOMELESS WOMEN—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- (1) How is the Government helping older women access affordable accommodation, considering that older women are rapidly becoming the fastest growing group of homeless Australians?
 - (2) What is the Government doing to prevent older women from becoming homeless?
 - (3) What has the Government done to assess the contribution domestic violence makes on older women becoming homeless?
- 6513 INNER CITY FERRIES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) With respect to plans for ferry services in inner Sydney as identified in the 2013 Sydney's Ferry Future plan, what plans for expanded ferry services have been developed under this plan?
 - (2) What work has been done to assess the viability of ferry wharves at:
 - (a) Glebe Point;
 - (b) Johnstons Bay Pyrmont;
 - (c) Woolloomooloo;
 - (d) Elizabeth Bay?
 - (3) When will information about these options be made available to the public for community comment?
 - (4) What further action will the Government take to increase inner city access to ferry services?
- 6514 BAYS PRECINCT AND SYDNEY FISH MARKET SITE REDEVELOPMENTS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Premier—
- (1) How many new residents does the Government expect the Bays Precinct and Sydney Fish Markets redevelopments will accommodate?
 - (2) How many new workers does the Government expect the above redevelopments will accommodate?
 - (3) How will the UrbanGrowth Redevelopment Corporation (UrbanGrowth) ensure that the region does not experience traffic gridlock as a result of increased population and the planned WestConnex exit in Rozelle?
 - (4) What concerns has UrbanGrowth raised with the WestConnex Delivery Authority about the location of the motorway exit and impacts on the Bays Precinct?
 - (5) How many times have UrbanGrowth and WestConnex Delivery Authority representatives met to discuss the Bays Precinct?
 - (6) How is UrbanGrowth working with Transport for NSW to ensure that future residents and workers of the above redevelopment projects have sustainable transport options and do not have to rely on existing services that are already at capacity?
 - (7) What action has UrbanGrowth taken to ensure the Bays Precinct redevelopment provides new green open space to meet future residents' needs?
 - (8) What affordable housing models and minimum levels such as that used in the redevelopment of Pyrmont/Ultimo are being considered for the above redevelopment projects?
 - (9) What minimum provision of affordable housing is UrbanGrowth considering for the above redevelopment projects?
 - (10) What minimum provision of social housing is UrbanGrowth considering for the above redevelopment projects?
 - (11) To what extent is UrbanGrowth establishing a social infrastructure master plan for the above redevelopment projects and how will adjacent communities be able to contribute to this plan?
 - (12) Will the Premier create a one-stop community point of contact for these projects to ensure adjacent residents' and community concerns are addressed and to improve transparency of the projects?
- 6515 ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES MOTORWAY LAND—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- (1) With respect to the Roads and Maritime Authority property at 110-130 William Street Woolloomooloo and around the Palmer Street ventilation stack and Wisdom Lane Darlinghurst, what assessment has been made of the use of these sites since the Eastern Distributor and CrossCity Tunnel were constructed?
 - (a) Does the Government intend to retain this land?
 - (2) What work has been done for the stratum survey and reports for the William Street site identified in LA Q4553?

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- (3) What options has the Government considered and what plans does the Government have for longer term use of the William Street site?
(a) What community consultation about this use is planned and how will the local community be able to contribute?
- (4) What cleansing and graffiti removal has been carried out since November 2016?
(a) What is the cleansing and graffiti removal schedule?
- (5) What plans does the Government have to green the Palmer Street ventilation stack site and provide landscaping?
- (6) When was this site last cleaned and graffiti removed?
(a) What is the cleansing and graffiti removal schedule?
- (7) What plans does the Government have to improve visual amenity and provide public access for these sites?
- 6516 RENEWABLE ENERGY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) What proportion of electricity generated in New South Wales comes from:
(a) Wind;
(b) Solar;
(c) Hydropower;
(d) Geothermal;
(e) Other renewable energy sources?
- (2) What are these proportions expected to be in:
(a) 2020;
(b) 2025?
- (3) What new renewable energy projects are planned by the Government:
(a) When are they expected to be complete?
(b) How many megawatts of power are they expected to produce?
- (4) What is the expected reduction in the greenhouse gas emissions of the New South Wales electricity sector by:
(a) 2020;
(b) 2025?
- (5) What assessment will the Government conduct on the Victorian Government's reverse auction plan for building new green energy generation?
- (6) What consideration will the Government give to legislating a renewable energy generation target?
- 6517 EAST MAITLAND COURT HOUSE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Attorney General—
- (1) What plans does the Government have for the East Maitland Court House in the:
(a) Next year;
(b) Next two years;
(c) Next five years?
- 6518 INDIVIDUALS BANNED FROM MAITLAND PRIMARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Education—
- How many individuals have been banned from entering Maitland primary school and Maitland high schools under the Inclosed Lands Protection Act 1901 in each year from 2012 to 2017 (as at 30 June 2017)?
- 6519 DEPARTMENT OF LANDS OFFICE MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- In reference to LA Q5971, what does the Government intend to do with the Department of Lands Office at Newcastle Street, Maitland?
- 6520 ELDER ABUSE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—
- (1) What progress has been made implementing the recommendations of the 2015 Inquiry into Elder Abuse in New South Wales?
- (2) What evidence does the Government have about the success of strategies to prevent and respond to

- elder abuse?
- (a) What indicators are used;
 - (b) What is the trend in these measures?
- (3) What training has been provided to health and welfare service providers to ensure identification and reporting of elder abuse?
- (a) What proportion of those needing training are yet to be trained?
- (4) What changes has the Government made to the Interagency Policy for Preventing and Responding to Abuse of Older People?
- (5) What progress has been made implementing the NSW Ageing Strategy?
- (6) What further action will the Government take to address elder abuse?
- 6521 MODEL CODE OF PRACTICE FOR POULTRY REVIEW—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- (1) Why have the draft Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Poultry and related papers not been released for public consultation?
 - (2) Has the Government representative on the Animal Welfare Task Group supported release of the draft standards and guidelines?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (3) To what extent will the Government support improvements in animal welfare standards when the model code of practice is updated?
 - (4) When is the draft Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Poultry expected to be released for public exhibition?
- 6522 ONE TAFE REFORMS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- (1) Under the One TAFE plans, what changes will be made to:
 - (a) Outreach programs;
 - (b) Specialist equity programs;
 - (c) Multicultural programs;
 - (d) Student support programs?
 - (2) What impacts will the One TAFE plans have on resource allocation in these areas?
 - (3) What impacts will the One TAFE plans have on staffing allocation in these areas?
 - (4) How will the Government ensure that those most in need of TAFE education programs are able to get appropriate courses and support?
 - (5) How will the Government ensure that qualified, experienced and expert staff are retained?
 - (6) What further action will the Government take to maintain vital equity and outreach programs?
- 6523 GENDER CLINIC AT WESTMEAD HOSPITAL—Ms Jenny Leong to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Does the Gender Clinic in the Adolescence Medicine unit at Westmead hospital provide a mobile service to other areas?
 - (2) What is the current funding for the Gender Clinic?
 - (3) What is the projected funding for the Gender Clinic in the next two years (from 14 September 2017)?
- 6524 ENERGY ACCOUNTS PAYMENT ASSISTANCE VOUCHERS—Mr David Harris to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) How many Energy Accounts Payment Assistance vouchers have been provided in each year from 2011 to date (as at 14 September 2017) in:
 - (a) The Wyong electorate;
 - (b) The Central Coast Region?
- 6525 PARRAMATTA ROAD JOURNEY TIMES—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- (1) What was the average journey time during the morning peak on 1 July 2017 along Parramatta Road eastbound between Church Street/Woodville Road, Parramatta and:

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- (a) James Ruse Drive; Clyde;
(b) Silverwater Road, Auburn?
- (2) What was the average journey time during the morning peak on 1 July 2017 along Parramatta Road westbound between Church Street/Woodville Road, Parramatta and:
(a) James Ruse Drive; Clyde;
(b) Silverwater Road, Auburn?
- (3) What was the average journey time during the morning peak on 12 September 2017 along Parramatta Road eastbound between Church Street/Woodville Road, Parramatta and:
(a) James Ruse Drive; Clyde;
(b) Silverwater Road, Auburn?
- (4) What was the average journey time during the morning peak on 12 September 2017 along Parramatta Road westbound between Church Street/Woodville Road, Parramatta and:
(a) James Ruse Drive; Clyde;
(b) Silverwater Road, Auburn?
- (5) What was the average journey time during the afternoon peak on 1 July 2017 along Parramatta Road eastbound between Church Street/Woodville Road, Parramatta and:
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- (7) What was the average journey time during the afternoon peak on 12 September 2017 along Parramatta Road eastbound between Church Street/Woodville Road, Parramatta and:
(a) James Ruse Drive; Clyde;
(b) Silverwater Road, Auburn?
- (8) What was the average journey time during the afternoon peak on 12 September 2017 along Parramatta Road westbound between Church Street/Woodville Road, Parramatta and:
(a) James Ruse Drive; Clyde;
(b) Silverwater Road, Auburn?
- 6526 PLASTIC FIBRES IN DRINKING WATER SUPPLY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) What testing for plastic fibres in the drinking water supply is being undertaken by:
(a) Sydney Water;
(b) Hunter Water;
(c) Local water utilities?
- (2) What discussions have been undertaken with the National Health and Medical Research Council about plastic fibres and the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines?
- (3) What consideration is being given to the health impacts of plastic fibres in the drinking water supply across New South Wales?
- 6527 LOCAL ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE BACKLOG—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- (1) Considering the report by the National Roads and Motorists' Association (NRMA) that Sydney South West/West regions had a roads infrastructure backlog of \$210.4 million in 2015-16, what financial support is being provided to address this growing backlog?
- (2) What financial support is being provided to Cumberland Council to address the backlog in their local government area?
- (3) Does the Government support the NRMA's suggestion to provide a percentage share of the fuel excise levy to local councils to fund road maintenance?
- 6528 YEAR SEVEN VACCINATION PROGRAM IN THE AUBURN ELECTORATE—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) What percentage of Year 7 students received each of the Varicella, Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis and Human Papillomavirus vaccinations in 2016 from the following high schools:

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- (a) Auburn Girls High School;
(b) Granville South Creative and Performing Arts High School?
- (2) How many parents indicated they would wait for their child to be older before consenting to the vaccinations from the following high schools in 2016:
(a) Auburn Girls High School;
(b) Granville South Creative and Performing Arts High School?
- (3) What number of parents withdrew their consent before the vaccinations took place at the following high schools in 2016:
(a) Auburn Girls High School;
(b) Granville South Creative and Performing Arts High School?
- 6529 AUBURN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL CATCHMENT AREA—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) What is the current land area of the catchment area for Auburn Girls High School?
(2) What was the land area of the catchment area for Auburn Girls High School in:
(a) 2011;
(b) 2015?
(3) What will be the new land area of the catchment area for Auburn Girls High School in 2018?
(4) What is the current total enrolment at Auburn Girls High School (as at 4 April 2017)?
(5) What was the total enrolment at Auburn Girls High School in 2015?
(6) What will be the total enrolment at Auburn Girls High School in 2018?
(7) How many residential dwellings fall within the current catchment area for Auburn Girls High School (as at 4 April 2017)?
(8) How many residential dwellings fell within the catchment area for Auburn Girls High School?
(9) How many residential dwellings will fall within the current catchment area for Auburn Girls High School in 2018?
(10) How many school-age children live within the current catchment area for Auburn Girls High School (as at 4 April 2017)?
(11) How many school-age children lived within the catchment area for Auburn Girls High School in 2015?
(12) How many school-age children will live within the current catchment area for Auburn Girls High School in 2018?
- 6530 ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT PROGRAMS IN THE AUBURN ELECTORATE—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) How many applications were received in each year from 2011 to 2017 (as at 28 March 2017) for projects in the Auburn electorate for each of the following grant programmes:
(a) Building Resilience to Climate Change;
(b) Eco Schools;
(c) Education;
(d) Lead Environment Community Groups;
(e) Protecting our Places;
(f) Research;
(g) Restoration and Rehabilitation;
(h) Pollution Clean-up;
(i) Waste Less, Recycle More;
(j) Food Gardens in Schools;
(k) Saving our Species Partnership Grants;
(l) Urban Sustainability?
(2) How many applications were successful in each year from 2011 to 2017 (as at 28 March 2017) for projects in the Auburn electorate for each of the grant programmes listed in part (1)?
(3) What is the total value of successful grants for projects in the Auburn electorate in each year from 2011 to 2017 (as at 28 March 2017) for each of the grant programmes listed in part (1)?
- 6531 HERITAGE-LISTED BROADMEADOW RAILWAY LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Are the heritage-listed locomotives currently sitting unprotected on the Broadmeadow site of the Broadmeadow Railway Locomotive Depot to be removed?
(2) Will those locomotives housed inside the roundhouse also be removed?

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- 6532 POPULATION FORECASTS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- (1) What is the population of each metropolitan local government area according to the most recently available information (as at 12 September 2017)?
 - (2) What is the population forecast for each metropolitan local government area:
 - (a) Five years after the most recently available information;
 - (b) 10 years after the most recently available information;
 - (c) 20 years after the most recently available information;
 - (d) 30 years after the most recently available information?
- 6533 LONG WALL MINING AT THE DENDROBIUM MINE BETWEEN AVON AND CORDEAUX RESERVOIRS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- (1) Considering the approval by the Department in December 2016 of further long wall mining at the Dendrobium mine between Avon and Cordeaux reservoirs, on what dates have Departmental officers attended the site to ensure compliance with the Subsidence Management Plan (SMP)?
 - (2) Have any breaches of the SMP been reported?
 - (a) If so, how many?
 - (3) What work has the applicant commenced to offset the impacts of the mining as required under the SMP?
- 6534 OUTSTANDING MAINTENANCE WORK BETWEEN BIRRONG STATION AND REGENTS PARK STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Is there any outstanding maintenance work required on the railway track between Birrong Railway Station and Regents Park Railway Station?
 - (a) If yes, what maintenance work is required?
 - (i) What is the value of the outstanding work?
 - (2) On how many occasions in the past 12 months has maintenance work been undertaken on the railway track between Birrong Railway Station and Regents Park Railway Station (as at 13 September 2017)?
- 6535 REPORTS OF FRAUD TO THE BANKSTOWN LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- (1) In the past 12 months, how many reports of fraud have been received by the Bankstown Local Area Command (to 13 September 2017)?
 - (a) How many of these reports were investigated by the Bankstown Local Area Command?
 - (b) How many of these reports were successfully prosecuted?
 - (c) How many of these reports were unsuccessfully prosecuted?
- 6536 TRAIN SERVICES FROM CENTRAL TO GOULBURN VIA STRATHFIELD—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Will the Government support a request to reinstate train services from Central to Goulburn via Strathfield that were cut in 2013?
 - (a) If not, then why not?
- 6537 SPEEDING ON FLINDERS ROAD, GEORGES HALL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- (1) In the past 12 months has the Highway Patrol monitored instances of speeding on Flinders Road, Georges Hall (13 September 2017)?
 - (a) If yes, how many fines have been issued for exceeding the speed limit?
- 6538 TRAIN STATION UPGRADES—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Following the announcement on 14 September 2017 that the Government will commence upgrades of train stations on the south-west rail line in 2018, what is the list of stations that will be upgraded?
 - (2) Will all the stations to be upgraded have new lifts installed?
 - (3) What is the estimated cost for all stations in (1) being upgraded?
 - (4) What will be the impact of the upgrade of the new stations on all other stations, including the

- Unanderra Station, under the Transport Access Plan?
- (5) Will Unanderra Station's upgrade be further delayed by the Government's announcement?
- 6539 REPLACEMENT XPT FLEET FEATURES—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Will the replacement XPT fleet include:
- (a) diesel-electric powered cars;
 - (b) tilt technology;
 - (c) food services;
 - (d) sleeping facilities;
 - (e) overnight services on Sydney-Melbourne and Sydney-Brisbane journeys; and
 - (f) business and economy class travel?
- 6540 FINES ISSUED BY THE NSW ENVIRONMENT AND PROTECTION AUTHORITY—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) How many fines have been issued by the NSW Environment and Protection Authority for illegally dumped asbestos and contaminated waste in each of the 2015-16 and 2016-17 financial years?
- (a) What is the total value of these fines?
 - (b) How many of these fines have been paid in full?
 - (c) What is the total value of the fines yet to be paid?
 - (d) What recovery action is the Department taking to recover this debt?
- 6541 SERVICE NSW APP—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- (1) Since its inception, how many downloads of the Service NSW app have there been (as at 13 September 2017)?
- (2) Of those downloads, how many people have created an account to access some of the features included in the app?
- (3) On average, how many new downloads occur a month?
- (4) Is the app compatible on all smart devices?
- (5) What promotional avenues did the following offices utilise to make the broader community aware of the app:
- (a) Office of the Minister for Finance, Services and Property;
 - (b) Department of Finance, Services and Innovation?
- (6) Are there any plans to extend the capacities or features of the app?
- (7) Given the recent announcement that the Government will be trialling digital licences in Dubbo, will the app be used to host the licence during the trial?
- (8) Should the trial be deemed a success, will the digital licence be included on the Service NSW app?
- (a) If not, will customers be required to download two apps?
- 6542 ENERGY COMPANIES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- (1) Do you agree with the 12 September 2017 comments of the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment and Energy, the Hon. Josh Frydenberg MP that "energy companies are making record profits on the back of Australian families"?
- (2) The Minister was specifically referring to AGL's power station Liddell, near Muswellbrook. Are you aware of its contribution to the New South Wales energy market?
- (3) What fiscal measures is the Government implementing to reduce the financial strain of the energy crisis that is gripping New South Wales?
- (4) Is there currently an energy crisis gripping New South Wales that could lead to summer blackouts?
- (5) Will the Government be a bidder for the Liddell power station should AGL proceed with its plans to close the plant in 2022?
- (6) Has the Government held any preliminary discussions with AGL in recent months regarding the sale of Liddell?
- (a) If so, what price would the Government be willing to pay for the power station?
- (7) What amount did AGL pay the Government in 2014 for the purchase of the Liddell power station?
- (a) What were the terms of this sale contract?
 - (b) Would consideration be given to purchasing Liddell power station from AGL for the same

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price?

- 6543 LOOSE-FILL ASBESTOS VOLUNTARY PURCHASE AND DEMOLITION PROGRAM—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
- (1) Does the purchase of affected properties as part of the Loose-fill Asbestos Voluntary Purchase and Demolition Program extend beyond those impacted by My Fluffy insulation company?
 - (a) If so, what other insulation companies have been identified as installing loose-fill asbestos?
 - (i) Have properties in New South Wales been affected by their asbestos installations?
 - (2) How much has the Government spent on purchasing asbestos impacted properties as at 14 September 2017?
 - (3) How many households across New South Wales have been successful in claiming the \$5,000 soft furnishings assistance package as at 14 September 2017?
 - (a) Would you please provide a list of the suburbs in which this assistance has been provided?
 - (4) Does the soft furnishings assistance package extend to cleaning the internal walls of a property?
- 6544 VOLUNTEER STRENGTH OF FIRE BRIGADES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- (1) What is the volunteer strength of the following fire brigades, as at 14 September 2017:
 - (a) Central (Cessnock);
 - (b) Greta;
 - (c) North Rothbury;
 - (d) Pokolbin;
 - (e) Rothbury;
 - (f) Bucketty;
 - (g) Laguna;
 - (h) Wollombi;
 - (i) Benwerrin;
 - (j) Kearsley;
 - (k) Millfield;
 - (l) Mulbring;
 - (m) Neath;
 - (n) Quorrobolong?
 - (2) What ranking officers are located at each of the abovementioned brigades? Please provide a breakdown for each brigade.
 - (3) What firefighting and support vehicles are located at each of the abovementioned stations?
 - (a) How long has each of the vehicles been in operation?
- 6545 THE SOIL COLLECTION PROJECT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) What is the cost involved with each collection of 'The Soil Collection Project' being undertaken by the Department of Veterans Affairs?
 - (2) What locations have had soil collected?
 - (3) Does local government have to contribute any costs towards 'The Soil Collection Project'?
 - (a) If so, has the Department of Veterans Affairs provided any reimbursement?
 - (4) What measures were implemented to promote 'The Soil Collection Project' in the local community?
- 6546 SPEEDING ON COOPER ROAD, BIRRONG—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- (1) In the past 12 months has the Highway Patrol monitored instances of speeding on Cooper Road, Berrong (to 13 September 2017)?
 - (a) If yes, how many fines have been issued for exceeding the speed limit?
- 6547 DUTIES PERFORMED BY INMATE PRIOR TO AN ESCAPE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) Considering the investigation of the alleged escape of Inmate Cameron Cook (MIN 387326) from Bathurst Correctional Centre on 16 August 2017, was Inmate Cook performing work duties at the time of his alleged escape?
 - (a) If yes, was he being supervised by a Corrections Officer(s) at the time?

- 6548 ALERT TO COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES ON INMATE ESCAPE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) Considering the investigation of the alleged escape of Inmate Cameron Cook (MIN 387326) from Bathurst Correctional Centre on 16 August 2017, when was the Commissioner of Corrective Services made aware of the alleged escape?
 - (a) What action did the Commissioner take?
- 6549 TOLL RESCUE HELICOPTER SERVICE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) What area of New South Wales is classified as Southern Zone as part of the Toll Rescue Helicopter Service which operates in partnership with NSW Ambulance?
 - (2) What area of New South Wales is classified as Northern Zone as part of the Toll Rescue Helicopter Service?
 - (3) How many Toll Rescue helicopters are in use in the Southern Zone?
 - (4) How many Toll Rescue helicopters are in use in the Northern Zone?
 - (5) Have Toll Rescue helicopters replaced any NSW Ambulance helicopters or do they operate in addition to the existing fleet?
 - (a) If yes to replacement, how many?
 - (6) How many NSW Ambulance helicopters operate in New South Wales?
 - (7) How many other helicopter operators operate in partnership with NSW Ambulance?
 - (a) What companies/services are they?
 - (b) How many helicopters does each provide?
- 6550 INMATES PERFORMING WORK DUTIES WITHIN CORRECTIONAL CENTRE KITCHENS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- Are inmates performing work duties within correctional centre kitchens required to be supervised by Corrections Officers?
- 6551 HUNTER WATER AND NEWCASTLE LIGHT RAIL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- (1) What will be the Hunter Water costs associated with the construction of the light rail works in Newcastle?
 - (2) Has there been a deed of agreement undertaken?
 - (a) If so, is this publicly available?
- 6552 LOCKDOWN OF CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) Were any correctional centres put in lockdown as a result of a possible escape from Bathurst Correctional Centre on 16 August 2017?
 - (a) If yes, which correctional centre(s)?
- 6553 PERFLUOROALKYL AFFECTED RESIDENTS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Premier—
- (1) Will the Premier visit the residents affected by the perfluoroalkyl contamination emanating from the Williamstown Royal Australian Air Force Base, including the Newcastle electorate residents of Fullerton Cove, who have not been included in the NSW Environment Protection Authority designated investigation area?
 - (a) If so, when?
- 6554 ABORIGINAL DEATHS IN CUSTODY IN NEW SOUTH WALES CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) How many Aboriginal deaths in custody have occurred in New South Wales correctional centres in each recurring year from 2011 to date (as at 14 September 2017)?
 - (a) In which correctional centres did these deaths in custody occur?

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- (b) How many of these deaths occurred while the individual was on remand?
- 6555 DEATHS IN CUSTODY IN NEW SOUTH WALES CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) How many deaths in custody have occurred in New South Wales correctional centres in each recurring year from 2011 to date (as at 14 September 2017)?
 - (a) In which correctional centres did these deaths in custody occur?
 - (b) How many of these deaths occurred while the individual was on remand?
- 6556 INVESTIGATION INTO INMATE ESCAPE FROM BATHURST CORRECTIONAL CENTRE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) Considering the investigation of the alleged escape of inmate Cameron Cook (MIN 387326) from Bathurst Correctional Centre on 16 August 2017, who is presently conducting the investigation?
 - (a) When did the investigation commence?
- 6557 RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Will selective infrastructure upgrades to the western line between Orange and Lithgow occur before or at the same time as the XPT replacement rolling stock is commissioned so as to allow the new trains to perform to their design capability and speeds?
- 6558 HURLSTONE COUNTRY FAIR—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How much money did the Hurlstone Country Fair raise for Hurlstone Agricultural High School in each year from 2016 to 2017 (as at 13 September 2017)?
 - (2) What school equipment will be purchased with funds generated from this year's Hurlstone Country Fair at Hurlstone Agricultural High School?
 - (3) Will the school equipment purchased be for the new yet-to-be-named school at Glenfield or for the new Hurlstone Agricultural High School in the Hawkesbury?
 - (4) What communication has been provided to parents and the school community on how fundraising money generated from this year's Hurlstone Country Fair will be spent?
 - (5) Will the baby grand piano purchased with funds from the 2016 Hurlstone Country Fair move to the new Hurlstone Agricultural High School in the Hawkesbury?
- 6559 FISHING FOR YABBIES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- (1) Does an individual require a recreational fishing licence if they are fishing for yabbies in New South Wales?
 - (a) If so, how many individuals have been issued an infringement for failing to possess a recreational fishing licence when they have been fishing for yabbies since 2011 (as at 13 September 2017)?
 - (b) What authority issues these infringement notices?
 - (c) How does the Department of Primary Industries promote the need for recreational yabby fishers to have a recreational fishing licence?
 - (2) Is there a limit on the number of yabbies an individual can have in their possession at any given time?
 - (a) If so, what is the limit?
 - (b) How is this enforced?
 - (c) Have any persons within the Cessnock electorate breached this limit since 2011 (as at 13 September 2017)?
 - (i) If so, what action has been taken against them?
- 6560 PROPOSED NEW PUBLIC-PRIVATE MAITLAND HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Will the proposed new public-private Maitland Hospital be integrated and co-managed by the Hunter New England Health District?
 - (2) Will the proposed new public-private Maitland Hospital be integrated and co-managed with other

neighbouring hospitals of Kurri Kurri, Cessnock, Dungog and Singleton?

- 6561 PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many public schools that are deemed 'at capacity' and will not/ choose not to accept 'out of zone' enrolments are there in the Cessnock electorate?
 - (2) How many of these schools are scheduled to have permanent buildings constructed to increase capacity?
 - (3) If permanent buildings are not being constructed because the schools have added capacity by way of demountables, why is this capacity not deemed calculable to allow an increase in the number of students a school is allowed to enrol?
- 6562 BUILDING SAFETY IN CHILDCARE FACILITY CONSTRUCTION—Ms Jenny Leong to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- Has consideration been given to the fact that the Building Code of Australia should require sprinklers in multilevel childcare facilities?
- 6563 NEWCASTLE VISITORS CENTRE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- Will consideration be given to installing a visitors centre at the Newcastle Interchange?
- 6564 OUTSTANDING MAINTENANCE WORK BETWEEN BANKSTOWN STATION AND YAGOONA STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Is there any outstanding maintenance work required on the railway track between Bankstown Railway Station and Yagoona Railway Station?
 - (a) If yes, what maintenance work is required?
 - (i) What is the value of the outstanding work?
 - (2) On how many occasions in the past 12 months has maintenance work been undertaken on the railway track between Bankstown Railway Station and Yagoona Railway Station?
- 6565 LOWER HUNTER HOSPITAL CLINICAL SERVICES—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- What clinical services will be available at the Lower Hunter Hospital when it is fully operational?
- 6566 MAITLAND SOCIAL HOUSING AVAILABILITY—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- (1) How many properties does the Department of Family and Community Services own for the provision of social housing in Maitland?
 - (2) How many people are currently housed within social housing in Maitland?
 - (3) How many people are on a waiting list for social housing within Maitland?
 - (4) How many additional Government owned properties will be available for social housing tenants by 30 June 2018?
 - (5) How many additional Government funded properties will be available by 30 June 2018?
- 6567 MAITLAND SOCIAL HOUSING MAINTENANCE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- (1) How many social housing complaints and maintenance requests are outstanding in the Maitland electorate (as at 30 August 2017)?
 - (2) How many were outstanding as at:
 - (a) 30 August 2014;
 - (b) 30 August 2015;
 - (c) 30 August 2016?
- 6568 LES DARCY ROUNDABOUT MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- (1) What measures has the Government considered to alleviate the delays caused by the westbound traffic congestion at the Les Darcy Roundabout in Maitland?

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- (2) When will these measures be implemented?
- 6569 MAITLAND ELECTORATE TRAIN STATION TEMPORARY CLOSURES—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) How many train stations have been closed temporarily in the Maitland electorate since 1 January 2017?
- (a) For each closure, please specify:
- (i) which station was closed;
 - (ii) the duration of the closure; and
 - (iii) the reason for the closure.
- 6570 ALERT TO MINISTER OF AN INMATE ESCAPING—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) Considering the investigation of the alleged escape of Inmate Cameron Cook (MIN 387326) from Bathurst Correctional Centre on 16 August 2017, when were you made aware of the alleged escape of Inmate Cook?
- (a) What action was taken?
- 6571 NOTIFICATION OF AN INMATE ESCAPE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- Was the NSW Police Force notified of an inmate escaping from Bathurst Correctional Centre on 16 August 2017?
- 6572 SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- (1) How many tenants have moved into a dwelling delivered by the Social and Affordable Housing Fund to date (as at 13 September 2017)?
- (a) What was the date that the first tenant moved into such a dwelling?
- 6573 FINES FOR SMOKING OUTSIDE BANKSTOWN-LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- How many fines have been issued to individuals smoking outside Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital in each financial year from 2013-14 to 2016-17?
- 6574 BREACHES OF THE SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT REGULATION 2016—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- Since the commencement of the Smoke-free Environment Regulation 2016, how many fines in total have been issued to individuals smoking in breach of this regulation in the Bankstown electorate?
- 6575 SHENHUA MINE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) Is the Shenhua mine on the Liverpool Plains proceeding?
 - (2) If so, is the mine planned to be an open cut mine or an underground mine?
 - (3) What impact will the mining activity have on the water table within the neighbouring agricultural properties?
 - (4) What are the plans to rehabilitate the surrounding area?
- 6576 THE STORE'S FAÇADE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) Noting the planned demolition of the iconic Newcastle shopfront known as 'The Store', is it true that the building's façade will not be retained?
 - (2) Can any relevant documentation supporting this decision be provided?
- 6577 VIOLENCE AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN HUNTER SCHOOLS—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Education—
- How is the Department of Education combating the increase in violence and anti-social behaviour in

- Hunter schools?
- 6578 PSYCHIATRISTS AT THE CALVARY MATER NEWCASTLE—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How many psychiatrists are currently employed at the Calvary Mater Newcastle?
 - (2) What is the current expected maximum waiting time for an outpatient to see a psychiatrist at the Calvary Mater Newcastle?
- 6579 EDGECLIFF STATION UPGRADE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) What progress has been made on the Edgecliff Railway Station and bus interchange with respect to plans for improved access between train and bus platforms?
 - (2) When will the Government release the Review of Environmental Factors for community comment and what consultation is proposed, particularly for those who do not use the internet?
 - (3) When does the Government plan to begin construction?
 - (4) When does the Government expect the upgraded Edgecliff facilities to be operational?
- 6580 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE NEW SOUTH WALES PUBLIC SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY—Ms Jenny Leong to ask the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
- (1) What percentage of people currently employed in the New South Wales Public Service identify as having a disability?
 - (a) How does this figure compare to averages over the last decade?
 - (b) How does this figure compare to other states?
 - (2) Does the New South Wales Public Service currently have any targets for its level of employment of people who identify as having a disability?
 - (3) Are there any policies to improve the access to employment of people who identify as having a disability within the New South Wales Public Service?
- 6581 SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGE CYCLEWAY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- (1) How many bicycle trips does the Government estimate take place across the Sydney Harbour Bridge each day?
 - (2) When will my November 2016 representations and two follow-up requests about this bike route be responded to?
 - (3) How long will representations from Members take?
 - (4) What plans does the Government have for separating the southern cycleway route from highly pedestrianised shared paths near Fort Street Public School?
 - (5) What plans does the Government have to replace the existing 55 steps at the northern end of the bridge with a ramp suitable for bicycles?
 - (6) When will the Government consult the community about this much-needed upgrade?
 - (7) When does the Government expect upgrade work to begin?
 - (8) When does the Government expect a safe bike route operating south and north of the bridge?
- 6582 AUBURN HOSPITAL—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Since the introduction of the NSW Health Smoke-Free Health Care Policy in 2015, have there been any penalty notices issued for smoking at Auburn Hospital?
 - (a) If penalty notices were issued, how many penalty notices have been issued?
 - (2) Who is responsible for policing the Smoke-Free policy at health facilities in New South Wales?
- 6583 NEWCASTLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL CONCERNS ABOUT NEWCASTLE 500—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- (1) Will students and staff be able to reach Newcastle Grammar School on Friday 24 November during the Newcastle 500?
 - (2) What steps have been taken to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students and staff during the Newcastle 500?

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- 6584 NEWCASTLE BUS ROUTES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Have key performance indicators been set for Keolis Downer as part of their contract to operate the Newcastle transport network?
 - (a) If so, what are they and have there been any correlating penalties set for not meeting those key performance indicators?
 - (2) Will Keolis Downer be penalised if buses fail to arrive and schoolchildren are left at bus stops?
- 6585 NEWCASTLE 500 NOISE ASSESSMENT REPORT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- (1) Will Newcastle residents be able to view the full Environmental Noise Assessment Report for the Newcastle 500?
 - (2) Will noise levels be monitored during the event?
 - (3) Are there any contingency plans in place should the noise levels be worse than predicted?
- 6586 OPAL CARD OUTLETS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Are there any Opal retailers in the suburbs of Stockton, Fullerton Cove and Fern Bay?
 - (2) If not, how can a resident get to Newcastle using public transport (primarily the ferry) to purchase an Opal Card?
- 6587 TREASURER'S VISIT TO THE WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- (1) What was the date of the Treasurer's last visit to the Wollongong electorate?
 - (2) What was the purpose of this visit?
- 6588 SERVICES AT PORT KEMBLA PUBLIC HOSPITAL—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How many patients received inpatient services at Port Kembla Public Hospital in each year from 2011 to 2017 (as at 12 September 2017)?
 - (2) How many patients received outpatient services at Port Kembla Public Hospital in each year from 2011 to 2017 (as at 12 September 2017)?
- 6589 DISABILITY CONFIDENT EMPLOYER—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
- (1) What is the Government's definition of a 'disability confident' employer?
 - (2) Give that Family and Community Services (FACS) is a 'disability confident' employer, what percentage of people with disabilities were employed in FACS in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2016-17?
 - (3) What are the percentages of New South Wales government employees with a disability in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2016-17?
 - (4) What is the percentage increase in people with disabilities employed in New South Wales public sector since 2011-12 (to 14 September 2017)?
 - (5) Please list the websites promoting the Government 'disability confident' employee schemes and promote the success of the Government as 'disability confident' employers.
 - (6) When will the Government achieve 'disability confident' employer status?
- 6590 SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND DWELLINGS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- (1) Of the 3400 new social and affordable dwellings announced through the Social and Affordable Housing Fund, how many will be delivered in the Gosford electorate?
 - (2) How many of these are single bedroom facilities in the Pacific Link development in Chambers Place, Woy Woy?
- 6591 FUNDING FOR COAST SHELTER—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- How much government funding was delivered to Coast Shelter in 2016-17 to provide housing to support the homeless community members on the Central Coast?

6592 SOCIAL HOUSING UNITS SOLD—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

How many social housing units were sold by the Government in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?

6593 AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

How many affordable housing units were sold by the Government in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?

6594 STUDENTS ENROLLED AT GOSFORD SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Education—

What numbers of students enrolled at Gosford Selective High School live outside the Central Coast in each academic year from 2014 to 2017 (as at 14 September 2017)?

6595 ASBESTOS IN HOUSES ON THE PENINSULA—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

(1) Considering the ABC Central Coast news reports that claim a woman believes she and her children have been exposed to asbestos due to kitchen renovations in her social housing home on the Peninsula, has the Government done a stocktake of its aging property portfolio on the Peninsula to check for asbestos?

(2) How many properties contain asbestos?

(3) What is the Government's plan for ensuring safety of residents?

6596 POLLUTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

(1) Has any progress been made on the review of the Load Based Licensing system for pollution licenses?

(a) Will the pollution fees be increased to the level where they match the health externalities from coal fired generation of \$13 per megawatt hour, and thus provide the financial incentive needed to support cleaner production by the five existing generators?

(2) Has the Government taken any steps to ensure that health considerations are included in decision making about the closure sequence for the five remaining coal fired power stations (CFPS)?

(3) Considering the recent Environment Protection Authority report into the toxicity of CFPS and the regulation of their use, will the Government bring pollution standards that are in line with the United States of America, China and the European Union?

(4) Will 24 hour monitoring of CFPS chimney stacks be implemented and will this information be available in real time to the public?

(5) Will clean air technologies such as wet scrubbers (to reduce carbon dioxide emissions) and selective catalytic reduction methods be mandatory on all CFPS?

(6) Considering Delta Electricity's announcement of a solar farm at Vales Point power station, why is private enterprise not government at the forefront of renewable energy projects?

(7) What is the Government doing to accelerate the transition away from CFPS in order to reduce deaths related to pollution from CFPS?