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- 5709 PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF WEE WAA HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education, and Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) Will consideration be given to the Wee Waa community's expressed interest in a speciality Agricultural Technology High School utilising the research capacity and farmer utilisation of the new technology in the district?
  - (2) Will the Minister ensure there is proper resourcing for this consideration?
- 5710 WEE WAA HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education, and Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) What is the total number of students currently enrolled at Wee Waa High School as at 6 May 2021?
  - (2) What is the enrolment capacity of Wee Waa High School?
  - (3) Does the Department of Education hold modelling data on projected student numbers?
    - (a) If so, will the Minister publicly release this data?
- 5711 NEWCASTLE RECREATION RESERVE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Premier representing the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts—
- (1) On what date did the Minister receive the Heritage Council's recommendation to list the Newcastle Recreation Reserve on the State Heritage Register?
  - (2) Has the Minister fulfilled the requirements under Section 34 (1) of the Heritage Act 1977?
    - (a) If not, why not?
- 5712 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SERVICES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Customer Service, and Minister for Digital—
- (1) Does the Newcastle Service Centre provide Justice of the Peace (JP) services for community members?
    - (a) If so, how many employees at the Newcastle Service Centre are JPs?
    - (b) If so, what times are JP services available?
- 5713 HICKSON STREET LOOKOUT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- (1) Are there any plans to upgrade or improve disability access at the Hickson Street Lookout at Glenrock State Conservation Area?

- (a) If so, when?
- (b) If not, why not?

5714 RENTAL VACANCY RATE IN NEWCASTLE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) Is the current rental vacancy rate in Newcastle under 1 per cent?
- (2) What consideration has been given to specialist homelessness services (SHS) in Newcastle who are seeing unprecedented demand for their services?
- (3) Can it take up to eight weeks to get an appointment with a case worker at some SHS providers in Newcastle?
- (4) Will the Minister consider providing additional resources to these services to assist them in managing their demand?
- (5) What other options is the Minister exploring to assist in managing the current housing crisis?

5715 COASTAL AND ESTUARY GRANTS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) How much has been spent from the Coastal and Estuary Grants Program (as at 7 May 2021)?
  - (a) What funds are remaining in the Coastal and Estuary Grants Program?

5716 ELECTRIC SCOOTERS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering electric scooters are used widely across New South Wales, why are they still illegal?
- (2) Will legalisation of the use of electric scooters in New South Wales be considered?
- (3) What other Australian jurisdictions have legalised the use of electric scooters?

5717 NEWCASTLE LIGHT RAIL WARNING SIGNS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—

Are there any plans to remove the variable message signs located at the approaches to the Newcastle Light Rail crossing at Stewart Avenue?

5718 NEWCASTLE PORT RESTRICTIONS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Is the purpose of the penalty on container traffic at the Port of Newcastle to create a disincentive or obstacle to developing a container terminal?
  - (a) If not, what is the purpose of the penalty on container traffic at the Port of Newcastle?
- (2) Can a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle be developed?
- (3) What consideration has been given to the Prime Minister's view that a container terminal should be built at the Port of Newcastle?

5719 MOULD ISSUES IN LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION PROPERTIES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) What consideration has been given to the concerns I have raised on behalf of multiple constituents with the Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) about mould issues in their properties?
- (2) Do you stand by your statement in 2021 Budget Estimates Supplementary Questions that there have been no mould issues in any LAHC properties in the NN07 allocation zone in the past decade?
- (3) What terminology does LAHC use to record cases of mould in properties?

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- (4) How many LAHC properties located in NN07 Newcastle zone were affected by mould, either named as mould or any other terminology as per Question 3, for each of the following years:
- (a) 2011;
  - (b) 2012;
  - (c) 2013;
  - (d) 2014;
  - (e) 2015;
  - (f) 2016;
  - (g) 2017;
  - (h) 2018;
  - (i) 2019;
  - (j) 2020;
  - (k) 2021 (as at 6 May 2021)?
- 5720 WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK FEES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
- (1) What income has been received from Working With Children Checks fees in each financial year since 2010-11 (to 6 May 2021)?
  - (2) Is the fee refundable if the Working With Children Check is refused?
  - (3) How many Working With Children Checks were issued each financial year since 2010-2011 for:
    - (a) Paid workers?
    - (b) Volunteers?
- 5721 COST OF PALLIATIVE CARE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) What is the average weekly assessed cost for patients who are at the palliative care stage of their illness to:
    - (a) Be treated and remain in a public hospital?
    - (b) Remain in their home and have palliative care nurses and personal care providers attend?
- 5722 FRNSW CASES IN THE INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) Considering the response to LA Q5395, if there were 91 cases which involved Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) and 7 were ruled in favour of FRNSW and 7 ruled in favour of the other party, what happened with the remaining 77 cases?
  - (2) How many cases were covered by the \$156,334 paid in legal fees?
  - (3) If the average cost of FRNSW to defend itself at the Industrial Relations Commission (IRC) is \$9,771 does that mean that 16 cases were heard by IRC or 14 cases in which there were results?
  - (4) Were there no legal fees payable for the other 77 cases?
- 5723 FRNSW DISMISSALS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) In each financial year from 2015-16 to 2021-22 (to 6 May 2021) how many staff in each of the following positions with Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) were dismissed:

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- (a) Executive:
- (i) Commissioner;
  - (ii) Deputy Commissioner/Assistant Commissioner/Director;
  - (iii) Deputy commissioner/Executive Director;
  - (iv) Assistant Commissioner/Director?
- (b) Firefighting Staff (Full-time):
- (i) Chief Superintendent;
  - (ii) Superintendent;
  - (iii) Inspector;
  - (iv) Station Officer;
  - (v) Full-time Fire Officer;
  - (vi) Operational Support Level 2;
  - (vii) Operational Support Level 2A;
  - (viii) Operational Support Level 3A;
  - (ix) Operational Support Level 3;
  - (x) Operational Support Inspector?
- (c) Part-time (Retained):
- (i) Captain;
  - (ii) Deputy Captain;
  - (iii) Retained Fire Officer?
- (2) For each of the positions listed in (1) what were the reasons for the dismissals?
- (3) How many of the dismissed personnel took FRNSW to the Industrial Relations Commission (IRC) for unfair dismissal?
- (a) How many dismissed personnel were successful at IRC?
  - (b) How many were ordered to be reinstated by IRC?
    - (i) Were any of these appealed by FRNSW?
    - (i.) If so, how many?

## 5724 MY COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Of the 248 successful projects funded in the My Community Project 2019 Program, how many projects:
- (a) Were completed within the 12 month finalisation requirement?
  - (b) Requested and were granted an extension of this time frame?
  - (c) Are yet to be completed as at 6 May 2021?
    - (i) Have each of these projects been inspected to discover the cause of the delay in completion?
    - (i) If so, how many times?
    - (ii) If not, why not?

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- (d) Were any of the projects unable to be commenced?  
(i) If so, was the next highest voted project provided with funding?

5725 WATER ADMINISTRATION MINISTERIAL CORPORATION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer—

- (1) What has been the annual income declared for the Water Administration Ministerial Corporation (WAMC) in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2021-22 (to 6 May 2021)?
- (2) What has been the annual expenditure declared for the WAMC in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2021-22 (to 6 May 2021)?
- (3) In which financial years has the WAMC declared a loss since 1 July 2010 (to 6 May 2021)?
  - (a) What was the value of the loss in each of these years?
- (4) In which financial years has the WAMC declared a surplus since 1 July 2010 (to 6 May 2021)?
  - (a) What was the value of the surplus in each of these years?

5726 MURRAY DARLING BASIN AND DUMARESQ-BARWON BORDER RIVERS COMMISSION CUSTOMERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

How many customers are simultaneously a Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) Customer and a Dumaresq-Barwon Border Rivers Commission (BRC) Customer as at 6 May 2021?

5727 WATER ADMINISTRATION MINISTERIAL CORPORATION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) What has been the annual income declared for the Water Administration Ministerial Corporation (WAMC) in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2021-22 (to 6 May 2021)?
- (2) What has been the annual expenditure declared for the WAMC in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2021-22 (to 6 May 2021)?
- (3) In which financial years has the WAMC declared a loss since 1 July 2010 (to 6 May 2021)?
  - (a) What was the value of the loss in each of these years?
- (4) In which financial years has the WAMC declared a surplus since 1 July 2010 (to 6 May 2021)?
  - (a) What was the value of the surplus in each of these years?

5728 WSP CEASE DATES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) Considering the answer from Budget Estimates March 2020 Supplementary Question 283 advising a new cease date of 2030 for the Water Sharing Plans (WSPs) of the Murrumbidgee Regulated River, the Murray and Lower Darling Regulated River, the Upper and Lower Namoi Regulated River, the Gwydir Regulated River, the Lachlan Regulated River, the Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers, the NSW Border Rivers Regulated Water Sources and the Peel River Regulated Water Sources; yet Budget Estimates March 2021 Supplementary Question 80 advises these WSPs do not have a cease date of 2030, what is the cease date of each of these WSPs?
- (2) Why were these WSPs not replaced in 2020?
- (3) When were these WSPs replaced?
- (4) When were these plans audited during their first term?

5729 INCIDENT INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE MURRUMBIDGEE LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

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- (1) How many complaints were registered in the Incident Information Management System for the Murrumbidgee Local Health District between 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020?
- How many of these complaints related to bullying?
  - How many of these complaints were resolved?
  - What is the average time taken to resolve these complaints?
  - How many complaints resulted in disciplinary action?
- 5730 FLOODPLAIN HARVESTING—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- Will consideration be given to imposing an embargo on Floodplain Harvesting under Section 324 of the Water Management Act 2000 until floodplain harvesting is licenced and regulated?
- 5731 REBATE FOR REPLACING ELECTRIC HOT WATER SYSTEMS—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- Considering that the Victorian and South Australian Governments are offering their residents the ability to replace inefficient electric hot water systems with new efficient technologies, what incentives will the Government offer residents, other than those under the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme, to replace inefficient electric hot water systems with new efficient technologies at no cost?
- 5732 CENTRAL COAST PUBLIC HOUSING—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- (1) During the financial years of 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, how many Public Housing units/houses were vacant in the electorates of:
- Terrigal;
  - Gosford;
  - The Entrance;
  - Wyong;
  - Swansea?
- 5733 WAMBERAL SEA WALL TASKFORCE—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- How were the members of the Wamberal Sea Wall Taskforce selected?
  - Did the terms of reference for the Wamberal Sea Wall Taskforce include any direction/scoping possibilities besides design and/or construction of a seawall?
  - What is the breakdown of spending of the Coastal Zone Management funding by electorate?
  - How will this funding be rolled over into the 2021-22 budget?
  - How many times has Central Coast Council (CCC) sought approval for their Coastal Zone Management Plan at North Entrance?
  - What provision/support has the Government's Coastal Zone Management provided to CCC to complete their Coastal Zone Management Plan?
  - How many community consultation sessions were undertaken with the Wamberal community?
    - How many attendees were at each of these sessions?
- 5734 MARITIME SAFETY BLITZ—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

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- (1) Which locations were targeted with the three month Maritime Safety Blitz between 17 September and 17 December 2020?
- (a) What were the dates that each of these locations were targeted?
- (b) In each location, what penalties were given?
- (2) How many calls were made to the personal watercraft hotline concerning personal watercrafts in the Brisbane Water catchment?
- 5735 GOSFORD DRIVING RECORDS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) How many people within the Gosford electorate have had a clean driving record for;
- (a) 50 years?
- (b) 60 years?
- (c) 70 years?
- (2) How can a Member of Parliament access their names to present an award?
- 5736 GOSFORD COVID-19 AND FLOOD RELIEF—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Treasurer—
- (1) How many businesses in the Gosford Electorate:
- (a) are receiving COVID-19 support (as at 6 May 2021)?
- (b) received individual assistance (as at 6 May 2021)?
- (2) How many businesses in the Gosford Electorate:
- (a) applied for flood relief (as at 6 May 2021)?
- (b) received funding for flood relief (as at 6 May 2021)?
- 5737 TOMAREE LODGE—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
- (1) How many residents remain living at Tomaree Lodge as at 6 May 2021?
- (2) On what date does the Government expect to close Tomaree Lodge?
- (3) Will the Government consult with the community regarding the future use of the site?
- (a) If so, when?
- 5738 PINDIMAR ABALONE FARM—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—
- (1) Is a director of the Pindimar Abalone Farm a current employee of NSW Fisheries?
- (a) If so, in what role?
- (2) Is a director of the Pindimar Abalone Farm a former employee of NSW Fisheries?
- (a) If so, when did they cease to be employed by NSW Fisheries?
- (3) Has NSW Fisheries undertaken any research which is likely to be utilised by the proponent in the event the development is approved?
- (4) Has NSW Fisheries got any financial interest in the proposed project?
- (5) If the land based Abalone Farm is approved and fails, does NSW Fisheries have the capacity to take over the operation of the farm?

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- (6) What guarantees does the community have that any failure of the farm will not cause significant environmental harm?
- (7) Will NSW Fisheries be providing a response to the development application?
- (8) Has the Department of Planning sought input from local aboriginal land councils – Karuah and Worimi?
- (9) Will Marine Parks be providing a response to the application?
- 5739 BUCKETTS WAY—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—  
On 25 February 2019, the then Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight said "Roads like the Bucketts Way, we're going to take those roads back", in reference to the Government's promise to transfer 15,000 kilometres of regional roads to the State, when will the Bucketts Way be transferred to the State?
- 5740 AVENUE OF ALLIES—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) On the 25 February 2019, the then Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight promised additional funding to improve the Avenue of the Allies in Tanilba Bay, how much funding will be provided to improve this road?
- (2) When will the funding be provided?
- 5741 PUBLIC HOUSING PROPERTIES—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
- (1) How many government-owned public housing properties were leased in Port Stephens as at:
- (a) 1 July 2011;
- (b) 1 July 2015;
- (c) 1 July 2019;
- (d) 1 May 2021?
- (2) How many non-government-owned public housing properties were leased in Port Stephens as at:
- (a) 1 July 2011;
- (b) 1 July 2015;
- (c) 1 July 2019;
- (d) 1 May 2021?
- 5742 PUBLIC HOUSING WAITLIST—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—  
How many residents in Port Stephens are currently on the public housing waitlist as at 6 May 2021?
- 5743 EASTERN CREEK WASTE FACILITY—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- (1) When the CEO of the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) attended the official opening of a new Bingo waste facility in Eastern Creek in April 2021, was she aware that her organisation was investigating the operators for serious and repeated odour complaints at that site?
- (2) Does the Minister believe it is appropriate for the chief environmental regulator to appear in publicity photographs with waste operators her organisation is in the process of investigating?
- (3) Has the Minister raised any concerns with the EPA regarding this matter?



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5744 PORT STEPHENS STUDENTS—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education, and Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) How many students with a residential address in the 2318 and 2319 postcodes are enrolled at:
  - (a) Newcastle High School;
  - (b) Lambton High School;
  - (c) Hunter School of Performing Arts;
  - (d) Merewether High School;
  - (e) Tomaree High School;
  - (f) Callaghan College – Waratah;
  - (g) Callaghan College – Jesmond?

5745 INTERSECTION AT MYALL WAY AND PACIFIC HIGHWAY—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

On 18 March 2021, the Minister advised that immediate safety improvements to the Myall Way and Pacific Highway intersection, including flashing warning signage, were being investigated by Transport for NSW. Two months later, what plans do Transport for NSW have to improve the safety of this intersection?

5746 NSW PAEDIATRIC CARDIAC SERVICES MODEL OF CARE PANEL—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) In the model of care framework suggested by the NSW Paediatric Cardiac Service Model of Care Panel, who will determine where the paediatric cardiac survey is conducted?
- (2) What is considered highest complexity cardiac surgery versus lower complexity cases?
  - (a) What is the classification for these different surgeries?
- (3) Will paediatric cardiac bypass surgery be conducted at Sydney Children's Hospital Randwick?

5747 DINE AND DISCOVER—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Customer Service, and Minister for Digital—

- (1) Will the Government extend the validity of the Dine and Discover Vouchers beyond 30 June 2021 as proposed recently by the Treasurer of New South Wales?
  - (a) If not, why not?
- (2) How many businesses in the Wollongong Local Government Area are participating in the Dine & Discover NSW Vouchers (as at 6 May 2021)?
- (3) How many businesses are participating in the Dine & Discover NSW Vouchers in the following postcodes (as at 6 May 2021):
  - (a) 2518;
    - (i) What businesses are participating?
  - (b) 2519;
    - (i) What businesses are participating?
  - (c) 2500;
    - (i) What businesses are participating?
  - (d) 2500;

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- (i) What businesses are participating?
  - (e) 2526;
    - (i) What businesses are participating?
  - (f) 2506;
    - (i) What businesses are participating?
  - (g) 2502;
    - (i) What businesses are participating?
  - (h) 2505;
    - (i) What businesses are participating?
    - (i) 2528?
    - (i) What businesses are participating?
  - (4) How many eligible residents in the Wollongong local government area have downloaded their vouchers (as at 6 May 2021)?
  - (5) How many residents of the Wollongong local government area are eligible for the Dine and Discover NSW vouchers (as at 6 May 2021)?
- 5748 LINKS TO LEARNING—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education, and Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) When was the decision taken to cancel the Department of Education’s long running Links to Learning program?
    - (a) Was the decision to cancel Links to Learning made by you as Minister or by the Department?
  - (2) On what basis was it decided to cancel the Links to Learning Program after 20 years?
  - (3) When was the Links to Learning review, commenced by your Department in 2020, completed?
  - (4) What were the findings and recommendations of the review in respect of the Links to Learning Program?
    - (a) Is the report public?
      - (i) If so, where can it be found?
    - (b) Does the review recommend the cancellation of Links to Learning?
      - (i) If so, on what basis?
    - (c) Have the current Links to Learning providers been given a copy of the review report?
      - (i) If so, when was the report provided?
      - (ii) If not, why not?
  - (5) Following their involvement and consultation as part of the review process in mid-2020, why were the current Links to Learning providers not then further consulted on:
    - (a) A draft or the final review report;
    - (b) The decision to cancel the Links to Learning program;
    - (c) The design of a replacement pilot student engagement program called “Perfect Presence” noted as ‘Links to Learning 2.0’ in the Department’s published tender documentation?

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- (6) Given the relative levels of social-educational disadvantage in the Illawarra region, why were Illawarra high-schools excluded from the “Perfect Presence” tender program?
- (7) What specific strategies and resources will the Department now ensure are in place to support student engagement in the Illawarra given Links to Learning will cease in the region as of 30 June 2021 and is not included in the “Perfect Presence” pilot regions?
- 5749 VACCINES FOR GENERAL PRACTITIONERS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) Has the Government considered providing General Practitioners, particularly those aged under 50 years, the option to get the COVID-19 vaccine at the same time as NSW Health staff, as frontline health workers providing vaccines to the community themselves?
- (a) If so, what was the outcome of these considerations?
- (b) If not, will this be considered?
- 5750 REVIEW OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR MINISTERIAL OFFICERS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Premier—
- (1) Will consideration be given to how the Review of policies and procedures for Ministerial officers – bullying, harassment, and sexual misconduct, recently completed by the Hon Pru Goward may also apply to all Members’ offices?
- (a) If not, why not?
- (2) Will there be consideration for how any recommendations in the Review may be applied to all Members’ offices?
- (a) If not, why not?
- 5751 FOREST AND WOOD PRODUCTS INDUSTRY—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—
- (1) Considering LA Q5565, when is the remaining \$29.1 million, from the \$71.8 million allocation to support the forestry and wood products industry in 2018, due to be spent by?
- (a) What innovation projects have had funds allocated?
- (i) What was the amount?
- (ii) Who was allocated the funds?
- 5752 ILLAWARRA TAFE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education, and Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans—
- (1) What courses are currently available at Illawarra TAFE campuses for students to obtain qualifications to be employed in:
- (a) The gas industry?
- (i) At which specific TAFE campuses in the Illawarra are these qualifications offered?
- (ii) How many students are enrolled in these courses?
- (b) The electricity industry?
- (i) At which specific TAFE campuses in the Illawarra are these qualifications offered?
- (ii) How many students are enrolled in these courses?
- (2) Has TAFE NSW started planning courses for the development of a hydrogen industry in New South Wales?

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- (a) If so, what qualifications will be required for work in the hydrogen industry in New South Wales?
  - (3) Given Port Kembla has been identified as a hydrogen hub, has any planning been undertaken to deliver courses for qualifications to work in this industry at Illawarra TAFE campuses?
    - (a) If so, what planning has taken place?
    - (b) If not, why not?
  - (4) Which stakeholder groups has TAFE NSW had discussions with to plan the workforce for the hydrogen industry at:
    - (a) Port Kembla;
      - (i) When did the consultation commence?
      - (ii) If consultation has not commenced, when will it?
    - (b) Other areas of New South Wales?
      - (i) When did the consultation commence?
      - (ii) If consultation has not commenced, when will it?

## 5753 SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) What was the total revenue over the period from 2018 to 2020 raised from the following in the Illawarra region (as at 6 May 2021):
  - (a) The six mid-block speed cameras?
    - (i) What is the location of these speed cameras?
  - (b) 10 red-light speed cameras?
    - (i) What is the location of these speed cameras?
  - (c) Two average speed camera lengths?
    - (i) What is the location of these speed cameras?
- (2) What was the total revenue raised over the period 2018 to 2020 from the mobile speed cameras in regular operation across the Illawarra region?
- (3) Ranked by revenue, what are the specific locations of the ten mobile speed cameras in the Wollongong local government area in:
  - (a) 2020?
  - (b) 2021 (as at 6 May 2021)?
- (4) How are the locations of mobile speed cameras selected?
- (5) How are the number of hours of operation of mobile speed cameras at a location determined?

## 5754 UNANDERRA STATION—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) What is the nature of the work that is currently underway to upgrade Unanderra Station?
- (2) Who has been awarded the contract for the upgrade of Unanderra Station?
- (3) How many people are estimated to be employed to undertake the upgrade of Unanderra Station?
- (4) How many employees are:
  - (a) Apprentices?

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- (b) Trainees?
- (5) Is maximising local content use a requirement of the contract to upgrade the Unanderra Station?
- (6) How much steel will be used in the upgrade of Unanderra Station?
- (7) Will the steel to be used sourced from Bluescope Steel at Port Kembla?
- (a) If not, what are the reasons for not doing so?
- (b) If not, from where is the origin of the steel to be used?
- (8) Does the design of the footbridge between the platforms include a covered walkway?
- (a) If not, what are the reasons for not doing so?
- (9) How many of the 42 submissions received during the Review of Environmental Factors included reference to the need for a covered walkway along the footbridge?
- 5755 TOUCHDOWN OFFICE NETWORK—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- (1) Has consideration of establishing a Touchdown Office Network in Wollongong been completed?
- (a) If so, when was the decision made?
- (b) If not, why has the decision not been made?
- (2) What is the predicted staffing requirement for Wollongong?
- (3) When will the Touchdown Office Network in Wollongong be available for use?
- (4) What is the location or locations of the Touchdown Office Network?
- 5756 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER DEATHS IN CUSTODY—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- Considering the 30 year anniversary of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, and that there have been more than 470 Aboriginal deaths in custody in Australia since the Royal Commission, what action is the Government taking to stop the high rates of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander deaths in custody?
- 5757 JUSTICE REINVESTMENT INITIATIVES—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- Considering the 2016 Parliamentary Research Service Report ‘Justice Reinvestment’ which details the success of Justice Reinvestment initiatives in New South Wales such as the Maranguka Justice Reinvestment Project, are there any plans of expanding Justice Reinvestment initiatives to the Northern Rivers and Northern Tablelands?
- 5758 FUNDING FOR HOMELESSNESS AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
- (1) Considering the Commonwealth Government’s decision to withdraw from funding their portion of the employment obligations of homelessness and domestic violence services in New South Wales, what representations has the Government made to the Commonwealth Government regarding this decision?
- (2) Does the Government plan to step in and fund any gaps created by the Commonwealth Government withdrawing their responsibility to ensure homelessness and domestic violence services in New South Wales can meet their employment obligations under the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award?

5759 COVID SUPPORT FOR BLUESFEST—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—

Would consideration be given to the Government providing a one-off COVID support grant for Bluesfest to enable festival organisers and participating small businesses to stage a rescheduled COVID-safe event later this year?

5760 CLARENCE WAY UPGRADE—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Will the Government consider allocating \$10 million in targeted funding to upgrade the Clarence Way between the Bruxner Highway and Bonalbo, to deliver the first of three stages of Kyogle Council's priority road infrastructure project, which is supported by local communities who have organised a petition calling for action?

5761 ADDITIONAL PASSING LANES ON THE BRUXNER HIGHWAY—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Will Transport for NSW, which, I am advised, has been conducting a safety audit of the Bruxner Highway, give consideration to constructing more passing lanes between Lismore and Drake to reduce the risk of head-on collisions and improve safety for all motorists using the highway?

5762 TENTERFIELD BYPASS CONTRIBUTION—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Considering that the Commonwealth Member for New England, The Honourable Barnaby Joyce MP, has reiterated the Commonwealth Government's \$10-million commitment towards the proposed Tenterfield Bypass, how much funding will the Government be contributing to the project?

5763 TENTERFIELD BYPASS PROJECT—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Considering the recent B-double fire, which threatened historic buildings in Tenterfield's Central Business District, what is the latest update on the proposed Tenterfield Bypass project, including an estimated start and completion date?

5764 BIOSECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

(1) On the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) website, the last meeting of the Biosecurity Advisory Committee was held in Sydney on 18 December 2017 and the next meeting was scheduled for March 2018, has the Committee met since then?

(a) If not, why not?

(2) How many members are on the committee?

(a) What are the names of all the members on the Committee?

(3) How were members of the Committee appointed?

(a) How long are members appointed for?

(4) Do members receive remuneration for attending meetings?

(a) If so, how much?

(5) Why are minutes of previous meetings not on the DPI website?

5765 MICE PLAGUE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

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- (1) When did NSW Farmers first raise the mice plague issue with you?
- (2) When did NSW Farmers request that you apply for an emergency-use permit that would give farmers permission to use the legal rodenticide known as zinc phosphide?
- (3) When did the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority approve your application?
- (4) What other assistance will you provide to landholders struggling to manage the mice plague?
- (5) Will you provide an urgent financial support package to assist landholders with the costs of baits?
- (6) Have you allocated any additional funding for the Department of Primary Industries to provide extension services to rural landholders about these of Zinc phosphide?
  - (a) If so, how much?
- (7) Have you allocated any additional funding for research into long term strategies to prevent mouse plagues?

5766 MICE BREEDING EVENT—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) When did the current ‘mice breeding event’ commence?
- (2) Do you consider the current ‘mice breeding event’ to be a plague?
  - (a) If not, why not?
- (3) On what date was Department of Primary Industries notified of concerns about the current mice breeding event?
- (4) On what date was the Minister advised of the current mice breeding event?
- (5) On what date did the Minister request Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority approval for off label use of zinc phosphide?
- (6) Considering that on the Local Land Services (LLS) website it states ‘if left uncontrolled, they can reach plague numbers’, what is the number of mice needed to be reached for this crisis to be considered a plague?
  - (a) Who determines when this is reached?
- (7) Has New South Wales reached the limits defining a mouse breeding event?
  - (a) If so, when?
- (8) How many calls has the LLS received regarding the current mice breeding event?
- (9) What assistance is available for landholders to help control the mice?
- (10) What is the estimated economic impact of the current mice breeding event?
- (11) Which plagues does the Local Land Services provide baits for?

5767 Tocal FIELD DAYS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Customer Service, and Minister for Digital—

- (1) What were the daily totals for QR Code check-ins at the Tocal Field Days held at the CB Alexander Campus, Paterson on;
  - (a) Friday, 30 April 2021;
  - (b) Saturday, 1 May 2021;
  - (c) Sunday, 2 May 2021?
- (2) What were the daily totals for use of Dine vouchers at the Tocal Field Days on;

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- (a) Friday, 30 April 2021;
- (b) Saturday, 1 May 2021;
- (c) Sunday, 2 May 2021?
- (3) What were the daily totals for use of Discover vouchers at the Tocal Field Days on;
- (a) Friday, 30 April 2021;
- (b) Saturday, 1 May 2021;
- (c) Sunday, 2 May 2021?
- 5768 TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION AND LINK2HOME—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
- (1) How many rough sleepers were placed in temporary accommodation in the Maitland electorate in each financial year from 2015-16 to 2021-22 (as at 5 May 2021)?
- (2) How many of these rough sleepers have now transitioned into permanent public housing or community housing as at 5 May 2021?
- (3) How much money has been spent on temporary accommodation in the Maitland electorate in each financial year from 2015-16 to 2021-22 (as at 5 May 2021)?
- (4) How many temporary accommodation providers are currently in the Maitland electorate?
- (a) Which organisations are providing temporary accommodation?
- (5) From 1 July 2015 to 5 May 2021, what is the number of Link2Home calls from people requesting or who were placed in temporary accommodation in the Maitland electorate?
- (6) From 1 July 2015 to 5 May 2021, how many rough sleepers have been advised that there is no temporary accommodation available anywhere in the Maitland electorate?
- (7) Where are rough sleepers who are advised that there is no temporary accommodation available expected to live?
- 5769 CATARACT SURGERY—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) How many hospitals in the Hunter New England Health District (HNEH) have medical specialists who perform cataract surgery?
- (a) Which hospitals can perform cataract surgery?
- (2) Is there a central HNEH waiting list for cataract patients or does each hospital have their own waiting list?
- (a) How many patients are currently on each list?
- (b) What is the average wait time on the waiting list?
- (3) How many registered practitioners currently perform cataract surgery in HNEH hospitals?
- (4) How much did the suspension of elective surgeries during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic increase the length of time people on the waitlist for cataract surgery have to wait for treatment?
- (5) How does the Government intend to manage any further delays for those awaiting cataract surgery?
- 5770 EXPERIENCE ENHANCEMENT FUND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—
- (1) In each Destination Network, how many applications were received for the Experience Enhancement Fund (as at 6 May 2021)?



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- (a) How many applications have been approved?
- (b) How many applications were denied?
- (c) What was the total quantum of approved grants?
- (d) Will a list of successful applicants be publicly available?
  - (i) If so, where?

5771 REFRESH AND RENEW FUND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—

- (1) In each Destination Network, how many applications were received for the Refresh and Renew Fund (as at 6 May 2021)?
  - (a) How many applications have been approved?
  - (b) How many applications were denied?
  - (c) What was the total quantum of approved grants?
- (2) Will a list of successful applicants be publicly available?
  - (a) If so, where?

5772 BERESFIELD AND MAITLAND POLICE STATIONS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) With recent media coverage and local residents concern expressed over crime in the Beresfield and Woodberry suburbs, is there any plan to review the operational status of the Beresfield Police Station to make it a 24/7 station?
  - (a) If not, why not?
- (2) In each financial year from 2014-15 to 2021-22 (to 6 May 2021), what is the number of crimes committed in each of the following categories:
  - (a) Attempted murder;
  - (b) Assault Police;
  - (c) Assault - non-domestic violence related;
  - (d) Robbery without a weapon;
  - (e) Robbery with a firearm;
  - (f) Robbery with a weapon not a firearm;
  - (g) Break and enter – dwelling;
  - (h) Break and enter - non-dwelling;
  - (i) Motor vehicle theft;
  - (j) Steal from motor vehicle;
  - (k) Steal from retail store;
  - (l) Steal from dwelling;
  - (m) Steal from person;
  - (n) Fraud;
  - (o) Malicious damage to property;

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- (p) Dealing, trafficking in amphetamines;
  - (q) Dealing, trafficking in cannabis;
  - (r) Dealing, trafficking in cocaine;
  - (s) Dealing, trafficking in ecstasy;
  - (t) Dealing, trafficking in narcotics;
  - (u) Dealing, trafficking in other drugs?
- (3) How many police were allocated to Maitland Station in each financial year from 2009-10 to 2020-21?
- (4) How many police vehicles were allocated to Maitland Station in each financial years from 2009-10 to 2020-21?
- 5773 MAKARRATA OR TREATY WITH INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Premier representing the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts—
- (1) What action has the Government taken towards treaty or Makaratta with First Nations people since LA Q2263?
  - (2) What assessment has the Government made of the Victorian Government’s action towards a treaty or treaties with Aboriginal Victorians?
  - (3) Has the Government established a similar structure to the First Peoples’ Assembly of Victoria to begin negotiations with First Nations peoples in New South Wales?
  - (4) Does the Government provide funding and support similar to the Victorian Government’s Traditional Owner Nation-building Support Package supporting Traditional Owner groups build capacity and prepare for treaty negotiations?
  - (5) What further advocacy has the Government carried out with the Commonwealth in support of Makaratta and the Uluru Statement from the Heart?
  - (6) What plans does the Government have to further treaty or Makaratta?
- 5774 COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT DIVERSION PROGRAM—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- (1) What was the Government’s response to the Council for Intellectual Disability’s open letter about the Cognitive Impairment Diversion Program?
    - (a) What evaluation or assessment has the Government made of the outcomes of this program?
  - (2) How has the Government responded to the Justice Advocacy Services’ independent evaluation of this program?
  - (3) How will the Government ensure people with cognitive impairments can properly navigate the criminal justice system now that funding for the Cognitive Impairment Diversion Program is ending?
  - (4) What plans does the Government have to replace this program?
  - (5) What further plans does the Government have to reduce the overrepresentation of people living with intellectual and other cognitive disability in the criminal justice system?
- 5775 RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—

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- (1) What information, support and advice does the Government provide to strata building owners and managers about retrofitting for electric vehicle charging?
- (2) What information, support and advice does the Government provide to strata buildings owners and managers about building design to incorporate electric vehicle charging capacity?
- (3) What further action will the Government take to guide owners corporations, strata managers and building managers on designing and retrofitting buildings to allow electric vehicle charging?

5776 AIR POLLUTION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) What standards does the Government apply for air pollution being considered dangerous?
  - (a) When were these standards last updated?
  - (b) Do they reflect current evidence about health impacts of air pollution?
- (2) Are motor vehicles the main source of dangerous air pollution for inner Sydney, including nitrous oxide and particles PM2.5?
- (3) Is this air pollution increasing or decreasing in inner Sydney?
  - (a) Is this trend expected to continue?
- (4) What programs does the Government operate or fund to reduce this air pollution and its impacts on community health?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to reduce air pollution from motor vehicles?

5777 COVID-19 QUARANTINE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) Noting increasing evidence of airborne virus transmission, what changes has the Government made to the COVID-19 hotel quarantine program?
- (2) What further plans does the Government have to improve the capacity and integrity of the COVID-19 quarantine scheme

5778 MARITIME NOISE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—

- (1) What noise controls apply to boats on Sydney Harbour for:
  - (a) Amplified music?
  - (b) Disc jockeys and entertainers?
- (2) How does the Government enforce noise controls against offensive noise?
  - (a) What resources are available for enforcement?
  - (b) What resources are available outside business hours and late at night?
  - (c) What proactive operations are used?
  - (d) What information does the Government provide to boat owners?
  - (e) What training is provided to boat operators about preventing offensive noise from boats?
- (3) What evaluation has the Government carried out on the 2008 ‘Code of Conduct for Charter Vessels Operating with Amplified Music Systems’?
  - (a) When was the code last updated?
  - (b) What plans does the government have to strengthen this code?
- (4) What is the trend in community complaints about late night noise from vessels identified as ‘party boats’ in Sydney Harbour?

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- (a) Are these complaints increasing or decreasing?
- (b) Are complaints focussed on specific operators or various?
- (c) What proportion of these result in fines or stronger enforcement action?
- (5) Is the boat-master legally liable for all activity on vessels including noise breaches?
- (a) How many masters have been disciplined over offensive noise since 2011 (as at 6 May 2021)?
- (6) What further action will the Government take to balance use of the harbour with protecting adjacent communities from offensive noise, especially late at night?
- 5779 RAILWAY VIADUCT IN WOOLLOOMOOLOO—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Does Transport for NSW own open space under the railway viaduct in Woolloomooloo including Walla Mulla Park and most of Tom Uren Square?
- (2) What assessment has the Government made of the need to upgrade this public domain to improve safety and amenity?
- (3) What liaison has occurred with the Land and Housing Corporation and the City of Sydney about upgrading this area?
- (4) Has the Government committed to collaborating to improve this space?
- (5) What plans and funding have been agreed to?
- (6) What further action will the Government take to improve safety and amenity on Transport for NSW land under the viaduct in Woolloomooloo?
- 5780 TAXI LICENSES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Is it true that perpetual taxi plate licences sold for \$300,000 in 2015 and now cost only \$50,000?
- (2) What assessment has the Government made of the impact of Point to Point transport reforms on the income of taxi licence owners?
- (3) What consideration has the Government given to a buy back scheme for taxi licences given these impacts?
- (4) What assessment has the Government made of the benefit of the previous hardship scheme for taxi licence holders and whether it met community need?
- (5) What is the income to date from the Passenger Service Levy:
- (a) What programs have these funds been allocated towards?
- (b) What plans does the Government have for these funds?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to provide further transition support to taxi licence owners who have suffered substantial financial loss?
- 5781 POWERHOUSE ULTIMO BUSINESS PLAN—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Premier representing the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts—
- (1) When will the Government release the business plan for the Ultimo Powerhouse Museum site, originally announced for late 2019?
- (2) To what extent will the museum remain focussed on science and technology, decorative arts and design and social history?

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- (3) Will the Government retain existing buildings for museum use?
- (4) What further plans does the Government have to revitalise the Powerhouse Museum following years of uncertainty?

5782 MOBILE SPEED CAMERA PENALTY NOTICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

- (1) How many customers in the following post codes received mobile speed camera penalty notices in each of the financial years from 2014-15 to 2019-2020:
  - (a) 2285;
  - (b) 2287;
  - (c) 2298;
  - (d) 2299;
  - (e) 2305;
  - (f) 2307;
  - (g) 2308;
  - (h) 2322?

5783 MOBILE SPEED CAMERA PENALTY NOTICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

- (1) How many mobile speed camera penalty notices were issued in each of the financial years from 2014-15 to 2019-2020 from cameras located in the following post codes:
  - (a) 2285;
  - (b) 2287;
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  - (d) 2299;
  - (e) 2305;
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  - (g) 2308;
  - (h) 2322?

5784 MOBILE SPEED CAMERA REVENUE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

- (1) How much revenue was generated by mobile speed camera penalty notices in each of the financial years from 2014-15 to 2019-2020 from customers living in the following post codes:
  - (a) 2285;
  - (b) 2287;
  - (c) 2298;
  - (d) 2299;
  - (e) 2305;
  - (f) 2307;

(g) 2308;

(h) 2322?

5785 STAPH INFECTIONS AT JOHN HUNTER AND CALVERY MATER NEWCASTLE HOSPITALS—  
Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

Considering the John Hunter and Calvary Mater Newcastle Hospitals are among the worst hospitals in the state for staph infections, what is being done to reduce the number of staph infections at the hospitals?

5786 SUPPLY OF NITROUS OXIDE CANISTERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and  
Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—

Considering it is an offence to supply nitrous oxide canisters (also known as nangs) to anyone reasonably believed to misuse them, what is the Government doing to make the sale of these products illegal to those under the age of 18 years?

5787 TREATMENT AT JOHN HUNTER AND CALVARY MATER NEWCASTLE HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia  
Hornery to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

Considering the John Hunter and Calvary Mater Newcastle Hospitals are among the worst hospitals in the state for the treatment of strokes, hip fracture surgery and heart attacks, what is being done to ensure these hospitals improve the treatment of strokes, hip fracture surgery and heart attacks?

5788 WALLSEND SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for  
Transport and Roads—

How many of the 300 additional School Crossing supervisors announced by the Government have been employed in the Wallsend electorate?

5789 CASEWORKERS FOR CHILDREN AT SERIOUS RISK OF HARM—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the  
Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

Considering from October 2019 to September 2020, 11,778 Hunter children were reported as at serious risk of harm, yet less than 1 in 3 saw a caseworker, what is the Government doing to increase caseworker numbers?

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**Questions To Chairs Of Committees**

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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)?
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