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*2745 COUNCIL RATES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Local Government—

Is the Government considering allowing local government councils the ability to waive rates for individuals and businesses who are experiencing financial hardship?

Answer—

To assist individuals and businesses who are experiencing financial hardship the Government has made a number of regulatory changes to assist ratepayers and businesses during COVID-19. Under the suite of regulatory changes made by the Government councils can:

- delay sending out the first quarterly rates notice for 2020-21 and extend the payment deadline by one month
- give ratepayers more time to pay their rates notices and allow councils to provide financial support to businesses suffering from reduced cashflows or forced closures
- apply the rate peg more flexibly to allow councils to respond to changing economic conditions such as COVID-19, bushfires and drought
- waive accrued interest on overdue rates for people unable to pay the accrued interest for reasons beyond their control or if the payment would cause them hardship, and
- immediately waive or reduce fees for services such as food premise inspections and footpath usage for COVID-19 affected businesses, without the need to provide 28 days public notice.

The changes implemented also prevent councils from taking legal action for outstanding rates for six months for ratepayers experiencing financial hardship.

With these measures ratepayers will have more time to pay their rates notices and councils will be able to provide financial support to businesses suffering from reduced cashflows or forced closures.

*2746 BRUXNER HIGHWAY REALIGNMENT—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Will the Government expedite a major realignment of the Bruxner Highway between Goonellabah and Wollongbar hill to bypass the dangerous Alphasdale crossroads black spot?
- (2) Will the Government invest some of the unspent \$1.75 billion of Restart NSW funding towards this urgently needed priority road infrastructure project?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Transport for NSW is in the early stages of investigating potential upgrade options between Goonellabah and Wollongbar, which would include the Alphasdale section. This assessment will include consideration of all options, including a potential highway realignment.
- (2) There is no Restart NSW funding reservation for this section of the Bruxner Highway.

*2747 BRUXNER HIGHWAY AND SUNRISE CRESCENT INTERSECTION REALIGNMENT—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Will the Minister request Transport for NSW to urgently investigate realignment of a bend on the intersection of the Bruxner Highway and Sunrise Crescent, Goonellabah, the scene of several recent truck rollovers?
- (2) Will Transport for NSW's investigation take into account an existing road reserve to the east of the highway which would allow plenty of room for this bend to be straightened?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The curve near the Bruxner Highway and Sunrise Crescent intersection, Goonellabah is included in the current strategic investigations by Transport for NSW for the area between Wollongbar and Goonellabah.
- (2) The existing road reserve will be considered as part of the strategic investigations.

*2748 REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) Will the 13 May 2020 deadline for community consultation submissions for the Review of Environmental Factors be extended or will late submissions be accepted, considering COVID-19 restrictions have affected numerous community and business groups' capacity to operate?

(a) What is the latest date community consultation submissions may be received by should community members wish to have their views considered as part of this process?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Review of Environmental Factors for Canley Vale Railway station upgrades was on display from 29 April 2020 to 13 May 2020. Due to COVID-19 social distancing measures, community consultation and engagement occurred through online channels during this feedback period.

In accordance with Part 2 Division 1 of State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007, Council and the State Emergency Services have 21 days to provide a submission, meaning until 20 May 2020.

Late submissions from the community were accepted until 20 May 2020.

*2749 REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS CANLEY VALE RAILWAY STATION—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) How many submissions have Transport for NSW received during the Review of Environmental Factors process for Canley Vale Railway Station upgrades by:

- (a) Community members;
- (b) Community organisations;
- (c) Businesses and business groups;
- (d) Places of worship;
- (e) Educational institutions?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 20 May 2020:

(1) (a) 21.

(1) (b) to (e) Zero.

*2750 MOBILE DATA TERMINALS IN NSW POLICE FORCE VEHICLES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) How many mobile data terminals (MDTs) are currently installed in NSW Police Force vehicles (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (2) How many MDTs installed in NSW Police Force vehicles required replacement or repair in the 2018-19 financial year?
- (3) Will there be an upgrade to MDTs in NSW Police Force vehicles?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) 1,513

(2) 705

(3) The NSW Police Force has different types of Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs) dependent on the use (e.g. Highway Patrol and General Duties). All MDTs are upgraded regularly with the most contemporary security patches to ensure that police information is provided reliably and securely to officers in the field.

*2751 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHILDCARE CENTRES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Local Government—

Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, what additional funding has been provided to local governments to support local government operated childcare centres to assist frontline emergency service workers (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

The Government has allocated an additional \$82 million to support 260 council- run childcare centres, ensuring these services can remain open during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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*2752 WALLSEND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

Considering The Samaritans Foundation's Rental Affordability Snapshot 2020 indicates that most rental properties remain too expensive and that 500,000 new social and affordable rental properties will be needed across Australia, what new housing infrastructure is being developed across the Wallsend electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government is committed to providing more affordable housing in New South Wales.

In the Wallsend electorate, there have been 40 new social housing dwellings constructed by the Land and Housing Corporation since 2010. Another 46 dwellings are currently in the design and approval phase.

The NSW Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) is developing eight (8) new homes at 48-50 Bousfield Street, Wallsend. The eight homes will comprise:

- 2 x 2-bed adaptable villas
- 4 x 3-bed townhouses
- 2 x 4-bed townhouses

The AHO homes will be completed in June 2021.

*2753 INTERNET ACCESS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Customer Service—

- (1) Considering COVID-19 distancing and isolation requirements, and that more than 2.5 million Australians are not online, what action is the Government taking to improve internet access, affordability and user proficiency in New South Wales?
- (2) What lobbying of the Commonwealth Government for improved internet and mobile capacity is the Government undertaking?

Answer—

The Government is investing \$11.5 million in the Regional Digital Connectivity project to provide upgraded wholesale internet service availability in regional New South Wales using fixed-wireless technology delivered through communications towers.

The Government has partnered with the Commonwealth Government and mobile network operators to deliver the Mobile Black Spot Program, extending the coverage of high-quality voice and mobile broadband services in regional and rural areas of New South Wales.

*2754 CALLAN PARK LANDSCAPE STRUCTURE PLAN—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

- (1) What progress has been made on the Landscape Structure Plan for Callan Park since it was drafted in 2018 (to 12 May 2020)?
- (2) When will the Landscape Structure Plan for Callan Park go on public exhibition?
- (3) What funds are committed to deliver the Landscape Structure Plan for Callan Park?
- (4) How many meetings of the Inner West Council's Health and Planning Department's Callan Park working group have occurred as at 12 May 2020?
 - (a) When will the working group meet next?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department) is refining the draft Landscape Structure Plan to support the transformation of the site into a high-quality, multi-use, open space parkland for the community. The Landscape Structure Plan seeks to improve the amenity, accessibility and safety of Callan Park (the Park), and address current site challenges.
- (2) The Department is preparing the Landscape Structure Plan for exhibition. The engagement strategy will provide a broad range of opportunities for community input.
- (3) No funding has been allocated to undertaking the actions proposed in the Landscape Structure Plan at this time. While the Landscape Structure Plan is not yet made, the Department continues to fund and make significant improvements to the Park, and to deliver necessary maintenance, repairs security and upkeep of the Park and its buildings, shared and public spaces. In the past three months the Department has initiated:
 - Essential repairs to heritage buildings to deliver benefits over the long term by preserving the

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- unique heritage features of the Park;
- Reviewed the on-site security coverage including installation of closed-circuit television and flood lighting to heritage buildings and places of known risk and extended the frequency of ranger patrols; and
 - Advertised tenders for the installation of lighting to the popular Bay Run to increase safety at night, and remediation of heritage walls and other heritage features at Balmain Road. These tenders are currently being assessed by the Department.
- (4) The Department and Department of Health's Working Group meets fortnightly. The Working Group discusses critical operation and strategic issues and provides a forum for escalation through appropriate Departmental channels for larger works, decisions and issues management. This meeting occurs fortnightly. The most recent meeting took place on 2 June 2020, and the next is scheduled for the week of the 15 June 2020.
- *2755 HILLSBOROUGH INDOOR SPORTS STADIUM ROAD IMPACTS**—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Has any section of Transport for NSW been consulted on the road impacts of the proposed indoor sports stadium at Hillsborough?
- (a) If so, on what dates?
- (2) Does Transport for NSW provide in principle support for its proposed location?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- (1) Yes. Transport for NSW met with the proponents to discuss the proposed indoor sports stadium at Hillsborough.
- Transport for NSW requested a Traffic Impact Assessment be provided as part of the development application, which is expected to be submitted to the consent authority in about four weeks.
- (a) The meeting was held on Tuesday 19 May 2020.
- (2) Transport for NSW is unable to take a position on the proposal as it does not yet understand the proposal's impact on the State Road network.
- *2756 CANLEY VALE RAILWAY STATION UPGRADES**—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- Should the proposed Review of Environmental Factors and upgrade proposal of Canley Vale Railway Station be adopted, what is the projected start date for the upgrade works to commence?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- Subject to planning approval, construction is expected to start in late 2020. The community will be kept informed prior to construction starting.
- *2757 ACCESS TO PLATFORMS AT CANLEY VALE RAILWAY STATION DURING UPGRADE**—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Once the upgrade works at Canley Vale Railway Station commence, is it projected that access to services from either platform will be affected at any stage during this upgrade process?
- (a) If yes, at what stage of the upgrades will services be affected?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- Access to train services from either platform will not be impeded during construction.
- *2758 FINDINGS OF THE REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS AT CANLEY VALE RAILWAY STATION**—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- Will Transport for NSW be releasing its findings based on the information and feedback received during the Review of Environmental Factors process for Canley Vale Railway Station upgrades?
- Answer—
- I am advised:

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All feedback submitted during the public display period will be considered by the project team and addressed in a Determination Report. The Determination Report is expected to be published on the project website Q3, 2020.

*2759 CESSNOCK LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA FIRE INCIDENTS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) How many fire incidents have the NSW Rural Fire Service responded to in the Cessnock local government area between:
 - (a) 1 October 2017 to 31 March 2018;
 - (b) 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019;
 - (c) 1 October 2019 to 31 March 2020?
- (2) How many injuries were reported by crews working in the Cessnock local government area between:
 - (a) 1 October 2017 to 31 March 2018;
 - (b) 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019;
 - (c) 1 October 2019 to 31 March 2020?
- (3) How many full-time operational fire fighters have been employed within the Cessnock local government area between:
 - (a) 1 October 2017 to 31 March 2018;
 - (b) 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019;
 - (c) 1 October 2019 to 31 March 2020?

Answer—

(1) I am advised by the NSW Rural Fire Service that the statistics provided for 'fire incidents' include bush and grass fires, hazard reduction/pile burns, motor vehicle fires, refuse fires and structural fires:

Time period	No. fire incidents responded to
1 October 2017 - 31 March 2018	235
1 October 2018 - 31 March 2019	170
1 October 2019 - 31 March 2020	232

(2) The NSW Rural Fire Service advises:

Time period	No. crew injuries reported in Cessnock LGA	Injuries reported within Lower Hunter District - Possibly Cessnock LGA	Injuries reported within Lower Hunter District - Unable to determine
1 October 2017 - 31 March 2018	2	2	0
1 October 2018 - 31 March 2019	0	2	4
1 October 2019 - 31 March 2020	14	2	2

Fire and Rescue NSW advises:

Time period	No. crew injuries reported in Cessnock LGA
1 October 2017 - 31 March 2018	0
1 October 2018 - 31 March 2019	3
1 October 2019 - 31 March 2020	11

The increase in injuries in 2019-20 is attributed to the recent bushfire season.

(3) Fire and Rescue NSW advises:

Time period	No. fulltime operational firefighters employed in Cessnock LGA
1 October 2017 - 31 March 2018	5
1 October 2018 - 31 March 2019	5

1 October 2019 - 31 March 2020

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*2760 COCKLE CREEK M1 LINK—Mr Greg Piper asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Does Roads and Maritime Services still plan to build a road from the Cockle Creek Area, heading west to join the M1?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW has no plans to build a road from the Cockle Creek Area, heading west to join the M1.

*2761 PUBLIC SECTOR WAGE FREEZES—Mr Greg Piper asked the Premier—

Are there any plans to freeze public sector wage increases with particular regard to nurses and midwives in New South Wales?

Answer—

Over 220,000 people in New South Wales lost their jobs in April alone.

Around 3 million people are on JobKeeper across the nation - and we expect around a third of those to be in New South Wales.

And this is at a time when our revenue is expected to fall by more than \$10 billion.

Our Wages Policy - pausing pay rises for public servants as we recover from the pandemic - will enable us to protect existing jobs and create jobs in the private sector.

The proceeds could create as many as 20,000 jobs in New South Wales.

Given the Government's regulations were disallowed in the Legislative Council, the matter will now be considered by the Industrial Relations Commission .

*2762 WILDLIFE CULLING—Mr Greg Piper asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

Is the Government considering a review of wildlife culling in New South Wales, particularly kangaroos, considering the summer bushfires which decimated the number of certain species?

Answer—

Licences to harm native animals are assessed on a case-by-case basis, taking into account population estimates and landholder needs to determine how many animals may be harmed. Applications to cull animals may be refused or lower numbers granted following significant population declines, such as in some bushfire-affected areas. Most licences are granted for three months to enable regular re-evaluation of the situation.

The New South Wales commercial kangaroo harvest program annually surveys kangaroo populations and sets conservative quotas to ensure populations remain sustainable. Based on population thresholds specified in the NSW Commercial Kangaroo Harvest Management Plan 2017-2021, harvesting is currently suspended for some species of kangaroos in some zones. Although most of the recent bushfires were outside the zones where harvesting is permitted, as a precaution, an additional population survey will be conducted this year, and quotas will be adjusted if necessary.

*2763 REGIONAL TOURISM—Mr Greg Piper asked the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—

What strategies is the Government undertaking to reboot the State's tourism industry post-pandemic, particularly in regional areas such as Lake Macquarie?

Answer—

A key priority of the Government is to deliver an update of the Visitor Economy Industry Action Plan 2030 to reflect the challenges presented by the drought, bushfires and COVID-19. This strategic update will involve extensive industry and government consultation to ensure that the tourism blueprint is relevant for the current conditions and to drive the recovery initiatives of the industry.

In addition, as part of its \$10 million tourism recovery package to encourage visitation to New South Wales, fund new local events and assist tourism businesses to develop, promote and sell their tourism products, the NSW Government's tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW, launched The 'Now's The Time To Love NSW' campaign in February 2020.

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Destination NSW modified the campaign strategy following the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting travel restrictions, and in line with the Government's phased approach to crisis management and economic recovery which includes:

- Respond - Now's The Time to Love NSW from Home - building deferred NSW travel demand, to relieve frustration and boredom by focusing on dreaming and inspiration, showcasing stay at home virtual experiences, support for local products, and online purchases
- Recover - Now's The Time to Plan Your Trip - capitalising on deferred demand and the signs of positivity to influence the trip planning process, with full or partial domestic travel restrictions lifted
- Reform - Now's The Time To Love NSW- with borders open, accelerated activity to drive intent towards lead generation, while also converting previously booked international travel into domestic bookings.

As part of the campaign broader activity, NSW Local Councils, including Lake Macquarie City Council, and Local Tourism Organisations have the opportunity to increase their destination's exposure by investing in the campaign activity. Information on marketing partnership opportunities with Destination NSW can be found on Destination NSW's corporate website at: www.destinationnsw.com.au.

The Government, through Destination NSW, is investing in a new music event, Great Southern Nights, to support the recovery of the live music, entertainment and hospitality industries across the State. Great Southern Nights will bring 1,000 COVID-safe gigs to Sydney and regional New South Wales in November 2020, assisting businesses recommence operations and supporting venues, musicians, crew and other support workers.

Destination NSW has developed a new suite of seven Quick Tips Guides as part of Destination NSW's NSW First industry development program to help travel and tourism operators navigate these unprecedented times. The guides provide business owners with advice about how to stay in touch with customers, maintaining relationships with media and distribution partners, and opportunities to develop new areas of business. The guides will be accompanied by a series of seven on-demand web tutorials, which will be available in mid-June 2020.

*2764 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECTS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Local Government—

Is the Government looking to invest in local government shovel-ready projects that would help small businesses and communities get back on their feet after being battered by the COVID-19 crisis?

Answer—

The Government is committed to driving economic recovery and supporting councils to deliver projects, infrastructure, services and facilities to their communities.

The Government has made record investment in community infrastructure throughout metropolitan and regional New South Wales. Since 2011, the Government has provided more than \$9.7 billion to councils to deliver and improve local infrastructure, services and facilities for their communities and it is important that councils continue with vital projects as a result of their own or the Government's investment.

In relation to COVID-19 alone, we have already committed billions of dollars to economic stimulus. The Government announced a \$395 million local government economic stimulus package to assist councils through this unprecedented public health and economic emergency to safeguard council jobs, local services and infrastructure in the wake of the pandemic.

The package includes a \$250 million increase boost to the NSW Treasury Corporation (TCorp) council lending facility, now totalling \$1.35 billion, to kickstart community infrastructure projects and deliver real and tangible benefits to councils to deliver infrastructure projects to their communities.

The package safeguards service and infrastructure delivery, makes it cheaper and easier for councils to access finance, and promotes local economy recovery through infrastructure projects.

Councils previously ineligible can now access the TCorp lending facility for six months to help them deliver important projects for their community.

TCorp is also offering principal and interest payment deferrals on existing loans upon request for the next six months and the Government is providing guarantees for councils seeking commercial loans, upon application to Treasury.

Also part of the stimulus package is the \$112.5 million fund for Council Job Retention Allowance payments to councils that are party to the Local Government (COVID-19) Splinter (Interim) Award 2020, providing \$1,500 per worker per fortnight for three months to help keep staff in jobs. It also provides councils with \$32.8 million in grants to help meet increased emergency services levy costs for 2020-21.

The Government has also provided \$82 million to support 260 council-run childcare centres, \$25 million for councils to rebuild and refurbish infrastructure for up to 171 showgrounds, and \$500,000 to help cover veterinary, staff and food costs as well as minor capital works for council pounds.

The Government has also provided \$15 million to transform our streets and public spaces for social distancing. With this councils will be able to apply for Streets as Shared Spaces program grants of up to \$100,000 for immediate temporary projects, such as widening footpaths and cycle lanes and up to \$1 million for medium-term pilot projects, such as extra crossing points, wider kerbs and trialling lower speed limits.

The Government is supporting farmers and regional communities through its \$1.8 billion Emergency Drought Relief Package including \$170 million to build shovel ready projects in regional towns.

*2765 INGLEBURN FIRE STATION—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) What works are currently being undertaken on the Ingleburn Fire Station?
 - (a) What is the cost of these works?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Works are underway to replace Ingleburn Fire Station's metal roof and supporting roof beams. Associated works include new electrical wiring for lights and power; installation of roof insulation and gyprock ceilings; and painting of new surfaces.
 - (a) \$113,382.00 (excluding GST).

*2766 STATISTICS ON PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER BREACHES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) Is the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research collecting any data, information or statistics concerning penalty notices issued by police for alleged breaches of public health orders?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

Yes, the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) collects data on breaches of Public Health Orders.

*2767 SOUTH WEST THRIVE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

What is the cost of the production of South West Thrive by the South Western Local Health District?

Answer—

Expenditure on the production of South West Thrive is included in the South Western Sydney Local Health District's Financial Statements under "other expenses" and is publicly available.

*2768 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CHARGES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

How many people have been charged under section 13 of the Crimes (Domestic Violence and Personal Violence) Act 2007 in the period from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019?

Answer—

I am advised:

11,714.

*2769 DISTRICT COURT CASE MANAGEMENT AND JURY PROCESSES REVIEW—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) When will the review by the Chief Judge of the District Court of case management and jury processes be completed?
- (2) When the review is complete will a report be prepared?
 - (a) If so, where will the report be able to be inspected?

Answer—

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I am advised:

The Chief Judge of the District Court has prepared a preliminary report on case management, while the Chief Judge's review of jury processes is anticipated to be completed in 2021.

It is not practice for the Chief Judge to publish reports. Any changes in procedure are communicated via the publication of new or amended practice notes and policies. The Chief Judge published a new practice note on 6 March 2020.

*2770 ASBESTOS INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND FUNDING—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Treasurer—

What consequences are anticipated for the funding of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund as a result of the impact of current circumstances on James Hardie Industries in light of their decisions on dividend payments and plant closures?

Answer—

The current circumstances and decisions made by James Hardie Industries are not expected to have an adverse impact on the funding of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund (AICF) in the short to medium term.

The increased free cash flow has resulted in an increased payment to AICF of US\$153.3 million for FY21.

*2771 NEWCASTLE INNER CITY BYPASS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

(1) When will the detailed design for Stage 5 of the Newcastle Inner City Bypass be completed and publicly released?

(a) Will the Government commit to funding the detailed design of the Bypass in the 2020-21 NSW Budget?

(i) If so, when will construction commence?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Early 2021. Transport for NSW will continue to keep the community informed as planning progresses.

(a) The Government committed \$8.48 million for detailed design in 2019-20. Future funding will be determined in accordance with state-wide budget priorities.

(i) A timeframe for construction has not yet been determined.

*2772 SANITARY SAFETY IN WALLSEND SCHOOLS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

What extra sanitary measures have been put in place to protect students in schools in the Wallsend electorate?

Answer—

New South Wales government schools are safe, clean and secure places. The safety and wellbeing of staff, students and the community, within all government schools, is our key priority.

In addition to the standard daily cleaning practices, the Department of Education has implemented an enhanced cleaning process in all schools, including those government schools in the Wallsend electorate. Enhanced cleaning is delivered as part of the daily cleaning of schools either at the conclusion of the school day or in the morning before school commences. Target areas include classroom desks and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways and movement areas.

The Department has also introduced cleaning during the day at all schools in line with Australian Health Protection Principal Committee guidance. This involves additional cleaning of high touch areas. The cleaner also replenishes supplies such as soap and hand towels that are provided by the school.

All schools have been provided with hygiene supplies packages to supplement their own purchases. Items included are hand sanitiser, soap, toilet paper, and paper towels. A package of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for school First Aid rooms has also been dispatched to all schools. This pack is intended to be used to support staff who are caring for or attending to students who are feeling unwell. Items include a temperature monitor, eye protection glasses, masks, items of sanitary clothing (apron, poncho, gown or similar), paper towel, toilet paper, gloves and disinfectant wipes.

Additionally Schools for Specific Purposes and schools with Support Units, have also received a package of PPE supplies. These packages will continue to be dispatched to schools at regular intervals throughout Term 2 2020 to ensure the ongoing management of demand.

*2773 PUBLIC SECTOR WAGES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Premier—

Is the Government planning a public sector wage freeze for nurses, midwives, other health care sector workers and public servants?

Answer—

Over 220,000 people in New South Wales lost their jobs in April alone.

Around 3 million people are on Job Keeper across the nation - and we expect around a third of those to be in New South Wales.

And this is at a time when our revenue is expected to fall by more than \$10 billion.

Our Wages Policy - pausing pay rises for public servants as we recover from the pandemic - will enable us to protect existing jobs and create jobs in the private sector.

The proceeds could create as many as 20,000 jobs in New South Wales.

Given the Government's regulations were disallowed in the Legislative Council, the matter will now be considered by the Industrial Relations Commission .

*2774 WILDLIFE TRADE—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) What native animals in New South Wales are subject to the global illegal wildlife trade?
- (2) What activities in New South Wales result in threats to those animals being trafficked?
- (3) What action is the Government taking to prevent wildlife trafficking of animals native to the state, including working with other states and territories and the Commonwealth Government?
- (4) What wildlife from other jurisdictions is illegally trafficked into New South Wales?
 - (a) What biosecurity risks does this present?
- (5) What role does New South Wales play in preventing the international illegal wildlife trade?

Answer—

(1) to (5) Matters in relation to native wildlife management should be referred to the Minister for Energy and Environment.

*2775 COMMERCIAL FISHING APPEALS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) Have all of the commercial fishing share appeals now been heard by the Share Appeals Panel?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (2) How many of the appeals were upheld?
- (3) How many of the original decisions were varied?
- (4) What further action can be taken if an appellant is dissatisfied with their appeal outcome?
- (5) How many appeals were withdrawn?
 - (a) Did the appellant receive a refund of their application fee?
- (6) What was the quantum of application fees received from appellants?

Answer—

The Share Appeal Panel process is an important process supporting the New South Wales commercial fisheries reform, and one of the final stages of the NSW Commercial Fisheries Business Adjustment Program (BAP).

There is one remaining appeal to be heard. The hearing has been delayed due to an identified conflict of interest with a panel member.

Through this process, thirty four appeals were upheld, three decisions were varied and two were withdrawn. Application fees totalled \$15,440, which contributes to the cost of the appeals process and there have been no refunds sought by appellants that withdrew their appeals.

*2776 PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE IN WINDALE—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

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Have maintenance contractors been instructed to patch and repair rather than address significant structural issues at public housing homes within the area of Windale which was recently rezoned from low density to medium density?

Answer—

I am advised:

No. The NSW Land and Housing Corporation has not instructed its maintenance contractors to patch and repair rather than address significant structural issues at public housing homes within the area of Windale.

***2777 CESSNOCK CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX**—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—

- (1) Are the three facilities which form Cessnock Correctional Complex, Cessnock, Shortland and Hunter, operated by Corrective Services NSW?
- (2) Is each facility staffed by employees of Corrective Services NSW?
 - (a) If not, how many staff are employed by employers other than Corrective Services NSW?
 - (i) What percentage is this of the total workforce?
- (3) Are each of the gaols male only facilities?
 - (a) If not, are female inmates held at any of the facilities:
 - (i) In minimum security?
 - (ii) In maximum security?
 - (iii) In transit to another facility?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) As at 14 May 2020, 673 staff at the correctional complex were employees of Corrective Services NSW. Five education staff at the complex are employed by BSI Learning as part of a contract for the provision of education services to inmates. In addition, there are a number of staff at the complex employed by the Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network. The Member may request details of this staffing component from the Minister for Health and Medical Services.
- (3) Shortland and Hunter Correctional Centres accommodate male inmates only. Cessnock Correctional Centre accommodates mostly male inmates, but has 20 beds for the accommodation of female inmates in transit to other facilities.

***2778 CESSNOCK SERVICE NSW**—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Customer Service—

- (1) How many people were employed at the Cessnock Service NSW in each financial year from 2016-17 to 2018-19?
- (2) How many over-the-counter and digital transactions were made in the Cessnock Service NSW during the in each financial year from 2016-17 to 2018-19?

Answer—

Financial Year	Full-time equivalent	Customers served (over the counter)	Digital kiosk transactions*
2016-17	9.2	54,957	3,353
2017-18	8.7	43,288	6,897
2018-19	9.2	43,096	9,725

*representing the top 6 Roads and Maritime Services transactions only.

***2779 REPLACEMENT OF CENTRE PINS IN THE XPT LOCOMOTIVE FLEET**—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Where will the replacement of centre pins in the XPT locomotive fleet be manufactured?
- (2) Where will the work of replacing the pins take place?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The pins were made in Ipswich, Queensland. They were made by an interstate firm because a

suitable New South Wales manufacturer could not be found.

- (2) The pins have been installed. The work was performed by Sydney Trains at its Sydenham Maintenance Centre.

*2780 FARMING GRANTS SCHEME—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Will the Government provide funding to reintroduce a grant scheme for famers to apply for matching funds (dollar-for-dollar) for netting where evidence of flying foxes is found on properties?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (2) Are there other dollar-for-dollar grant programs available for farmers to access that can assist with netting costs?

Answer—

These questions should be referred to the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales.

*2781 PENSIONER CONCESSIONS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Treasurer—

- (1) Why is New South Wales the only state in which pensioner concessions on rates are not fully funded by the Government?
- (2) Is the Government considering joining all other Australian states in providing a fully funded scheme?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

The Government understands the importance of continuing to assist pensioners to meet cost of living pressures.

After the Commonwealth withdrew concessions in the 2014-15 Federal Budget, the Government stepped in and covered the shortfall for pensioners.

Since 2015 the Government has invested over \$78 million each year to ease cost of living pressures on pensioners through subsidising council rates and charges.

In considering any changes to concessions, the Government must take into account the budgetary implications of any change to current funding arrangements. The previous concession increase occurred under a State Coalition Government.

Each New South Wales council also has the discretion to provide further concessions above the maximum concessions for pensioners.

In addition, there are a number of other concessions and rebates available for our older citizens and those with a disability in New South Wales. These include travel concessions, energy rebates and water rebates, motor vehicle discounts, parking concessions, health concessions and recreational concessions.

*2782 GAMBLING REFORM—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Customer Service—

- (1) What evidence does the Government have about reduced personal losses on gambling due to gambling business closures and increased use of online gambling platforms as a result of COVID-19 restrictions?
- (2) What liaison has the Government carried out with the Commonwealth and other States and Territories about strengthening online gambling consumer protections and preventing problem gambling impacts and what action has been taken?
- (3) What plans does the Government have to support community groups and clubs to pivot to non-gambling income sources when they are no longer restricted from opening, as the Australian Capital Territory Government has?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to prevent problem gambling impacts when other gambling options are no longer restricted due to COVID-19?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to prevent problem gambling and community impacts of gambling?

Answer—

(1) The Government receives revenue information through regular reporting channels. The Government is also monitoring data released by other agencies and industry observers as well as anecdotal evidence from industry and community stakeholders.

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The available evidence suggests that increases in online gambling have not offset the decrease in gambling associated with the closure of gambling venues. The Government will continue to monitor as more evidence becomes available.

(2) Liquor and Gaming NSW and the Office of Responsible Gambling have been meeting with and sharing information across jurisdictions and discussing strategies to address the changing nature of gambling under COVID-19.

The Government has sought to redirect efforts in line with the shift in gambling activity. The Office of Responsible Gambling has created and promoted new resources for the community and for gambling operators. It has sought to raise awareness of the risks posed by online casinos operating illegally from overseas as well as how to gamble safely online.

(3) There are no plans to expand existing measures that incentivise venues to go pokie-free.

(4) Clubs and hotels are required to provide information to their patrons about how to gamble responsibly and to promote Gambling Help services and self-exclusion.

Liquor and Gaming NSW will undertake proactive compliance activity to ensure they are complying with responsible conduct of gambling requirements. All normal requirements relating to the operation of gaming machines, gaming machine signage, restrictions on access to gaming areas and gambling harm minimisation requirements will apply.

The Office of Responsible Gambling funds free Gambling Help services around New South Wales. Gambling Help NSW provides free, confidential support and advice for anyone experiencing problems with gambling, including family members and friends.

Gambling Help NSW offers phone counselling, face to face counselling in 270 locations across New South Wales, online counselling (email or online chat), specific support services for women and people from Aboriginal and multicultural communities, and financial counselling and legal help for people facing financial or legal challenges due to gambling.

The Office has also provided information and advice to industry to support them to prevent and minimise gambling harm as their venues reopen. It will also continue to provide information and raise awareness in the community of the risks associated with gambling, and information and strategies that support those people who choose to gamble to do so safely.

(5) In addition to our existing initiatives aimed at addressing gambling harm and the community impacts of gambling, Liquor and Gaming NSW is considering ways that the long-term changes to the sector brought on by COVID-19 may provide an opportunity to address gambling related harm in the future.

*2783 DEER CONTROL PROGRAM—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

(1) How much of the \$9 million committed to the deer control program will be provided to the Hunter region?

(2) What are the expected dates of commencement and conclusion?

Answer—

It is unclear which program is being referred to in this question. If the question relates to the \$9 million dollar pilot program being conducted by National Parks and Wildlife Service, then this question is the responsibility of the Minister for Energy and Environment.

*2784 DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, INDUSTRY AND ENVIRONMENT OFFICE—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

(1) Has the new lease for the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment office at 516 High Street Maitland been signed as at 12 May 2020?

(a) If not, what is the reason for the delay?

(b) If so:

(i) On what date did Property NSW finalise the new lease?

(ii) Is the new lease for a period of five years?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The lease is yet to be signed.

(2) At the time of drafting this answer, Property NSW was waiting for the landlord to insert the agreed rent into the lease and then forward to Property NSW for execution.

*2785 FREE MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION IN GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

How many people from the Granville electorate qualified for free motor vehicle registration in 2019 because they paid enough in tolls?

Answer—

This is a matter for the Minister for Customer Service, as the Toll Relief Scheme is managed by Service NSW.

*2786 MUSIC FESTIVAL SUPPORT COVID-19 ECONOMIC RECOVERY—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Premier—

- (1) What consideration will be given to waiving state fees and charges such as user charges, licence fees and training costs for first aid, traffic management and Responsible Service of Alcohol during the first 12 months that COVID-19 restrictions are lifted on music festivals?
- (2) What support will be considered to facilitate licence and music festival applications during the first 12 months that COVID-19 restrictions are lifted on music festivals?
- (3) What consideration will be given to introducing a grants program for new music festivals after restrictions are lifted, particularly in regional areas impacted by the recent bushfire season?
- (4) How will the Government support music festivals in New South Wales as part of the COVID-19 economic recovery in recognition of their significant economic, employment and social contribution?

Answer—

As part of the Government's COVID-19 Stimulus Package, new liquor licence application fees and pro-rata liquor fees will be waived in full for 12 months from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021.

For the small number of festivals required to have their Safety Management Plan approved by the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority, there will be no fee associated with that process. Liquor and Gaming NSW have refunded all licence fees already paid for special events which were cancelled due to the COVID-19 Public Health Order of 23 March 2020.

If bar staff working at festivals have a Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) endorsement that expires between 1 March 2020 to 29 June 2021, they are being given until 30 June 2021 to complete and pay for the relevant RSA refresher training course.

Further, the \$50 million COVID-19 arts and cultural package is designed to assist not-for-profit organisations in financial distress. This can include music festival operators, and interested organisations should contact Create NSW for further information and eligibility.

*2787 INNER CITY CYCLEWAYS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering reduced traffic during COVID-19 restrictions and the need for economic stimulus through infrastructure projects, what action is the Government taking to speed up approvals for inner city cycleways?
- (2) What interim or temporary cycleways can be provided given the competition for shared space with pedestrians and reduced road traffic?
- (3) What additional funding will be provided to support councils to implement cycleways?
- (4) What cycleways in the Principle Bicycle Network can be brought forward for approval and construction?
- (5) What changes can be made to fast-track completion of the Castlereagh Street cycleway and the Sydney Harbour Bridge cycleway, in particularly the southern leg?
- (6) What changes are being made to speed up cycleway approvals and which routes have been fast-tracked?

Answer—

I am advised:

More people than ever are walking or cycling to work or for leisure and fitness. The Government continues to encourage people to walk and cycle as part of their everyday commute. We recognise that not only does it help relieve pressure on our roads and public transport system, but walking and cycling are healthy, active ways of travelling. By continuing to invest in the construction of new separated paths and infrastructure, we help keep people safe while encouraging more individuals to take up these modes of travel.

Thanks to the Government's strong economic management, approximately \$600 million will be invested into walking and cycling infrastructure over the next four years. This will bring the Government's total investment to around \$1 billion - the largest commitment in the State's history.

The Government is focused on cycling projects in line with the Future Transport 2056 strategy. This strategy identifies the Government's 40-year vision for transport planning to meet the demands of the predicted population growth in New South Wales. It prioritises the delivery of connected cycling networks within 10 kilometres of metropolitan city centres by 2026, and within five kilometres of strategic centres by 2036.

In response to the coronavirus pandemic, the Government is working with councils to establish temporary initiatives throughout Greater Sydney to give the community more options to safely walk, cycle and commute to work. In May 2020 the Government announced an initial series of new pop-up cycleways in key commuter areas and temporary 40 kilometres per hour speed zones in the City of Sydney Local Government Area to improve safety and reduce crowding on public transport. The Government will monitor these pop-up solutions and work with other councils across Sydney to identify hot spots where we can place temporary measures to ensure customers can safely distance themselves. You may be assured that there are a number of other pop-up cycleways in development. The Government will update the community on these initiatives in due course.

As part of the Government's new \$15 million Streets as Shared Spaces program, councils will be able to apply for grants of up to \$100,000 for immediate temporary projects, such as widening footpaths and cycle links. Grants of up to \$1 million for medium-term pilot projects, such as extra crossing points, wider kerbs and trialling lower speed limits, will also be available. Please visit www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/streets for more information.

***2788 ANTI-ASIAN RACISM COVID-19 PANDEMIC—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans—**

Considering the increasing reports of aggressive and abusive racist attacks on Asian Australians during the COVID-19 pandemic, what action will the Government take to address racism in the community and provide greater prevention programs?

Answer—

Racism, discrimination and prejudice in all forms have no place in our society and go against everything we stand for in New South Wales. No member of our community should ever feel attacked due to their cultural or religious background.

Any attempt to use COVID-19 as a front to propagate bigoted sentiment and hysteria is unacceptable.

Recently the Government launched the Stop Public Threats of Violence campaign that targets racism, discrimination and prejudice. The campaign informs the community about section 93z of the Crimes Act, which provides up to three years in prison for those publicly threatening or inciting violence on the grounds of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, intersex status or HIV/AIDS status.

In New South Wales we band together and support each other in difficult times. This is a health issue, so it is very important that everyone listens to and acts sensibly and accordingly to public health messages and precautions in response to COVID-19.

***2789 STONE RIDGE QUARRY—Ms Kate Washington asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—**

(1) Was a tender undertaken to select Australian Resource Development Group as the proponent of the Stone Ridge Quarry within the Wallaroo State Forest at Balickera?

(a) If so, when was this tender undertaken?

(b) If not, what selection process was undertaken prior to the agreement for Australian Resource Development Group to apply to develop this quarry?

Answer—

The resource was offered for tender in 2010. After the recommended tenderer and three other potential proponents subsequently withdrew their proposals, Forestry Corporation carried out direct negotiations with Australian Resource Development Group.

***2790 SEAT BELTS ON SCHOOL BUSES—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—**

(1) How many regional school bus routes are yet to be fitted with seat belts (as at 12 May 2020)?

(2) Is the Government on track to meet its December 2021 target for all regional school buses to have seat belts?

(a) If so, will this roll out include schools buses on routes from:

- (i) Tea Gardens to Medowie;
- (ii) Lemon Tree Passage to Raymond Terrace;
- (iii) Medowie to Raymond Terrace;
- (iv) Medowie to Newcastle;
- (v) Nelson Bay to Newcastle?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 22 May 2020:

(1) 840 dedicated school buses in rural and regional NSW are to be fitted with seat belts.

(2) The seat belt program remains on track for the December 2021 completion target.

The Government has made a commitment to fit seat belts to all dedicated school bus services operating in rural and regional NSW areas. This includes the Tea Gardens to Medowie route. The remaining nominated routes are not part of the seat belt program as recommended by the 2012 School Bus Safety Advisory Committee report.

*2791 HAZARD REDUCTION FUNDING—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

(1) What was the total funding requested from Treasury by the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service for hazard reduction activities in each financial year from 2016-17 to 2019-20 (to 12 May 2020)?

(2) What was the total funding approved by Treasury for the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service for hazard reduction activities in each financial year from 2016-17 to 2019-20 (to 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

(1) The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) receives funding from Treasury through the annual budget allocation to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (and, during the period in question, the former Office of Environment and Heritage). This funding enables NPWS to deliver its services, including hazard reduction.

(2) See response to question (1).

The annual budget allocation to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (and, during the period in question, the former Office of Environment and Heritage) enables NPWS to deliver its services, including hazard reduction. In particular, the funding has enabled NPWS to deliver an average of 139,338 hectares of hazard reduction activity over the last seven years (2012-13 to 2018-19), more than twice the average level of hazard reduction burning (62,637 hectares) in the five year period from 2007-08 to 2011-12.

*2792 OPERATIONAL PROCESSES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

What are the "operational processes" referred to in your answer to LA Q2740?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections and I requested a departmental review focusing on whether operational processes associated with intensive correction orders have been implemented in practice. In this context, "operational processes" refers to processes used by Community Corrections to assess an offender's risk of reoffending and how the offender is managed by Community Corrections.

*2793 PROFITEERING DURING COVID-19—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—

(1) What action is being taken to address instances of 'profiteering' during the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic?

(2) Is consideration being given to strengthening existing laws and regulations in regards to this matter?

Answer—

(1) The Commonwealth Government issued a biosecurity determination in March 2020 prohibiting any person in Australia from engaging in price gouging of essential items, such as disposable face masks and hand sanitiser.

The ban prohibits people from purchasing essential items in a retail transaction and reselling them for more than 120 per cent of the purchase price. This deters persons, such as private sellers, from bulk-buying essential goods from retailers and reselling to the community at excessive prices.

Businesses in New South Wales and across Australia are also subject to the Australian Consumer Law (ACL). The ACL bans misleading or deceptive conduct, unconscionable conduct and unfair contract terms. For example, businesses cannot mislead consumers as to the reasons for price increases. NSW Fair Trading can intervene if there is evidence of businesses engaging in misconduct.

As the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation, I have warned businesses in New South Wales not to take advantage of consumers by charging excessive prices on essential items during the COVID-19 pandemic.

If a business in New South Wales is found to be charging excessive prices on essential items without a legitimate business reason, a public warning may be issued about the business under section 86A of the Fair Trading Act 1987 (NSW). The warning can be issued if it is in the public interest to do so.

(2) The Government regularly reviews legislation and regulations to ensure the highest standard of consumer protection in New South Wales.

*2794 CRIMES ACT SECTION 25C OFFENCES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) How many people have been charged with an offence under section 25C of the Crimes Act since its introduction (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (2) How many people have been convicted of an offence under section 25C of the Crimes Act since its introduction (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

I am advised:

According to the latest criminal courts data available from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) ending December 2019, there have been no finalised charges under section 25C of the Crimes Act 1900 (NSW) as at 12 May 2020.

*2795 CANLEY VALE RAILWAY STATION—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) Has Transport for NSW provided correspondence to all key stakeholders within the Fairfield Local Government Area seeking their input concerning the Canley Vale Railway Station upgrades?
 - (a) If so, who did Transport for NSW contact?
 - (b) If no, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

Digital advertisements were placed in the Fairfield Champion and geo-targeted campaigns were placed on the Transport for NSW Facebook page. Flyers were distributed to 4550 residents in Canley Vale. Signage and flyers were also placed at Canley Vale Station.

In addition to letters sent to Council and the NSW State Emergency Service, the following stakeholders were invited to provide feedback:

- Cabramatta Police
- Cumberland Business Chamber
- Disability Services Australia
- CORE Community Services
- Ethnic Communities Council of NSW
- Canley Vale Public School
- Canley Vale High School
- Pal Buddhist School
- Canley Vale Tutorial Centre
- Canley Heights Public School
- Hampton Cottage
- Community Kids Early Education Centre Canley Heights

- Cabramatta Public School

All of the above communications material included information on where to view the Review of Environmental Factors and how to provide a submission and contact the project team.

- *2796 WALLSEND SCHOOLS ENROLMENTS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

Considering a number of schools in the Wallsend electorate are well over their enrolment cap, what plans does the Government have to build additional capacity for schools to cater for future growth?

Answer—

In 2019 a revised enrolment policy was implemented. This policy sets an enrolment cap for eligible New South Wales public schools and schools with an enrolment at or above this cap are permitted to consider taking 'out of area' students only under exceptional circumstances. The cap does not set a limit on the number of local students a school can enrol and is not the enrolment capacity of the school.

The Department of Education monitors population and development trends to enable effective planning to meet enrolment needs in public schools across New South Wales. Strategic schools planning is underway in response to the urban development at Edgeworth, Fletcher and Minmi and the associated increase in enrolment demand at schools in the Wallsend electorate and surrounding area.

- *2797 WALLSEND AMBULANCE STATION—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

When will the new Wallsend Ambulance Station be open and operational?

Answer—

The Birmingham Gardens Ambulance Station will be open and operational in the coming weeks.

- *2798 M1 PACIFIC MOTORWAY EXTENSION—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) When will the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIS) for the M1 Pacific Motorway Extension to Raymond Terrace be completed and publicly released?

(a) Will the Government fund the EIS for the bypass in the 2020-21 NSW Budget?

(i) If so, when will construction commence?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government committed \$200 million under Rebuilding NSW to prepare the M1 Pacific Motorway extension to Raymond Terrace project for construction. \$6 million has been allocated in 2019-20 for work to continue and funding will be made available for 2020-21.

In April 2019, the Federal Government committed \$1.6 billion for the M1 extension. The Government is reviewing funding requirements to make sure the M1 extension is delivered as soon as possible.

Transport for NSW is planning for the public display of the Environmental Impact Assessment in 2021. A community update is being prepared for release this year. Commencement of construction is dependent on environmental and planning approval.

- *2799 REGIONAL SENIORS TRAVEL CARD—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) How many people have applied for the Regional Seniors Travel Card (as at 12 May 2020)?

(2) How many people have been approved for the Regional Seniors Travel Card (as at 12 May 2020)?

(3) How many approved cardholders attained eligibility by being a recipient of an:

(a) Age Pension;

(b) Service Pension;

(c) Disability Pension under the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986;

(d) War Widow(er) Pension;

(e) Commonwealth Seniors Health Card?

(4) Has the Government changed the eligibility criteria for the Regional Seniors Travel Card to include carers or seniors on the Disability Support Pension?

(a) If not, why not?

(5) What is the total amount of money spent by cardholders across New South Wales (as at 12 May

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2020)?

- (6) What was the total amount projected to have been spent by cardholders (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (7) What is the total amount of money transferred to Westpac to fund cardholder payments under the scheme (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) 290,376 people have applied for and have been approved for the Regional Seniors Travel Card (as at 12 May 2020), noting that declined applications are not recorded by Service NSW.

(3) Transport for NSW is only able to break down the applications as follows:

(a) 283,900 successful applications based on Service Australia endorsement.

(b) 6,476 successful applications based on Department of Veteran's Affairs endorsement.

(4) No. Eligibility criteria for the program is available on the Service NSW website. There are no plans to change the eligibility criteria at this time. Transport for NSW is currently reviewing the programs which support travel for carers and disability pensioners in regional New South Wales to consider if there are ways to improve effectiveness and awareness of such programs.

(5) The total amount of money spent by cardholders across New South Wales (as at 12 May 2020) is almost \$16 million.

(6) The total amount projected to have been spent by cardholders (as at 12 May 2020) was \$16.5 million.

*2800 ONLINE SCHOOLING—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Considering the expectation that teachers continue to teach some classes remotely, how are teachers being trained to use learn from home technology?
- (2) How is the Department of Education ensuring that all teachers are using the learn from home technology consistently and no student is disadvantaged by inconsistent tuition?
- (3) How are schools ensuring students are equipped to use the learn from home technology?
- (4) How is the department equipping students that do not have access to computers, devices or the internet at home?

Answer—

(1) The Department of Education delivered four weeks of intensive 'Getting started with technology' sessions to New South Wales public school teachers from 17 March to 9 April 2020.

(2) Teachers have access to Microsoft Office 365, G Suite for Education and Adobe applications accessible via their NSW Education portal. Professional learning courses, supporting teachers in effectively using these applications have been delivered by the Department.

The Department's Teaching at Home and Using Technology webpages, provide additional support for teaching remotely and using technology effectively.

Online virtual state-wide staffrooms and a Yammer social media group were enabled for all key learning areas, as a collaborative and collegial space for New South Wales public school teachers.

(2) Each school was responsible for determining the combination of methods for maintaining continuity of learning for students, as schools are best placed to understand the individual needs of students. These include online activities, as well as providing printed materials such as worksheets, textbooks and other resources.

To ensure that all students are supported, and no student is disadvantaged, the Department provided specific advice and teaching resources to support students with a disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander students and students learning English as an additional language.

The Department's Learning from Home hub contained advice and resources to assist schools to meet the needs of their students and address potential disadvantage. The Directors, Educational Leadership play an important role in supporting principals to ensure that all students continued to learn, including facilitating access to additional support and resources. Curriculum and wellbeing support was provided by School Services staff who work locally to provide ongoing support to schools.

(3) Significant investment in infrastructure, computer devices and teacher professional learning over a lengthy period of time enabled the Department to be well placed to support the needs of students and teachers in the implementation of online learning during the current health situation.

(4) Schools made devices available for students to use from home and where schools did not have available resources the Department provided additional computers and 4G internet connections.

Schools made devices available for students to loan, where the schools do not have capacity the Department has procured additional devices for these students, a priority was given to those students in Stage 6 (HSC). The Department procured 4G modems for students who have issues with internet connectivity.

Students who did not have access to a device or do not have telephone or internet connectivity have been provided with learning packs, developed, printed and collated by school staff.

***2801 ABORIGINAL HEALTH RENAL DIALYSIS MACHINES—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—**

How are the Aboriginal Health renal dialysis machines funded?

Answer—

As a specialist service, haemodialysis is provided primarily by New South Wales public hospitals. It is also provided by some private hospitals and private clinics.

***2802 REGIONAL SENIOR TRAVEL CARD—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—**

Will the Regional Senior Travel Card trial period be extended, as people are unable to utilise the card due to the COVID-19?

Answer—

I am advised:

The travel card is valid for 14 months from the date the card is issued. The expiry date is available on the front of the card.

The regional seniors travel card program is available for a 2-year trial period (2020-2021).

We are unable to extend printed card deadlines, but all eligible seniors can apply for a second card next year.

***2803 NSW CRIME COMMISSION FEMALE SENIOR ROLES—Dr Hugh McDermott asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—**

Considering the Crime Commission has confirmed there is only one female employed out of nine staff at the top executive level in the agency and the Government's policy of having more women in executive appointments, will the findings of the NSW Crime Commission's report in relation to staff morale, staffing levels, number of vacancies and the disproportionate lack of female senior executives in the agency be reviewed?

Answer—

I am advised:

The composition of the NSW Crime Commission's workforce and the wellbeing of the Commission's staff are continuously monitored and reviewed.

***2804 NSW CRIME COMMISSION VACANT POSITIONS—Dr Hugh McDermott asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—**

Considering the positions of the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner (Operations), the Director of Governance and the Director of Legal Services at the NSW Crime Commission are vacant, when will the Government provide the NSW Crime Commission with the appropriate resources it requires to ensure that the agency can appoint key leadership positions and provide stability to the agency?

Answer—

I refer the Member to the answers to additional questions on notice document from the NSW Crime Commission on 11 March 2020, tabled in response to the Joint Committee on the Ombudsman, the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission and the Crime Commission's 2020 Review of the Annual Reports of Oversighted Bodies.

***2805 LAW ENFORCEMENT CONDUCT COMMISSION FUNDING—Dr Hugh McDermott asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—**

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Why has funding to the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission decreased by five per cent despite an increase in complaints of 17 per cent, as given in evidence during the hearing of the Committee on the Ombudsman, the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission and the Crime Commission on 17 February 2020?

Answer—

I am advised:

The 2019-20 NSW Budget provides total funding to the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission (LECC) of \$31.988 million, consisting of \$24.706 million in recurrent funding and \$7.282 million in capital expenditure. The \$31.988 million total budget for the LECC for 2019-20 is a 20.6 per cent increase on the total budget for 2018-19.

The Government has requested that the Auditor-General conduct a review of the effectiveness of the financial arrangements and management practices of independent agencies, including the LECC, and awaits the final report.

*2806 COVID-19 TESTING RATES—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) Considering the World Health Organisation has been clear from the beginning of March 2020 that every suspected case of COVID-19 needs to be tested, why did it take so long to broaden the New South Wales testing criteria?
- (2) Why were other states testing all people with symptoms well before New South Wales?
- (3) Why is testing consistently more per capita in the Eastern Suburbs than Western Sydney?
- (4) Why did New South Wales only commence temperature testing of arrived overseas travellers on 26 March 2020 when 1,000 cases were already confirmed?

Answer—

(1) and (2) NSW Health has recommended testing of all suspected cases in line with national case definitions and the testing criteria, which have evolved over time as new information emerges.

The National Guidelines were amended on 24 April to recommend that anyone with symptoms of a respiratory infection or fever where there is no explanation for the illness should be tested.

On the same day, NSW Health expanded its testing criteria, in line with the National Guidelines.

(3) NSW Health encourages a high rate of testing, of anyone with respiratory symptoms, in all local health districts.

(4) Since 2 February 2020 and at the request of the Commonwealth Government, NSW Health has provided health screening teams at Sydney International Airport according to the National Protocol for Enhanced Border Measures at the Australian Border. The National Protocol has gone through a number of revisions but it has always included temperature checks on international passengers targeted for screening.

*2807 LEETON DISTRICT HOSPITAL—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) When can I expect a response to the request made concerning Leeton District Hospital on 13 September 2019 which relates to the following:
 - (a) Nursing profiling, detailing the rostering, for Leeton Hospital;
 - (b) An Incident Management System report for 2019-20 which details a list of incidents occurring during the year, de-identified if necessary;
 - (c) A Workplace Health and Safety assessment report conducted by the New South Wales Nurses and Midwives Association in May 2018?
 - (d) A report on the death of Rodney Irvin?
- (2) Is the content of the above documents classified to the public?
 - (a) If so, why?

Answer—

The Parliamentary Secretary for Health provided a response on 23 October 2019.

All documents pertaining to patient care are confidential and not available for public viewing.

*2808 STRIKE FORCE GARRAD—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) What specific New South Wales offences were investigated by Strike Force Garrad?

- (2) To what extent did the investigation consider that an offence was committed because a document was forged?
- (3) To what extent did the investigation consider that an offence was committed because there was an attempt to deceive a journalist from The Daily Telegraph and/or an attempt to deceive the New South Wales public?
- (4) Were any of the locations of the IP addresses where the City of Sydney annual report in question was downloaded in the Australian Capital Territory?
 - (a) What were the dates of those downloads?
- (5) Were any of the locations of the IP addresses where the City of Sydney annual report in question was downloaded in New South Wales?
 - (a) What were the dates of those downloads?
- (6) Did the NSW Police Force clear the Commonwealth Minister for Energy and Emissions Reduction of any wrongdoing?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Offences under sections 253 and 316 of the Crimes Act 1900.
- (2) and (3) This was part of the allegations raised in a letter from the Federal Shadow Attorney-General and was considered as part of the investigation.
- (4) No.
- (5) Yes, on 5 and 6 September 2019.
- (6) Refer to my answer to LA Q2580.

*2809 GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Customer Service—

- (1) Between 12 March 2019 and 12 May 2020, how many people in New South Wales applied for assistance under the:
 - (a) Energy Switch program;
 - (b) Family Energy Rebate;
 - (c) Energy Accounts Payment Assistance program;
 - (d) Caravan and Camper Trailer Motor Vehicle Tax Reduction program;
 - (e) Toll relief program;
 - (f) Apprentice Registration Rebate;
 - (g) First Home Buyers Assistance Scheme;
 - (h) First Home Owner Grant;
 - (i) Private Rental Subsidy;
 - (j) Rent Choice Subsidy?
- (2) In each instance in (1), how does this compare to the same period in 2019?
- (3) What is the total amount of assistance provided by the Government to New South Wales residents through its 70 rebates and cost of living measures during the COVID-19 period?

Answer—

(1) (a),(c), (e), (g) and (h) Service NSW has available information on the number of customers who applied for rebates and savings between 12 March 2019 and 12 May 2020 for a subset of the total products of interest. Please see table below.

Programs	12 March 2019 to 12 May 2020
(a) Energy Switch program	9,589
(c) Energy Accounts Payment Assistance program	14,659
(e) Toll relief program	130,606
(g) First Home Buyers Assistance Scheme	38,982
(h) First Home Owner Grant	7,992

- (b) This part of the question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Energy and Environment.
- (d) and (f). This part of the question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Transport.
- (i) and (j) This part of the question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services.
- (2) The date range for part 1 includes 2019 and as such, a response is not required.

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(3) Service NSW has included savings where it holds the data.

From 20 March 2020 to 31 April 2020, Service NSW has available information for 42 Government rebates and savings programs. Estimated total customer savings during this period are approximately \$150 million. Note these figures do not include grants programs.

*2810 OPPORTUNITY PATHWAYS AT TOWRADGI—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

(1) Has the trial of the Opportunity Pathways program at Towradgi been completed?

(2) Have the results of the trial been reviewed?

(a) If so, what were the outcomes of the review?

(b) If not, why not?

(3) Will the trial be reviewed?

Answer—

I am advised the Opportunity Pathways trial will be completed in March 2022.

Six monthly reviews for all tenancies have been completed with all tenancies successfully renewed. The Department of Communities and Justice has created forums for the service providers to share insights into how the trial is progressing.

Information on the Opportunity Pathways program guidelines is available at <https://www.dcj.nsw.gov.au>.

*2811 COVID-19 FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

(1) What is the total number of community groups that have applied to the Minister directly or to the Government for financial support during the COVID-19 pandemic?

(2) How will allocations under the \$10 million promised to community groups and not-for-profits by the Government be allocated?

(a) Is there an application process?

(3) Under the terms of this support, what obligations are there on larger organisations to work with and support smaller community groups working within their fields?

(4) Is the \$10 million new funding, or redirected from existing programs and services within the Stronger Communities cluster?

(a) If the latter, what programs and services will lose funding?

Answer—

On 27 March 2020 the Government released the second stage of its economic package in response to COVID-19. It included new funding of \$34 million to prevent homelessness, \$10 million to support charities and \$6 million additional funding for Lifeline's operations in New South Wales.

I am advised that the \$10 million for charities is fully committed, including funding for:

- food relief providers OzHarvest and Foodbank to deliver food to charities across the state for distribution to local individuals and community organisations in need, and
- support through Neami National to help rough sleepers and others placed in temporary accommodation in Greater Sydney to find stable housing solutions.

Further information on DCJ's continued delivery of essential services in response to the pandemic is available at <https://www.coronavirus.dcj.nsw.gov.au/>.

*2812 NEW INITIATIVES AND PROGRAMS REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES, INDUSTRY AND TRADE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

(1) What new initiatives and programs have been announced in the portfolio of the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Industry and Trade since the NSW Budget 2019-20 (as at 12 May 2020)?

(2) What funds have been allocated to these programs (as at 12 May 2020)?

(3) What is the commencement date of each program?

(4) What is the conclusion date of each program?

(5) What is the eligibility criteria for each program?

Answer—

The details of new Government initiatives and programs are made public at the time of announcement.

Program details are provided on the Government website: www.nsw.gov.au.

***2813 STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND**—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) What is the dollar amount of funding in each financial year from 2017-18 to 2019-20 (as at 12 May 2020) allocated to the following electorates under the Stronger Country Communities Fund:
 - (a) Gosford;
 - (b) Terrigal;
 - (c) Wyong;
 - (d) The Entrance;
 - (e) Swansea?

Answer—

Details of all successful projects funded under the Stronger Country Communities Fund are publicly available at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/regional-growth-fund/stronger-country-communities-fund>.

***2814 FAST RAIL NETWORK**—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) What progress has been made in the study into a Fast Rail Network for New South Wales?
- (2) Will the Government ensure that if a network goes ahead, it can be extended to link Sydney with Melbourne and Brisbane in the future?
- (3) What coordination is being done with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to ensure its strategic planning for the state protects a rail corridor that would allow the Fast Rail Network currently under consideration to extend to Melbourne and Brisbane?
- (4) What coordination is being done with the Commonwealth Government to ensure the Fast Rail Network currently under consideration can extend to Melbourne and Brisbane in the future?

Answer—

I am advised:

In December 2018, the Government announced that in the next term of government it would start work on a fast rail network. We are on track to deliver on this commitment.

The Government's blueprint for a fast rail network is a transformative vision for linking regional centres to Sydney and each other. Fast rail could reduce travel times by 75 per cent, giving the people of New South Wales more choice about where they live, work and visit.

In March 2019 the Government committed an initial \$295 million to investigate four routes. These are:

- The Northern Route, including the Central Coast and Newcastle;
- The Southern Inland Route, including Goulburn and Canberra;
- The Western Route, including Lithgow, Bathurst and Orange; and
- The Southern Coastal Route, including Wollongong and Nowra.

The Government is taking the time to get this vision right. I will update the community when more information is available.

***2815 COCKLE CREEK ROAD**—Mr Greg Piper asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

What work is Road and Maritime Services performing about duplicating the road at Cockle Creek at Argenton with particular regard to the bridge across the rail line?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW is still carrying out a number of planning activities across the Lake Macquarie area to determine which works are required and how to prioritise them, including the Lake Macquarie Traffic Study.

At this stage, no work has been undertaken specifically in relation to duplicating the road at Cockle Creek at Argenton.

***2816 TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN LAKE MACQUARIE**—Mr Greg Piper asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Why has Road and Maritime Services not acted to fast-track major works or provide needed plans to ease congestion, such as the B53 from the M1 north through Morisset, the B53 between Glendale and Speers Point, and the B53 between Fennell Bay and Toronto, in the Lake Macquarie Area?

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Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW has invested over \$50 million in this road corridor over the past 10 years on asset maintenance works, road upgrades and other interventions to support safety, active transport and to reduce congestion. Transport for NSW is undertaking a number of planning activities to identify and prioritise appropriate future works in the Lake Macquarie Area.

*2817 CARAVAN PARK LEASES—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) How many caravan parks in New South Wales are on Crown Lands, disaggregated by caravan park and electorate?
- (2) How many caravan parks have direct leases with the Crown?
- (3) How many are leased out by trustees?
 - (a) Of these, how many are managed by local government councils?

Answer—

- (1) There are 222 caravan parks located on Crown land (see Appendix C for details).
- (2) The Crown directly leases 39 caravan parks.
- (3) Crown land managers lease 26 caravan parks.
 - (a) Council Crown land managers lease 24 caravan parks.

*2818 LOCAL LITTER CHECKS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) How many Local Litter Checks, as part of the Environment Protection Authority's (EPA) Council Litter Prevention and Community Litter grants program, have been completed in the:
 - (a) Cessnock City Council area;
 - (b) Lake Macquarie Council area;
 - (c) Singleton Council area?

Answer—

(1) The Local Litter Check (LLC) is a free tool available on the NSW Environment Protection Authority website for community, councils and other land managers to gather evidence to understand the litter behaviour in a local area and to tackle the problem.

The LLC includes three steps:

Step 1: Location inspection, to assess a site's contextual factors, including presence of bins, cleanliness and available signage

Step 2: Litter count, to understand the litter issues at a designated site.

Step 3: Site user survey, to provide local insight from users of the site.

Based on the evidence collected through these steps, the LLC guides the users on specific interventions to prevent litter at the designated site.

- (a) Nine.
- (b) Seven.
- (c) One.

*2819 HILLSBOROUGH ROAD CONGESTION—Mr Greg Piper asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering the significant expenditure on the masterplan, what is the current status on the plans to ease congestion on Hillsborough Road, Lake Macquarie?
- (2) When will the masterplan be made publicly available?

Answer—

I am advised:

A strategic business case for the proposed upgrade of Hillsborough Road is being completed.

The business case will identify preferred solutions to traffic issues in the section between Macquarie Road and the Newcastle Inner City Bypass.

Work at the intersection of Hillsborough Road and the Newcastle Inner City Bypass has been completed and the intersection is operational. Further investment will be subject to the availability of funding and must compete against all other projects across the State.

Key affected stakeholders have been consulted. Further consultation is planned as development of the project progresses.

*2820 COMMERCIAL FISHERIES BUSINESS ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) Has a copy of Dr Barclay's initial findings into the socio-economic impacts of the Government's Commercial Fisheries Business Adjustment Program (BAP) been received?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) If so, why has it not been released?
 - (i) When will it be released?
 - (ii) Will it be publicly available?

Answer—

In September 2019, Professor Barclay was commissioned to undertake an independent assessment of the socio-economic impacts of the Government's Commercial Fisheries Business Adjustment Program (BAP).

Originally, Professor Barclay's findings were due to be delivered to the Government by the end of 2019. However, late last year Professor Barclay sought more time to work on the report.

Once the report is finalised, Professor Barclay will refer it to the Government for consideration and subsequent public release.

*2821 FEMALE POLICE OFFICERS—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) What is the number of permanent female police officers in the Brisbane Water Police District (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (2) What is the number of part-time female police officers in the Brisbane Water Police District (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (3) What is the number of permanent female police officers in the Tuggerah Lakes Police District (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (4) What is the number of part-time female police officers in the Tuggerah Lakes Police District (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (5) When will the Government update the "Authorised and Actual Strength Figures" on the NSW Police Force website to reflect current numbers, with the last update from September 2017?

Answer—

I am advised:

Brisbane Water Police District has 68 female police officers, of which 21 are part time.

Tuggerah Lakes Police District has 70 female police officers, of which 12 are part time.

*2822 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EMERGENCY CALLS—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) What was the total number of calls to the following police stations in the specific months related to domestic violence:
 - (a) Gosford Police Station:
 - (i) March 2019;
 - (ii) April 2019;
 - (iii) March 2020;
 - (iv) April 2020?
 - (b) Woy Woy Police Station:
 - (i) March 2019;
 - (ii) April 2019;
 - (iii) March 2020;
 - (iv) April 2020?
- (2) What was the number of calls to Triple Zero related to domestic violence in the following postcodes

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in the specified months:

- (a) 2250:
 - (i) March 2019;
 - (ii) April 2019;
 - (iii) March 2020;
 - (iv) April 2020?
- (b) 2256:
 - (i) March 2019;
 - (ii) April 2019;
 - (iii) March 2020;
 - (iv) April 2020?
- (c) 2257:
 - (i) March 2019;
 - (ii) April 2019;
 - (iii) March 2020;
 - (iv) April 2020?

Answer—

Matters relating to the number of phone calls made to Police and emergency services should be directed to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services.

*2823 CRIME MANAGEMENT UNITS—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) How many sections are there in each of the Crime Management Units for the following police districts (as at 12 May 2020):
 - (a) Brisbane Water Police District;
 - (b) Tuggerah Lakes Police District?
- (2) What are the names of the aforementioned sections in each of the following police districts:
 - (a) Brisbane Water Police District;
 - (b) Tuggerah Lakes Police District?
- (3) How many sworn officers and other staff are assigned to each of the Crime Management Units for the following police districts (as at 12 May 2020):
 - (a) Brisbane Water Police District;
 - (b) Tuggerah Lakes Police District?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Crime Management Unit (CMU) at both the Brisbane Water Police District and Tuggerah Lakes Police District consists of six sections. The Brisbane Water Police District CMU consists of: Licensing, Warrants, Crime Prevention, Intelligence, the Domestic Violence Team and Child Protection Registry. The Tuggerah Lakes Police District CMU consists of: Licensing, Warrants, Intelligence, the Domestic Violence Team, the Crime Co-ordinator and Youth Liaison Officer. As at 12 May 2020, the Brisbane Water Police District CMU comprised 15 sworn officers and two unsworn officers and the Tuggerah Lakes Police District CMU comprised 17 sworn officers and one unsworn officer.

All police resources attached to Police Districts (and Police Area Commands) are flexible resources available to respond to incidents across the district. Local resources are also supplemented by specialist police (highway patrol, crime squads, covert resources etc) which are managed centrally but can be deployed across boundaries to meet changing community needs and respond to crime patterns and emerging issues

*2824 SOCIAL HOUSING OCCUPANCY—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) What is the total number of social housing properties in the following electorates (as at 12 May 2020):
 - (a) Gosford;
 - (b) Terrigal;
 - (c) Wyong;
 - (d) The Entrance;

- (e) Swansea?
- (2) How many social housing properties are currently vacant in each of the following electorates (as at 12 May 2020):
- (a) Gosford;
 - (b) Terrigal;
 - (c) Wyong;
 - (d) The Entrance;
 - (e) Swansea?
- (3) How many social housing properties are currently for sale in each of the following electorates (as at 12 May 2020):
- (a) Gosford;
 - (b) Terrigal;
 - (c) Wyong;
 - (d) The Entrance;
 - (e) Swansea?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The total number of social housing properties in the following electorates (as at 12 May 2020) are:
- (a) Gosford - 1,406
 - (b) Swansea - 781
 - (c) Terrigal - 560
 - (d) The Entrance - 1,394
 - (e) Wyong - 1,075
- (2) The number of social housing properties currently vacant managed by either Land and Housing Corporation or the Aboriginal Housing Office in each of the following electorates (as at 12 May 2020) is:
- (a) Gosford - 24
 - (b) Swansea - 9
 - (c) Terrigal - 9
 - (d) The Entrance - 22
 - (e) Wyong - 17
- (3) As at 1 May 2020, there are no social housing properties currently for sale in the electorates of Gosford, Terrigal, Wyong, The Entrance and Swansea.

*2825 SENIOR STAFF IN LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) What is the number of Clerk Grade 11/12 and Senior Executive 1 level or equivalent employees in the following Local Health Districts (LHD) (as at 12 May 2020):
- (a) Central Coast LHD;
 - (b) Nepean Blue Mountains LHD;
 - (c) Illawarra Shoalhaven LHD?

Answer—

Local health districts and hospitals vary staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational need at any point in time. Staffing numbers are included in the NSW Health annual report.

I am advised local health districts do not have Grade 11/12 employees as this is a Crown Award classification not applicable to the Districts.

*2826 STREETS AS SHARED SPACES PROGRAM—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

- (1) When will local councils who apply for the \$15 million Streets as Shared Spaces program know whether they have been successful?
- (2) What is the timeline for delivering projects under this program?
- (3) How will public submissions on the online social pinpoint map feed into the application process and be weighted in relation to council applications?
- (a) How will the Department use this information?
- (4) Is the \$15 million for the Streets as Shared Spaces program allocated from within the Planning,

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Industry and Environment Cluster, the Transport cluster, or elsewhere?

- (5) Is the \$15 million for the Streets as Shared Spaces program a part of the \$246 million allocated to active transport in the State Budget, or in addition to it?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) This information is available on the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's (the Department) website.

(3) Information provided by the public via the social pin point map will be available for councils to access directly from the website as it is generated to inform their applications. At the end of the engagement period on 10 June, the Department will provide councils with a total dataset for their local government area that can be used to inform their activities, priorities and decision-making in the future. The Department will also use the feedback to inform its public space programs.

(4) The \$15 million funding for the Streets as Shared Spaces program has been allocated from the Department's budget.

(5) The \$15 million for the Streets as Shared Spaces program is in addition to the \$246 million allocated to active transport in the NSW Budget.

*2827 422, 423, 426 AND 428 BUS ROUTES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) How many bus services have been cut from the 422, 423, 426 and 428 routes since the construction of the Sydney Light Rail?
- (2) Since the shortening and removal of Circular Quay of the 422, 423, 426 and 428 services, what is the total travel time for passengers travelling to Circular Quay on each of these routes?
- (3) Is the Government considering restoring the 422, 423, 426, and 428 to their original routes terminating at Circular Quay?
- (4) What is the frequency and on time running of the 422, 423, 426 and 428 bus services on Saturdays and Sundays?

Answer—

I am advised:

Bus route changes in the Sydney CBD were introduced in October 2015 to facilitate the construction of the CBD & South East Light Rail. As a result, some services from the Inner West to Circular Quay were changed to terminate at other locations, such as Martin Place. This includes routes 422, 423, 426 and 428.

Customers can continue to access Circular Quay through convenient interchange to frequent bus services or other modes of transport within the integrated transport network.

*2828 GOVERNMENT RESOURCE EFFICIENCY POLICY REPORTING—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) As part of the Government Resource Efficiency Policy, what is the consequence for an agency failing to report data on their energy, water and waste use?
- (2) Why did 48 per cent of agencies fail to report waste data in the 2017-18 financial year?

Answer—

In 2018-19, 100 per cent of New South Wales government agencies that had to report under the Policy did so.

*2829 LAND TAX RELIEF COVID-19 SUPPORT PACKAGE—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Customer Service—

- (1) How many landowners in each of the following electorates and categories have applied for land tax relief under the COVID-19 support package:
 - (a) Commercial:
 - (i) Gosford;
 - (ii) Terrigal;
 - (iii) Wyong;
 - (iv) The Entrance;
 - (v) Swansea?
 - (b) Residential:
 - (i) Gosford;

- (ii) Terrigal;
 - (iii) Wyong;
 - (iv) The Entrance;
 - (v) Swansea?
- (2) What is the dollar amount of relief provided to residential landowners in the following electorates:
- (a) Commercial:
 - (i) Gosford;
 - (ii) Terrigal;
 - (iii) Wyong;
 - (iv) The Entrance;
 - (v) Swansea?
 - (b) Residential:
 - (i) Gosford;
 - (ii) Terrigal;
 - (iii) Wyong;
 - (iv) The Entrance;
 - (v) Swansea?
- (3) How many residential landowners in each of the following electorates have had their applications for relief rejected:
- (a) Commercial:
 - (i) Gosford;
 - (ii) Terrigal;
 - (iii) Wyong;
 - (iv) The Entrance;
 - (v) Swansea?
 - (b) Residential:
 - (i) Gosford;
 - (ii) Terrigal;
 - (iii) Wyong;
 - (iv) The Entrance;
 - (v) Swansea?

Answer—

- (1) (a) Commercial:
- (i) Gosford - 3 for 3 properties
 - (ii) Terrigal - 10 for 13 properties
 - (iii) Wyong - 11 for 13 properties
 - (iv) The Entrance - 8 for 12 properties
 - (v) Swansea - 1 landowner for 3 properties
- (b) Residential:
- (i) Gosford - 2 for 2 properties
 - (ii) Terrigal - 6 for 6 properties
 - (iii) Wyong - 2 for 2 properties
 - (iv) The Entrance - 2 for 3 properties
 - (v) Swansea: Not applicable.
- (2) and (3) As at 28 May 2020, no applications for relief have been finalised.

*2830 LEGAL SERVICES PANEL EXPENDITURE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Which agencies, and in what amounts, were responsible for the off Legal Services Panel expenditure of \$14.2 million during the 2018-19 financial year?

Answer—

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The question relates to the off-panel expenditure for financial year 2018-2019. The NSW Government Legal Services Panel is not a mandatory panel, as such agencies can engage law firms outside of the panel. Furthermore, specific categories of work are excluded from the panel, including:

- Core legal work undertaken by the Crown Solicitor
- DPP and Police prosecutions
- Safework NSW prosecutions against Government agencies
- RMS regional enforcement
- Child protection matters
- Legal Representation Office (LRO) matters
- Provision of ex gratia legal assistance in accordance with Premier's Memorandum M2019-01
- Legal Aid matters
- Direct briefs to counsel
- Existing panels

The quoted figure of \$14.2 million excludes Treasury, as they have their own panel separate to the NSW Government Legal Services Panel. The breakdown of this figure by agency is seen in Appendix B.

*2831 NURSE EDUCATOR DEATH INVESTIGATION—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

What was the result of police investigations into the death of a 49-year-old nurse educator at Liverpool Hospital on 17 April 2020?

Answer—

I am advised:

Investigations into this matter are ongoing.

A police brief on the matter is due to the Coroner in August 2020.

*2832 NEW SOUTH WALES LAND CLEARING INCREASE—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) What consultation will the Government undertake with environment groups in establishing a response to the Natural Resources Commission review of private land clearing?
- (2) What risk factors has the Government identified with regard to unlawful and unexplained clearing?
- (3) How is the Government strengthening the native vegetation compliance framework?
- (4) What measures is the Government considering to better identify unlawful and unexplained clearing?
- (5) What measures is the Government considering to better enforce existing native vegetation controls?
- (6) What other measures is the Government considering to reduce the rate of unlawful and unexplained clearing?
- (7) Is the Government concerned about the impact lawful clearing is having on the state's biodiversity, particularly given cumulative impacts from the recent bushfires and logging operations?
- (8) When will the native vegetation regulatory maps be publicly released?
- (9) What consideration will the Government give to strengthening land management laws to slow the growing rate of native habitat clearing approvals?
- (10) Will the Government review the Part 3 Code for thinning in light of the Natural Resources Commission's findings that it has increased certifications and notifications to clear and poses significant threats to biodiversity values, and considering it was not a recommendation of the Independent Biodiversity Review Panel?
- (11) How will the Government ensure its commitment to set aside and manage in perpetuity for biodiversity conservation twice the amount of native vegetation cleared under the regime passed in 2016 is delivered in all Local Land Services regions?
- (12) How is the Government drastically improving biodiversity outcomes through its native vegetation management framework?

Answer—

(1) to (8) These questions are a matter for the Minister for Energy and Environment.

(9) The Government does not consider that such legislative change is required.

The current land management legislation that commenced in 2017 was developed in response to the findings and recommendations of the Independent Biodiversity Legislation Review Panel, following its 2014 review of biodiversity conservation legislation in New South Wales. This review identified an

urgent need for clearer and simpler laws governing vegetation management in New South Wales, as the old legislation was not working for either agriculture or the environment.

The current legislation recognises the need to grow food and fibre in a vibrant and productive agricultural sector, while preserving and protecting our important environmental assets and delivering record investments in private land conservation and threatened species protection.

The reforms are underpinned by the principle of triple bottom line outcomes and are intended to enable the balanced achievement of economic, environmental and social outcomes for landholders and the New South Wales community.

The land management legislation that commenced in 2017 has delivered a practical, flexible framework for rural and agricultural landholders. The framework has enabled farmers across New South Wales to get on with the business of farming, while maintaining appropriate protection for areas of high biodiversity value.

Under the framework, landowners are better able to take advantage of new market opportunities when they arise, respond to changing climatic conditions, and make sound financial and environmental choices.

(10) The Government supports undertaking a review of Part 3 of the Code and will consider opportunities to integrate this with the broader review of the land management and biodiversity conservation reforms, planned for the second half of 2020.

(11) Since the land management framework commenced in 2017 to end-April 2020, authorisations have been issued for the management of 67,644 hectares of native vegetation under the non-Invasive Native Species parts of the Land Management (Native Vegetation) Code 2018 (the Code). During the same period, 47,474 hectares of native vegetation has been set aside under Parts 5 and 6 of the Code, to be managed for conservation in perpetuity. Additionally, the Government through the Biodiversity Conservation Trust has entered into over 160 conservation agreements with private landholders, resulting in an additional 37,000 hectares of private land being protected and managed for conservation.

In totality since the commencement of the land management framework, 84,474 ha of native vegetation on private land has been set aside to be managed for conservation in perpetuity.

(12) The current land management framework was developed as part of the land management and biodiversity reforms in 2017, and included significant investment to conserve biodiversity in NSW, namely:

- the establishment of the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT), which manages a program of conserving high value vegetation on private land and is funded with \$350 million over five years (from commencement of the reforms), and \$70 million each subsequent year; and
- an unprecedented \$100 million investment in the Saving Our Species Program.

Set aside requirements under Parts 5 and 6 of the Land Management (Native Vegetation) Code 2018 (the Code) also contribute to positive biodiversity outcomes across New South Wales. Since the land management framework commenced in 2017, over 47,000 hectares of land has been set aside under the Code, to be managed for conservation in perpetuity.

*2833 LAW ENFORCEMENT CONDUCT COMMISSION COMMISSIONER POSITIONS—Dr Hugh McDermott asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

When will the Government appoint a permanent Chief Commissioner and Commissioner of Oversight at the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission?

Answer—

I am advised:

The term of appointment of the Acting Chief Commissioner of the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission (LECC), the Hon Reginald Blanch AM QC, expires on 31 July 2020.

The Government has introduced a Bill to broaden the eligibility criteria for the Chief Commissioner of the LECC, consistent with a recommendation of the Assistant Inspector of the LECC in his report tabled in Parliament in February 2020.

The Government will ensure that there will continue to be a Chief Commissioner of the LECC, whether acting or permanent, from 1 August 2020.

Section 18(2) of the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission Act 2016 provides that the Commissioner for Oversight may only be appointed with the concurrence of the Chief Commissioner.

The Government is considering the most prudent course of action with respect to appointing a

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Commissioner for Oversight given the need to ensure concurrence with the Chief Commissioner.

*2834 ALLOCATION OF FORESTRY FUNDING—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) Of the \$46 million allocated to Forestry Corporation announced on 17 March 2020, what has been provided for the following (as 12 May 2020):
- (a) Nursery capacity expansion at Blowering Nursery;
 - (b) Nursery capacity expansion at Grafton;
 - (c) Road repair;
 - (d) Bridge repair;
 - (e) Replanting;
 - (f) Repair of other infrastructure?

Answer—

I have been advised that at this stage, funding has been allocated as below based on preliminary estimates:

- (a) \$2 million.
- (b) \$1 million.
- (c) and (d) \$18 million.
- (e) \$25 million.
- (f) Not applicable.

*2835 FOREST INFRASTRUCTURE DAMAGE FROM BUSHFIRES—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) Has Forestry Corporation completed its assessment of damage to infrastructure in New South Wales forests?
- (2) What was the estimated total cost of repair or rebuild of assets damaged by fire in New South Wales forests?
- (3) What is the estimated timeframe to complete all repairs or rebuilds of assets damaged by fire in New South Wales forests?
- (4) What is the estimated total cost of repair or rebuild of assets damaged by fire in State Forests in the following categories:
- (a) Roads;
 - (b) Bridges;
 - (c) Camping grounds;
 - (d) Walking tracks;
 - (e) 4WD tracks;
 - (f) Lookouts;
 - (g) Mountain bike tracks;
 - (h) Picnic areas;
 - (i) Caravan sites;
 - (j) Other assets?

Answer—

- (1) No.
- (2) This will not be available until an assessment is complete.
- (3) I am advised that Forestry Corporation is considering a ten-year program depending on available funding.
- (4) This will not be available until an assessment is complete.

*2836 ELECTRIC VEHICLES IN MINES—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) What is the regulatory approval process for the introduction of electric vehicles in mines in New South Wales?
- (a) What is the approving body or consent authority for each step in this process?
 - (b) Which department or agency provides the final approval?
 - (c) Which departments and agencies are consulted or required to provide approvals as part of the approval process?

Answer—

There are no specific regulatory approvals required to introduce electric vehicles into mines in New South Wales.

However, Work Health and Safety (WHS) legislation imposes strict duties on mine operators, suppliers and designers of plant to ensure it is without risk to the health and safety of any person.

Under these laws, engineering control plans must set out the control measures a mine operator has in place to protect workers who interact with mobile equipment and ensure mobile plant including electric vehicles are safe. Electric vehicles intended for use in hazardous zones of underground coal mines must be also certified as explosion-protected.

The NSW Resources Regulator is responsible for WHS regulation in New South Wales mines and regularly reviews all risk controls in place at mines.

*2837 AUTOMATED VEHICLES IN MINES—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) What is the regulatory approval process for the introduction of automated vehicles in mines in New South Wales?
 - (a) What is the approving body or consent authority for each step in this process?
 - (b) Which department or agency provides the final approval?
 - (c) Which departments and agencies are consulted or required to provide approvals as part of the approval process?

Answer—

There are no specific regulatory approvals required to introduce automated vehicles into mines in New South Wales.

However, Work Health and Safety (WHS) legislation imposes strict duties on mine operators, suppliers and designers of plant to ensure it is without risk to the health and safety of any person.

Under these laws, engineering control plans must set out the control measures a mine operator has in place to protect workers who interact with any mobile equipment, including automated vehicles.

The NSW Resources Regulator is responsible for WHS regulation in New South Wales mines and reviews the risk controls proposed by any mine operator proposing to introduce automated vehicles at a mine. The Resources Regulator has also published guidance material on the introduction of automated vehicles in mines.

*2838 FORESTRY CORPORATION SOFTWOOD ASSETS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Treasurer—

What was the total cost for all consultants who contributed to the scoping study for the sale of Forestry Corporation softwood assets?

Answer—

Total adviser costs for the scoping study came in at \$1.3 million.

*2839 STAMP DUTY BLACKTOWN ELECTORATE—Mr Stephen Bali asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) What was the resident property sales stamp duty collected from the following postcodes in the 2018-19 financial year:
 - (a) 2146;
 - (b) 2763;
 - (c) 2147;
 - (d) 2765;
 - (e) 2148;
 - (f) 2766;
 - (g) 2155;
 - (h) 2767;
 - (i) 2760;
 - (j) 2768;
 - (k) 2761;
 - (l) 2769;
 - (m) 2762;
 - (n) 2770.

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(2) What was the stamp duty collected (other than residential property sales) from the following postcodes in the 2018-19 financial year:

- (a) 2146;
- (b) 2763;
- (c) 2147;
- (d) 2765;
- (e) 2148;
- (f) 2766;
- (g) 2155;
- (h) 2767;
- (i) 2760;
- (j) 2768;
- (k) 2761;
- (l) 2769;
- (m) 2762;
- (n) 2770.

Answer—

*NOTE - This answer replaces the original response published on 16 June 2020 which, due to a formatting error, omitted part of the answer.

(1)

Postcode	Duty (\$Million)	Duty Collected (\$Million)
2146	\$168.74	\$6.109
2147	\$297.11	\$10.11
2148	\$478.10	\$16.999
2155	\$1,554.01	\$65.235
2760	\$182.08	\$5.996
2761	\$137.30	\$4.349
2762	\$447.45	\$16.083
2763	\$315.93	\$10.756
2765	\$1,437.58	\$62.006
2766	\$235.44	\$11.191
2767	\$74.38	\$2.464
2768	\$245.65	\$9.669
2769	\$290.96	\$11.531
2770	\$170.94	\$5.848

(2)

Postcode	Duty (\$Million)	Duty Collected (\$Million)
2146	\$8.23	\$0.349
2147	\$85.59	\$3.995
2148	\$494.04	\$16.596
2155	\$123.97	\$6.214
2760	\$84.57	\$4.175
2761	\$11.03	\$0.486
2762	\$2.21	\$0.103
2763	\$3.42	\$0.149
2765	\$76.52	\$3.860
2766	\$567.90	\$31.0755
2767	\$18.30	\$0.987
2768	\$0.04	\$0.001
2769	\$0.44	\$0.015
2770	\$123.67	\$6.504

*2840 GREEN STEEL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Premier—

(1) What consideration has the Government given to supporting the steel industry's transition to green

steel?

(2) Does the Premier support the manufacturing of green steel in the Hunter?

Answer—

This is a matter for the Minister for Energy and Environment.

*2841 FORESTRY CORPORATION REVIEW—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

(1) Has Forestry Corporation completed its review of sustainable yield models taking into account the impact of the 2019 and 2020 bushfires?

(a) If so, what were the outcomes of the review with respect to planning in relation to:

(i) Hardwood timber;

(ii) Softwood?

(b) If not, when will the review be completed?

Answer—

(1) I am advised: Forestry Corporation has reviewed the sustainable yield models for softwood plantations. Work to review sustainable yield models for hardwood forests is ongoing.

(a)

(i) This work is ongoing.

(ii) The long-term sustainable yield will not change as the plantation footprint has not diminished and plantations will be replanted. However, there will be a medium-term impact due to lost growing stock that will take time to regrow.

(b) The review of sustainable yield modelling for hardwood timber is expected to be completed later this year.

*2842 UNALLOCATED FUNDING FROM RESOURCES FOR REGIONS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

(1) Will the unallocated funds from Resources for Regions, round 6, be released before its deadline of 30 June 2020?

(a) If so, on what date will applications open?

Answer—

The Government is committed to opening the next round (Round Seven) of Resources for Regions before 30 June 2020. Unallocated funding from Round 6 will be rolled into the next Round.

*2843 KINGSFORD AND KENSINGTON PUBLIC TRANSPORT—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

(1) How many bus services will the Government remove from Region 9 now that the Kingsford/Kensington section of the light rail is open?

(a) When and how will the public be consulted about these decisions?

(b) When will the public be informed of the final decisions regarding the removal of services?

(c) What will be the parameters of the Opal data used to make these decisions?

(d) Given the social restrictions in place since March 2020 have drastically reduced the number of public transport commuters, will the data collection period for bus usage be extended?

Answer—

I am advised:

Light rail services will operate in conjunction with a redesigned south-east bus network that will include express bus services. Transport for NSW is planning a combined light rail and bus network which will increase CBD-bound morning peak capacity by more than 10 per cent from Kingsford and 30 per cent from Randwick. Additionally, morning peak capacity will double from the CBD to the University of New South Wales and the Randwick hospital precinct.

Specific changes to bus services in south-east Sydney to support the light rail are being refined. The bus plan is being developed using customer patronage information from Opal system data as well as customer feedback.

The people of New South Wales may be assured that further details regarding planned changes to bus routes will be available closer to the date of implementation.

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Transport for NSW is continuing to monitor customer travel behaviour following the opening of the L2 Randwick and L3 Kingsford light rail lines, which includes considering the impact of the Coronavirus situation on travel behaviour.

*2844 LOOTING DURING THE BUSHFIRE SEASON—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) Without the offence of looting in the criminal code, how have NSW Police managed incidences of looting in bushfire affected communities over the summer?
- (2) How is the Government specifically acting to protect bushfire affected communities against looting?

Answer—

I am advised:

New South Wales does not have a 'criminal code', but rather the Crimes Act 1900 (the Act). Division 5, Part 4 of the Act sets out the series of larceny offences, including 'stealing property'. Where evidence of a break in is available, offenders can also be charged with house breaking offences under Division 4, Part 4 of the Act.

When determining an appropriate sentence for a crime, Courts have regard to aggravating features of a crime. In the example of looting, aggravating features that a Court may consider include whether injury, emotional harm, loss or damage caused by the offence was substantial, or whether the offence was committed for financial gain.

The New South Wales Police Force provided a high-visibility presence to deter criminal activity, including looting, in bushfire affected communities throughout the recent emergency. Local police numbers were bolstered by plain clothes police and officers from specialist units to conduct regular patrols throughout bushfire-affected areas, particularly in evacuated zones.

In addition, the New South Wales Police Force actively investigated persons who were suspected of looting. These investigations resulted in persons being charged with offences relating to theft, steal, larceny, trespass and break and enter. In cases that are presented to the Court, the facts of these cases include that the offence occurred in a bushfire affected area.

*2845 COOGEE ELECTORATE PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLMENTS—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Considering Rose Bay Secondary College is at enrolment capacity, where does the Government expect children to go to high school if they need co-educational schooling?
 - (a) Considering there is no availability at nearby co-educational high schools, will the Government ensure buses to allow students to commute?
- (2) What is the enrolment cap for Clovelly Public School?
 - (a) Why was this figure not included in the published data set?
- (3) What is the enrolment cap for South Coogee Public School?
 - (a) Why was this figure not included in the published data set?

Answer—

(1) Rose Bay Secondary College will accommodate local enrolments for 2021. The Department of Education's Asset Management Unit will undertake an assessment of projected demand against current school classroom capacity by November 2020.

Parents/carers seeking alternative co-educational places may also apply for secondary schools to the south and west of Rose Bay Secondary College. These co-educational options are:

- Alexandria Park Community School
- Inner Sydney High School
- South Sydney High School
- Matraville High School
- JJ Cahill Memorial High School

(a) The NSW Government School Student Transport Scheme supports secondary students who live more than 2 kilometres straight line distance, or a walking distance of 2.9 kilometres or further. Train and bus routes service the schools noted above from Bondi Junction every 5-10 minutes.

(2) The current enrolment cap for Clovelly Public School is 555 students.

(a) As at the date of release of the published data set, enrolment caps at some schools were yet to be

determined.

(3) The current enrolment cap for South Coogee Public School is 509 students.

(a) As at the date of release of the published data set, enrolment caps at some schools were yet to be determined.

*2846 HEALTH WORKERS WAGE FREEZE—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

Why is the Government proposing a wage freeze on essential health workers?

Answer—

The Government proposed to implement a 12-month pause on New South Wales public sector pay rises by way of regulation, to protect public sector jobs and stimulate job creation in response to COVID-19.

The proposal was disallowed by the New South Wales Legislative Council and is now being considered by the NSW Industrial Relations Commission.

Requests for further information on this matter should be directed to the Treasurer.

*2847 BRIDGE NAMING PROCESS CENTRAL COAST—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) What is the cost of the bridge connecting the rail maintenance facility located at Kangy Angy on the Central Coast with Enterprise Drive?

(2) What was the process to name the bridge?

(a) Was this process open for submissions by the public?

(3) What is the name of the bridge?

(a) Why was it chosen?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The cost of the access bridge forms part of the maintenance facility design and construct contract and is not available as a separate cost.

(2) The new bridge and roads are local roads under the care and control of Central Coast Council. Council was responsible for the naming process.

(3) The new access bridge is named Redgate Road, after Private William Henry Redgate, a World War 1 veteran from Tumby Umbi.

*2848 OURIMBAH RAILWAY STATION CARPARK—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Is there a large depression in the carpark at Ourimbah Railway station?

(a) If so, has the depression worsened?

(i) Will repairs be made to the surface there?

Answer—

I am advised:

There is a small depression in the car park surface at Ourimbah Station which is being monitored for any further deterioration.

Rectification works will be completed as required to the surface of the car park.

*2849 STATION MASTER'S COTTAGE AT OURIMBAH RAILWAY STATION—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

What work is currently being undertaken on the Station Master's Cottage at Ourimbah Railway Station, including work undertaken on 11 May 2020 (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

I am advised:

The roof sheeting on the Station Master's Cottage was repaired to ensure the building's roof remains water tight. The annual termite inspection was also recently completed.

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*2850 OURIMBAH CREEK AND BANGALOW CREEK WATER QUALITY TESTS—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Considering the answer to LA Q2597, has the Environment Protection Authority conducted any water quality tests at Ourimbah Creek or Bangalow Creek in the vicinity of the Rail Maintenance facility under construction?
- (a) If so, what are the results of these tests?
- (i) Do they indicate pollution?

Answer—

Since issuing the Environment Protection Licence for the New Intercity Fleet Maintenance Facility, the Environment Protection Authority has undertaken ten inspections of the combined licenced and non-licenced premises to investigate self-reports and/or community complaints. As part of these investigations, the Environment Protection Authority has requested that the responsible construction contractor undertake water quality testing of nearby surface water bodies where necessary.

*2851 STUDENT SCHOOL BREAKFAST FUNDING—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Which schools in The Entrance electorate provide breakfast to students?
- (2) How is this funded?
- (3) Are funds also provided to ensure that students also receive a lunch meal?

Answer—

- (1) The following public schools in The Entrance electorate provide breakfast to students:
 - (a) Glenvale School North Entrance Campus
 - (b) Killarney Vale Public School
 - (c) The Entrance Public School
 - (d) Tuggerah Lakes Secondary College, Berkeley Vale Campus
 - (e) Tuggerah Lakes Secondary College, The Entrance Campus
 - (f) Tuggerah Lakes Secondary College, Tumby Umbi Campus
- (2) Breakfast programs are funded by the school with some additional external donations locally.
- (3) Under some circumstances of specific need, lunch is provided by the school.

*2852 CENTRAL COAST OUTREACH SERVICE—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) Considering the answer to LA Q2704, what is the current status of outreach services on the Central Coast?
- (2) What are the results of the recent street count of rough sleeping homeless on the Central Coast?
- (a) Is this information publicly available?

Answer—

I am advised assertive outreach has been expanded to the Central Coast following the recent street count of people experiencing street homelessness. The results of the street count will be publically available in June 2020.

*2853 COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING THE HEALTH OF TUGGERAH LAKES—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Considering the answer to LA Q2068, what is the membership of the committee investigating the health of Tuggerah Lakes?
- (2) What are its terms of reference?
- (3) When will it report?

Answer—

The panel's membership and terms of reference are available online at: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/water/estuaries/protecting-and-managingestuaries/tuggerah-lakes-expert-panel. A final report is scheduled to be provided by 31 December 2020.

*2854 STATE ROADS SAFETY AND PERFORMANCE REPORTING—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) What methodology is used to monitor the safety and performance to standard of State roads?
- (2) Is this information consolidated into reports into the condition of State roads measured against

performance criteria?

- (a) If so, has any report recently been made of the condition of the Pacific Highway on the Central Coast, particularly the section of that road between Lisarow and West Gosford?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Transport for NSW uses the Australian Road Assessment Program (AusRAP) risk assessment methodology, for details visit: ausrap.aaa.asn.au.
- (2) AusRAP ratings for parts of the New South Wales road network are available on the AusRAP website.

*2855 OURIMBAH CREEK WATER SAMPLES—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Considering your answer to LA Q2596, what were the test results from water samples taken at Ourimbah Creek downstream of the Mangrove Mountain landfill on 18 March 2020?
- (2) Do the results indicate pollution in the water there?

Answer—

- (1) Water quality was found to be good and is generally consistent with previous results. There is no evidence that water quality is adversely impacted by the landfill.
- (2) No.

*2856 PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEE WAGES—Mr Philip Donato asked the Premier—

Will all Government employees, other than politicians and executives, be exempt from a wage freeze in response to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic?

Answer—

Over 220,000 people in New South Wales lost their jobs in April alone.

Around 3 million people are on Job Keeper across the nation - and we expect around a third of those to be in New South Wales.

And this is at a time when our revenue is expected to fall by more than \$10 billion.

Our Wages Policy - pausing pay rises for public servants as we recover from the pandemic - will enable us to protect existing jobs and create jobs in the private sector.

The proceeds could create as many as 20,000 jobs in New South Wales.

Given the Government's regulations were disallowed in the Legislative Council, the matter will now be considered by the Industrial Relations Commission.

*2857 WAIVING OF REGISTERED AND ENROLLED NURSES' APPLICATION AND ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEES—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

Will consideration be given to waiving and reimbursing the 2020 application fees and the annual registration fees of the 89,236 registered and 13,907 enrolled nurses in response to the COVID-19 pandemic?

Answer—

The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) manages the registration process on behalf of the Nursing and Midwifery Board. AHPRA has hardship provisions available for nurses and midwives experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19.

*2858 BRUXNER HIGHWAY SPEED LIMIT—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Will the Minister request Transport for NSW to urgently investigate options for reducing the Bruxner Highway's speed limit from 80 kilometres per hour to 60 kilometres per hour between Goonellabah and Wollongbar hill as an interim public safety measure until this section can be realigned?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW is investigating the option of a speed limit reduction at this location.

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*2859 RENT CHOICE FUNDING—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) What was the uptake of Rent Choice packages from 1 March 2020 to 12 May 2020?
- (2) What is the total number of private rental assistance products requested and provided to households for 2020 (as at 12 May 2020)?
 - (a) What was the number of products between 1 March 2020 and 12 May 2020?
- (3) What modelling has the Department of Community and Justice done predicting how many people will take up private rental using Rent Choice?
- (4) Considering the \$34 million preventing homelessness stimulus package, how much of this package has been spent (as at 12 May 2020)?
 - (a) Where have the funds been spent?

Answer—

I am advised that more than 500 new households have started to receive Rent Choice assistance from 27 March this year. This includes more than 350 individuals and families who have been supported with Start Safely packages that provide three years of rental subsidies as well as access to services and support to sustain their tenancy.

On 8 June 2020 the Government announced \$36 million in new funding for the Together Home project, which will deliver housing and wrap around supports for hundreds of rough sleepers across the state.

Together Home will be a partnership between the Government, Community Housing Providers, Specialist Homelessness Services and health services to deliver permanent housing outcomes for people sleeping rough, including people with complex needs.

On 27 March 2020 the Government released the second stage of its economic package in response to COVID-19, including \$34 million to prevent homelessness. This included \$14 million for emergency accommodation to enable people to self-isolate and \$20 million for private rental subsidies such as Start Safely and Rent Choice Youth.

*2860 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT SERVICES COVID-19—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) What additional funding has the Government made available to Domestic Violence Support Services to assist with the increasing demand on their services during the COVID-19 pandemic?
- (2) What additional funding or support has been made available to Newcastle-based services?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) On 27 March 2020, the Government released the second stage of its economic package in response to COVID-19, which included \$34 million in funding to prevent people from experiencing homelessness.

Specifically, this funding included a \$14.3 million investment to increase the supply and flexibility of temporary accommodation across New South Wales, including accommodation suitable for self-isolation and \$20.02 million in rental subsidies to accelerate pathways for existing clients and priority social housing applicants to secure stable housing in the private rental market during COVID-19, including those escaping domestic and family violence.

On 26 May 2020, I was pleased to announce a significant additional investment of more than \$21 million specifically for the domestic and family violence sector. Of this, \$12.8 million has been invested by the Government and \$8.8 million by the Commonwealth Government.

Information about specific supports can be accessed at: <https://www.dcj.nsw.gov.au/news-and-media/media-releases/-media-releases/covid-19-funding-to-boost-domestic-violence-support>.

(2) Domestic and family violence services in Newcastle with existing government contracts will be among those to receive funding as part of the allocation of the New South Wales and Commonwealth governments' \$21 million domestic and family violence package. Frontline services to receive supplementary funding include Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Services, women's refuges, specialist homelessness services, and domestic and family violence specialist services.

*2861 PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY-CYCLEWAY GOONELLABAH TO KADINA—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Will the Minister request Transport for NSW to urgently investigate construction of a pedestrian walkway-cycleway on the western side of the Bruxner Highway from Sunrise Crescent, Goonellabah, to

the Kadina roundabout, which serves as the entrance to The Rivers Secondary College's Kadina High campus?

Answer—

I am advised:

The delivery of a walking and cycling (shared use) path along the western side of the Bruxner Highway would fall under the jurisdiction of Lismore City Council.

Local councils can nominate projects to the NSW Government's Walking and Cycling Program for consideration of funding. Information about the Program is available at: <https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/programs/walking-and-cycling-program>.

***2862 DISASTER ASSISTANCE TABULAM**—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) When will construction begin for residents who have had rebuilds approved after losing their homes in the February 2019 fires at Tabulam in the Lismore electorate?
- (2) Will the Government consider changing the rule that farmers need to derive over 50 per cent of their income on-farm to qualify for disaster assistance?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) This is a matter for Minister Elliot as the Tabulam fires were pre-July 2019. However, I can advise that the Disaster Welfare Assistance team have been liaising closely with some families to provide support since the event.
- (2) The Special Disaster Grant – Bushfires, guidelines state that where an applicant's income from primary production is less than 50 per cent of their total income, the applicant may nonetheless be eligible for a grant if it can be demonstrated that:
 - (a) In the ordinary course of business, the applicant would meet that requirements, but:
 - (i) Their primary production income is currently reduced due to the drought; and/or
 - (ii) Due to long lead times to full production, (eg, an orchard or vineyard is in early stages of development), the applicant expects to earn such an amount of income within a three-year period; and
 - (b) The applicants total off-farm income (per person) is less than \$100,000 gross per annum.

***2863 BEXHILL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEW CLASSROOMS**—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Considering correspondence that the Government will deliver on all of its election commitments, when will five new classrooms be constructed at Bexhill Public School in the Lismore electorate?
- (2) Has the Government been considering reneging on its original commitment of five new classrooms by only building four, and now three, classrooms?

Answer—

The Department of Education has begun planning work on delivering the Government's election commitment to upgrade Bexhill Public School. Then commitment will be met and all demountable classrooms on the school site will be replaced with five permanent learning spaces.

The upgrade will reflect the need for existing and future enrolment demand at Bexhill Public School and the surrounding schools.

***2864 NORTHERN RIVERS WILDLIFE HOSPITAL CRITICAL CARE AND REHABILITATION FACILITY PROPOSAL**—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

Will the Government consider funding the Northern Rivers Wildlife Hospital's \$750,000 business plan to establish a temporary critical care and rehabilitation facility at Macadamia Castle, Knockrow, for injured koalas and other native wildlife?

Answer—

The Government has committed more than \$100,000 to support the establishment of a permanent wildlife hospital in the Northern Rivers region.

Through the NSW Koala Strategy, funding is also available to assist rehabilitation groups with their equipment and transport needs. The next funding round will open in July 2020. The Northern Rivers Wildlife Hospital is encouraged to apply for the grants programs.

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*2865 BRUXNER HIGHWAY CONGESTION SOLUTION—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Will the Minister request that Transport for NSW investigate an engineering solution to reduce worsening congestion on the Bruxner Highway at the South Lismore roundabout approaching the Ballina Street Bridge and at the Ballina Road-Molesworth Street roundabout leading to Lismore's Central Business District?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW has collaborated with Lismore City Council to develop a traffic model for the Lismore area, to better understand traffic patterns and help plan and prioritise future road network improvements.

A number of Bruxner Highway locations have been identified for further investigation, including the Hollingsworth Creek Bridge/Union Street roundabout area in South Lismore and the roundabouts at Molesworth Street, Dawson Street and Wyrallah Road.

Transport for NSW will continue to work with Lismore City Council to plan for improvements based on a network approach.

*2866 MURWILLUMBAH EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT BUILDINGS—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) When will the school community of Murwillumbah East Primary School be informed of a start date for construction of their four replacement classrooms and replacement library?
- (2) While the original buildings damaged in the Cyclone Debbie flood have been demolished, why has it taken three years and one month to effect replacement of these facilities?

Answer—

- (1) As indicated on the School Infrastructure NSW website the Murwillumbah East Public School upgrade is forecast to commence in mid-2021.
- (2) Immediately following the flood, four newly refurbished demountable classrooms at the school – complete with air conditioning and new furniture as well as a new demountable library – were installed to replace the damaged facilities.

*2867 LAKE ROAD CYCLEWAY—Mr Greg Piper asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Why did Roads and Maritime Services allow Lake Macquarie City Council to build a cycleway along Lake Road, Argenton in a manner which obviates capacity to duplicate the road in the future, despite the acquisition of a wide road corridor?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW does not have any immediate plans to widen Lake Road in Argenton.

Lake Macquarie City Council had funding for a project to connect the Lake Macquarie Foreshore cycleway to the Wallsend to Glendale cycleway, which are existing significant cycleway corridors.

Transport for NSW advised Lake Macquarie City Council that construction of the cycleway project would provide immediate benefit for cyclists along this corridor, however future road widening plans may require alterations to be made to this cycleway.

*2868 SOCIAL DISTANCING PENALTY NOTICES FAIRFIELD POLICE AREA COMMAND—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) How many penalty notices have Fairfield Police Area Command issued (as at 12 May 2020) for failing to comply with COVID-19 social distancing or isolation measures to:
 - (a) Individuals;
 - (b) Businesses?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) (a) 27 infringements were issued in relation to breaches of the public health orders.

(b) Zero.

*2869 SOCIAL DISTANCING PENALTY NOTICES CUMBERLAND POLICE AREA COMMAND—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

(1) How many penalty notices have Cumberland Police Area Command issued (as at 12 May 2020) for failing to comply with COVID-19 social distancing or isolation measures to:

- (a) Individuals;
- (b) Businesses?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) (a) 11 infringements were issued in relation to breaches of the public health orders.

(b) Zero.

*2870 SOCIAL DISTANCING FOR CHILDREN IN CARE—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) What is the number of children being reported to the Child Protection Helpline since social distancing restrictions were introduced (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (2) How many children have been substantiated as at risk of significant harm since social distancing restrictions were introduced (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (3) What is the number of children receiving a face to face response since social distancing restrictions were introduced (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

The Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) frontline child protection caseworkers continue to see children at risk of significant harm and the Child Protection Helpline remains open 24-7, on 132 111.

I am advised that where possible, DCJ caseworkers are continuing to see children at Risk of Harm in person, while observing the pandemic guidelines of social distancing. In instances where caseworkers are not able to physically visit, they have undertaken virtual face-to-face visits.

DCJ is actively working to assist vulnerable families to access devices and technology to enable services and support to continue being delivered.

I am advised data is reported quarterly and can be found here: <https://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/resources/statistics/caseworker-statistics/dashboard>.

*2871 SOCIAL HOUSING APPLICATIONS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) Has there been an increase in applications for social housing since 1 March 2020 (to 12 May 2020)?
- (2) How many applications did the Department of Community and Justice receive from 1 March 2019 to 12 May 2019?
- (3) Has the NSW Housing waitlist increased since 1 March 2020 (to 12 May 2020)?
 - (a) If so, what is the increase?
- (4) What is the current waitlist for social housing (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

I am advised that applications for housing assistance during March 2020, including private rental assistance and social housing, was 9 per cent higher than in March 2019.

The Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) has been actively promoting private rental subsidies and has significantly expanded assertive outreach to rough sleepers across New South Wales, both of which may have contributed to an increase in applications.

Information on the number of applicants on the NSW Housing Register is published by DCJ at 30 June each year and is available at <https://www.dcj.nsw.gov.au>.

*2872 MOUNT OUSLEY INTERCHANGE PROJECT—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

Will the Mount Ousley Interchange Project be fast tracked in line with the recent announcement that selected infrastructure projects would commence to help boost the New South Wales economy during the COVID-19 crisis?

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Answer—

I am advised:

To support the Government's Economic Stimulus response to COVID-19, Transport for NSW has announced a range of accelerated projects across regional New South Wales.

Transport for NSW will continue to consider projects to bring forward and deliver as part of the Economic Stimulus.

The Mount Ousley Interchange project has planning approval and the next stage will be to prepare the detailed design. Timing and funding for construction of the upgrade is not yet confirmed.

***2873 SOCIAL DISTANCING RULES - PUBLIC TRANSPORT**—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) How will Illawarra commuters be able to observe social distancing rules when traveling on public transport as they return to work during the COVID-19 crisis on:
 - (a) Trains and buses;
 - (b) Railway stations and bus stops?
- (2) How will sufficient cleaning and social distancing on school bus services run by all Illawarra school bus operators occur as students return to school during the COVID-19 crisis?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport is a key part of New South Wales's plan for a coronavirus-safe economy, helping our customers to safely travel and return to jobs. Transport for NSW is doing everything it can to make physical distancing possible on public transport to continue to slow the spread of the coronavirus.

Green dots will be used on all modes of public transport across New South Wales to show customers the safest places to sit and stand, on board and on platforms. The new 'No dot, no spot' campaign could see customers asked to wait for the next service.

Physical-distancing requirements will have significant impacts on capacity. This means customers should be prepared that they may not always be able to catch the service they want.

Many of our services are already close to capacity in the morning and afternoon peaks, and physical distancing is not possible at these times. Customers should plan ahead and use real-time information provided through apps, social media and Transport Info to see which public transport services have space available to maintain physical distancing.

Increased cleaning of hard surfaces at high traffic areas across the network has been rolled out, including on buses and bus depots, and this will continue for the foreseeable future.

We ask all customers to consider their travel options, including driving, walking and cycling.

Transport for NSW will continue to monitor the public transport network to ensure customer and staff safety.

***2874 EASING OF COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS FOR FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS**—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Considering the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, will there be direct communication with owners of food establishments and their staff to advise them of their obligations on how to serve the public, as well as how to record the contact details of customers entering their premises?
- (2) Will there be any support provided to restaurant owners to assist them in complying with social distancing and hygiene requirements?

Answer—

(1) Public Health (COVID-19 Restrictions on Gathering and Movement) Order (No 3) 2020 came into effect at the beginning of 1 June 2020. It is accessible on Government websites including www.nsw.gov.au.

Schedule 1, item 10 of that Public Health Order sets out the obligations on all food and drink premises to comply with specified restrictions on the number of customers that may consume food and drink on the premises at any one time; on customers to provide specified contact details; on the owner or occupier of the premises to record these contact details; and on the premises to have a COVID-19 safety plan.

Item 12 of the Public Health Order requires the relevant records to be kept for four weeks and to be

provided to the Chief Health Officer on request.

Item 5 of the Public Health Order provides that "the occupier or operator of the premises must— (a) develop and comply with a safety plan for the premises that addresses the matters required by the COVID-19 safety checklist approved by the Chief Health Officer in relation to the type of premises and published on an appropriate Government website, and (b) keep a copy of the COVID-19 safety plan on the premises and make it available for inspection by an authorised officer as requested."

Safety checklists for a COVID-19 safety plan for food and drink premises are accessible at www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/industry-guidelines/restaurants-and-cafes and <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/industry-guidelines/pubs-clubs-bars-breweries-and-casinos>. Templates for a COVID-19 safety plan for food and drink premises are accessible at: www.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-06/covid-19-safety-plan-restaurants-and-cafes_0.pdf and www.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-06/covid-19-safety-plan-pubs-clubs-bars-breweries-and-casinos.pdf.

The checklists and the templates each include detailed guidance on hygiene measures to follow in serving customers.

There are no specific requirements for the manner in which contact details of customers are to be recorded. However, the checklists and the templates each state "Keep name and mobile number or email address for all staff, dine-in customers and contractors for a period of at least 28 days. Records are only to be used for tracing COVID-19 infections and must be stored confidentially and securely."

Food and drink premises that have completed a COVID-19 safety plan can register with the NSW Government as a COVID safe business at: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/register-your-business-as-covid-safe>, enabling them to publicise the business to customers as COVID safe, including on Google Maps. Customers can give feedback on any registered business at: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/give-feedback-on-a-business>.

From 13 June, food courts will also be able to open subject to compliance with the relevant COVID-19 safety plan.

(2) In addition to the information referred to in the answer to (1)., further information that could assist restaurant owners in complying with social distancing and hygiene requirements is available at www.nsw.gov.au on "Getting back to work in a COVID safe way" and from the NSW Food Authority's webpage on "Food businesses and COVID-19" at: <https://www.foodauthority.nsw.gov.au/help/covid-19-advice-for-businesses>. A free online training course on COVID-19 awareness for food service is also available at: <https://www.foodauthority.nsw.gov.au/covid-19-awareness-food-service-training>.

Specific advice for individual businesses can be requested by telephoning the Business Concierge at Service NSW on 13 77 88 or requesting call back by registering online at: <https://mybusiness.service.nsw.gov.au/concierge>.

***2875 PLANNING FOR RAIL SERVICES WEST OF BANKSTOWN PROPOSAL—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—**

What is the current status on the public consultation received on the three options pertaining to the restoration of services west of Bankstown, as per the Planning for rail services west of Bankstown proposal?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW is committed to engaging with the community on the proposed rail service options for stations west of Bankstown when Sydney Metro City & Southwest is completed in 2024. More detail will be shared with the community in the coming weeks.

About 150 customer feedback submissions have been received since Transport for NSW released the proposed rail options earlier this year. Customers can rest assured that this initial feedback will also be considered as part of the consultation process before a final option is confirmed late this year.

***2876 RE-OPENING OF CLASSES AT TAFE NSW—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education—**

Considering that many TAFE NSW students rely on practical course satisfaction in order to receive their qualifications, when will TAFE NSW be re-opened to students for face-to-face classes?

Answer—

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I am advised that TAFE NSW re-commenced practical training and assessment on 27 April 2020 through a range of connected, blended and face-to-face delivery methods.

I am further advised that modified face-to-face delivery has commenced for courses with an approved risk assessment in place that addresses social distancing and hygiene practices.

***2877 RELIEF FOR BUSINESSES IN THE BANKSTOWN ELECTORATE**—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Treasurer—

(1) Considering the response to LA Q2707, how many businesses, as at 12 May 2020, in the Bankstown electorate:

- (a) Have accessed Payroll tax relief;
- (b) Have accessed Land tax relief;
- (c) Have accessed Job creation measures;
- (d) Have accessed The Small Business Support Fund;
- (e) Were recipients of the \$1 billion Working for NSW fund?

Answer—

Payroll tax relief: As at 25 May 2020, 271 of the 352 payroll tax customers on a monthly lodgement frequency in the Bankstown electorate had deferred their payroll tax.

Land tax relief: As at 25 May 2020, in the Bankstown electorate, 27 unique businesses accessed the land tax relief.

Job creation measures: Jobs creation and retention measures in response to COVID-19 are intended to benefit businesses and communities across the whole state, including those in the Bankstown electorate. Data by specific electorate is not available.

The Government is committed to creating and supporting jobs for the people of New South Wales. Strategies to create and retain jobs include:

- \$1 billion to support direct employment opportunities and retention through the Working for NSW fund.
- Fee-free childcare in community or mobile preschools, for up to six months, and financial support for 260 council childcare centres.
- Support for regional areas to fast-track vital infrastructure projects to help communities recover from the impacts of drought, bushfire and COVID-19.
- Additional resources to help communities upskill with free TAFE courses on subjects, including marketing, computer skills and accounting.

Small Business Fund: As at 25 May 2020, a total of 277 grant applications totalling \$2.74m had been approved with payment initiated.

\$1 billion Working for NSW Fund: The Working for NSW Fund was created to sustain businesses, create new jobs and retain employees across the entire state, including those in the Bankstown electorate. Data by specific electorate is not available.

Initiatives under the fund include the recruitment of 1,000 new staff for Service NSW and \$250 million to support 550 new and redeployed cleaners to clean public facilities including transport, schools and TAFE.

***2878 NON-HEALTH COVID-19 ENQUIRIES ON THE SERVICE NSW HOTLINE**—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Customer Service—

(1) With respect to the Service NSW 24/7 hotline regarding non-health COVID-19 enquiries including requests for emergency relief for vulnerable individuals, will data be publicly available with the number of calls received:

- (a) By electorate;
- (b) In the Bankstown electorate?

Answer—

(1) The Service NSW COVID19 Hotline has answered 126,251 calls (as at 8 June 2020), this includes requests for emergency relief for vulnerable individuals.

(a) and (b) Service NSW does not capture the electorate of each person calling with an enquiry.

***2879 LOCATION OF THE NEW BANKSTOWN-LIDOMBE HOSPITAL**—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

(1) Considering the response to LA Q2607 that the location of the new Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital

will be determined once the site selection process has been carried out, has the site selection started?

(a) If so, what locations are in the scope of the selection process?

Answer—

Details of the site selection process will be released in due course.

*2880 EXHIBITION OF THE CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

Considering the need to ensure transparent and open engagement with the community and the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had regarding reducing residents' access to libraries and council facilities, why has the exhibition period for the Canterbury-Bankstown Local Environment Plan only been extended by four weeks to 22 May 2020?

Answer—

I am advised:

The planning proposal for the draft Canterbury-Bankstown Local Environmental Plan has undergone an extended public exhibition period of 10 weeks, significantly in excess of the standard four-week period.

The City of Canterbury Council (Council) sought an extension to its exhibition period from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department) and the Department and Council agreed to a four week extension to 22 May 2020.

Council will then submit its new Local Environment Plan (LEP) for finalisation by 31 July 2020 to establish the strategic objectives for the area and to give effect to the South District Plan. Council has received \$2.5 million from the Government to accelerate making its LEP.

Questions regarding the manner in which the planning proposal was exhibited are a matter for Council.

*2881 SERVICE NSW HOTLINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Customer Service—

(1) Does the Service NSW Hotline staffed 24/7 to receive non-health related COVID-19 enquiries provide multilingual services?

(a) If so, which languages?

Answer—

(1) Yes. The Service NSW Contact Centre Channel offers translation services for all enquiries, including the 24/7 staffed COVID-19 Hotline.

(a) Interpreting services for the following languages are available through TIS National:

Aceh

Acholi

Afar

Akan (alt Twi/Fanti)

Albanian

Amharic

Anuak

Arabic

Arakanese (alt Rakhinz)

Armenian

Assyrian

Bahdini [Northern Kurdish]

Bari (alt Kuku/Beri)

Bassa

Bengali (alt Bangla)

Belorussian

Bosnian

Bulgarian

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Cantonese
Cebuano
Chaldean
Croatian
Czech
Dari
Dinka
Dutch
Estonian
Ewe
Falam Chin
Farsi (alt Persian)
Fiji Hindi
Fijian
Filipino (alt Tagalog)
Finnish
French
Fulfulde (alt Fulani)
Fullah [Sierra Leone/Guinea]
Fuqing [Dialect of Min Dong Chinese]
Fuzhou [Dialect of Min Dong Chinese]
Ga
Ganda
German
Gikuyu
Gorani (alt Hawrami)
Greek
Gujarati
Hainanese [Dialect of Min Nan Chinese]
Hakha Chin
Hakka Chinese
Harari
Hassaniyya (alt Hassani/Hasanya)
Hazaragi
Hebrew
Hindi
Hiri Motu
Hmong
Hokkien [Dialect of Min Nan Chinese]
Hungarian
Indonesian
Italian
Japanese
Javanese

Jingpho (alt Kachin)
Juba Arabic (alt Sudanese Creole Arabic)
Kakwa
Kannada (alt Kanarese)
Kayah (alt Karenni)
Kazakh
Khmer
Khumi Chin
Kinyarwanda
Kirundi (alt Rundi/Urundi)
Kissi
Konyanka Maninka
Korean
Krio
Kunama
Kurmanji [Northern Kurdish]
Lao
Liberian English
Lingala
Macedonian
Ma'di [Uganda/South Sudan]
Malay (alt Melayu)
Malayalam
Maltese
Mandarin
Mara Chin
Matu Chin
Mauritian Creole
Mende [Sierra Leone/Liberia]
Mizo Chin
Moldavian [Dialect of Romanian]
Mon
Mongolian
Mundari
Myanmar Language (alt Burmese)
Nepali
North Azerbaijani [Republic of Azerbaijan]
Nuer
Nyangwara [Dialect of Bari]
Oromo
Pashto
Pojulu [Dialect of Bari]
Polish
Portuguese

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Pulaar [Senegal]
Punjabi
Pwo Eastern Karen
Rohingya
Romanian
Russian
Sabaot
Saho
Samoan
Serbian
S'gaw Karen
Shan
Shanghai [Dialect of Wu Chinese]
Sichuanese [Dialect of Mandarin]
Sidamo
Sindhi
Sinhalese
Siyin Chin
Slovak
Slovene
Somali
Sorani Kurdish (alt Kurdistani)
South Azerbaijani (alt Azeri)
Southern Kurdish (alt Feyli)
Spanish
Sudanese Arabic
Susu
Swahili (alt Ki-Swahili)
Swedish
Taiwanese [Dialect of Min Nan Chinese]
Tajiki (alt Tajik)
Tamil
Tatar
Tedim Chin
Telugu
Teochew [Dialect of Min Nan Chinese]
Tetun (alt Tetum)
Thai
Themne (alt Temne)
Tibetan
Tigré
Tigrinya
Tok Pisin
Tongan

Turkish
Turkmen
Ukrainian
Urdu
Uyghur (alt Uighur)
Uzbek
Vietnamese
Wolof [Senegal/Mauritania]

*2882 RUBY PRINCESS CRUISE AND NEWMARCH HOUSE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) Considering it has been confirmed that two Aspen Medical staff working on the Ruby Princess cruise were working in Newmarch House within 48 hours of leaving the ship (The Guardian, 6 May 2020), how were people who were just aboard the Ruby Princess allowed to enter the facility?
- (2) Why were people from the largest COVID-19 cluster in New South Wales allowed to enter the second largest COVID-19 cluster in New South Wales?
- (3) Considering staff were allowed to enter the same day as the first incubation period, is there any concern this led to a second wave of the infection?

Answer—

The engagement of Aspen Medical staff both on the Ruby Princess cruise ship and in Newmarch House aged care facility was initiated through the Commonwealth Government.

While on the Ruby Princess cruise ship, all Aspen Medical staff wore full personal protective equipment (PPE).

Specialist laboratory tests show that the outbreaks of COVID-19 on the Ruby Princess and at Newmarch House were not related.

*2883 BIRRONG TRAIN STATION UPGRADE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering that the original completion date for Birrong Train Station was set for the end of 2021, is this still the expected completion date?
 - (a) If not:
 - (i) Why is there a delay to the upgrade?
 - (ii) What is the new expected completion date for the upgrade?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Birrong Station upgrade is on schedule to be completed in early 2022.

*2884 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) How often do members of the high-risk offender Domestic Violence (DV) team from Newcastle visit the Tuggerah Lakes and Brisbane Water Police Districts?
- (2) What resources are provided by the Northern Region to support individual police district DV teams?
- (3) How many sworn officers and other staff are allocated to DV related crimes in the following police districts:
 - (a) Brisbane Water Police District;
 - (b) Tuggerah Lakes Police District?
- (4) What is the average response rate in the following police districts for DV related call outs:
 - (a) Brisbane Water Police District;
 - (b) Tuggerah Lakes Police District?
- (5) What is the number of Apprehended Domestic Violence Orders (ADVOs) granted in the following months in the listed police districts:
 - (a) Brisbane Water Police District:
 - (i) March 2019;
 - (ii) April 2019;

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- (iii) March 2020;
- (iv) April 2020?
- (b) Tuggerah Lakes Police District:
 - (i) March 2019;
 - (ii) April 2019;
 - (iii) March 2020;
 - (iv) April 2020?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Northern Regions Domestic Violence and High Risk Offender Team (DVHROT) proactively targets and investigates high risk domestic violence offenders within the entire region. Due to the nature of this work, the DVHROT does not work within boundaries defined by Police Districts (PD), and as such tasking and deployment data is not available. Northern Region PD domestic violence teams are supported by staff from the DVHROT, including a Senior Intelligence Analyst and the Domestic and Family Violence Coordinator.

All police within a PD work to prevent, disrupt and respond to domestic violence.

*2885 MONEY LAUNDERING LAW REFORM—Dr Hugh McDermott asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

Considering the NSW Crime Commission Annual Report 2018-19 recommended the NSW Crimes Act 1900 and other Acts be amended to better assist in the investigation of serious money laundering operations and criminal networks who profit from the proceeds of crime in New South Wales, why has the Government not yet progressed this legislation?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Crime Commission's recommendations are being considered by the Government.

*2888 DISCOUNTED ENERGY EFFICIENT AIR CONDITIONER FOR HOUSEHOLDS PROGRAM—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Considering the response to LA Q1264, has the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment finished consulting with Fair Trading NSW to address any issues of non-compliance with the Discounted Energy Efficient Air Conditioner for Households program?
 - (a) If not, where is the consultation period up to?
 - (i) When will consultations finish?
- (2) Has the program administrator Air Conditioning Incentives accepted any new applications since 16 September 2019?
 - (a) If not, when will applications be accepted again?
 - (b) If so, what has happened to those applications?
 - (c) What have applicants been told?
 - (d) Who has provided information to applicants?
- (3) What is the quantum of rebates which has been paid out to date for the air conditioner incentive program (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (4) How much is left in the air conditioner incentive program budget (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

- (1) Yes.
 - (a) Not applicable.
 - (i) Not applicable.
- (2) No
 - (a) The program has been cancelled.
 - (b) Not applicable.
 - (c) Not applicable.
 - (d) Not applicable.
- (3) \$406,100.
- (4) Unspent funds have been carried forward and will be utilised in accordance with the Climate Change Fund's alignment with the Net Zero Plan Stage 1: 2020 - 2030.

*2889 APIARIST LICENCES—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) How many licenses or permits are current (as of 12 May 2020) for beekeepers to keep beehives on public land, disaggregated by hives, on:
 - (a) State Forests;
 - (b) National Parks and Wildlife Service;
 - (c) Travelling Stock Reserves;
 - (d) Other Crown Lands?
- (2) As at 12 May 2020, what is the quantum of fees which have been collected from New South Wales apiarists since 30 June 2019, disaggregated by:
 - (a) Number of applications;
 - (b) Amount;
 - (c) To whom it is payable?
- (3) How many public land sites are currently vacant for apiarists to use (as at 12 May 2020)?
 - (a) Are available sites advertised?
 - (i) If so, where?
- (4) Do State Forests have an apiarist policy?
 - (a) If so, is it publicly available?
 - (b) If not, why not?
 - (i) When will one be available?
- (5) Has the whole-of-government policy framework been implemented in full?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (i) Which areas of work are still in progress?
 - (ii) When will these be complete?

Answer—

- (1) The number of licenses or permits as of 12 May 2020 for beekeepers to keep beehives on public land:
 - (a) State Forests: Permits for 4,596 sites;
 - (b) National Parks and Wildlife Service: Licenses for 1,955 sites;
 - (c) Travelling Stock Reserves; Permits for 2,714 sites;
 - (d) Other Crown Lands: 228 sites (permits are administered by FCNSW) (A permit or license may include one or many sites. Each site has a maximum capacity of 200 hives).
- (2) For 2019-20, fees are only payable for newly allocated sites, with existing permits being subject to a fee waiver as part of the drought support package. Apiary Fees were payable for any new permits applied for after the 2019-20 drought funding date (1 July 2019). No fees were payable for permits held before the funding announcement as this was subsequently covered by the drought package in terms of fee waivers.
- (3) A pilot study is being conducted. Further information is available here: <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/animals-and-livestock/bees/beekeeping-on-public-land/long-term-vacant-sites-online-pilot/application>.
- (4) Forestry Corporation of NSW adheres to the NSW Policy for Apiaries on Public Land.
 - (a) The NSW Policy for Apiaries on Public Land is available on the DPI website at: <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/animals-and-livestock/bees/compliance/policy-framework>.
- (5) Refer to NSW DPI webpage for details www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/animals-and-livestock/bees/compliance/policy-framework.

*2890 ILLICIT DRUG ENFORCEMENT IN REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES—Dr Hugh McDermott asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

Considering the NSW Crime Commission's evidence at the Committee on the Ombudsman, the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission and the Crime Commission hearing held on 18 February 2020, what strategy has the Government put in place to stop the spread of illicit drugs in regional New South Wales?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government continue to work to ensure our legislation keeps pace with changes in the drug market and that police have the resources and support they need to respond to illicit drug use in our community, including in regional New South Wales.

Consistent with the Commissioner's evidence to the Committee on 18 February 2020, the NSW Police Force, with the assistance of the NSW Crime Commission, are responsible for preventing, disrupting and responding to drug related crime and to minimising harms from drug use in regional New South Wales.

*2891 NCAT RESIDENTIAL TENANCY EVICTION MATTERS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) How many residential tenancy eviction matters were referred to the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT) in:
 - (a) January 2020;
 - (b) February 2020;
 - (c) March 2020;
 - (d) April 2020;
 - (e) May 2020 (to 12 May 2020)?
- (2) How many of these matters have already been seen by the Tribunal (as at 12 May 2020)?
 - (a) How many resulted in tenants being evicted?

Answer—

I am advised:

The number of private residential termination applications received by the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT) were:

- (a) 2,767 in January 2020
- (b) 2,718 in February 2020
- (c) 2,275 in March 2020
- (d) 1,859 in April 2020
- (e) 761 from 1 to 12 May 2020

As at 12 May 2020, 6,780 matters (65%) have been finalised by the Tribunal.

NCAT does not make orders for evictions; rather it makes orders terminating the tenancy. The eviction process is separate and is carried out by the Sheriff. 774 evictions were actioned subsequent to termination orders being made by the Tribunal between 1 January 2020 and 26 May 2020.

*2892 NSW HEALTH INTERVENTIONS IN AGED CARE FACILITIES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) Considering aged care is primarily the responsibility of the Commonwealth, does NSW Health have a policy determining when it would become involved at an aged care facility?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) When was this policy first instigated?
 - (ii) Is the policy publicly available in a way that is accessible to families of aged care residents in New South Wales?
- (2) Is infection control the only circumstance by which NSW Health would become directly involved in an aged care facility in New South Wales?
 - (a) If not, what other circumstances?
- (3) Is there a particular threshold of infection that determines when NSW Health would intervene in an aged care facility?
- (4) What preparations has NSW Health made to combat clusters in further aged care facilities?

Answer—

Aged Care Facilities have responsibilities under the NSW Public Health Act 2010 to report cases of notifiable diseases to NSW Health. NSW Health's involvement in Aged Care Facilities depends on the notifiable disease listed in the Act, and occurs in line with the national Communicable Disease Network Australia guidelines for managing outbreaks of notifiable diseases in aged care facilities.

NSW Health also provides a range of specialist and geriatric outreach services into Residential Aged Care Facilities (RACFs) to support and build capacity within RACFs to meet the clinical needs of residents.

*2893 ESTIMATED ELECTRICITY METER READINGS—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) What is the process of a landowner disputing an estimated electricity meter reading?
- (2) On average, during the 2018-19 financial year, how many rural properties receive an estimated electricity meter reading?
 - (a) Has this increased pre COVID-19?

Answer—

(1) If a customer has a concern about an estimated meter reading, they are encouraged to contact their electricity retailer in the first instance. Retailers are required to inform relevant small customers of their right to request an adjustment to an estimated bill using their own meter reading. Small customers with accumulation meters can provide a reading of the meter in accordance with the national energy rules, such as by submitting a photo of the meter. The retailer would then correct the estimated electricity usage and issue a new electricity bill to the customer based on their reading.

If a small customer cannot complete a self-meter reading, the retailer must reconcile any estimated meter readings with actual meter readings and repay or credit the customer with any overpayment amount. Retailers must arrange at least one actual meter reading every 12 months.

If a customer is unable to resolve their concerns with their retailer, they should contact the Energy and Water Ombudsman NSW (EWON). EWON can be contacted online at ewon.com.au or 1800 245 545.

(2) Meter readings and the use of estimated electricity meter readings are a matter for energy distributors in line with the National Electricity Rules and the National Energy Retail Rules.

I am advised that Essential Energy has advised the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment that the number of estimated electricity meter readings across its distribution area has increased in Q2 and Q3 2019-20 due to the summer bushfires, and impacts of COVID-19.

In this respect, I am advised by Essential Energy that it undertook 61,142 estimated meter readings in its distribution area during the 2018-19 financial year.

(a) I am advised that prior to COVID-19 restrictions commencing on 19 March 2020, Essential Energy undertook 20,254 estimated meter readings in its distribution area during the January-March 2020 quarter.

*2894 SAFEWORK NSW ENFORCEMENT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—

- (1) How many workplace deaths occurred in New South Wales in each year from 2018 to 2020 (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (2) How many inspections were carried out on commercial building sites in the Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens, Maitland, and Cessnock Local Government Areas (LGAs) in each year from 2018 to 2020 (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (3) How many inspectors worked in the LGAs listed in (2) as at 27 April 2020?
- (4) How many prohibition notices were issued by SafeWork NSW on commercial building sites in the Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens, Maitland, and Cessnock LGAs in each year from 2018 to 2020 (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (5) In aggregate over the three periods in (4), which companies received the majority of prohibition notices?
 - (a) What were their main offences?
- (6) How many improvement notices were issued by SafeWork NSW in the Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens, Maitland, and Cessnock LGAs in each year from 2018 to 2020 (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (7) In aggregate over these three periods in (6), which companies received the majority of improvement notices?
 - (a) What were their main offences?
- (8) Have any fines or other enforcement actions been issued due to the above or other non-compliance in the Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens, Maitland, and Cessnock LGAs in 2019?
- (9) How many inspections were made under Operation Scaff Safe in 2019 across the Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens, Maitland, and Cessnock LGAs?
 - (a) What were the biggest issues identified during the operation?
 - (b) How many prosecutions or fines came from non-compliance as a result of operation in the above LGAs?
- (10) During SafeWork's Falls from Heights blitz in 2018, how many inspections were made at building

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sites in the Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens, Maitland, and Cessnock LGAs?

- (a) What non-compliance issues were identified?
- (b) How many prosecutions or fines were issued in the above LGAs?
- (11) Does SafeWork see more safety problems on sites with smaller building and construction businesses?
 - (a) If so, what are the differences identified between smaller, Tier 1 and Tier 2 builders?
- (12) What action is SafeWork NSW taking to address poor safety standards on Newcastle building sites?
- (13) Does SafeWork NSW enforce any of the Public Health Orders relating to COVID-19?
 - (a) If so, how many enforcement actions have been carried out?

Answer—

(1) 2018 - 47.

2019 - 47. This number is yet to be officially confirmed by Safe Work Australia. The information was correct at the time it was extracted, however may change due to the progression of data and the application of regular data quality reviews.

2020 - 9. This is a provisional number only and is NOT an official number as it is based on fatalities notified to SafeWork NSW up to 31 March 2020.

(2), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9) and (10) SafeWork NSW does not report or record by Local Government Area (LGA).

(3) 14 inspectors are based in the Newcastle Office that service all those LGA.

(11) Yes

(a) SafeWork NSW Inspectors have observed that smaller builders generally require greater assistance by way of education, advice and on-site verification than larger Tier 1 contractors, who have more resources and mature work health and safety management systems in place. SafeWork NSW undertake a range of advisory and compliance initiatives to support both large and small construction companies consistent with the high risk workplace strategies covered in the Construction Sector Plan.

(12) SafeWork NSW has a consistent presence across the Newcastle building industry, proactively visiting building sites on an ongoing basis and taking enforcement action to address safety issues they observe, as well as responding to any incidents or requests for service. In March 2020, SafeWork NSW has strengthened its strategic State-wide Construction approach to supporting a safe, healthy and productive building and construction industry in New South Wales through the introduction of a Regional Construction Directorate. This new Directorate will work in tandem with the existing Metropolitan Construction Directorate to provide a strong consistent focus on building industry capability through stakeholder engagement, construction risk-based interventions, and proportionate and targeted regulator response to construction incidents and requests for service.

As part of this new Regional Directorate a dedicated Hunter Mid North Coast Team has been put in place that consists of a Manager and seven Inspectors that are focussed on construction work across this region. SafeWork NSW will also be working collaboratively with other regulators right across New South Wales, including the NSW Building Commissioner, to proactively secure industry compliance and rebuild confidence in the New South Wales construction industry.

In 2019 in the Newcastle/Hunter region SafeWork NSW delivered five workshops to more than 200 industry members such as the Housing Industry Association (HIA) and the Master Builders Association (MBA), whose members come from tier one and tier two construction companies. The workshops addressed key construction safety issues from the Construction Sector Plan including scaffolding; working at heights; electrical safety; silica; safety management systems; asbestos; and mental health. In addition, SafeWork NSW meets regularly with relevant construction union representatives in Newcastle where specific safety concerns relating to Hunter building sites are discussed and any relevant issues are actioned.

(13) SafeWork NSW does not have any jurisdiction or enforcement powers under the Public Health Orders relating to COVID-19.

(a) not applicable.

*2895 FIRE IMPACT ON BIODIVERSITY STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENTS—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

(1) How many individual properties with Biodiversity Stewardship Agreements (biodiversity offsets)

were damaged by fire in the 2019-20 financial year (to 12 May 2020)?

- (2) How many hectares of land covered by a Biodiversity Stewardship Agreement were damaged by fire in the 2019-20 financial year (to 12 May 2020)?
- (3) How many native species covered by Biodiversity Stewardship Agreements were impacted by fire in the 2019-20 financial year (to 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

(1) A total of 21 Biodiversity Stewardship Agreements had part or all of their area burnt by fire in the 2019-20 financial year. Six agreements had their entire area burnt, the remainder were partially burnt.

(2) A total of 2,990 hectares of land covered by a Biodiversity Stewardship Agreement was burnt by fire in 2019-20.

(3) The NSW BioNet Atlas contains occurrence records of 1,122 native species from the 21 Biodiversity Stewardship Agreements burnt by fire in 2019-20. Data is not available on the exact number of species impacted and not all species will be adversely affected as some native species depend on fire for their ecology and lifecycle. Further information about understanding the effects of the 2019-20 fires can be found on the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) website.

Biodiversity Stewardship Agreement landholders are required to notify the Biodiversity Conservation Trust as soon as practicable if an event will affect their ability to meet the obligations under the agreement. The Biodiversity Conservation Trust can assist individual landholders understand how the fire has impacted their site and if changes are required to their management plan or how annual management funds are allocated.

*2896 CLEAN UP NOTICES TO VICTIMS OF ILLEGAL DUMPING—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) How many clean up notices were issued by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) to victims of illegal dumping activities in the 2018-19 and 2019-20 financial years(as at 12 May 2020)?
- (2) Will the Government continue to allow victims of illegal dumping to be served with costly clean up notices when they are known by the EPA not to be at fault?
 - (a) If not, how will the Government protect victims of illegal dumping?

Answer—

(1) The EPA issues Clean Up Notices in accordance with the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. Details of regulatory action taken by the EPA can be found on its public register.

(2) The EPA will continue to issue Clean Up Notices to those who the EPA believe are the appropriate party to undertake Clean Up Actions to address a pollution incident.

*2897 ORGANISED CRIME PREVENTATIVE STRATEGIES—Dr Hugh McDermott asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

Considering the NSW Crime Commission at the Committee on the Ombudsman, the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission and the Crime Commission hearing held on 18 February 2020 flagged problems regarding stopping and seizing proceeds of crime moving offshore, what strategies has the Government put in place to stop serious organised crime and associated persons profiting from criminal activities?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Crime Commission works alongside the NSW Police Force's Organised Crime Squad to target networks involved in professional money laundering and offshore transfers, and works with interstate law enforcement agencies on cross-border targets.

The NSW Crime Commission has consistently demonstrated its considerable success in tackling, reducing and disrupting organised crime in the state of NSW. It has an impressive track record in disrupting serious criminal activity and confiscating the proceeds of crime. The financial processes undertaken by the Commission has been independently assessed as Australian best practice. For example, in 2018-19 the Commission obtained criminal asset confiscation orders of over \$30 million against persons considered to have engaged in serious crime related activity.

The NSW Police Force takes a proactive, intelligence-based approach to disrupting organised crime groups, including those involved in international profiteering. Many of its investigations are jointly undertaken, and increasingly it calls upon and cooperates with other law enforcement agencies and organisations across Australia. The operational successes of the NSW Police Force have been recognised

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internationally through invitations to present at policing conferences. Many of the New South Wales approaches are now also being rolled-out in other Australian states and territories.

Enhanced money laundering offences commenced on 8 September 2016, giving New South Wales modern, powerful and effective laws to undercut the business model of organised crime. Additionally, improvements by this Government to the criminal asset confiscation regime now make it harder for criminals to hide their ill-gotten gains.

***2898 CLISSOLD AND SEAVIEW STREETS ASHFIELD**—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering Inner West Council, traffic consultants hired by the previous Ashfield Council, and local residents all supported Clissold and Seaview Streets in Ashfield becoming opposing directional one-way streets to improve cross-sectional operation and safety for residents and motorists, why does Transport for NSW continue to oppose the proposed change?
- (2) Has the safety of the many children attending surrounding schools who utilise this road as a key pedestrian link been considered by Transport for NSW?
- (3) Has the safety of elderly residents who live in aged care facilities parallel to these streets been considered by Transport for NSW?
- (4) Is Transport for NSW aware of the regular use of these streets by commercial trucks entering and exiting Opal Aged Care and Sydney Private Hospital, in addition to buses, heavy construction vehicles and regular residential and visitor traffic?

Answer—

I am advised:

Inner West Council is responsible for both Clissold Street and Seaview Street, as they are local roads. Council is therefore responsible for undertaking investigations into the feasibility of implementing the traffic study's findings. Transport for NSW has been working with Council on its proposal to convert these streets to a one-way pair route for buses.

***2899 RUBY PRINCESS CRUISE ARRIVAL**—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) Was the Minister aware that the NSW Ports Authority had concerns about the arrival of the Ruby Princess on 19 March 2020?
 - (a) If so, when?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (2) Was the Minister aware that ambulances were called for the arrival of the Ruby Princess on 19 March 2020?
 - (a) If so, when?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

It would be inappropriate for me to comment while the Special Commission of Inquiry into the Ruby Princess is ongoing.

***2900 LINK2HOME VOLUME OF CALLS**—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) Has COVID-19 affected the volume of calls to Link2Home?
- (2) What is the number of calls received to Link2Home from 1 March 2020 to 12 May 2020?
- (3) Was there an increase of calls received for the same period in 2019?
- (4) Is there a wait time for those calling Link2Home?
 - (a) If so, what is the average length of wait?
 - (i) How does this compare to prior to COVID-19?

Answer—

I am advised that the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) has actively promoted the use of Link2home and the continued availability of housing and homelessness support services during COVID-19 for anyone needing assistance.

I am advised that information about the number of people assisted by Link2Home is published in the DCJ Annual Report.

*2901 PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL CLINICAL ENGINEERING STAFF REDUCTIONS—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) Considering the proposal to remove two on-call staff in the Clinical Engineering Unit at Prince of Wales Hospital was raised with staff six months ago, why is the Government seeking to continue to remove the two on-call staff?
- (2) Considering the reduction of 20 roster hours in the Clinical Employment Unit, how will the Government ensure safety is maintained?
- (3) What mechanisms are being put in place to ensure that any patient that presents and requires emergency heart surgery will be given adequate care if the first on-call staff is not available?

Answer—

Following extensive consultation with staff and the Health Services Union, which commenced in September 2019, the proposed changes were confirmed in March 2020. The changes do not reduce the operating hours of the clinical engineering service. The internal process for managing after hours calls remains unchanged.

*2902 DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE SUPPORTIVE MEASURES—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) Considering the increase in reports of domestic and family violence during the COVID-19 social restrictions, what steps has the Government taken to protect at-risk women and children?
- (2) How is the Government supporting existing women's shelters and counselling services to meet significantly increased demand?
 - (a) What extra crisis accommodation is being provided?
- (3) How is the Government supporting at-risk mothers and their children to maintain distance learning if they have been displaced by family violence?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) On 26 May 2020, I was pleased to announce a significant additional investment of more than \$21 million for the domestic and family violence sector. Of this, \$12.8 million has been invested by the Government and \$8.8 million by the Commonwealth Government.

Distribution of this funding was informed by the needs of the sector, and will go towards supporting frontline specialist domestic and family violence services; supporting victim-survivors to escape violent homes and to remain safely at home; holding perpetrators to account; and raising awareness about domestic and family violence and available supports.

Information about specific supports can be accessed at: <https://www.dcj.nsw.gov.au/news-and-media/media-releases/-media-releases/-covid-19-funding-to-boost-domestic-violence-support>.

(2) On 27 March 2020, the Government released the second stage of its Health and Economic stimulus package in response to COVID-19. Further information can be found at: <https://www.treasury.nsw.gov.au/Covid-19Stimulus>.

This package includes \$34 million in funding to prevent people from experiencing homelessness. Specifically, this funding included \$14.3 million for emergency accommodation to enable people to self-isolate and \$20.2 million in rental subsidies to enable people access or sustain private rental accommodation during this challenging time.

\$6.07 million of this funding has been allocated for Rent Choice Start Safely for additional products to support people escaping domestic and family violence in response to COVID-19.

Included in the \$21 million to boost frontline services and other supports for domestic violence victim-survivors is funding for women's refuges.

Further information about what the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) is doing to support people who are experiencing homelessness and are impacted by COVID-19 is available at: <https://www.coronavirus.dcj.nsw.gov.au/services/housing-and-homelessness>.

(3) Matters relating to distance learning should be referred to the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning.

However, I can advise that DCJ recognises some children, young people and their families need support to access technology during COVID-19. DCJ is providing repurposed laptops or tablets with Microsoft

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Office applications already set up, as well as internet dongles, with priority for the allocation of these assets being given to vulnerable children, young people, families and carers.

Further information about this initiative can be accessed at: <https://www.coronavirus.dcj.nsw.gov.au/service-providers/latest-updates/technology-for-children-young-people-and-families-in-need-during-covid-19>.

*2903 ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT COVID-19 DEVELOPMENT - CONSTRUCTION WORK DAYS ORDER 2020—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

- (1) Considering the Environmental Planning and Assessment (COVID-19 Development - Construction Work Days) Order 2020 allows commercial development to be carried out on weekends and public holidays, how is the Government protecting families and individuals currently being asked to work and learn from home from the excess noise and disruption of construction?
- (2) How is the Government addressing the mental health concerns being expressed by residents who are being exposed to the noise and disruption of construction seven days per week?
- (3) How is the Government protecting the integrity of the approval process given the process is expedited?

Answer—

I am advised:

1.-2. Section 10.17 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 allows the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to make orders to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The construction and development sectors, which make up almost 10 per cent of NSW's economy, will be vital in keeping people in jobs and keeping investment flowing over the coming weeks and months. In NSW there are almost 400,000 people employed in the property and construction industry and we are committed to doing everything we can to keep each of them in work, but most importantly, to keep them safe and healthy.

On 31 March 2020, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces made the Environmental Planning and Assessment (COVID-19 Development- Construction Work Days) Order 2020 (the order). The order allows weekday construction site operating hours to be extended to weekends and public holidays to ensure that workers on construction sites can practice social distancing without a loss of productivity or jobs on these projects.

The order specifies that construction sites must take all feasible and reasonable measures to minimise noise, and noisy works like rock breaking, rock hammering, sheet piling, pile driving or similar activities are not permitted on weekends and public holidays.

Compliance with the order will be monitored and reviewed and if there are adverse impacts on the community from a public health perspective then the NSW Government will work with local government to act on these concerns.

Should community members have concerns that a construction site is breaching any of its conditions of consent or any of the provisions of the order, I encourage them to direct their concerns to their local council or the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's compliance team.

3. The planning system has a vital role to play during and after the COVID-19 crisis. Fast-tracking the assessment of development applications and rezonings will keep the economy moving and keep people in jobs through the pandemic.

The aim of fast-tracked assessments is to get to the point of decision on a project more quickly. The process is being accelerated, not changed - and we won't be cutting corners.

The usual planning rules and policies still apply, and all projects will be considered under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

An accelerated process doesn't guarantee an approval. Accelerated projects will be assessed against the existing planning legislation and policy and as such will undertake the same level of rigorous assessment and opportunity for consultation as at any other time.

Planning bodies will use a range of digital engagement initiatives to communicate with the community and seek feedback on planning matters.

*2904 HOMELESSNESS PEOPLE SUPPORTIVE MEASURES—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) Considering people experiencing homelessness and sleeping rough are unable to effectively limit their exposure to COVID-19, what steps has the Government taken to protect these at-risk members of the community?
- (2) What extra provision of crisis accommodation has the Government put in place since social restrictions began?
- (3) What measures has the Government put in place to support people who are living in crisis accommodation?
- (4) Will the Government continue to provide accommodation for these people once the period of social restrictions has ended?
 - (a) How will the Government provide housing for these people so as to avoid placing them back into homelessness?

Answer—

On 8 June 2020 the Government announced \$36 million in new funding for the Together Home project, which will deliver housing and wrap around supports for hundreds of rough sleepers across the state.

Together Home will be a partnership between the Government, Community Housing Providers, Specialist Homelessness Services and health services to deliver permanent housing outcomes for people sleeping rough, including people with complex needs.

The Together Home project builds on the Government's response to COVID-19.

On 27 March 2020 the Government released the second stage of its economic package in response to COVID-19, including \$34 million to prevent homelessness. This included \$14 million for emergency accommodation to enable people to self-isolate and \$20 million for private rental subsidies.

I am advised that more than 1,200 people who were sleeping rough in New South Wales have been helped into temporary accommodation through the rapid expansion of assertive outreach to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Neami National is receiving an additional \$3 million to extend support services for people in the Greater Sydney area in temporary accommodation as part of the effort to find permanent housing solutions.

A range of measures are in place for Specialist Homelessness Services providing crisis accommodation. These include health guidelines, deep cleaning and the use of temporary accommodation to improve the capacity for physical distancing and self-isolation.

Information about how the Department of Communities and Justice is supporting the delivery of essential services is available at <https://www.coronavirus.dcj.nsw.gov.au/>.

*2905 SMART, SKILLED AND HIRED YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education—

- (1) Why is the Government ending the Smart, Skilled and Hired Youth Employment Program on 30 June 2020?
- (2) To what extent has the large number of young people accessing the program been considered in the decision to end it?
- (3) What consultation was undertaken before cancelling this important program?

Answer—

The Smart, Skilled and Hired Youth Employment (SSHYE) pilot program was established as a pilot. The program was not cancelled, and the pilot period comes to an end on 30 June 2020.

There will be a transitional period to February 2021, during which providers who have not yet allocated all their funding can continue to work with existing participants. In addition, the Department of Education is working closely with providers to conclude the pilot, with a focus on assisting participants to find alternative support

*2906 VICTIMS SUPPORT SCHEME—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) Will the Attorney General reverse the decision to overhaul the New South Wales Victims Support Scheme?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (2) What consultation did the Attorney General undertake before implementing these changes?

- (3) Why was the change announced only seven days before it was due to be implemented?
 (a) How will this impact on victims and victim support services?
 (4) Why did the Government make this change while the community is distracted by COVID-19?

Answer—

I am advised:

The proposed service changes announced by Victims Services on 17 April 2020 relate to operational processes and are a matter for the Department of Communities and Justice. The proposed changes have not yet been implemented. Victims Services has been undertaking consultation on the proposed changes.

Victims Services advises that the proposed changes are intended to improve services to victims by streamlining the application process, improving access to counselling services and enabling faster payments to victims.

Victims Services regularly reviews its processes to ensure improved service delivery for victims. The timing of this announcement reflects this ongoing work and is unrelated to COVID-19.

*2907 SHOVEL READY LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION PROJECTS IN NEWCASTLE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) Does Land and Housing Corporation have any shovel ready projects in the Newcastle Local Government Area?
 (a) If so, what are the details on the type and location of the projects?

Answer—

I am advised:

Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) has two shovel ready projects in the Newcastle Local Government Area.

LAHC intends to redevelop:

- (1) 2-6 Richard Street, Adamstown as a two-storey residential apartment building consisting of 14 apartments, and
 (2) 24-26 Macarthur Street, Shortland as a two-storey residential apartment building consisting of eight apartments.

*2908 AT-RISK CHILDREN SUPPORTIVE MEASURES—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) Considering front line service providers are reporting large increases in cases of domestic and family violence cases during the COVID-19 social restrictions, what steps has the Government taken to protect at-risk children during the crisis?
 (2) How is the Government facilitating contact with family during the period of social restrictions?
 (3) How is the Government ensuring that children in out-of-home care and at-risk children are maintaining their education?
 (4) How is the Government supporting funded service providers to help them meet the increased demand for their services?

Answer—

(1) The Government is working closely with the non-government sector to support the safety and well-being of victim-survivors, their children and other vulnerable groups experiencing or at risk of domestic and family violence during the COVID-19 pandemic. This includes taking additional steps to respond to perpetrators, working closely with the domestic and family violence sector, and supporting continuity of frontline services through enhanced workforce capacity, remote service delivery models, as well as the implementation of alternative and safe practices.

I am advised that domestic violence assaults reported to or detected by NSW Police in March 2020 were consistent with those from the same period in 2019. The NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research report Monitoring changes in domestic violence in the wake of COVID-19 social isolation measures found no evidence of an increase in domestic violence assaults recorded by police in March 2020. The Government will continue to monitor this data.

(2) Face-to face contact has continued when family time is part of a restoration plan or court order, using reasonable precautions such as social distancing, proper hygiene, and meeting outdoors. In other instances, family time has occurred using video conferencing calls, messages and letters. Options for family time will continue to be reviewed as social distancing requirements are relaxed.

(3) I am advised the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) and NSW Education have written to carers to encourage children in out of home care to return to full time face-to-face schooling. DCJ and NSW Education are working closely together to assist children and young people to have access to technology to complete online schooling.

Personalised Learning and Support Plans are being monitored to determine when additional support may be required.

(4) The Government has provided specific funding and support to non-government service providers including:

- the establishment of a NSW Charities Fund (Food and Emergency Relief) to support individuals in isolation, and for homelessness and domestic and family violence providers to assist clients with technological support to access services remotely.
- The order and supply of personal protective equipment to community organisations prioritising frontline workers.
- Enabling providers to redirect unspent funds to upgrade technology for clients and staff, and allowing flexibility with service delivery to meet emerging needs.
- Additional funding for temporary accommodation and rental subsidies to relieve pressure on services.
- Extension of the DCJ Employee Assistance Program to contracted service providers to protect the wellbeing of community sector workers while they continue to deliver services to individuals and communities impacted by the pandemic until July 2020.
- The development of guidelines in the event of a positive case of COVID-19 in clients or staff.
- The development of resources to support virtual face to face casework and other innovative work practices.

***2909 NEWCASTLE'S NIGHT-TIME ECONOMY**—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Customer Service—

- (1) What measures will the Government implement to stimulate the night-time economy in Newcastle post the COVID-19 pandemic?
- (2) What action is the Government taking to streamline the noise complaint process to assist local Newcastle businesses?

Answer—

(1) The Government has released the draft Liquor Amendment (24-hour Economy) Bill 2020 for community feedback by 14 June 2020. The Bill proposes changes to New South Wales liquor laws to help create a vibrant, safe and strong 24-hour economy and support the recovery of nightlife after COVID-19 restrictions are eased, including state-wide measures such as:

- a new incentives and demerit point system to incentivise well run venues
- support for live music and entertainment by removing outdated licence conditions
- improvements to streamline approvals processes and allow for family-orientated and diverse services for small bars.

These changes form part of a second round of liquor law reforms to implement the Government's 2019 response to the New South Wales Parliament Joint Select Committee's report on Sydney's Night Time Economy.

The Government, as part of its response, has also supported a recommendation from the Committee to give consideration to a future review of Newcastle liquor licensing conditions and working with the Newcastle City Council to rejuvenate the night-time economy. A review of these conditions was last undertaken in 2018.

(2) The 24-hour Economy Exposure Bill proposes measures to help address overlapping government agency responsibilities for noise regulation. To remove duplication, it is proposed Liquor & Gaming NSW no longer deals with disturbance complaints about noise coming from within a venue, including noise caused by live music. This will reduce the number of regulators in this space and multiple avenues for complaint.

***2910 WENTWORTH HOSPITAL**—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) How old is Wentworth District Hospital?
- (2) Considering the age of Wentworth District Hospital and the lack of a full-time doctor in the town, when will funding be provided for a new health precinct in Wentworth to provide for better health services?

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- (3) In the absence of general practitioner services in Wentworth, why are primary health services moving further away to Buronga with the new HealthOne being built less than two kilometres from the Mildura central business district?

Answer—

Wentworth Health Service is over 80 years old.

Far West Local Health District is committed to working with partner organisations including the NSW Rural Doctors Network, Western NSW Primary Health Network and Wentworth Shire Council on the provision of health services in Wentworth.

Services offered out of the Buronga HealthOne 'hub and spoke model' will be delivered across the Wentworth and Balranald local government areas.

- *2911 SEALING OF BOORGA AND DICKIE ROADS—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering the responses to LA Q382 and LA Q2001, when will the sealing of Boorga and Dickie roads commence?
(2) When will the sealing of the roads be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government will deliver on its election commitments. The first round of Fixing Local Roads is due to be announced shortly. Once announced, Transport for NSW will work with relevant councils to progress successful projects, which must be completed within two years of receiving funding.

- *2912 IRRIGATION COMPLAINTS—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) Which New South Wales government agency can private irrigation company Murrumbidgee Irrigation customers make a complaint about the company regarding changes to its delivery entitlement policy and customer engagement?
(2) What action can this government agency take to help these customers resolve this complaint?

Answer—

Delivery entitlements and customer engagement policies are at the discretion of Irrigation Corporations. I am advised that the pricing of delivery entitlements has been referred to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) as the appropriate enforcement agency.

- *2913 REGIONAL SENIORS TRAVEL CARD—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering the response to LA Q2343 that "Transport for NSW [was] reviewing the programs which support travel for carers and disability pensioners to ensure their effectiveness in regional New South Wales and to consider if there are ways to improve awareness of such programs", what was the outcome of that review?
(2) In what areas has the Government "boosted public transport services in regional areas"?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Transport for NSW is continuing to review the effectiveness of transport concessions for carers and people with disability.

- (2) Transport for NSW is trialling new bus and coach services to better connect regional communities and make it easier to access health services, work and training, and assist with day-to-day activities like shopping and visiting family and friends.

NSW TrainLink has introduced 13 trial coach services and six isolated communities trials enabling nearly 39,000 customer journeys to date. A further seven new transport services for isolated communities are being implemented. One has commenced with the other six expected to commence by 30 June 2020, with the 13 isolated communities trials helping to link 44 communities.

In September 2019, a new mid-week TrainLink regional return train service was introduced between Griffith and Sydney providing customers across the Riverina more choice and flexibility when planning their trips.

In September 2019, a second daily Bathurst Bullet service was introduced, doubling the number of train services between Sydney and Bathurst. Extra stops on the service include Tarana and Rydal stations providing more flexibility and choice for communities.

In January this year, two additional return train services were introduced as a trial between Singleton and Newcastle each day. The new services also provide extra services at Lochinvar, Greta and Branxton.

The Government has committed to improve bus services across 16 regional cities: Tweed Heads, Wagga Wagga, Bathurst, Orange, Dubbo, Coffs Harbour, Port Macquarie, Tamworth, Armidale, Lismore, Grafton, Griffith, Albury, Nowra, Queanbeyan and Parkes.

To date, service improvements have been delivered in Tweed Heads and Wagga Wagga, with:

- 450 additional weekly services in Tweed Heads with improved connections to health, education and employment and increased frequencies throughout the day and later evening services; and
- More than 240 additional weekly services in Wagga Wagga, including new afternoon and evening services and Sunday services as well as a new service to the Bomen industrial estate.

New permanent regional bus services, as outlined below, commenced on 1 April 2020 following successful trials which started in 2017:

- Route 737 operating 11 trips each weekday (excluding public holidays) between Kiama and Bomaderry, servicing the communities of Kiama, Gerringong, Berry and Bomaderry, connecting directly to 10 train services,
- Route 640X Byron Bay to Lismore Express, two return trips per weekday (excluding public holidays), and
- Route 641X Byron Bay to Lismore via Lennox Head and Ballina, two return trips per weekday (excluding public holidays).

*2914 HYGIENE SUPPLIES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Considering the Government's promise that all New South Wales public school students would be well-provisioned with soap and hand sanitiser, why has Murrumbidgee Regional High School and Coleambally Central School asked parents and students to donate second hand soap pump bottles to the schools?
- (2) How will it be ensured that second-hand soap pump bottles touched by others do not increase the risk of COVID-19 spreading in schools?
- (3) Why has Broken Hill High School asked students to bring their own hand sanitiser?

Answer—

(1) Two local manufacturers donated bulk quantities of sanitiser to Murrumbidgee Regional High School which required decanting.

In order to make use of the donated sanitiser, staff were encouraged to donate empty second-hand bottles which were cleaned in line with health guidelines before use. No students or parents were asked to make any donations.

(2) At Coleambally Central School, the Department of Education has provided 22.5 litres of hand sanitiser since COVID-19 restrictions commenced. This included both single unit and bulk supplies. The school requested empty soap dispensers however, these were not required as the school had received adequate supplies to meet its requirements.

All donated bottles were washed and disinfected as per NSW Health guidelines.

(3) Students at Broken Hill High School were given the opportunity to bring their own personal supply of sanitiser as an optional added precaution.

*2915 GULPA ISLAND STATE FOREST—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

Why is Gulpa Island State Forest being again flooded in early May, the middle of the wood collection season?

Answer—

The flows resulted from natural system inflows, mostly from Victoria's Ovens River. This water contributed to the first allocation for NSW Murray general security water users in over two years.

*2916 BURRINJUCK DAM WALL—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

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Considering the Commonwealth Government's support to increase the size of the Burrinjuck Dam wall, will the Government partner with the Commonwealth Government to ensure this happens?

Answer—

I am advised:

Raising Burrinjuck Dam was considered in the WaterNSW 20 Year Infrastructure Options Study.

The Government aims to consult on the draft Murrumbidgee Regional Water Strategy in late 2020. This Strategy will include a long list of options that includes potential policy management and infrastructure measures to improve water security.

*2917 BUSINESS CASE FOR WYANGALA DAM—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

When will the the business case for the \$650 million project to raise the Wyangala Dam wall by 10 metres be released?

Answer—

Phase 1 of the Lachlan Valley Water Security project was undertaken by WaterNSW in 2014. This first phase identified a range of different options for improving regional water security including the construction of a new dam at various sites and the upgrade of existing dams. This phase included undertaking a cost-benefit analysis to determine the economic value of the investments in water security improvement in the region.

In late 2016, WaterNSW delivered Phase 2 of the Lachlan Valley Water Security Project. This work comprised a preliminary business case, including a cost-benefit analysis, for options identified in Phase 1.

Raising the Wyangala Dam Wall was found to be superior to other options in terms of cost, flood mitigation, hydrological modelling benefits, construction risk and environmental sustainability.

*2918 KANGAROO HARVESTING LICENCE FEES—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

Will consideration be given to decreasing kangaroo harvesting licence fees to ensure the financial viability of domestic and commercial kangaroo harvesters?

Answer—

The goal of the commercial kangaroo management program is to ensure kangaroos are harvested humanely and populations remain ecologically sustainable. In recognition that some landholders requested harvesters not access their properties due to COVID-19, the Department has approved some applications from harvesters to extend licence condition deadlines in these circumstances.

*2919 MEDIA AGENCY SERVICES CONTRACT—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Customer Service—

(1) What is the total amount spent on advertising under the Media Agency Services Contract from 1 October 2017 to 30 April 2020?

(a) Of this amount, how much has been spent with:

(i) Regional newspapers?

(ii) Community radio stations?

(2) What is the Government policy regarding the payment of commercial rates for this advertising?

(3) Are regional media outlets being asked to charge less than the market rate for Government advertising?

Answer—

(1) The total amount spent on advertising by the Government under the Media Agency Services contract from 1 October 2017 to 30 April 2020 is \$193,414,418.

(a) Of this amount

(i) \$7,809,382 has been spent with Regional newspapers

(ii) \$704,540 has been spent with Community radio stations

Note: that the definition of Community Radio used is those services that are independent and separate from commercial and public broadcasting.

(2) In doing so, the Government uses specialist media buying agencies to negotiate rates on its behalf. This is intended to ensure that advertising is planned and bought effectively with a centralised approach across the various Government departments and to utilise the available budget in an efficient way.

(3) Regional media outlets are not being asked specifically to charge less for Government advertising. Negotiations and agreed rates depend on numerous factors such as for example: market demand, insights about relevant audiences (where available), the amount spent with the media outlets, historical rates, and any past or forecasted investments.

*2920 BUS RUN FUNDING—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

How is the bus that runs daily to Gunnedah from Narrabri funded?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Gunnedah to Narrabri service is a regular passenger service operated under a Rural and Regional Bus Service Contract (RRBSC) between Transport for NSW and Forest Coach Lines Pty Ltd.

*2921 RE-SOWING AND RE-STOCKING GRANT—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

With the agriculture sector in the Barwon electorate suffering through an extended drought, bushfires and now COVID-19, to assist economic recovery will a re-sowing and re-stocking grant be established?

Answer—

The Government is committed to supporting our farmers through the devastating effects of the ongoing drought, recent bushfires and current COVID-19 response. The recent announcement of a further \$310 million commitment means the Government has now allocated more than \$4 billion for drought assistance and water security in New South Wales.

The Drought Assistance Fund is designed to promote profitability and resilience and can include costs that would normally be incurred in the course of carrying on a farming operation. This includes re-stocking and re-sowing. Interest free loans of up to \$50,000 per primary producer are available through application to the Rural Assistance Authority.

*2922 COONA FRINGE RURAL FIRE SERVICE TRAINING—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

Considering the Coona Fringe Rural Fire Service are unable to provide training and Workplace Health and Safety practices on site due to scarce water availability, will funding be provided to have water tanks installed onsite to allow this training to occur?

Answer—

The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) advises that the Coona Fringe Rural Fire Brigade made alternative arrangements to access water tanks at the Coonabarabran Fire Control Centre due to water restrictions but resumed normal water usage in April 2020. The brigade station is connected to the town water supply for operational, training and maintenance purposes.

'Dry run' training has been commonly used by many brigades in recent years due to the drought and as a water saving consideration. Dry drill techniques are used to keep up hose lay, team work, make up and maintain skill sets.

The NSW RFS has secured funds for the purchase of a water tank and continues to work with Warrumbungle Shire Council to explore funding options to finalise its installation.

*2923 MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

(1) Considering the pre-2019 NSW State election commitment (Melinda Pavey, Facebook, 19 February 2019) that there would be two dedicated mental health workers for every New South Wales public high school, have two dedicated mental health care workers been placed at each of the public high schools in the Orange electorate and across regional New South Wales?

(a) If not, when will two mental health workers be placed at every public high school?

Answer—

The Government's \$88 million election commitment is that additional mental health workers will be phased in between 2020 and 2023, and provides a full time counselling allocation and a full time student

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support officer for every New South Wales public high school. Central schools with a high proportion of students who are high school age will also be allocated a student support officer.

The following schools in the Orange electorate have a full time school counselling allocation: Canobolas Rural Technology High School, Orange High School and Parkes High School. Canowindra High School, Forbes High School and Molong Central School will receive a fulltime allocation by 2022-23.

The following schools in the Orange electorate have an existing student support officer: Canobolas Rural Technology High School and Forbes High School. Student support officer positions at Orange High School, Canowindra High School, Parkes High School and Molong Central School are included in the 2021-22 funding allocation and are currently undergoing recruitment action.

*2924 FACE-TO-FACE SCHOOLING—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Considering the expectation that teachers return to teaching some classes face-to-face, how is the Department of Education protecting its staff, including all employees that work on school campuses from contracting COVID-19?
- (2) How is the Department protecting students from contracting COVID-19 at school?
- (3) How is the Department protecting staff members with greater vulnerability due to their age or health history?
- (4) What Protective Personal Equipment is being provided to educational staff to ensure their safety at work?

Answer—

(1) As of 25 May 2020, all New South Wales public schools returned to full on-campus learning. All school activities and operations are in line with Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) and NSW Health guidelines.

The Department of Education's standard procedures and processes align with the AHPPC recommendations and additional measures to enhance these have been rolled out.

New South Wales schools are safe, clean and secure places for students and staff:

- Schools promote and encourage good hand washing and hygiene etiquette
- Schools are being sent additional provisions of soap and hygiene supplies such as hand sanitiser
- Schools will continue to implement appropriate physical distancing between staff and other adults at the school.
- Schools are supporting staff at risk of serious illness if infected with COVID-19 to work from home in line with the advice of the AHPPC.
- Enhanced cleaning practices are in place

The Department will continue to work with NSW Health and remain vigilant in implementing its comprehensive infection control protocols in our schools to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 within our working and learning environments.

(2) Students do not need to follow physical distancing guidelines within schools. Schools are continuing to implement the AHPPC measures relevant to schools, including effective hygiene practices for students.

Schools will place particular emphasis on:

- Hand washing with soap and water at regular intervals throughout the day
- Promoting good hygiene and respiratory etiquette
- Encouraging students who are unwell to remain home
- Not sharing personal items such as mobile phones, drinks or food

Research from the National Centre for Immunisation Research and Surveillance and NSW Health has shown the limited transition risk associated with school age children in the school environment.

(3) The Department is supporting staff at risk of serious illness if infected with COVID-19 to work from home.

In line with the advice of the AHPPC, this includes:

- people aged 70 years and over;
- people aged 65 years and over with chronic medical conditions;
- all people with compromised immune systems; and
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people over the age of 50 with chronic medical conditions.

(4) Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is in place in all schools for use in accordance with infection control procedures. NSW Health have advised PPE is not required for every activity or for general use in our schools.

In school settings where routine care or assistance is provided, PPE provisions including gloves, aprons, protective eyewear and facemasks have been provided to support the ongoing implementation of infection control procedures.

*2925 DIALYSIS TREATMENT FACILITY AT CONDOBOLIN HEALTH SERVICE—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

Considering that funding is being halved at Neighbourhood Central in Parkes, the Non-Emergency Health Related Transport can no longer transport dialysis patients more than one day a week from Condobolin to Forbes for treatment and there is no public transport to accommodate these patients, will a dialysis treatment facility at Condobolin Health Service be established?

Answer—

While there are no plans to establish a dialysis unit at Condobolin Health Service, I am advised the Western NSW Local Health District is liaising with Lachlan Shire Council and Transport NSW on possible additional transport options to assist the small number of dialysis patients who receive treatment in Forbes.

*2926 DOROTHY HENDERSON LODGE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) How has NSW Health been involved at Dorothy Henderson Lodge?
- (2) Was intervention requested from Anglicare, the Commonwealth Government, or another agency?
- (3) How many days after the first confirmed case of COVID-19 at Dorothy Henderson Lodge was NSW Health directly involved?
- (4) How many NSW Health staff have been deployed so far at Dorothy Henderson Lodge (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

Action commenced immediately as NSW Health responded to the notification of an aged care worker who returned a positive result for COVID-19. NSW Health staff were deployed to BaptistCare Dorothy Henderson Lodge as required to support the response.

*2927 NEWMARCH HOUSE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) How has NSW Health been involved at Newmarch House, Caddens?
- (2) Was intervention requested from Anglicare, the Commonwealth Government or another agency?
- (3) How many days after the first confirmed case of COVID-19 at Newmarch House was NSW Health directly involved?
- (4) How many NSW Health staff have been deployed so far at Newmarch House (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

NSW Health action commenced immediately as NSW Health responded to the notification of a positive result for COVID-19. NSW Health staff were deployed to Anglicare Newmarch House as required to support the response.

*2928 FERAL DEER CESSNOCK REGION—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) Are there any plans to increase funding to the Cessnock City Council to better manage the issue of feral deer across the Cessnock region?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) How much funding will be allocated to the Council?
 - (ii) When will these funds become available?

Answer—

The Department of Primary Industries and Local Land Services provide policy and program coordination for feral deer management but do not provide funding to Local Government for routine pest animal management activities. It is the responsibility of all government land managers in New South Wales to meet their obligations under the Biosecurity Act 2015 (NSW).

*2929 PUBLIC POOLS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Local Government—

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How many of the 460 public pools provided to councils across New South Wales remained open and operational in the spring/summer 2019-20 period?

Answer—

It is a decision for individual councils about whether to open their pools at any particular time of the year, and for what operating hours.

*2930 DE BURGH TRUSS BRIDGE—Ms Janelle Saffin asked the Premier representing the Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Does the Government plan to reverse its August 2016 decision to delist the De Burgh Truss Bridge from the State Heritage Register?

(a) If so, will the Government consider allocating funds to maintain it as a pedestrian bridge and tourism attraction as expressed by a majority of Tabulam residents?

Answer—

The De Burgh Truss Bridge (the Bridge) was delisted from the State Heritage Register in 2016.

I understand responsibility for the existing Bridge sits with Transport for NSW which has indicated that if the bridge is to be retained and adapted as a pedestrian bridge, responsibility for its ongoing maintenance would be transferred to the local councils.

I understand retention and maintenance of the existing bridge would cause undue economic hardship for Kyogle Council and Tenterfield Shire Council, which would jointly own the bridge, and that both Councils supported its de-listing and replacement.

*2931 ENTERTAINMENT QUARTER MOORE PARK—Mr Ron Hoenig asked the Premier—

(1) What is the update on the unsolicited proposal received by the Government in regards to the Entertainment Quarter at Moore Park?

(a) At what stage of the process is consideration of that proposal?

Answer—

Information relating to unsolicited proposals can be found at nsw.gov.au.

*2932 USE OF BABOONS FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

(1) How many baboons are being used for research purposes in New South Wales as at 27 February 2020?

(2) How many individual baboons have been used for research purposes in the:

(a) 2019-20 financial year (to 27 February 2020);

(b) 2018-19 financial year;

(c) 2017-18 financial year?

(3) What is the nature of research that the baboons are used for?

(a) Who in the Government has oversight of this?

(b) What ethical standards are in place to govern this research?

(c) In which facilities are the baboons housed?

(4) How many baboons have been killed or caused harm as part of this research from 2018 to 2020 (as at 27 February 2020)?

(5) How is animal medical research in New South Wales monitored and reported on?

(6) How many baboons are being used for research purposes in New South Wales as at 27 February 2020?

Answer—

(1) and (6) Animal use in research statistics reports are available on the Animal Ethics Infolink website (www.animaletics.org.au). Reporting is required by 31 March each year for the prior calendar year. The data for 2020 is not available.

(2) Animal use statistics are collected for the calendar year.

(a) 2019 - Statistics not yet available, data is being collated and analysed;

(b) 2018 - 34;

(c) 2017 - 38.

(3) Stock breeding; Research - Human or animal biology; and Research - Human or animal health and welfare.

(a) Accredited research establishments report to NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) and the Animal Research Review Panel (ARRP)

(b) The Animal Research Act 1985 (the Act), Animal Research Regulation 2010; and the National Health and Medical Research Council's Australian code for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes and Principles and guidelines for the care and use of non-human primates for scientific purposes.

(c) Section 56 of the Act prevents the disclosure of information obtained in connection with the administration of the Act.

(4) Procedure categories are defined in reports published on the Animal Ethics Infolink.

(5) Animal ethics committees (AEC) approve and monitor animal research. NSW DPI and ARRP monitor animal research through; accredited research establishments and AEC reports, administration of the Act, animal use statistics, complaint investigations and scheduled inspections. The ARRP annual reports and Animal use in research statistics reports are published on the Animal Ethics Infolink website.

*2933 NUCLEAR POWER POLICY—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

(1) Does the Government have a policy on nuclear power?

(a) If so, what is the policy?

(b) Has this policy been endorsed by cabinet?

(2) Will the building of a nuclear reactor and waste facility in the Newcastle electorate be ruled out?

Answer—

The Government supports private sector-led investment in electricity generation and takes a technology-neutral approach to new energy generation projects. New South Wales law prohibits the mining of uranium, and the construction and operation of nuclear reactors for electricity generation.

*2934 AIR QUALITY HEALTH IMPACTS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—

Following the 2019-20 bushfire season and 81 days of hazardous, very poor or poor air quality, what advice is provided to employers where workers' duties require outdoor and strenuous activities during high air pollution periods?

Answer—

SafeWork NSW takes the health and safety of workers very seriously especially during periods of extreme heat, bushfire smoke and the resulting poor air quality.

Persons conducting a business or undertaking (PCBU) have a legislated duty to ensure the health and safety of their workers while they are at work.

SafeWork NSW expects that employers proactively manage the risk from bushfire smoke to their workers and importantly, that they consult with their workers about how to manage that risk.

There are a range of options available to employers to manage the risk to their workers from bushfire smoke and the resulting poor air quality.

The employer can consider rescheduling the work. They may move the workers to a less smoky location such as a different branch office. They could choose to have the workers complete their work indoors if this is possible.

If the work must go ahead in smoky conditions, they must consult with their workers, consider individual risk factors (such as asthma or other respiratory issues) and ensure workers that decide to continue working wear a properly fitted P2 particulate or activated charcoal P2 face mask.

As is the case when working in extreme heat, employers must limit the amount of heavy physical work undertaken by their workers while exposed to bushfire smoke or poor air quality, and should ensure they have access to plenty of drinking water and shade.

SafeWork NSW has a dedicated page on their website for managing the risk to workers from extreme heat, bushfire smoke and poor air quality at <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/> and actively used social media (Facebook and Twitter and LinkedIn) during December 2019 and January 2020 to share this information and advice.

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*2935 PILOT RAIL TRAILS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) What is the likely timetable for the completion of the three nominated pilot rail trails (Tumbarumba to Rosewood Rail Trail, Northern Rivers Rail Trail and New England Rail Trail)?
- (2) What are the benchmarks against which these pilot rail trails will be considered to be successful or unsuccessful?
- (3) What is the timeline for assessing the success of these pilot rail trails?

Answer—

There are currently two pilot rail trail projects under way in New South Wales:

- The Rosewood to Tumbarumba rail trail project. Construction is complete and the project was officially opened on 3 April 2020.
- The Tweed stage of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail. Legislation to close the rail line is expected to be introduced to Parliament in 2020 with construction to commence shortly after.

The outcomes of the pilot will provide the Government with a better understanding of the full range of tourism and recreational opportunities of rail trail projects and will allow insights gained to be applied to any future rail trail projects.

*2936 KOALA HABITATS AND POPULATIONS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Considering the 6,830 hectares of koala habitat protected through the Koala Strategy 2018, how many hectares have been compromised by the 2019-20 fire season?
 - (a) Which specific areas have been affected?
- (2) Are there any specific plans to increase funding towards stabilising and increasing koala populations in the wake of the 2019-20 bushfire season?

Answer—

(1) Through the New South Wales Koala Strategy, 6,914 hectares of koala habitat have been protected. Approximately 2,919 hectares of this habitat was affected by the 2019-20 fires.

(a) 2,080 hectares of Willi Willi National Park and 839 hectares of Kindee Creek State Conservation Area.

(2) The New South Wales Koala Strategy provides \$44.7 million to fund a range of conservation actions that will support koalas.

In response to the bushfires, the Government released a 'Wildlife and Conservation Bushfire Recovery: Immediate Response' in January 2020, which sets out emergency actions to support native wildlife, including koalas. The Government is also considering additional conservation actions.

*2937 INDIGENOUS FIRE AND RESCUE EMPLOYMENT STRATEGY—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) How many permanent employees were employed by Fire and Rescue NSW through the Indigenous Fire and Rescue Employment Strategy in each year from 2017 to 2019?
- (2) How many Indigenous Australians were employed by Fire and Rescue as retained (on-call) firefighters through the Indigenous Fire and Rescue Employment Strategy in each year from 2017 to 2019?
- (3) How many participants went on to complete the Certificate IV in Fitness and the recruitment process to become a permanent firefighter in 2019?

Answer—

Fire and Rescue NSW has advised:

(1) 2017 - 16

2018-19 - 12.

(2) The Indigenous Fire and Rescue NSW Employment Strategy is a recruitment readiness program for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to prepare, encourage and assist them becoming permanent firefighters.

(3) 12.

*2938 SYDNEY METRO WEST RAIL LINE WESTMEAD CONSTRUCTION—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) How many properties in Westmead are earmarked for demolition as part of the construction of the Sydney Metro West Rail Line?
 - (a) What are their addresses?
- (2) Have these home owners been given offers of compensation?
 - (a) If so, do these offers factor in a drop in value as a result of COVID-19?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information regarding the number of properties required to be acquired for the Sydney Metro West project is publicly available.

Sydney Metro's property inspections were largely completed prior to the COVID-19 pandemic and historical sales evidence was used by the independent valuers. The acquisition compensation payable - in accordance with the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 - will not reflect any post COVID-19 sales activity.

*2939 GRANVILLE ELECTORATE SMALL BUSINESS GRANTS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) How many COVID-19 related small business grants were applied for by businesses located in the Granville electorate (as at 12 May 2020)?
- (2) How many businesses have received them?

Answer—

- (1) As at 12 May 2020, a total of 251 small business COVID-19 support grant applications requesting \$2.49 million had been received from small businesses in the Granville electorate.
- (2) 203 grant applications totalling \$2.01 million had been approved with payments initiated; 17 grant applications were in progress; 27 grant applications were awaiting further information from applicants; 2 grant applications were not approved, and 2 grant applications were approved awaiting payments to be initiated.

*2940 CLEAN AIR STRATEGY—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

When the 2016 Clean Air Strategy is finalised, what is the intended timeframe for its implementation?

Answer—

I intend to publish the final Clean Air Strategy in early 2021 following further consultation on the draft strategy in late 2020.

*2941 WILDLIFE CARER BUSHFIRE FUND—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Was the \$1 million Wildlife Carer Bushfire Fund secured by way of Treasury bid or submission, or was the money sourced internally?
 - (a) If by way of Treasury bid or submission, on what date was the additional funding approved by the Treasury?
 - (b) If internally, how was the additional funding secured?

Answer—

Funds were provided by the NSW Environmental Trust.

*2942 DISPOSABLE BED LINEN IN HOSPITALS—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) Has NSW Health, or any Local Health District, ceased using washable bed linen and instead switched to using disposable bed linen in New South Wales hospitals?
- (2) How many New South Wales hospitals use disposable bed linen?

Answer—

- (1) No.
- (2) I am advised that, due to their remoteness, some facilities in Far West NSW Local Health District use limited disposable linen products.

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*2943 PORT OF NEWCASTLE CONTAINER TERMINAL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Premier—

- (1) On what date were you informed:
 - (a) That the Government's terms for developing a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle were included in the Government's contracts leasing Port Botany and Port Kembla to NSW Ports Pty Ltd dated 31 May 2013?
 - (b) That the Government's terms for developing a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle included making a contractual commitment to NSW Ports to pay NSW Ports for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above a minimal specific cap?
 - (c) That the developer of a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle was required to pay the Government for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above a minimal specific cap?
 - (d) That the Government was not authorised by the Ports Assets (Authorised Transactions) Act 2012 or the Ports Assets (Authorised Transactions) Amendment Act 2013, to use consolidated revenue to pay NSW Ports for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above a minimal specific cap?
- (2) Do the Government's terms for developing a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle apply to the existing container terminal for general cargo ships?

Answer—

Given this matter is currently before the court, it would be inappropriate to comment.

*2944 RURAL ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY PROGRAM—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) What was the number of applications, approvals and refusals for all Rural Assistance Authority grants, disaggregated by grant program, borrower, entity (primary producers, small business operators and not for-profits) and by financial year from 2016-17 to the current financial year (as at 12 May 2020) year by:
 - (a) Electorate;
 - (b) Local Government Area;
 - (c) Post Code?
 - (i) Of the not-for-profit organisations, how many are churches?
- (2) What was the number of applications, approvals and refusals for all Rural Assistance Authority loans, disaggregated by grant program, borrower, entity (primary producers, small business operators and not for-profits) and by financial year from 2016-17 to the current year (as at 12 May 2020) year by:
 - (a) Electorate;
 - (b) Local Government Area;
 - (c) Post Code?
 - (i) Of the not-for-profit organisations, how many are churches?
- (3) How many borrowers under all Rural Assistance Authority loans, disaggregated by loan program, borrower entity (primary producer, small business operator and not-for-profit) and by financial year from 2016-17 to the current financial year (as at 12 May 2020) year:
 - (a) Did not make any payments at all (through waivers);
 - (b) Paid the interest amount only;
 - (c) Paid the principal;
 - (d) Defaulted;
 - (e) Requested deferrals?
 - (i) Of these, how many deferrals have been granted?
 - (ii) What was the average number of days between when the borrower applied for a deferral and when they received a response?
- (4) What is the number of borrowers who became or who will become liable to pay principal and interest repayments of the Rural Assistance Authority loans, disaggregated by loan program, borrower entity (primary producer, small business operator and not-for-profit) by:
 - (a) 31 January 2020;
 - (b) 28 February 2020;
 - (c) 31 March 2020;
 - (d) 30 April 2020;
 - (e) 31 May 2020;
 - (f) 30 June 2020;

- (g) 31 July 2020;
 - (h) 31 August 2020;
 - (i) 30 September 2020;
 - (j) 31 October 2020;
 - (k) 30 November 2020;
 - (l) 31 December 2020
- (5) For all Rural Assistance Authority Grant and Loan applications, disaggregated by program:
- (a) How is information about each program provided to potential eligible applicants?
 - (b) What is the average processing time of applications?
 - (c) How many full time equivalent staff have been involved in the processing of application for each month of the 2020 financial year (as at 12 May 2020)?
 - (d) How are approvals communicated to applicants?
 - (e) How are refusals communicated to applicants?
 - (f) What, if any, appeals processes exist?
 - (g) How many appeals have been made (as at 12 May 2020)?
 - (i) Of these, how many have been successful?
 - (h) How many applicants have made representations through a Member of Parliament (as at 12 May 2020)?
 - (i) Of these, how many have been successful?
 - (i) How many applicants have been offered the services of a rural financial counsellor (as at 12 May 2020)?
 - (i) How many have taken up the offer?
 - (j) How many full time equivalent rural financial counsellors have been employed for each month of the 2020 financial year (as at 12 May 2020)?

Answer—

(1) and (2) A breakdown of Rural Assistance Authority (RAA) program expenditure and allocation, including approvals data, is included in the Authority's published annual report. Annual reports from 2012 onwards are available on the RAA's website - www.raa.nsw.gov.au. The annual report for the 2019/20 financial year will be tabled in Parliament in accordance with statutory reporting requirements.

(3) Details on credit risk to the level required by the relevant accounting standards are included in the notes to the RAA Financial Statements, which are published in annual reports.

(4) The Government has waived all interest charges on the Farm Innovation Fund (FIF) and Drought Assistance Fund (DAF) for the 2018-19, 2019-20 financial years and recently announced the waiver will extend for the first half of the 2020-21 financial year. This means no primary producer with a FIF or DAF loan will become liable to pay any interest in 2020.

In regard to RAA's other loan products, interest payable is dependent upon the details of the individual loan.

The RAA will assist primary producers who are experiencing financial hardship or difficulties maintain their loan obligations by negotiating repayment terms on a case-by-case basis. This often includes waiving interest or late payment charges, suspension of payments for a period or temporarily reducing repayment amounts. Details on credit risk to the level required by the relevant accounting standards is included in the notes to the RAA Financial Statements which are published in annual reports.

(5) (a) Potential eligible applicants can access program information through a number of different platforms. The RAA's webpage contains the guidelines and eligibility criteria for all programs and assistance being administered and is supported by the RAA Facebook page, which is updated regularly with new program information and announcements. An applicant can also call the RAA directly on 1800 678 593.

The RAA also communicates directly with its customers via electronic direct mail and SMS. The RAA works closely with key industry stakeholders such as the NSW Rural Financial Counselling service and NSW Farmers Association to ensure communication to as many eligible primary producers as possible.

(b) Processing times for RAA programs and individual applications can vary depending on a number of factors. These include whether the applicant has provided all documentation and evidence required, fluctuations in the quantity of applications received by the RAA and the size and complexity of assistance being sought. For example, in assessing applications for loans the RAA is required to determine serviceability and adequate security to protect the taxpayer interest. As at 22 May 2020 the

average RAA processing time for Special Disaster Bushfire grant was about 12 days and for Special Disaster Bushfire loans the average processing time was 22 days.

(c) As at 29 April 2020 the RAA had about 101 permanent, casual and contingent staff.

(d) and (e) The RAA communicates with applicants in a variety of ways dependent upon client preference and/or how the client applied for assistance. The most common method is through email. How an individual applicant receives approval or refusal notification will depend on their preferred form of communication and will most often include a phone call.

(f) An internal review process is available for all grant and loan decisions made by the RAA. It is general practice for RAA assessment officers to advise clients of their appeal rights at the time of a decision notification. An outline of the appeals process can be found on the RAA's webpage. For the Special Disaster Bushfire Program, an independent appeals panel has been activated to assess appeals and make recommendations. This panel consists of two community representatives who have extensive experience in agribusiness and financial management and one RAA assessment officer who is not directly involved in the Special Disaster Bushfire program.

(g) As at 22 May 2020 for the Special Disaster Bushfire Program, 117 appeals have been lodged, 79 matters have gone before the panel and recommendations have been made. 38 matters are currently being processed. An outline of total program appeals and results will be included in the 2020 RAA Annual Report.

(h) Members of Parliament regularly make representations on behalf of primary producers. Although these representations may assist in providing information additional to that which was provided in the original application, RAA assessment officers then assess each application against relevant program guidelines and progress them on their individual merit when they satisfy the specific guideline criteria.

(i) It is common for RAA staff to refer potentially eligible farmers to the Rural Financial Counselling Service (RFCS) as part of their day-to-day interactions. Due to the frequency of informal referrals it would be impossible to accurately ascertain the number of times a referral is made or the frequency of the referral offer being accepted, however the number would be substantial.

(j) RFCS employment statistics are not held by the NSW Government however the number of counsellors employed by the RFCS can be found in the annual information statements for the Central, Northern and Southern regions on the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission website.

*2945 NSW FAIR TRADING COVID-19 ASSISTANCE—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—

(1) How many calls were made to NSW Fair Trading from 1 February 2020 to 12 May 2020 asking for help and assistance regarding:

(a) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to residential tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 across New South Wales?

(b) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to commercial tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 across New South Wales?

(c) Seeking and applying for emergency housing and accommodation as a result of COVID-19 across New South Wales?

(d) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to residential tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 in:

(i) Bankstown;

(ii) Belmore;

(iii) Beverly Hills;

(iv) Chullora;

(v) Greenacre;

(vi) Lakemba;

(vii) Mount Lewis;

(viii) Narwee;

(ix) Punchbowl;

(x) Riverwood;

(xi) Roselands;

(xii) Wiley Park?

(e) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to commercial tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 in:

(i) Bankstown;

- (ii) Belmore;
 - (iii) Beverly Hills;
 - (iv) Chullora;
 - (v) Greenacre;
 - (vi) Lakemba;
 - (vii) Mount Lewis;
 - (viii) Narwee;
 - (ix) Punchbowl;
 - (x) Riverwood;
 - (xi) Roselands;
 - (xii) Wiley Park?
- (f) Seeking and applying for emergency housing and accommodation as a result of COVID-19:
- (i) Bankstown;
 - (ii) Belmore;
 - (iii) Beverly Hills;
 - (iv) Chullora;
 - (v) Greenacre;
 - (vi) Lakemba;
 - (vii) Mount Lewis;
 - (viii) Narwee;
 - (ix) Punchbowl;
 - (x) Riverwood;
 - (xi) Roselands;
 - (xii) Wiley Park?

Answer—

(1) (a) Service NSW received 2,480 telephone calls, and NSW Fair Trading received 1,681 telephone calls about the Government's tenancy moratorium measures up to 12 May 2020.

(b) and (e) Commercial tenancies do not fall within Fair Trading's area of responsibility. Customers seeking advice about a commercial tenancy are advised to seek legal advice. The Office of the Small Business Commissioner provides advice and assistance for retail tenants and landlords.

(c) and (f) Emergency housing and accommodation fall within the responsibilities of the Department of Communities and Justice.

(d) The table below provides the number of written enquiries, complaints or requests for assistance about the tenancy moratorium measures in the suburbs requested. Note: In some cases, only a postcode has been provided, therefore suburbs with the same postcode are grouped together.

Suburb/Postcode	Complaints and/or requests for assistance with rent negotiation	Written enquiries
Bankstown (2200)	2	9
Belmore (2192)		2
Beverly Hills and Narwee (2209)		5
Chullora, Greenacre and Mount Lewis (2190)		2
Lakemba and Wiley Park (2195)		1
Punchbowl and Roselands (2196)		3
Riverwood (2210)	2	1

*2946 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COVID-19 ASSISTANCE—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) How many calls were made to Family and Community Services 1 February 2020 to 12 May 2020 asking for help and assistance regarding:
- (a) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to residential tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 across New South Wales?
 - (b) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to commercial tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 across New South Wales?
 - (c) Seeking and applying for emergency housing and accommodation as a result of COVID-19 across New South Wales?

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- (d) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to residential tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19:
- (i) Bankstown;
 - (ii) Belmore;
 - (iii) Beverly Hills;
 - (iv) Chullora;
 - (v) Greenacre;
 - (vi) Lakemba;
 - (vii) Mount Lewis;
 - (viii) Narwee;
 - (ix) Punchbowl;
 - (x) Riverwood;
 - (xi) Roselands;
 - (xii) Wiley Park?
- (e) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to commercial tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 in:
- (i) Bankstown;
 - (ii) Belmore;
 - (iii) Beverly Hills;
 - (iv) Chullora;
 - (v) Greenacre;
 - (vi) Lakemba;
 - (vii) Mount Lewis;
 - (viii) Narwee;
 - (ix) Punchbowl;
 - (x) Riverwood;
 - (xi) Roselands;
 - (xii) Wiley Park?
- (f) Seeking and applying for emergency housing and accommodation as a result of COVID-19:
- (i) Bankstown;
 - (ii) Belmore;
 - (iii) Beverly Hills;
 - (iv) Chullora;
 - (v) Greenacre;
 - (vi) Lakemba;
 - (vii) Mount Lewis;
 - (viii) Narwee;
 - (ix) Punchbowl;
 - (x) Riverwood;
 - (xi) Roselands;
 - (xii) Wiley Park?

Answer—

I am advised the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) does not have any involvement in the negotiation of residential or commercial leases. People in need of assistance are able to contact NSW Fair Trading or the Tenants Union of NSW which provides advice and advocacy services.

I am advised that the DCJ has actively promoted the use of its Link2home line and the continued availability of housing and homelessness support services during COVID-19 for anyone needing assistance, including temporary accommodation.

I am advised that information about the number of people assisted by Link2Home is published in the DCJ Annual Report.

*2947 SERVICE NSW COVID-19 ASSISTANCE—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) How many calls were made to Service NSW since 1 February 2020 to 12 May 2020 asking for help and assistance regarding:
- (a) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to residential tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 across New South Wales?
 - (b) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to commercial tenancy agreements as a result of

COVID-19 across New South Wales?

- (c) Seeking and applying for emergency housing and accommodation as a result of COVID-19 across New South Wales?
- (d) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to residential tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19:
 - (i) Bankstown;
 - (ii) Belmore;
 - (iii) Beverly Hills;
 - (iv) Chullora;
 - (v) Greenacre;
 - (vi) Lakemba;
 - (vii) Mount Lewis;
 - (viii) Narwee;
 - (ix) Punchbowl;
 - (x) Riverwood;
 - (xi) Roselands;
 - (xii) Wiley Park?
- (e) Negotiating rent reductions or changes to commercial tenancy agreements as a result of COVID-19 in:
 - (i) Bankstown;
 - (ii) Belmore;
 - (iii) Beverly Hills;
 - (iv) Chullora;
 - (v) Greenacre;
 - (vi) Lakemba;
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 - (ix) Punchbowl;
 - (x) Riverwood;
 - (xi) Roselands;
 - (xii) Wiley Park?
- (f) Seeking and applying for emergency housing and accommodation as a result of COVID-19 in:
 - (i) Bankstown;
 - (ii) Belmore;
 - (iii) Beverly Hills;
 - (iv) Chullora;
 - (v) Greenacre;
 - (vi) Lakemba;
 - (vii) Mount Lewis;
 - (viii) Narwee;
 - (ix) Punchbowl;
 - (x) Riverwood;
 - (xi) Roselands;
 - (xii) Wiley Park?

Answer—

(1) (a) 287 calls.

(b) 535 calls (this includes calls to the Service NSW COVID-19 Hotline via 13 77 88 and the Service NSW Business Concierge service).

(c) 251 calls requesting welfare assistance. This figure includes calls requesting emergency housing, which were transferred to Housing NSW.

(d), (e) and (f) Service NSW does not capture this data by suburb.

*2948 VEHICLE FINES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How many fines were issued for failure to register a vehicle in New South Wales in each year from 2012 to 2020 (to 12 May 2020)?

(2) In each year from 2012 to 2020 (to 12 May 2020), how many fines were issued for failure to register

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a vehicle in the suburbs of:

- (a) Bankstown;
 - (b) Belmore;
 - (c) Beverly Hills;
 - (d) Chullora;
 - (e) Greenacre;
 - (f) Lakemba;
 - (g) Mount Lewis;
 - (h) Narwee;
 - (i) Punchbowl;
 - (j) Riverwood;
 - (k) Roselands;
 - (l) Wiley Park?
- (3) For each of the fines received in (2), how much revenue has been raised in each year from 2012 to 2020 (to 12 May 2020)?
- (4) Has all the revenue raised from fines related to a lack of vehicle registration generated in the all been allocated improving roads in the areas listed in (2)?

Answer—

(1) 2012 – 48,896

2013 – 59,957

2014 – 64,142

2015 – 58,856

2016 – 62,565

2017 – 65,540

2018 – 68,010

2019 – 67,314

2020 – 19,568

*It is not an offence to fail to register a vehicle. The penalty notices in the table above were issued for using or permitting the use of an unregistered vehicle on a road.

(2) and (3) Please see Appendix A.

(4) Revenue collected from fines for failing to register a vehicle currently goes into consolidated revenue.

Consolidated revenue is a critical source of funding for essential infrastructure and community services in New South Wales, including roads, schools, police, transport and health care.

Specific questions about funding for roads should be directed to the Minister for Transport and Roads.

*2949 TAXIS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) How many taxis have received fines for being unregistered since 1 February 2020 (to 12 May 2020) across New South Wales?
- (2) How much of an increase is this compared to the same period in 1 February 2019 (to 12 May 2019)?
- (3) How many taxis have received a fine for lack of registration since 1 February 2020 (to 12 May 2020) in:
- (a) Bankstown;
 - (b) Belmore;
 - (c) Beverly Hills;
 - (d) Chullora;
 - (e) Greenacre;
 - (f) Lakemba;
 - (g) Mount Lewis;
 - (h) Narwee;
 - (i) Punchbowl;
 - (j) Riverwood;
 - (k) Roselands;
 - (l) Wiley Park?
- (4) How is the Government assisting taxi drivers with registration costs during the COVID-19 crisis?

(5) How is the Government providing taxi drivers with somewhere safe to park their taxis while they are unable to work during COVID-19, so that they are not forced to leave their unregistered taxis illegally parked on the street?

(a) Is this a form of revenue raising at the expense of the taxi industry?

(6) How much revenue has been raised from the taxi industry as a result of these fines since 1 February 2020 (to 12 May 2020)?

(7) How much of this revenue has been returned to the taxi industry in the form of support by the Government for drivers currently unable to work?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) to (3) These questions should be directed to the Minister for Finance and Small Business or the Minister for Local Government.

(4) The Government is supporting taxi drivers through this challenging time so they can continue to operate. On 22 May 2020 the Government announced a support package for the taxi industry. The package provides owners of taxis and wheelchair-accessible taxis, operating at 1 May 2020, with a \$2,900 subsidy per vehicle towards the cost of compulsory third party insurance, registration fees and other on-road costs for a period of six months.

This will support around 3,500 taxis to continue to operate across New South Wales. In addition, those currently holding a renewable annual taxi licence issued by the Government will receive a 50 per cent waiver of their annual licence fee. Those eligible will be contacted by the office of the NSW Point-to-Point Transport Commissioner.

The support package also provides a \$500 waiver of 2018-19 authorisation fees for all authorised service providers. This represents a full annual fee waiver for over 1,800 smaller service providers. More information is available at the website of the NSW Point-to-Point Transport Commissioner.

(5) Transport for NSW is not providing off-street parking for taxis whose owners are unable to work during the COVID 19 pandemic.

(6) to (7) Revenue from parking fines, including the parking of unregistered vehicles, is received by the local council that issues the infringement. These questions should be directed to the Minister for Local Government or the Minister for Finance and Small Business.

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2951 WEEDS ACTION PROGRAM—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

2952 MAITLAND FLOOD MOUNDS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—

2953 INVEST NSW—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—

2954 OVER SIZE OVER MASS LICENSES—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

2955 REGIONAL SENIORS TRAVEL CARD IN MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

2956 EFFICIENCY IN COMMERCIAL FISHERIES—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

2957 NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOL OVERSIGHT—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

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- 2962 TRANSURBAN TOLL CLASSIFICATIONS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
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- 2970 RESIDENTIAL TENANCIES PHONE LINE - WAIT TIMES—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—
- 2971 CUMBERLAND POLICE AREA COMMAND - EMPLOYEE HEALTH SAFETY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- 2972 GRANVILLE TAFE - EMPLOYEE HEALTH SAFETY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education—
- 2973 GRANVILLE ELECTORATE - PRIMARY SCHOOLS HEALTH SAFETY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 2974 GRANVILLE ELECTORATE - SCHOOLS PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 2975 GRANVILLE ELECTORATE - MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES INVESTMENT—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
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- 2983 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL AND CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL - MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research representing the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women—
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- 3397 POSSESSION OF CANNABIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) Why were 82.55 per cent of all Indigenous people found in possession of a non-indictable quantity of cannabis pursued through the criminal justice system, compared to only 52.29 per cent of non-Indigenous people, between 2013 and 2017?

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- (2) Why were only 11.41 per cent of Indigenous people found with small amounts of cannabis issued cautions by the NSW Police Force, as opposed to 40.03 per cent of non-Indigenous people, between 2013 and 2017?
- 3398 COVID-19 INFRINGEMENTS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) How many people in New South Wales have been issued with an infringement related to an alleged contravention of a COVID-19 related ministerial direction (as at 16 June 2020)?
- (a) Of this total, how many infringements were issued to people who identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?
- 3399 CUSTODY NOTIFICATION SERVICE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) What has been the total amount spent by the Government on the Custody Notification Service in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2018-19?
- (2) How many times have the NSW Police Force contacted the Custody Notification Service regarding the detention of Indigenous persons for intoxication since the rules were changed in October 2019 to broaden the circumstances under which the service is contacted by the NSW Police Force (to 16 June 2020)?
- 3400 CRIMES ACT SECTION 93Z—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- (1) Since section 93Z of the Crimes Act was introduced, how many of the following have there been:
- (a) Prosecutions;
- (b) Convictions?
- 3401 COURT SYSTEM DIGITAL TOOLS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- (1) What is your response to the analysis by University of Newcastle Law School Dean Professor Tania Sourdin and Victoria University Professor John Zeleznikov that court system digital tools remain in the mere rudimentary tiers of technological change?
- (2) What steps, if any, will you take to improve digital technology in the New South Wales court system?
- 3402 CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL ACT 2013 REVIEW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- When will the current statutory review of the Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 2013 be completed?
- 3403 VICTIM'S SUPPORT PROPOSED CHANGES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- (1) What is the response to the letter by over 80 organisations to the Commissioner Victim's Rights sent on 29 May calling for proposed changes to Victim's Support not to proceed?
- (a) Will the proposed changes be halted?
- (i) If not, why not?
- 3404 TERRORISM (HIGH RISK OFFENDERS) ACT EXTENDED SUPERVISION ORDER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- What review has been undertaken of the decision to unsuccessfully apply for an Extended Supervision Order against George Dickson pursuant to the Terrorism (High Risk Offenders) Act?
- 3405 TRANSCATHETER AORTIC VALVE IMPLANTATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) Do you propose to reduce the number of sites for the transcatheter aortic valve implantation (TAVI) in public hospitals in New South Wales?
- (a) If so, what is the justification for this decision?
- (i) Will your decision prevent a TAVI program at Liverpool Hospital?

- 3406 VICTIMS RIGHTS SUPPORT ACT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- (1) Will you commence the statutory review of the Victims Rights Support Act immediately?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- 3407 INVERELL LOCAL COURT BUILDING—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- (1) Are building works, including painting (internally and externally) and the laying of new carpet being carried out at Inverell Local Court building?
 - (a) If so, is the work being done by non-locals?
 - (i) If the work is being carried out by non-locals, why?
- 3408 BULLI AND THIRROUL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Why did it take the Bulli and Thirroul improvement project 7 months after submissions closed to release its report?
 - (2) What was the cost of producing the Community Consultation Submission Report?
 - (3) When will the project team release the plan to help improve travel times and improve road safety for the residents of the Illawarra's Northern Suburbs?
- 3409 BUSINESS CONNECT ADVISORS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- How many of the 40 new Business Connect Advisors, as announced on 2 June, will be assigned to the Illawarra and South Coast?
- 3410 GAMBLER'S HOTLINE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Customer Service—
- (1) Were any extra resources made available to the Gambler's Hotline during the COVID-19 lockdown?
 - (2) Are any extra resources being made available to the Gambler's Hotline now that lockdown restrictions have begun to ease?
- 3411 INFRASTRUCTURE AND JOB ACCELERATION FUND—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer—
- What fast track projects have been identified by the Government for the Illawarra and South Coast in relation to the new \$3 billion Infrastructure and Job Acceleration Fund?
- 3412 NAMBUCCA STATE FOREST—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- (1) What assessment has been done on the importance of unburnt state forests such as the Nambucca State Forest in providing habitat to threatened species following the 2019-2020 bushfire season?
 - (2) When was this assessment done and who carried it out?
 - (3) Of the threatened species impacted by the recent bushfires, which species live in, pass through or grow in the Nambucca State Forest?
 - (4) Given research shows that logging opens the canopy, dries out the forest floor and that young, densely growing trees burn more easily, what assessments have been done by the Government on the risks of fire following logging operations?
 - (5) What assessment has been done on the increased risk of fire for the Nambucca State Forest - a green belt around the town - as a result of current logging operations?
 - (6) When was this assessment done and who carried it out?
 - (7) Why is the Government using ecological assessments for logging operations that were conducted before the 2019-2020 bushfire season given the landscape has significantly changed since the assessments?
 - (8) How will the Government ensure species on the federal government list of 113 species that require urgent management action after the bushfires will survive if their habitat is logged based on ecological assessments done before the 2019-2020 bushfire season?
- 3413 CAPSICUM SPRAY INCIDENT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) How many people did police use capsicum spray on at Central Railway Station on Saturday 13 June 2020 following the Black Lives Matter rally?

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- (2) For each of those persons, what offences did they commit that led to the use of the spray?
- (3) Were any other people impacted by the capsicum spray and if so, how were they impacted?
- (4) What investigation is being done into the appropriateness of the use of capsicum spray on this occasion and who is conducting the investigation?
- (5) To what extent will the investigation question witnesses?
- 3414 DEATHS IN CUSTODY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- (1) What review has the Government made of Indigenous deaths in custody in New South Wales since 1991?
- (a) What conclusions and recommendations came out of these reviews, and what action has been taken?
- (2) Does the Government consider that current bail laws; mandatory sentencing and public drunkenness provisions unfairly impact on Indigenous Australians?
- (a) What measures has the Government taken to prevent these impacts?
- (3) Has the Government implemented all relevant recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody?
- (a) What recommendations remain to be implemented and when will this occur?
- (4) Has the Government implemented all relevant recommendations of the Australian Law Reform Commission Pathways to Justice report?
- (a) What recommendations remain to be implemented and when will this occur?
- (5) Has the Government implemented all relevant recommendations of coronial inquiries into deaths in custody?
- (a) What recommendations remain to be implemented and when will this occur?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to prevent further deaths in custody?
- 3415 WALLSEND SCHOOLS MAINTENANCE BACKLOG—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) What is the current maintenance backlog (as at 16 June 2020) in the following schools:
- (a) Callaghan College - Jesmond Senior Campus;
- (b) Callaghan College - Wallsend Campus;
- (c) Callaghan College - Waratah Technology Campus;
- (d) Francis Greenway High School;
- (e) Glendale Technology High School;
- (f) Cardiff High School;
- (g) Lambton High School;
- (h) Beresfield Public School;
- (i) Cardiff North Public School;
- (j) Elernmore Vale Public School;
- (k) Glendale East Public School;
- (l) Glendore Public School;
- (m) Heaton Public School;
- (n) Jesmond Public School;
- (o) Lambton Public School;
- (p) Maryland Public School;
- (q) Minmi Public School;
- (r) New Lambton Heights Infants School;
- (s) New Lambton Public School;
- (t) Plattsburg Public School;
- (u) Shortland Public School;
- (v) Tarro Public School;
- (w) Wallsend Public School;
- (x) Wallsend South Public School;
- (y) Waratah Public School;
- (z) Waratah West Public School?
- 3416 WALLSEND ELECTORATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- Considering The Newcastle Herald (5 June 2020) recently reported that there has been a spike in domestic violence and sexual assault cases across the Hunter Region, what action is being taken to reduce domestic violence and to curb coercive and controlling behaviors in the Wallsend electorate?
- 3417 CLINICAL EARLY RESPONSE (PACER) PROGRAM—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research representing the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women—
When will the Clinical Early Response (PACER) Program be expanded to include the Wallsend electorate?
- 3418 AGED CARE HOMES NURSE-TO-RESIDENT RATIOS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
(1) Considering research published in the Medical Journal of Australia shows that nearly 60 per cent of aged care home residents are living with unacceptable staffing levels, what is being done to increase nurse-to-resident ratios in New South Wales?
(a) What is being done at the Wallsend Aged Care Facility?
- 3419 LOCAL SPORTING CLUBS COVID-19 PANDEMIC ASSISTANCE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans—
Considering that many sporting clubs will find it hard to obtain sponsorships from local businesses such as pubs and clubs due to the COVID-19 pandemic, what assistance is the Government providing to local sporting clubs to meet the increased costs of complying with COVID-19 pandemic rules such as additional cleaning and the availability of hand sanitiser stations?
- 3420 COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT DIVERSION PROGRAM—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
Are there any plans to fund the Cognitive Impairment Diversion Program in the Newcastle and Lake Macquarie areas?
- 3421 SEATBELTS ON BUSES—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
(1) How many school buses within the Shellharbour electorate are yet to be fitted with seat belts (as at 5 June 2020)?
(2) Is the Government on track to meet its 2021 target for all regional buses to be fitted with seat belts?
- 3422 ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT SERVICES IN DAPTO AND SURROUNDING AREAS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Customer Service—
Will the Government consider providing the residents of Dapto, West Dapto, Calderwood, and Mashall Mount with access to Government services via a Service NSW Centre Hub at Dapto considering the rapid growth in these areas?
- 3423 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING GUARDS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
(1) How many schools in the Shellharbour Electorate have applied for pedestrian crossing guards following the Government's confirmation that it would hire an additional 300 guards in the NSW Budget 2019-20?
(2) Which schools in the Shellharbour Electorate are expected to obtain a guard?
- 3424 EATING DISORDER BEDS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
(1) How many adult eating disorder beds are there in the Illawarra (as at 12 June 2020)?
(2) How many adolescent eating disorder beds are there in the Illawarra (as at 12 June 2020)?
(3) Will the Government consider increasing the number of beds to support this need?
(a) If so, how?
- 3425 STREET LIGHTING ON LAKE ENTRANCE ROAD—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
(1) Will the Government consider installing street lighting to the northern end of Lake Entrance Road to provide adequate lighting for both pedestrians and motorists?
(a) If not, why not?
- 3426 NOISE ABATEMENT WALL FLINDERS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

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- (1) Will the Government consider installing a noise abatement wall along the Princes Highway at Flinders similar to what was built along the same stretch of road in Kiama?
(a) If not, why not?
- 3427 KOONAWARRA PUBLIC SCHOOL BUS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
(1) Why does the Koonawarra Public School not have a dedicated school bus?
(2) Will the Government consider supporting a bus service for Koonawarra Public School?
(a) If not, why not?
- 3428 ACCESS TO ALBION PARK BYPASS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
When does the Government plan to give residents from Dapto and West Dapto access to the Albion Park Rail bypass?
- 3429 SMALL BUSINESS GRANTS ELIGIBILITY—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer—
(1) Will the Government consider amending the COVID-19 small business grants scheme eligibility requirement of 75 per cent decline in turnover to a requirement of 30 per cent decline in turnover so that more small businesses, sole-traders and small business partnerships within the Bankstown electorate can apply for the scheme?
(a) If not, why not?
- 3430 RELIGIOUS DISCRIMINATION BILL 2019—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
(1) Has the Government completed its consideration of the Commonwealth Government's draft Religious Discrimination Bill 2019 package as indicated in LA Q1139?
(a) If yes, what is the Government response?
(b) If no, what is the timeframe for the Government considering the package and providing a response?
- 3431 UPGRADES TO STACEY STREET BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
What assurances will the Government provide that the Stacey Street and Hume Highway, Bankstown upgrade and the Stacey Street and Fairford Road Upgrade Stage 2 projects will not be delayed due to a funding shortfall considering the Roads and Maritime Services Asset Management Plan 2020-21 to 2029-30 which indicated a \$3.8 billion shortfall for road maintenance as at 30 June 2019?
- 3432 BUSINESSES WHO DO NOT PAY PAYROLL TAX—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
How many sole-traders and small business partnerships who do not pay payroll tax are within the Bankstown electorate?
- 3433 SMALL BUSINESS GRANTS IN BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer—
(1) How many applications for funding under the emergency COVID-19 small business grants scheme have been made by small businesses in the Bankstown electorate (as at 16 June 2020)?
(a) How many applications have been refused (as at 15 June 2020)?
(b) How many applications have been approved (as at 15 June 2020)?
(c) What is the total amount of funding that has been requested (at 15 June 2020)?
(d) What is the total amount of funding that has been approved (as at 15 June 2020)?
- 3434 HERMIDALE MULTI-USER SIDING—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
When will funding be made available to the Bogan Shire Council for the new multi-user siding for the Hermidale Railway to accommodate trains up to 1,200 metre long as announced by the Government in 2018?
- 3435 TRIAL COACH SERVICES FROM BROKEN HILL TO ADELAIDE AND MILDURA—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Will the Government consider extending the trial period for the coach service from Broken Hill to Adelaide and Broken Hill to Mildura, which was dependent on its financial sustainability and customer use, due to COVID-19?
(a) If so, what will be the timeframe for the extension?
- 3436 SOCIAL HOUSING IN WILCANNIA—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
Will the Government consider funding the installation of air conditioning in all social housing in the community of Wilcannia?
- 3437 TRAVEL CARDS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
(1) Is funding available for people with disabilities to access for travel, similar to the senior travel card?
(a) If not, will the Government consider extending the seniors travel card program to people with disabilities?
- 3438 WILCANNIA WEIR PROJECT EXPENDITURE—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
(1) What is the breakdown of the expenditure for the Wilcannia Weir project (as at 16 June 2020)?
(2) What is the remaining balance of the budget (as at 16 June 2020)?
- 3439 SOCIAL HOUSING IN FAR WEST NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
(1) What is the waiting time for social housing in the following areas:
(a) Narrabri;
(b) Boggabri;
(c) Gwabegar;
(d) Wee Waa;
(e) Bourke;
(f) Brewarrina;
(g) Cobar;
(h) Coonabarabran;
(i) Coonamble;
(j) Gilgandra;
(k) Condobolin;
(l) Walgett;
(m) Warren;
(n) Nyngan;
(o) Baradine;
(p) Binnaway;
(q) Collarenebri;
(r) Dunedoo;
(s) Gulargambone;
(t) Lightning Ridge;
(u) Mendooran;
(v) Tottenham;
(w) Broken Hill;
(x) Ivanhoe;
(y) Lake Cargelligo;
(z) Tibooburra;
(aa) Menindee;
(ab) Wilcannia?
- 3440 M5 EAST TOLL ROADS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
Will the Government consider refunding the new tolls on the M5 East if the benchmarks to reduce commutes by 30 minutes, halving traffic and doubling travel speeds, are not met?
- 3441 CASHBACK SCHEME FOR M5 TOLLS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—

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- Will the Government consider introducing a cashback scheme for the new toll on the M5 East tunnels?
- 3442 FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES IN ORAN PARK AND SURROUNDING AREA—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) Which New South Wales Fire and Rescue Metropolitan Zone do the suburbs of Oran Park, Catherine Field, Leppington and Gledswood Hills fall under?
 - (2) Which New South Wales Fire and Rescue stations service the suburbs of Oran Park, Catherine Field, Leppington and Gledswood Hills?
- 3443 A085-18 CROWN CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
- Which body is responsible for enforcing the conditions of consent for A085-18 Crown Cemetery Development Varroville that was approved by the Independent Planning Commission on 15 July 2019?
- 3444 RESPONSES FROM ST ANDREWS FIRE STATION—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) How many incidents did New South Wales Fire and Rescue respond to between 1 January 2020 and 12 June 2020 in the following suburbs:
 - (a) Oran Park;
 - (b) Catherine Field;
 - (c) Gledswood Hills;
 - (d) Leppington?
 - (2) How many of these incidents were attended by crews from St Andrews Fire Station?
- 3445 CORRESPONDENCE POLICY—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
- (1) Does your office have a correspondence policy relating to responses to correspondence from Members of Parliament?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) Is the policy publicly available and where can it be accessed?
 - (i) If the policy is available online, what is the exact website address?
- 3446 CAPITAL WORKS EXPENDITURE ON CROWN LAND—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- (1) What portion of rental payments received by the Department of Industry, or their delegated trustees, under Crown Land leases is to be spent on capital improvement works for that same parcel of Crown Land?
 - (2) What mandatory requirements to ensure accountability, reporting of funds received, and capital expenditure is required by delegated trustees to the Department of Industry?
- 3447 GIRLS DORMITORIES AT YANCO AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) Are conditions, as witnessed in your visit in March 2020, at Yanco Agricultural High School's girls dormitories considered to be unsafe, cramped, and dangerous?
 - (a) If so, will the Government consider providing funds to allow for the building of new girls dormitories to improve upon the current facilities?
- 3448 GRIFFITH RADIATION THERAPY CENTRE—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) Will the Government consider submitting a tender to operate the Commonwealth Government-funded radiation therapy centre in Griffith?
 - (2) What planning and preparation has the Government performed to recruit the workforce required for the Griffith radiation therapy centre?
- 3449 NURSE PRACTITIONER TRAINING—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) What is the current program for the training of nurse practitioners in the Hunter New England,

- Western, and Far West Local Health Districts?
- (2) What are the resourcing requirements for the placement of nurse practitioners in rural areas?
 - (3) If nurses complete this training, are hospitals they are stationed at less likely to gain access to a doctor?
- 3450 BUSINESS CLOSURES IN BANKSTOWN ELECTORATE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) How many businesses within the Bankstown electorate closed permanently between:
 - (a) 1 October 2019 and 31 December 2019;
 - (b) 1 January 2020 and 31 March 2020;
 - (c) 1 April 2020 and 15 June 2020?
- 3451 GIPA APPLICATIONS SYDENHAM-BANKSTOWN LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) How many applications have been made under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (GIPA) with respect to the planned conversion of the Sydenham-Bankstown Line from heavy rail to metro, being the southwest part of the Sydney Metro City and Southwest project in:
 - (a) The last 12 months (as at 15 June 2020)?
 - (b) The last 36 months (as at 15 June 2020)?
- 3452 OUTCOMES OF GIPA REQUESTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) How many Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (GIPA) applications lodged over the last 36 months (as at 15 June 2020) concerning the planned conversion of the Sydenham-Bankstown Line from heavy rail to metro (southwest part of the Sydney Metro City and Southwest project) were decided by:
 - (a) Providing access to the information or deciding that the information was already available to the applicant;
 - (b) A refusal to provide access, or a refusal to confirm or deny whether that information is held due to an overriding public interest against disclosure;
 - (c) A refusal to interact with the application under section 60 of the GIPA?
- 3453 TEMPORARY HOTEL ACCOMMODATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) How many people have been placed in temporary hotel accommodation within the Bankstown electorate to ensure they stay safe and well during the COVID-19 pandemic (as at 15 June 2020)?
 - (a) What is the timeframe for temporary hotel accommodation provided as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic?
 - (b) What additional resources will the Government allocate towards permanent support for people in temporary hotel accommodation within the Bankstown electorate?
- 3454 DIGITAL HEARINGS FOR INDEPENDENT PLANNING COMMISSION—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
- Will the Government consider repealing the decision to hold digital public hearings as part of the Independent Planning Commission's assessment of the Narrabri Gas Project considering the easing of COVID-19 restrictions?
- 3455 ACCESS TO M1 FROM DAPTO—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Will the Government ensure that the residents of Dapto and West Dapto have access to the M1 motorway by building off ramps from Kanahooka Road and Emerson road?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- 3456 FUTURE TRANSPORT 2056—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Has point 22 "Sydney-Wollongong faster rail improvements" of the Future Transport 2056 "Regional New South Wales Initiatives for Investigation (0-10yrs)" begun?
 - (a) If so, what stage is it up to?
 - (2) What improvements have been completed and when are future improvements scheduled for point 27 "Picton Road/Appin Road Improvements" of the same document?
 - (3) When are announcements expected about the "Wollongong Rapid Bus Package" as listed in point

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- (4) When are announcements expected about the "Bus Headstart for Wollongong" as listed in point 25?
- (5) When are announcements expected about the "Bus priority measures on Appin Road" as listed in point 26?

3457 TRADITIONAL OWNER NATIVE STATE FOREST MANAGEMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Premier—

- (1) What assessment has the Government undertaken into the economic and employment opportunities for traditional owners in native state forest management?
- (2) What consultation has occurred with traditional owners about management of native state forests?
- (3) What consideration has the Government given to expanding traditional owner management of native state forests for:
 - (a) Carbon storage;
 - (b) Eco tourism;
 - (c) Cultural tourism;
 - (d) Land management;
 - (e) Fire management;
 - (f) Bushfire recovery?
- (4) Which native state forests are under consideration for the transfer of management to traditional owners?

3458 TRANSCATHETER AORTIC VALVE IMPLANTATION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of evidence comparing Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI) with surgery in treating Aortic Stenosis?
- (2) What is the Government policy about funding for TAVI versus surgery?
- (3) Are there plans to reduce TAVI sites and procedures in public hospitals?
- (4) What is the Government's plan for treatment of Aortic Stenosis?

3459 GREYHOUND RACING INDUSTRY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—

- (1) How many dogs have been euthanised on greyhound racing tracks in New South Wales so far this year (as at 16 June 2020)?
 - (a) What conditions did the dogs have that led to the decision to euthanise them?
- (2) How many dogs were euthanised on greyhound racing tracks in New South Wales in 2019?
- (3) How many retired greyhounds in New South Wales were rehomed in 2019?
 - (a) What proportion of all greyhounds that retired last year does this figure represent?
- (4) What happened to any retired greyhounds that were not rehomed?
- (5) How many greyhounds were bred in New South Wales by the racing industry in 2019 that never raced?
 - (a) Of these, how many were rehomed?
 - (b) What happened to those that were not rehomed?
- (6) What oversight has occurred of greyhounds rehomed by the industry to ensure these dogs went to real persons with a real address and an intended real home as a pet?
- (7) When is the Compliance Animals Register expected to be operating?
 - (a) How will it improve oversight of the rehoming of greyhounds from the racing industry?
 - (b) Will all greyhounds bred in the racing industry be registered under the Compliance Animals Register?
 - (i) If not, which greyhounds will be excluded?

3460 DISCRIMINATION AND VILIFICATION REPORTS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) Are there increasing reports of discrimination and vilification in New South Wales?
- (2) What are the trends in discrimination and vilification reports to the Anti-Discrimination Board over the past 10 years?
- (3) What assessment has the Government made about the need for reform to address matters reported to the Board on grounds not covered under New South Wales legislation?
- (4) What assessment has the Government made about the need to strengthen responses against

discrimination and vilification through:

- (a) Law reform;
 - (b) Policy changes;
 - (c) Service delivery programs;
 - (d) Community education;
 - (e) Support for community initiatives?
- (5) What further plans does the Government have to address community concerns about discrimination and vilification?

3461 PALLIATIVE CARE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the May 2002 report 'Investing to Save: The economics of increased investment in palliative care in Australia', produced by Palliative Care Australia and KPMG?
- (2) How does New South Wales compare with the national data identified in this report?
- (3) How does the Government track the incidence of non-beneficial care in end-of-life hospital admissions?
- (4) How does the Government measure the impact of palliative care on hospital costs?
- (5) What advocacy has the Government carried out with the Commonwealth Government to:
 - (a) Increase specialist palliative care in residential aged care;
 - (b) Identify palliative care explicitly in aged care quality standards;
 - (c) Develop a palliative care minimum data set;
 - (d) Agree a permanent national partnership agreement?
- (6) How does the Government promote advance care planning and educate the community about this approach beyond website material?
- (7) What further action does the Government plan to expand palliative care services in hospitals, community-based and home settings?

3462 INDIGENOUS WOMEN IN NEW SOUTH WALES CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) Has the Attorney General met with representatives from Keeping Women Out of Prison Coalition (KWOOP) to discuss the findings of their recent report showing that between March 2013 and June 2019 the number of women in New South Wales prisons has risen by 33 per cent to 946, and a third of women in New South Wales prisons are Indigenous?
- (2) What is the Government doing to reduce:
 - (a) The number of Indigenous women in New South Wales correction facilities held on remand;
 - (b) The period Indigenous women wait for bail, currently an average of 34 to 58 days;
 - (c) Recidivism by Indigenous women who have been incarcerated?
- (3) How is the Government working to support Indigenous women with children within the criminal justice system?
- (4) How is the Government working to assist Indigenous women who become homeless after being released from correctional facilities?

3463 DRUG OFFENCES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

- (1) Considering the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research data shows that, between 2013 and 2017, 82.55 per cent of all Indigenous people found in possession of a non-indictable quantity of cannabis were pursued through the criminal justice system, compared to only 52.29 per cent of non-Indigenous people; that 11.41 per cent of Indigenous people found with small amounts of cannabis were issued cautions as opposed to 40.03 per cent of non-Indigenous people; and that 92.85 per cent of all Indigenous Australians who attend court for cannabis possession charges were found guilty, does the Attorney General agree that Indigenous people are disproportionately subjected to the criminal justice system in relation to minor drug offences, including the possession of cannabis?
- (2) What is the Government doing to increase the number of Indigenous people accessing drug diversion programs?
- (3) How is the Government increasing support for Indigenous people facing court for drug offences?
- (4) What is the Government doing to reduce recidivism of drug offences within Indigenous communities?

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- 3464 INCARCERATED INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—
- (1) What is the total number of Indigenous people currently incarcerated in New South Wales correctional facilities?
 - (2) How many Indigenous people currently incarcerated in New South Wales correctional facilities have been identified as being at increased risk of contracting COVID-19, including the following:
 - (a) A pregnant woman;
 - (b) A mother with a baby;
 - (c) A person with respiratory illness;
 - (d) A person with diabetes;
 - (e) A person with heart conditions;
 - (f) A person with a suppressed immune system;
 - (g) A person with renal failure;
 - (h) A person with disability;
 - (i) A person over 50 years of age?
 - (3) What specific precautions have been taken by Corrections NSW to prevent incarcerated Indigenous people in New South Wales corrections facilities from contracting COVID-19?
 - (4) What specific precautions have been taken by Corrections NSW to prevent incarcerated Indigenous people in New South Wales corrections facilities from the higher risk categories listed in (2) from contracting COVID-19?
 - (5) How many incarcerated Indigenous people have been provided with a COVID-19 test since 1 January 2020 (as at 16 June 2020)?
- 3465 SUPPORT FOR INDIGENOUS INCARCERATED PERSONS DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—
- (1) What measures have been implemented specifically to connect Indigenous incarcerated persons with their families and communities since the advent of restrictions on visitations to limit the spread of COVID-19?
 - (2) What support and resources have been provided to Indigenous persons being released from corrections facilities during the COVID-19 pandemic to return to their families and communities?
 - (3) What measures have been implemented specifically to make the transfer of Indigenous incarcerated persons between correctional facilities safe during the COVID-19 pandemic?
- 3466 USE OF CHOKEHOLDS AND RESPIRATORY NECK RESTRAINTS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) Are the NSW Police Force permitted to use chokeholds or respiratory neck restraints?
 - (a) If not, what regulations or protocols are in place to specifically prohibit the use of chokeholds or respiratory neck restraints by NSW Police?
 - (2) On how many occasions have NSW Police officers been investigated for the improper use of chokeholds or respiratory neck restraints in each financial year from 2009-10 to 2019-20 (as at 16 June 2020)?
- 3467 FUNDING TO ABORIGINAL LEGAL SERVICE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- (1) What was the total amount of funding provided to the Aboriginal Legal Service by the Government in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2018-19?
 - (2) What additional funding has been provided to the Aboriginal Legal Service to assist Indigenous Australians in response to COVID-19?
- 3468 CIVIL LIABILITY ACT MAURICE BLACKBURN LAWYERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- What is your response to the submission by Maurice Blackburn Lawyers concerning the Civil Liability Act?
- 3469 HOUSING NSW EMPOWERING HOMES PROGRAM—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- (1) Are Housing NSW tenants able to apply for the installation of solar panels and batteries on Housing NSW property roofs through the Empowering Homes Program?
 - (a) If not, is Housing NSW considering the installation of solar panels for Housing NSW tenants?

3470 WALLSEND SCHOOLS SANITARY PRODUCTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

Has the Department of Education increased the amount of money allocated to schools in the Wallsend electorate for the purchase of hand sanitiser, hand soap and toilet paper since 1 March 2020?

3471 WALLSEND ELECTORATE BANK BRANCHES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer—

Considering reports from the Salvation Army show more people are facing financial pressures and are accessing payday loans because of the COVID-19 pandemic, and bank closures are forcing people in the Wallsend electorate to use predatory financial services, what work is being done to keep local bank branches open?

3472 GREEN STEEL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—

(1) What consideration has the Government given to supporting the steel industry's transition to green steel?

(2) Does the Minister support the manufacturing of green steel in the Hunter?

3473 COUNTER TERRORISM TRAINING IN HUNTER VALLEY POLICE DISTRICT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

(1) Is there any specialty training delivered on the topic and methods of counter terrorism to the police officers of the Hunter Valley Police District?

(a) If so, what training is provided?

3474 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EMERGENCY CALLS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

(1) What was the total number of calls to the following police stations in the specific months related to domestic violence:

(a) Gosford Police Station:

- (i) March 2019;
- (ii) April 2019;
- (iii) March 2020;
- (iv) April 2020?

(b) Woy Woy Police Station:

- (i) March 2019;
- (ii) April 2019;
- (iii) March 2020;
- (iv) April 2020?

(2) What was the number of calls to Triple Zero related to domestic violence in the following postcodes in the specified months:

(a) 2250:

- (i) March 2019;
- (ii) April 2019;
- (iii) March 2020;
- (iv) April 2020?

(b) 2256:

- (i) March 2019;
- (ii) April 2019;
- (iii) March 2020;
- (iv) April 2020?

(c) 2257:

- (i) March 2019;
- (ii) April 2019;
- (iii) March 2020;
- (iv) April 2020?

3475 FREE MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION IN GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Customer Service—

How many people from the Granville electorate qualified for free motor vehicle registration in 2019

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because they paid enough in tolls?

3476 WILDLIFE TRADE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) What native animals in New South Wales are subject to the global illegal wildlife trade?
- (2) What activities in New South Wales result in threats to those animals being trafficked?
- (3) What action is the Government taking to prevent wildlife trafficking of animals native to the state, including working with other states and territories and the Commonwealth Government?
- (4) What wildlife from other jurisdictions is illegally trafficked into New South Wales?
 - (a) What biosecurity risks does this present?
- (5) What role does New South Wales play in preventing the international illegal wildlife trade?

3477 NEW SOUTH WALES LAND CLEARING INCREASE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) What consultation will the Government undertake with environment groups in establishing a response to the Natural Resources Commission review of private land clearing?
- (2) What risk factors has the Government identified with regard to unlawful and unexplained clearing?
- (3) How is the Government strengthening the native vegetation compliance framework?
- (4) What measures is the Government considering to better identify unlawful and unexplained clearing?
- (5) What measures is the Government considering to better enforce existing native vegetation controls?
- (6) What other measures is the Government considering to reduce the rate of unlawful and unexplained clearing?
- (7) Is the Government concerned about the impact lawful clearing is having on the state's biodiversity, particularly given cumulative impacts from the recent bushfires and logging operations?
- (8) When will the native vegetation regulatory maps be publicly released?

3478 DISASTER ASSISTANCE TABULAM—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

When will construction begin for residents who have had rebuilds approved after losing their homes in the February 2019 fires at Tabulam in the Lismore electorate?

3479 FARMING GRANTS SCHEME—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) Will the Government provide funding to reintroduce a grant scheme for famers to apply for matching funds (dollar-for-dollar) for netting where evidence of flying foxes is found on properties?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (2) Are there other dollar-for-dollar grant programs available for farmers to access that can assist with netting costs?

3480 DEER CONTROL PROGRAM—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) How much of the \$9 million committed to the deer control program will be provided to the Hunter region?
- (2) What are the expected dates of commencement and conclusion?

3481 TAXIS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) How many taxis have received fines for being unregistered since 1 February 2020 (to 12 May 2020) across New South Wales?
- (2) How much of an increase is this compared to the same period in 1 February 2019 (to 12 May 2019)?
- (3) How many taxis have received a fine for lack of registration since 1 February 2020 (to 12 May 2020) in:
 - (a) Bankstown;
 - (b) Belmore;
 - (c) Beverly Hills;
 - (d) Chullora;
 - (e) Greenacre;
 - (f) Lakemba;
 - (g) Mount Lewis;
 - (h) Narwee;
 - (i) Punchbowl;

- (j) Riverwood;
 - (k) Roselands;
 - (l) Wiley Park?
- (4) How much revenue has been raised from the taxi industry as a result of these fines since 1 February 2020 (to 12 May 2020)?
- (5) How much of this revenue has been returned to the taxi industry in the form of support by the Government for drivers currently unable to work?
- 3482 GOVERNMENT REBATES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
- (1) Between 12 March 2019 and 12 May 2020, how many people in New South Wales applied for assistance under the:
- (a) Private Rental Subsidy;
 - (b) Rent Choice Subsidy?
- 3483 FAMILY ENERGY REBATE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- Between 12 March 2019 and 12 May 2020, how many people in New South Wales applied for assistance under the Family Energy Rebate?
- 3484 GOVERNMENT REBATES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Between 12 March 2019 and 12 May 2020, how many people in New South Wales applied for assistance under the
- (a) Caravan and Camper Trailer Motor Vehicle Tax Reduction program;
 - (b) Apprentice Registration Rebate?
- 3485 DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE SUPPORTIVE MEASURES—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- How is the Government supporting at-risk mothers and their children to maintain distance learning if they have been displaced by family violence?
- 3486 VEHICLE FINES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Has all the revenue raised from fines related to a lack of vehicle registration, as stated in LA Q2948, in each year from 2012 to 2020 (to 12 May 2020), been allocated to improving roads in the areas listed below:
- (a) Bankstown;
 - (b) Belmore;
 - (c) Beverly Hills;
 - (d) Chullora;
 - (e) Greenacre;
 - (f) Lakemba;
 - (g) Mount Lewis;
 - (h) Narwee;
 - (i) Punchbowl;
 - (j) Riverwood;
 - (k) Roselands;
 - (l) Wiley Park?

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Questions to Chairs of Committees

Publication of Questions	Question asked on
Q & A No. 30 (Including Question Nos 1489 to 1530)	Tuesday 15 October 2019

QCC 0003 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Chair of the Legislative Assembly Committee on Community Services, Ms Wendy Lindsay MP—

(1) On what date(s) has the Legislative Assembly Committee on Community Services (the Committee) met since your appointment as Chair?

- (a) Where were each of those meetings held?
- (b) What was the duration of each meeting (as recorded in the minutes)?
- (c) What policy issues/other matters were discussed at each meeting?

(2) On what date(s) are any future meetings of the Committee scheduled to be held?

(3) Besides the meetings identified in part (1), what other activities have you engaged in as part of your role as Chair of the Committee?

(4) On average, approximately how many hours per week do you spend completing work directly relating to your role as Chair of the Committee (not including work performed by your staff or Committee secretariat staff)?

QCC 0004 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Chair of the Legislative Assembly Committee on Transport and Infrastructure, Ms Robyn Preston MP—

(1) On what date(s) has the Legislative Assembly Committee on Transport and Infrastructure (the Committee) met since your appointment as Chair?

- (a) Where were each of those meetings held?
- (b) What was the duration of each meeting (as recorded in the minutes)?
- (c) What policy issues/other matters were discussed at each meeting?

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Appendix A

Crown Land Caravan Parks

Caravan Parks	New South Wales electorate
Albury Central Tourist Park	Albury
Ball Park Caravan Park	Albury
Finley Lakeside Caravan Park	Albury
Ski Club Holiday Park	Albury
Tumbarumba Creek Caravan Park	Albury
Mullumbimby Showground Ballina	Ballina
Reflections Holiday Parks Clarkes Beach	Ballina
Reflections Holiday Parks Ferry Reserve	Ballina
Reflections Holiday Parks Lennox Head	Ballina
Reflections Holiday Parks Massey Greene	Ballina
Reflections Holiday Parks Shaws Bay	Ballina
Reflections Holiday Parks Terrace Reserve	Ballina
Boggabri Caravan Park	Barwon
Brewarrina Caravan Park	Barwon
Coonamble Riverside Caravan Park	Barwon
Gilgandra Caravan Park	Barwon
Menindee Bridge Caravan Park	Barwon
Menindee Lakes Caravan Park	Barwon
Narrabri Big Sky Caravan Park	Barwon
Packsaddle Roadhouse	Barwon
Penrose Park	Barwon
Riverview Caravan Park	Barwon
Silverland Caravan Park Road House Barwon	Barwon
Victory Park Caravan Park	Barwon
Wee Waa Showground	Barwon
Jenolan Caravan Park	Bathurst
Rylstone Caravan Park	Bathurst
Bega Showground	Bega
BIG 4 at Easts Riverside Holiday Park	Bega
BIG4 Batemans Bay Beach Resort	Bega
BIG4 Broulee Beach Holiday Park	Bega
BIG4 Narooma Easts Holiday Park	Bega
BIG4 South Durras Holiday Park	Bega
Discovery Holiday Parks Pambula Beach	Bega
Easts Dolphin Beach Holiday Park	Bega
Garden of Eden Caravan Park	Bega
NRMA Merimbula Beach Holiday Park	Bega
Reflections Holiday Parks Bermagui	Bega
Reflections Holiday Parks Eden	Bega
Reflections Holiday Parks Pambula	Bega
Surf Beach Holiday Park Resort	Bega
Tathra Beach Motor Village	Bega
Tathra Beachside	Bega
Tuross Beach Holiday Park	Bega
Blackheath Glen Tourist Park	Blue Mountains
Katoomba Falls Tourist Park	Blue Mountains
Brooms Head Caravan Park	Clarence
Calypso Yamba Holiday Park	Clarence
Coraki Riverside Caravan Park	Clarence
Grafton Greyhound Racing Club Caravan Park	Clarence
Iluka Riverside Tourist Park	Clarence
Koinonia By The Sea	Clarence
Minnie Water Holiday Park	Clarence
Reflections Holiday Parks Evans Head	Clarence
Wooli Camping and Caravan Park	Clarence

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Caravan Parks	New South Wales electorate
BIG4 Sawtell Beach Holiday Park (Coffs Coast State Park)	Coffs Harbour
Koala Villas and Caravan Park Coffs Harbour	Coffs Harbour
Park Beach Holiday Park (Coffs Coast State Park)	Coffs Harbour
Reflections Holiday Parks Coffs Harbour	Coffs Harbour
Reflections Holiday Parks Corindi Beach	Coffs Harbour
Reflections Holiday Parks Moonee Beach	Coffs Harbour
Reflections Holiday Parks Red Rock	Coffs Harbour
Woolgoolga Beach Holiday Park	Coffs Harbour
Woolgoolga Lakeside Holiday Park	Coffs Harbour
Coolamon Caravan Park	Cootamundra
Cootamundra Caravan Park	Cootamundra
Cowra Van Park	Cootamundra
Gundagai River Camping and Caravan Park	Cootamundra
Harden Caravan Park	Cootamundra
Junee Tourist Park	Cootamundra
Lake Talbot Tourist Park	Cootamundra
Reflections Holiday Parks Wyangala Waters (Wyangala Waters State Park)	Cootamundra
Temora Caravan Park	Cootamundra
Temora Showground	Cootamundra
West Wyalong Caravan Park	Cootamundra
Reflections Holiday Parks Cudgegong River	Dubbo
Reflections Holiday Parks Cudgegong Waters (Cudgegong Waters State Park)	Dubbo
Reflections Holiday Parks Lake Burrendong (Lake Burrendong State Park)	Dubbo
Reflections Holiday Parks Mookerawa (Lake Burrendong State Park)	Dubbo
Wellington Caves Caravan Park	Dubbo
Picnic Point Caravan Park	East Hills
NRMA Ocean Beach Holiday Park	Gosford
Patonga Camping Grounds	Gosford
Boorowa Caravan Park	Goulburn
Crookwell Caravan Park	Goulburn
Reflections Holiday Parks Burrinjuck Waters (Burrinjuck Waters State Park)	Goulburn
Reflections Holiday Parks Grabine Lakeside (Grabine Lakeside State Park)	Goulburn
Yass Caravan Park	Goulburn
Torrens Water Ski Gardens & Caravan Park	Hawkesbury
Bulli Beach Tourist Park	Keira
Corrimal Beach Tourist Park	Keira
Holiday Haven Kangaroo Valley	Kiama
Holiday Haven Shoalhaven Heads	Kiama
Kiama Harbour Cabins	Kiama
Kiama Showground Campground	Kiama
Nowra Showground	Kiama
Seven Mile Beach Holiday Park	Kiama
Surf Beach Holiday Park	Kiama
Werri Beach Holiday Park	Kiama
Bonalbo Caravan Park	Lismore
Kyogle Gardens Caravan Park	Lismore
Lismore Showground	Lismore
Woodenbong Reserve	Lismore
Bombala Caravan Park	Monaro
Delegate Caravan Park	Monaro
NRMA Jindabyne Holiday Park	Monaro
Queanbeyan Riverside Tourist Park	Monaro
Rainbow Pines Tourist Caravan Park	Monaro
Snowy River Holiday Park	Monaro
Wallacia Caravan Park and Camping Ground	Mulgoa

Caravan Parks	New South Wales electorate
Balranald Caravan Park	Murray
Barham Caravan and Tourist Park	Murray
Berrigan Lions Caravan Park	Murray
BIG4 Tocomwal Tourist Park	Murray
Buronga Riverside Caravan Park	Murray
Darlington Point Riverside Caravan Park	Murray
Hillston Caravan Park	Murray
Liston Caravan Park	Murray
McLean Beach Caravan Park	Murray
Moama Riverside Holiday and Tourist Park	Murray
Willowbend Caravan Park	Murray
Lanis on the Beach Myall Lakes	Myall Lakes
Reflections Holiday Parks Forster Beach	Myall Lakes
Reflections Holiday Parks Seal Rocks	Myall Lakes
Reflections Holiday Parks Tuncurry	Myall Lakes
NRMA Stockton Beach Holiday Park	Newcastle
Armidale Showground	Northern Tablelands
Bingara Riverside Caravan Park	Northern Tablelands
Copeton Northern Foreshores	Northern Tablelands
Emmaville Caravan Park	Northern Tablelands
Inverell Showground	Northern Tablelands
Moree Showground Caravan & Camping	Northern Tablelands
North Star Holiday Resort	Northern Tablelands
Reflections Holiday Parks Copeton Waters (Copeton Waters State Park)	Northern Tablelands
Tingha Gems Caravan Park	Northern Tablelands
Uralla Caravan Park	Northern Tablelands
Warialda Caravan Park	Northern Tablelands
Yetman Caravan Park	Northern Tablelands
Apex Riverside Tourist Park	Orange
Canowindra Caravan Park	Orange
Cudal Caravan Park	Orange
Parkes Showground	Orange
Spicer Park Caravan Park	Orange
Crescent Head Holiday Park	Oxley
Grassy Head Holiday Park	Oxley
Hat Head Holiday Park	Oxley
Horseshoe Bay Holiday Park	Oxley
Ingenia Holidays South West Rocks	Oxley
Kempsey Showground	Oxley
Reflections Holiday Parks Hungry Head	Oxley
Reflections Holiday Parks Mylestom	Oxley
Reflections Holiday Parks Nambucca Heads	Oxley
Reflections Holiday Parks Scotts Head	Oxley
Reflections Holiday Parks Urunga	Oxley
Stuarts Point Holiday Park	Oxley
NRMA Sydney Lakeside Holiday Park	Pittwater
BIG4 Sundowner Breakwall Tourist Park	Port Macquarie
Discovery Park Harrington	Port Macquarie
Reflections Holiday Parks Bonny Hills	Port Macquarie
Reflections Holiday Parks North Haven	Port Macquarie
Birubi Beach Holiday Park	Port Stephens
Fingal Bay Holiday Park	Port Stephens
Fingal Holiday Park	Port Stephens
Halifax Holiday Park	Port Stephens
One Mile Beach Holiday Park	Port Stephens
Reflections Holiday Parks Hawks Nest	Port Stephens
Reflections Holiday Parks Jimmys Beach	Port Stephens
Shoal Bay Holiday Park	Port Stephens
Reflections Holiday Parks Killalea Reserve	Shellharbour

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Caravan Parks	New South Wales electorate
Shellharbour Beachside Tourist Park	Shellharbour
Windang Beach Tourist Park	Shellharbour
Alamein Caravan Park	South Coast
Beach Haven Holiday Resort	South Coast
Bundilla Caravan Park	South Coast
Burrill Pines Caravan Park and Lagoon Point Conference Centre	South Coast
Bushy Tail Caravan Park	South Coast
Dolphins Point Tourist Park	South Coast
Durras Lake North Holiday Park	South Coast
Holiday Haven Bendalong	South Coast
Holiday Haven Burrill Lake	South Coast
Holiday Haven Culburra Beach	South Coast
Holiday Haven Currarong	South Coast
Holiday Haven Huskisson Beach	South Coast
Holiday Haven Lake Conjola	South Coast
Holiday Haven Lake Tabourie	South Coast
Holiday Haven Swan Lake	South Coast
Holiday Haven Ulladulla	South Coast
Holiday Haven White Sands	South Coast
Joalah Holiday Park	South Coast
Kioloa Beach Holiday Park	South Coast
Lake Conjola Waterfront Holiday Park	South Coast
Lakesea Caravan Park	South Coast
Lakeside Cabins and Holiday Village	South Coast
Merry Beach Caravan Park	South Coast
Riverside Caravan Park	South Coast
Seacrest Caravan Park	South Coast
Surfside Cudmirrah Beach	South Coast
Belmont Lakeside Holiday Park	Swansea
Blacksmiths Beachside Holiday Park	Swansea
Budgewoi Holiday Park	Swansea
Swansea Lakeside Holiday Park	Swansea
Fossickers Tourist Park Nundle	Tamworth
Manilla Rivergums Caravan Park	Tamworth
Reflections Holiday Parks Lake Keepit (Lake Keepit State Park)	Tamworth
Blue Lagoon Beach Resort	The Entrance
Sun Valley Tourist Park	The Entrance
Toowoona Bay Holiday Park	The Entrance
Boys Bay Holiday Park	Tweed
Hastings Point Holiday Park	Tweed
Kingscliff Beach Holiday Park	Tweed
Kingscliff North Holiday Park	Tweed
Pottsville North Holiday Park	Tweed
Pottsville South Holiday Park	Tweed
Merriwa Caravan Park	Upper Hunter
Quirindi Caravan Park	Upper Hunter
Reflections Holiday Parks Lake Glenbawn (Lake Glenbawn State Park)	Upper Hunter
Williams River Holiday Park	Upper Hunter
Riverglade Caravan Park Wagga Wagga	Wagga Wagga
Wagga Wagga Beach Caravan Park	Wagga Wagga
Canton Beach Holiday Park	Wyang
Norah Head Holiday Park	Wyang

Appendix B

Agency Name	Amount \$
Agency for Clinical Innovation	\$8,670
Art Gallery of New South Wales Trust	\$704,836
Audit Office of NSW	\$164,919
Australian Museum Trust	\$5,000
Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust	\$4,500
Corrective Services NSW	\$36,908
Department of Education	\$364,393
Department of Family and Community Services	\$186,320
Department of Finance Services and Innovation	\$17,100
Department of Justice	\$88,855
Department of Planning and Environment	\$207,601
Department of Premier and Cabinet	\$48,763
Destination NSW	\$65,113
Environment Protection Authority	\$89,218
Fire and Rescue NSW	\$11,334
Health Administration Corporation	\$3,991
Hunter Development Corporation	\$121,014
Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority	\$25,512
Independent Planning Commission	\$42,024
Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal	\$29,433
Information and Privacy Commission	\$1,769
Infrastructure NSW	\$151,240
Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network	\$115,352
Legal Services Council	\$1,620
Mine Subsidence Board	\$66,612
Natural Resources Commission	\$20,000
New South Wales Land and Housing Corporation	\$205,241
NSW Health Pathology	\$29,582
NSW Police Force	\$1,144,787
Office of Local Government	\$72,325
Office of Racing	\$92,440
Office of Responsible Gambling	\$21,267
Office of State Revenue	\$276,710
Office of Legal Services Commissioner	\$9,240
Office of the Sheriff of NSW	\$27,434
Place Management NSW	\$97,090
Port Authority of New South Wales	\$124,961
Property NSW	\$38,011
Rail Corporation New South Wales	\$1,832
Roads and Maritime Services	\$4,636,835
Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust	\$129,329
State Library of New South Wales	\$97,356
Sydney Children's Hospitals Network	\$6,610
Sydney Living Museums	\$74,848
Sydney Trains	\$98,748
Taronga Conservation Society Australia	\$2,000
Transport for NSW	\$2,748,308
Western Sydney Parklands Trust	\$33,647
Fair Trading	\$250
GovDC	\$3,633
Local Health Districts	\$537,030

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Liquor and Gamin NSW	\$25,512
Botanic Garden & Centennial Parklands	\$127,313
UrbanGrowth NSW	\$994,116

Appendix C

Penalty Notices issued for use or permit use of unregistered vehicle 2012-May 2020 by selected customer suburbs.

2012			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	229	207	\$109,174
Belmore	96	85	\$42,612
Beverly Hills	61	58	\$28,946
Chullora	7	7	\$3,974
Greenacre	215	200	\$106,364
Lakemba	117	102	\$48,039
Mount Lewis	14	14	\$8940
Narwee	28	23	\$11,988
Punchbowl	137	127	\$62,948
Riverwood	60	54	\$29,241
Roselands	62	57	\$29,887
Wiley Park	46	44	\$22,674
Grand Total	1,072	978	\$504,787

2013			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	270	250	\$136,987
Belmore	139	127	\$68,020
Beverly Hills	83	77	\$42,747
Chullora	8	6	\$3,013
Greenacre	237	215	\$124,803
Lakemba	117	98	\$53,063
Mount Lewis	17	15	\$6,510
Narwee	30	30	\$15,683
Punchbowl	205	185	\$104,362
Riverwood	80	71	\$40,953
Roselands	80	73	\$41,553
Wiley Park	63	59	\$32,746
Grand Total	1,329	1,206	\$670,441

2014			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	360	332	\$177,680
Belmore	133	120	\$65,227
Beverly Hills	75	68	\$40,449
Chullora	10	6	\$3,658
Greenacre	248	219	\$124,990
Lakemba	131	115	\$62,619
Mount Lewis	15	13	\$7,955
Narwee	49	47	\$28,258
Punchbowl	1,669	159	\$89,125
Riverwood	89	83	\$44,581
Roselands	117	107	\$58,425
Wiley Park	78	67	\$33,108
Grand Total	1,474	1,336	\$736,076

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2015			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	289	279	\$154,540
Belmore	146	139	\$79,391
Beverly Hills	80	77	\$40,023
Chullora	11	9	\$5,635
Greenacre	244	225	\$130,741
Lakemba	120	110	\$59,111
Mount Lewis	19	18	\$10,038
Narwee	50	49	\$23,232
Punchbowl	185	169	\$93,082
Riverwood	85	74	\$44,615
Roselands	86	84	\$48,652
Wiley Park	70	65	\$36,097
Grand Total	1,385	1,298	\$725,156

2016			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	305	285	\$152,901
Belmore	127	121	\$61,358
Beverly Hills	86	83	\$48,707
Chullora	8	8	\$4,498
Greenacre	265	240	\$137,074
Lakemba	117	103	\$62,780
Mount Lewis	18	17	\$9,795
Narwee	37	35	\$18,243
Punchbowl	207	196	\$108,344
Riverwood	104	95	\$55,503
Roselands	108	101	\$60,107
Wiley Park	63	56	\$27,935
Grand Total	1,445	1,340	\$747,243

2017			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	353	324	\$176,466
Belmore	115	103	\$52,828
Beverly Hills	71	67	\$30,215
Chullora	7	7	\$4,568
Greenacre	272	242	\$132,511
Lakemba	103	95	\$48,220
Mount Lewis	16	15	\$5,917
Narwee	54	52	\$29,966
Punchbowl	203	189	\$99,005
Riverwood	107	100	\$51,740
Roselands	106	103	\$45,713
Wiley Park	89	85	\$41,109
Grand Total	1,496	1,383	\$718,276

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2018			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	367	333	\$155,846
Belmore	146	132	\$59,073
Beverly Hills	95	88	\$49,559
Chullora	5	3	\$1,332
Greenacre	317	298	\$142,765
Lakemba	131	119	\$54,886
Mount Lewis	13	12	\$3,278
Narwee	48	42	\$22,546
Punchbowl	232	223	\$96,807
Riverwood	129	120	\$61,569
Roselands	112	108	\$59,372
Wiley Park	78	71	\$37,103
Grand Total	1,673	1,549	\$747,137

2019			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	310	288	\$97,540
Belmore	145	125	\$47,560
Beverly Hills	96	85	\$36,936
Chullora	5	4	\$2,058
Greenacre	258	240	\$88,298
Lakemba	137	125	\$35,185
Mount Lewis	7	7	\$4,077
Narwee	40	37	\$17,173
Punchbowl	271	232	\$71,496
Riverwood	130	123	\$55,427
Roselands	106	95	\$46,358
Wiley Park	70	64	\$18,418
Grand Total	1,575	1,425	\$520,526

2020			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	89	48	\$18,651
Belmore	44	22	\$8,252
Beverly Hills	33	20	\$8,366
Chullora	2	0	\$0
Greenacre	81	40	\$8,167
Lakemba	32	25	\$4,143
Mount Lewis	7	4	\$2,744
Narwee	16	10	\$5,488
Punchbowl	84	51	\$14,474
Riverwood	36	24	\$9,255
Roselands	37	23	\$11,036
Wiley Park	22	15	\$6,860
Grand Total	483	282	\$97,343

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Penalty Notices issued for use or permit use of unregistered vehicle 2012-May 2020 by selected offence suburbs

2012			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	246	23	\$122,716
Belmore	21	19	\$8,742
Beverly Hills	115	104	\$54,116
Chullora	26	23	\$11,924
Greenacre	111	106	\$54,539
Lakemba	32	30	\$14,985
Mount Lewis	1	1	\$530
Narwee	16	15	\$7,393
Punchbowl	88	87	\$45,240
Riverwood	61	58	\$32,109
Roselands	101	95	\$43,270
Wiley Park	43	39	\$19,001
Grand Total	861	808	\$414,566

2013			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	263	241	\$131,870
Belmore	20	19	\$10,312
Beverly Hills	279	258	\$149,042
Chullora	33	28	\$16,057
Greenacre	95	89	\$47,625
Lakemba	39	37	\$21,222
Mount Lewis	2	2	\$1,124
Narwee	40	37	\$21,177
Punchbowl	79	71	\$40,413
Riverwood	115	103	\$60,788
Roselands	83	76	\$40,482
Wiley Park	31	29	\$14,804
Grand Total	1,079	990	\$554,915

2014			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	219	190	\$107,375
Belmore	26	26	\$14,374
Beverly Hills	285	273	\$161,023
Chullora	25	22	\$1,162
Greenacre	92	87	\$52,150
Lakemba	33	29	\$14,588
Mount Lewis	2	1	\$623
Narwee	41	37	\$20,570
Punchbowl	58	55	\$29,783
Riverwood	125	112	\$61,966
Roselands	70	60	\$31,377
Wiley Park	54	48	\$24,650
Grand Total	1,030	970	\$530,111

2015			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	292	265	\$149,830
Belmore	24	24	\$12,852
Beverly Hills	176	168	\$102,101
Chullora	23	20	\$11,347
Greenacre	111	102	\$59,089
Lakemba	51	48	\$25,179
Mount Lewis	3	3	\$1,246
Narwee	46	42	\$23,951
Punchbowl	69	62	\$32,996
Riverwood	104	98	\$57,067
Roselands	94	88	\$47,897
Wiley Park	47	41	\$22,942
Grand Total	1,040	961	\$546,498

2016			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	244	226	\$125,064
Belmore	24	21	\$10,563
Beverly Hills	163	155	\$92,180
Chullora	35	31	\$18,575
Greenacre	101	93	\$52,172
Lakemba	42	39	\$20,118
Mount Lewis	2	2	\$650
Narwee	31	29	\$16,410
Punchbowl	87	81	\$43,170
Riverwood	130	120	\$70,498
Roselands	73	65	\$32,201
Wiley Park	37	36	\$18,687
Grand Total	969	898	\$500,287

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2017			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	272	2566	\$131,016
Belmore	25	22	\$11,163
Beverly Hills	106	104	\$59,953
Chullora	12	11	\$6,509
Greenacre	109	101	\$52,866
Lakemba	40	38	\$18,985
Mount Lewis	1	0	\$0
Narwee	36	35	\$20,012
Punchbowl	72	66	\$31,414
Riverwood	122	115	\$63,000
Roselands	87	77	\$37,748
Wiley Park	37	37	\$18,721
Grand Total	919	862	\$451,385

2018			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	258	241	\$117,780
Belmore	31	28	\$12,647
Beverly Hills	126	116	\$60,756
Chullora	14	14	\$8,912
Greenacre	139	134	\$63,682
Lakemba	48	43	\$16,909
Mount Lewis	3	2	\$673
Narwee	26	24	\$13,322
Punchbowl	94	91	\$43,089
Riverwood	126	120	\$62,641
Roselands	84	77	\$33,878
Wiley Park	30	38	\$18,458
Grand Total	988	928	\$452,747

2019			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	302	281	\$101,860
Belmore	30	30	\$14,125
Beverly Hills	129	121	\$60,743
Chullora	12	12	\$5,142
Greenacre	136	123	\$45,871
Lakemba	37	34	\$6,169
Mount Lewis	3	3	\$1,036
Narwee	40	37	\$17,773
Punchbowl	132	123	\$45,592
Riverwood	176	163	\$68,575
Roselands	69	59	\$21,164
Wiley Park	60	29	\$10,956
Grand Total	1096	1015	\$39,9005

2020			
Customer Suburb	Penalty Notices Issued	Penalty Notices Paid or Enforced	Amount Paid
Bankstown	91	50	\$14,000
Belmore	18	13	\$3,450
Beverly Hills	48	30	\$13,184
Chullora	4	2	\$686
Greenacre	35	20	\$7,602
Lakemba	11	8	\$3,430
Mount Lewis			
Narwee	7	6	\$1,399
Punchbowl	40	21	\$10,290
Riverwood	29	20	\$6,990
Roselands	23	14	\$3,430
Wiley Park	17	10	\$2,058
Grand Total	323	194	\$66,519

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