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(Paper No. 542)

\* 6872 FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES AND DISABILITY SERVICES—COVID SUPPORT PROGRAMS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) How will the following COVID-19 support programs have their funds allocated:
  - (a) \$26 million for accommodation sector?
    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?
  - (b) \$12 million for temporary accommodation for those at risk of or experiencing homelessness?
    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?
  - (c) \$5.1 million to support mental health?
    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?

Answer—

- (1)
  - (a) This question is best directed to the Treasurer.
  - (b) I am advised:  
This funding will be allocated to specialist homelessness services, Temporary Accommodation providers, and other services as required to deliver an emergency accommodation response, including relevant supports and the provision of food.
  - (c) This questions is best directed to the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women.

\* 6873 FINANCE AND SMALL BUSINESS—COVID SUPPORT PROGRAMS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

- (1) What is the total dollar budgeted commitment or projected total dollar impact, for each of the following COVID-19 support programs:
  - (a) Payroll tax waiver?
  - (b) Payroll tax deferral?
  - (c) Business grants?
  - (d) Cash flow boost for businesses (NSW component, not Commonwealth)?
  - (e) COVID-19 Disaster Payment to workers (NSW component, not Commonwealth)?
  - (f) Land tax waiver for commercial tenants?
  - (g) Land tax waiver for residential tenants?
  - (h) \$1500 payment for residential landlords offering rent reductions who do not pay land tax?
  - (i) Gaming tax deferral?
- (2) What is the projected number of people or businesses expected to receive support under each of the following COVID-19 support programs:
  - (a) Payroll tax waiver?

- (b) Payroll tax deferral?
- (c) Business grants?
- (d) Cash flow boost for businesses (NSW component, not Commonwealth)?
- (e) COVID-19 Disaster Payment to workers (NSW component, not Commonwealth)?
- (f) Land tax waiver for commercial tenants?
- (g) Land tax waiver for residential tenants?
- (h) \$1500 payment for residential landlords offering rent reductions who do not pay land tax?
- (i) Gaming tax deferral?
- (j) \$75 million performing arts package?
- (3) How will the following programs have their funds allocated:
  - (a) \$26 million for accommodation sector?
    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?
  - (b) \$12 million for temporary accommodation for those at risk of or experiencing homelessness?
    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?
  - (c) \$5.1 million to support mental health?
    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?

Answer—

(1-2) These questions are best directed to the Treasurer.

(3)

- (a) This question is best directed to the Treasurer.
- (b) This question is best directed to the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services.
- (c) This question is best directed to the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women.

\* 6875 MENTAL HEALTH, REGIONAL YOUTH AND WOMEN—COVID SUPPORT PROGRAMS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women—

- (1) How will the following COVID-19 support programs have their funds allocated:
  - (a) \$26 million for accommodation sector?
    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?
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    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?
  - (c) \$5.1 million to support mental health?
    - (i) To which providers?
    - (ii) What are the outcomes?

Answer—

(1)

- (a) This question is best directed to the Treasurer.
- (b) This question is best directed to the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services.
- (c) Details on the \$5.1 million mental health package can be found in the NSW Government and Commonwealth Government media releases issued on 13 July 2021 and 14 July 2021 which can be found at [https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/news/Pages/20210714\\_01.aspx](https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/news/Pages/20210714_01.aspx) and at <https://www.health.gov.au/ministers/the-hon-greg-hunt-mp/media/covid-19-mental-health-boost-for-new-south-wales>.

\* 6876 TREASURER—COVID SUPPORT PROGRAMS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—

(1) What is the total dollar budgeted commitment or projected total dollar impact, for each of the following COVID-19 support programs:

- (a) Payroll tax waiver?
- (b) Payroll tax deferral?
- (c) Business grants?
- (d) Cash flow boost for businesses (NSW component, not Commonwealth)?
- (e) COVID-19 Disaster Payment to workers (NSW component, not Commonwealth)?
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  - (ii) What are the outcomes?

- (c) \$5.1 million to support mental health?
  - (i) To which providers?
  - (ii) What are the outcomes?

Answer—

(1)

- (a) The final revenue impact of the 2021-22 payroll tax waiver will depend on the take-up of the waiver.
- (b) No loss of revenue is expected from the deferral of payroll taxes.
- (c) Given the demand driven nature of these schemes, it is not possible to forecast total spend. Estimates are also subject to change if restrictions are lengthened or tightened.  
2021 COVID-19 Business Grant: total dollar commitment is \$2.1 billion.  
2021 COVID-19 Micro-Business Grant: cost is expected to be absorbed within the \$2.1 billion committed to the 2021 COVID-19 Business Grant.
- (d) The cash flow boost for business program was renamed JobSaver. The projected total dollar cost of JobSaver to NSW is over \$2 billion. This program is co-funded by the Commonwealth.
- (e) NSW residents who lose work and income due to New South Wales COVID-19 public health orders may apply for a COVID-19 Disaster Payment. Given the demand driven nature of these schemes, it is not possible to forecast total spend. Estimates are also subject to change if restrictions are lengthened or tightened.
- (f) Landowners are eligible for land tax relief. The cost of land tax relief for commercial landowners will depend on the level of rent relief offered by commercial landowners to financially distressed tenants.
- (g) Landowners are eligible for land tax relief. The cost of land tax relief for residential landowners will depend on the level of rent relief offered by residential landowners to financially distressed tenants.
- (h) The total cost of providing a payment of up to \$1,500 to residential landowners, who have not benefitted from land tax relief, is estimated to be around \$210 million. The final cost will depend on take up of the payments.
- (i) No loss of revenue is expected from the deferral of gaming machine taxes.

(2)

- (a) Payroll tax waivers will be available to businesses with annual Australian wages of more than \$1.2 million and up to \$10 million that have experienced a decline in turnover 30 per cent or more. The final number of businesses benefitting from the 2021-22 payroll tax waiver will depend on the take-up of the waiver.
- (b) All payroll tax paying businesses are eligible for the payroll tax deferral, however it is not expected that all businesses will take up this option.
- (c) 2021 COVID-19 Business Grant: Given the demand-driven nature of these schemes, it is not possible to forecast the number of businesses that will be supported. Estimates are subject to change if restrictions are lengthened or tightened. At 28 July, 56,000 applications had been received for the 2021 COVID-19 Business Grant.  
2021 COVID-19 Micro-Business Grant: Given the demand-driven nature of these schemes, it is not possible to forecast number of businesses that will be supported. Estimates are subject to change if restrictions are lengthened or tightened.
- (d) The cash flow boost for business program was renamed JobSaver. Given the demand-driven nature of this scheme, it is not possible to forecast the expected number of businesses supported. Estimates are also subject to change if restrictions are lengthened or tightened. At 28 July, 14,000 applications had been received for the JobSaver.

- (e) The take-up of NSW-funded COVID-19 Disaster Payments will depend on the length and reach of the gathering and movement public health orders.
  - (f) Landowners are eligible for land tax relief. The number of commercial owners who benefit from land tax relief will depend on the number of financially distressed commercial tenants that are provided with rent relief by commercial landowners.
  - (g) Landowners are eligible for land tax relief. The number of residential landowners that benefit from land tax relief will depend on the number of financially distressed residential tenants that are provided with rent relief by residential landowners.
  - (h) Landowners who do not benefit from COVID-19 land tax relief, and who reduce the rent for tenants experiencing COVID-19 related financial distress, may apply for the lesser of the total amount of the reductions or \$1,500. The number of residential landowners that benefit from the Residential Residency Support Payment will depend on the number of financially distressed residential tenants that are provided with rent relief by landowners.
  - (i) All clubs and hotels that pay gaming machine tax are eligible to access available gaming machine tax deferrals.
  - (j) This package provides financial support to performing arts venues, producers and promoters impacted by the cancellation or postponement of performances resulting from the NSW Government COVID-19 Public Health Orders from 26 June 2021.
- (3)
- (a)
    - (i) The NSW Accommodation Support Grant Program will be available to eligible accommodation premises across NSW that lost room nights between the winter school holiday period (25 June to 11 July).
    - (ii) Grants of up to \$5,000 will be available. These grants will supplement other support measures such as the COVID-19 Business Grant and JobSaver, providing additional targeted support to the accommodation sector to boost cashflow as a result of a decline in occupancy rates due to COVID-19 restriction in place.
  - (b) This question is best directed to the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services.
  - (c) This question is best directed to the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women.

\* 6878 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—COST OF TRANSPORTING INMATES—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—

- (1) For the 2020-21 financial year, what was the cost of transporting inmates detained:
  - (a) In a maximum-security Correctional facility?
  - (b) In a medium-security Correctional facility?
  - (c) In a minimum-security Correctional facility?
  - (d) On remand?
- (2) For the 2019-20 financial year, what was the cost of transporting inmates detained:
  - (a) In a maximum-security Correctional facility?
  - (b) In a medium-security Correctional facility?
  - (c) In a minimum-security Correctional facility?
  - (d) On remand?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The cost of transporting and escorting inmates is reported in the Productivity Commission's Report on Government Services (ROGS). ROGS data for 2020-21 is not yet available.
- (2) The cost of inmate transport and escorts for the 2019-20 financial year was \$24,738,000 as per the ROGS. The approximate overall average per inmate was \$1,828.79 per annum. Costs are not available by security classification as both locations and trucks have mixed classifications of inmates.

\* 6879 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—COST OF CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—

- (1) For the 2020-21 financial year, what is the total employment cost per:
  - (a) Employment of full-time Corrections Officer?
  - (b) Employment of a Casual Corrections Officer?
- (2) Please provide a breakdown of the total operating cost for each Correctional facility run by the Government:
  - (a) By daily rate?
  - (b) By total cost of financial year of 2020-21?
- (3) Please provide a breakdown of the total operating cost for each Correctional Facility privately run in New South Wales:
  - (a) By daily rate?
  - (b) By total cost of financial year of 2020-21?
- (4) For the 2019-20 financial year, what is the total employment cost per:
  - (a) Employment of full-time Corrections Officer?
  - (b) Employment of a Casual Corrections Officer?
- (5) Please provide a breakdown of the total operating cost for each Correctional facility run by the Government:
  - (a) By daily rate?
  - (b) By total cost of financial year of 2020-21?
- (6) Please provide a breakdown of the total operating cost for each Correctional Facility privately run in New South Wales:
  - (a) By daily rate?
  - (b) By total cost of financial year of 2020-21?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1 and 4)

- (a) As at 6 June 2021 the salary/ payroll of a full-time Correctional Officer in 2020/21 is \$100,553. This amount is calculated based on weighted standard costing of Correctional Officer and Senior Correctional Officer classifications. This calculation excludes B and C watch shift allowances, overtime, higher duties and meal allowances.

For 2019/20 it is \$93,507.

- (b) The hours of work allocated to a Casual Correctional Officer can fluctuate significantly from person to person. Therefore it is not meaningful to attempt to calculate an average cost per employee.

(2-3)



- (a-b) The overall average of the total operating cost in 2020/21 for each correctional facility run by the Government, or privately run in New South Wales will be published in the Report of Government Services (ROGS), after the financial results are finalised including the audit and ROGS reviews.

(5-6)

- (a) For 2019/20, under the ROGS definitions the overall ROGS Net Cost of Services is an average of \$218.13 per offender per day. For Open Centres it is \$172.63 per offender per day and for Secure Centres \$238.96 per offender per day. The figures include support services and Department of Health costs, privately run Correctional Centres, Courts and Offender Programs. They exclude Transport of Inmates and Offenders in the Community.
- (b) The total cost for 2019/20, under the ROGS definitions the Net Cost of Services is \$1,077,714k including support and Department of Health costs, privately run Correctional Centres, Courts and Offender Programs. This amount excludes Transport of Inmates and Offenders in the Community.

\* 6880 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—ESCAPES OF INMATES FROM CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—

- (1) How many inmates have escaped custody in the following years:
- (a) 2021?
- (b) 2020?
- (c) 2019?
- (2) For each escape, how long were they out of custody for before being captured or returned?
- (a) Please provide details for each escape?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1)

Year	Escapes
2021*	4
2020	8
2019	6

\* at 4 August 2021

(2)

(a)

Date of Escape	Facility	Return to custody (date)	Escape days
15 Jul 2021	Goulburn Correctional Centre	16 Jul 2021	1
26 Jun 2021	Cooma Correctional Centre	26 Jun 2021	0
01 Jun 2021	Bathurst Correctional Centre	02 Jun 2021	1
06 Jan 2021	South Coast Correctional Centre	06 Jan 2021	0
09 Dec 2020	Silverwater Women's Correctional Centre	07 Jan 2021	29
04 Dec 2020	Kirkconnell Correctional Centre	05 Dec 2020	1

22 Oct 2020	Parklea Correctional Centre	22 Oct 2020	0
17 Jun 2020	Glen Innes Correctional Centre	18 June 2020	1
23 May 2020	Glen Innes Correctional Centre	11 Jan 2021	233
15 Apr 2020	Cessnock Correctional Centre	15 Apr 2020	0
20 Feb 2020	Cessnock Correctional Centre	20 Feb 2020	0
11 Jan 2020	Silverwater Women's Correctional Centre	11 Jan 2020	0
13 Sep 2019	Tamworth Correctional Centre	13 Sep 2019	0
25 Aug 2019	Mid North Coast Correctional Centre	26 Aug 2019	1
17 Jul 2019	Illawarra Reintegration Centre	19 Jul 2019	2
28 May 2019	Glen Innes Correctional Centre	30 May 2019	2
20 Feb 2019	Gosford Court Cells	20 Feb 2019	0
04 Jan 2019	Glen Innes Correctional Centre	05 Jan 2019	1

\* 6881 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—WELLINGTON CORRECTIONAL CENTRE—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—

- (1) What was the cost of transporting inmates from the Wellington Correctional Centre to various other Correctional facilities as a result of the mouse plague in June 2021?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The cost of transporting inmates from Wellington Correctional Centre has been estimated at \$44,440. This figure may be subject to change when all related invoices are finalised.

- \* 6882 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—GOOGONG PRIMARY SCHOOL—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

(1) What is the completion date of the Googong Primary School?

Answer—

Information on the forecast completion date of the new primary school in Googong has been shared with the local community and is publicly available on the School Infrastructure NSW website at [www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au](http://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au).

- \* 6883 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—JERRABOMBERRA HIGH SCHOOL ENROLMENT AREA—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

(1) What will be the designated enrolment area for the proposed Jerrabomberra High School?

Answer—

The intake area for the new high school in Jerrabomberra will be confirmed closer to the school opening date. This will also enable the Department of Education to utilise the most current demographic data.

Details regarding this school project are available on the School Infrastructure NSW website at <https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/n/new-high-school-in-jerrabomberra.html>.

- \* 6884 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—JERRABOMBERRA HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

(1) What will be the student capacity for the proposed Jerrabomberra High School?

Answer—

The project will deliver 25 learning spaces to accommodate approximately 500 students. This includes three learning spaces that can be dedicated to Specialist Support Classes. The core school facilities at the new high school have been designed to accommodate future expansion to meet potential future enrolment increases.

Details regarding this school project will be continuously updated as information becomes available. Information is available on the School Infrastructure NSW website <https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/n/new-high-school-in-jerrabomberra.html>

- \* 6885 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—GLOBAL TRADING GROUP—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—

(1) Given the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) in May 17, 2018 referred to the activity of Global Trading Group and on May 18, 2021, the US State Department Rewards for Justice Program issued a \$10 million reward for related activity:

(a) Has the Government investigated its suspected activity in Sydney?

Answer—

I am advised:

This matter falls within the Australian Government, Department of Home Affairs and should be directed to the Minister for Home Affairs, the Hon Karen Andrews MP.

- \* 6886 SPECIAL MINISTER OF STATE—MUNGO MAN BURIAL—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts—

(1) Was the Government consulted on the plans for the “reburial of 108 Willandra Lakes Aboriginal Ancestors at 26 sites within the Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area”?

- (a) If so:
  - (i) What department or agency was consulted?
  - (ii) Please provide a list of those consulted?
- (2) What is the official Government position on the reburial of the “Mungo Man” and the remains of more than 100 other excavated remains?
  - (a) Has the Government expressed a view to their Federal counterparts?
- (3) Did the Government seek the views of traditional owners?
- (4) What is the Government’s view that the burial site will be “unmarked”?

Answer—

- (1) Yes.
  - (i) The National Parks and Wildlife Service was the consent authority for this project and questions in this regard should be directed to the Minister for Energy and Environment.
  - (ii) I am advised more than 220 stakeholders and interest groups have been consulted as part of the project.  
  
These included the Willandra Lakes World Heritage Area Advisory Committee, and members of its predecessor (the Willandra Lakes World Heritage Area Community Management Council and Technical and Scientific Advisory Committee); current and former Executive Officers to these committees; The Australian Museum; The National Museum of Australia; academic researchers based in Australia, New Zealand and the United States; Dareton and Balranald Local Aboriginal Land Councils; the Barkandji Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate; a wide range of Aboriginal community Elders; and members and the NPWS Regional Advisory Committee.
- (2) The NSW Government respects and supports Aboriginal self-determination in making decisions on the management of their heritage and ancestors.  
  
As the National Parks and Wildlife Service is the consent authority for this project, further questions in this regard should be directed to the Minister for Energy and Environment.
  - (a) As the region is a World Heritage Area, the proposed reburial of the ancestors has been referred to the Federal Government under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) This question should be directed to the Minister for Energy and Environment.

\* 6887 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—DRONES AND CRIMINAL ACTIVITY—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) What work is being conducted in relation to the use of drones and criminal activity in New South Wales?
- (2) Have there been arrests or charges in relation to using drones to engage in criminal activity?
  - (a) If so, how many?
  - (b) Please provide a list of the top five categories?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force is aware that Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS), commonly known as drones, can be used to commit or assist in the commission of crime and to threaten public safety. Guidelines

have been developed to assist officers in their response to criminal, malicious or inadvertent use of RPAS. Information relating to the use of RPAS to engage in criminal activity is not centrally held by the NSW Police Force.

Offences detected which relate to the use of RPAS under the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998 (Cth) are investigated and prosecuted by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority. Officers of the NSW Police Force are not authorised to commence proceedings against the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998 (Cth).

Questions relating to the Civil Aviation Safety Authority should be directed to the Commonwealth Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development.

\* 6888 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—GLOBAL TRADING GROUP—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

(1) Given the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) in May 17, 2018 referred to the activity of Global Trading Group and on May 18, 2021, the US State Department Rewards for Justice Program issued a \$10 million reward for related activity:

(a) Has the Government investigated its suspected activity in Sydney?

Answer—

I am advised:

Questions relating to terrorism financing should be directed to the Commonwealth Minister for Home Affairs.

\* 6889 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—NSW POLICE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL FULLER REPLACEMENT—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

(1) Following the announcement that NSW Police Commissioner Michael Fuller has indicated that he will not be seeking a renewal of his contract in April 2022:

(a) What is the exact end date for his contract?

(2) Has the State Government began the recruitment process for a replacement commissioner?

(a) If so, what was the start date of the recruitment process?

(b) Did the government employ a recruitment agency?

(i) If so, what is the name of the agency?

(c) If not, why not?

(i) When will the recruitment process begin?

(3) What is the total budget for the recruitment process to replace the Police Commissioner?

(4) As part of the recruitment criteria, will “local NSW” experience be part of the essential criteria?

Answer—

I am advised:

NSW Police Force Commissioner Michael Fuller’s contract expires on 3 April 2022.

The NSW Government has not commenced the recruitment process for the next Commissioner of the NSW Police Force. The budget, timeframes, essential criteria and preferred recruitment method are currently being determined.

\* 6890 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER VIOLATIONS AND INFRINGEMENTS—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) By local area command, how many public health infringement notices were issued from 1 June 2021 to 30 June 2021?
  - (a) How many of the infringement notices were for failing to wear a mask?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
  - (b) How many of the infringement notices were for failing to socially distance?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
  - (c) How many of the infringement notices were for unnecessary or unauthorised travel?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
- (2) By local area command, how many public health infringement notices were issued from 28 June 2021 to 4 July 2021?
  - (a) How many of the infringement notices were for failing to wear a mask?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
  - (b) How many of the infringement notices were for failing to socially distance?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
  - (c) How many of the infringement notices were for unnecessary or unauthorised travel?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
- (3) By local area command, how many public health infringement notices were issued from 4 July 2021 to 11 July 2021?
  - (a) How many of the infringement notices were for failing to wear a mask?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
  - (b) How many of the infringement notices were for failing to socially distance?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
  - (c) How many of the infringement notices were for unnecessary or unauthorised travel?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
- (3) By local area command, how many public health infringement notices were issued from 11 July 2021 to 18 July 2021?
  - (a) How many of the infringement notices were for failing to wear a mask?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
  - (b) How many of the infringement notices were for failing to socially distance?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?
  - (c) How many of the infringement notices were for unnecessary or unauthorised travel?
    - (i) Please provide a break down by each local area command?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1)
  - (a) 181 infringement notices were issued between 1 June 2021 to 30 June 2021, by the following Area Commands/Districts:
    - Auburn Police Area Command - 4

- Bankstown Police Area Command - 2
- Blacktown Police Area Command - 8
- Brisbane Waters Police District - 6
- Campbelltown City Police Area Command - 5
- Central West Police District - 2
- Coffs/Clarence Police District - 1
- Cumberland Police Area Command - 10
- Eastern Beaches Police Area Command - 1
- Eastern Suburbs Police Area Command - 1
- Fairfield City Police Area Command - 1
- Hawkesbury Police Area Command - 1
- Hunter Valley Police District - 1
- Inner West Police Area Command - 1
- Kings Cross Police Area Command - 1
- Lake Illawarra Police District - 3
- Lake Macquarie Police District - 6
- Liverpool City Police Area Command - 2
- Mid-North Coast Police District - 2
- Monaro Police District - 6
- Mt Druitt Police Area Command - 10
- Nepean Police Area Command - 15
- New England Police District - 1
- Newcastle City Police District - 8
- North Shore Police Area Command - 2
- Parramatta Police Area Command - 16
- Port Stephens – Hunter Police District - 4
- Richmond Police District - 1
- Riverstone Police Area Command - 5
- Ryde Police Area Command - 3
- South Sydney Police Area Command - 2
- St George Police Area Command - 6
- Sutherland Shire Police Area Command - 1
- Sydney City Police Area Command - 31
- The Hills Police Area Command - 2
- Tuggerah Lakes Police District - 6
- Tweed/Byron Police District - 1
- Wollongong Police District – 3

- (b) While the NSW Government continues to advise individuals to maintain physical distancing of 1.5 metres from others, this is health advice and not a provision of any Public Health Order.
- (c) Ten infringement notices were issued between 1 June 2021 to 30 June 2021, by the following Area Commands/Districts:
- Hunter Valley Police District - 2
  - Lake Illawarra Police District - 2
  - Manning/Great Lakes Police District - 3
  - Newcastle City Police District - 2
  - The Hume Police District - 1
- (2)
- (a) 283 infringement notices were issued between 1 July to 4 July 2021\*, by the following Area Commands/Districts:
- Auburn Police Area Command - 16
  - Bankstown Police Area Command - 10
  - Blacktown Police Area Command - 10
  - Brisbane Water Police District - 1
  - Burwood Police Area Command - 2
  - Camden Police Area Command - 2
  - Campbelltown City Police Area Command - 4
  - Campsie Police Area Command - 6
  - Central West Police District - 2
  - Chifley Police District - 4
  - Cumberland Police Area Command - 10
  - Eastern Beaches Police Area Command - 3
  - Eastern Suburbs Police Area Command - 1
  - Fairfield City Police Area Command - 35
  - Hunter Valley Police District - 6
  - Inner West Police Area Command - 4
  - Kings Cross Police Area Command - 2
  - Ku-ring-Gai Police Area Command - 2
  - Lake Macquarie Police District - 7
  - Leichhardt Police Area Command - 2
  - Liverpool City Police Area Command - 5
  - Manning/Great Lakes Police District - 2
  - Mid-North Coast Police District - 1
  - Monaro Police District - 5
  - Mt Druitt Police Area Command - 5
  - Murray River Police District - 1



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- Murrumbidgee Police District - 1
  - Nepean Police Area Command - 17
  - Newcastle City Police District - 2
  - North Shore Police Area Command - 1
  - Oxley Police District - 1
  - Parramatta Police Area Command - 22
  - Port Stephens – Hunter Police District - 4
  - Riverina Police District - 2
  - Ryde Police Area Command - 1
  - South Sydney Police Area Command - 4
  - St George Police Area Command - 28
  - Sutherland Shire Police Area Command - 5
  - Sydney City Police Area Command - 40
  - The Hume Police District – 3
  - Tuggerah Lakes Police District - 1
  - Tweed/Byron Police District - 1
  - Wollongong Police District – 2
- (b) While the NSW Government continues to advise individuals to maintain physical distancing of 1.5 metres from others, this is health advice and not a provision of any Public Health Order.
- (c) Four infringement notices were issued between 1 July 2021 to 4 July 2021\*, by the following Area Commands/Districts:
- Manning/Great Lakes Police District - 1
  - Newcastle City Police District - 1
  - Port Stephens-Hunter Police District - 2
- (3)
- (a) 450 infringement notices were issued between 5 July to 11 July 2021\*, by the following Area Commands/Districts:
- Auburn Police Area Command - 29
  - Bankstown Police Area Command - 14
  - Blacktown Police Area Command - 40
  - Brisbane Water Police District - 2
  - Burwood Police Area Command - 11
  - Campbelltown City Police Area Command - 8
  - Campsie Police Area Command - 10
  - Chifley Police District - 5
  - Coffs/Clarence Police District - 1
  - Cumberland Police Area Command - 14
  - Eastern Beaches Police Area Command - 1

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- Eastern Suburbs Police Area Command - 2
  - Fairfield City Police Area Command - 20
  - Hawkesbury Police Area Command - 1
  - Inner West Police Area Command - 1
  - Kings Cross Police Area Command- 6
  - Lake Illawarra Police District - 3
  - Lake Macquarie Police District - 11
  - Leichhardt Police Area Command- 5
  - Liverpool City Police Area Command - 57
  - Mid-North Coast Police District - 8
  - Mt Druitt Police Area Command -18
  - Murray River Police District - 1
  - Murrumbidgee Police District - 2
  - Nepean Police Area Command -16
  - New England Police District - 6
  - Newcastle City Police District - 7
  - North Shore Police Area Command - 1
  - Orana and Mid-Western Police District - 1
  - Parramatta Police Area Command - 32
  - Port Stephens - Hunter Police District - 3
  - Public Transport and Public Safety Command - 1
  - Richmond Police District - 1
  - Ryde Police Area Command -14
  - South Coast Police District – 1
  - South Sydney Police Area Command - 3
  - St George Police Area Command - 22
  - Sutherland Shire Police Area Command -14
  - Sydney City Police Area Command - 38
  - Tuggerah Lakes Police District - 4
  - Tweed/Byron Police District - 8
  - Wollongong Police District – 8
- (b) While the NSW Government continues to advise individuals to maintain physical distancing of 1.5 metres from others, this is health advice and not a provision of any Public Health Order.
- (c) 72 infringement notices were issued between 5 July 2021 to 11 July 2021\*, by the following commands:
- Central West Police District - 1
  - Chifley Police District - 43
  - Hunter Valley Police District -1

- Lake Macquarie Police District -10
- Newcastle City Police District - 4
- Orana and Mid-Western - 2
- Port Stephens-Hunter Police District - 4
- Richmond Police District - 2
- The Hume Police District - 3
- Wollongong Police District - 2

(4)

(a) 640 infringement notices were issued between 12 July to 18 July 2021 \*, by the following Area Commands/Districts:

- Auburn Police Area Command - 38
- Bankstown Police Area Command - 20
- Blacktown Police Area Command - 13
- Blue Mountains Police Area Command - 1
- Brisbane Water Police District - 13
- Burwood Police Area Command - 8
- Campbelltown City Police Area Command - 13
- Campsie Police Area Command - 2
- Chifley Police District - 5
- Coffs/Clarence Police District - 1
- Cumberland Police Area Command - 18
- Eastern Beaches Police Area Command - 1
- Eastern Suburbs Police Area Command - 3
- Fairfield City Police Area Command - 13
- Hawkesbury Police Area Command - 8
- Hunter Valley Police District - 29
- Inner West Police Area Command - 4
- Kings Cross Police Area Command - 8
- Ku-ring-Gai Police Area Command - 9
- Lake Illawarra Police District - 4
- Lake Macquarie Police District - 112
- Leichhardt Police Area Command - 12
- Liverpool City Police Area Command - 30
- Manning/Great Lakes Police District - 1
- Mid-North Coast Police District - 4
- Monaro Police District - 2
- Mt Druitt Police Area Command - 3
- Murray River Police District - 1

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- Murrumbidgee Police District - 1
  - Nepean Police Area Command - 12
  - New England Police District - 2
  - Newcastle City Police District - 67
  - North Shore Police Area Command - 4
  - Northern Beaches Police Area Command - 1
  - Orana and Mid-Western Police District - 4
  - Oxley Police District - 3
  - Parramatta Police Area Command - 16
  - Port Stephens – Hunter Police District - 6
  - Public Transport and Public Safety Command - 1
  - Riverina Police District - 1
  - Riverstone Police Area Command - 5
  - Ryde Police Area Command - 9
  - South Coast Police District - 6
  - South Sydney Police Area Command - 16
  - St George Police Area Command - 29
  - Surry Hills Police Area Command - 1
  - Sutherland Shire Police Area Command - 4
  - Sydney City Police Area Command - 45
  - The Hills Police Area Command - 4
  - The Hume Police District - 1
  - Tuggerah Lakes Police District - 12
  - Tweed/Byron Police District - 3
  - Wollongong Police District - 11
- (b) While the NSW Government continues to advise individuals to maintain physical distancing of 1.5 metres from others, this is health advice and not a provision of any Public Health Order.
- (c) 36 infringement notices were issued between 12 July 2021 to 18 July 2021 \*, by the following Area Commands/Districts:
- Chifley Police District - 9
  - Lake Macquarie Police District - 9
  - Newcastle City Police District - 4
  - Port Stephens-Hunter Police District - 3
  - Public Transport and Public Safety Command - 4
  - Sydney City Police Area Command - 1
  - The Hume Police District - 5
  - Tuggerah Lakes Police District - 1

\* The NSW Police Force has amended the date ranges to ensure non-duplication of data.

\* 6891 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—REWARDS—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) How many separate rewards of \$1 million “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (2) How many separate rewards of \$500,000 “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (3) How many separate rewards of \$350,000 “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (4) How many separate rewards of \$300,000 “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (5) How many separate rewards of \$250,000 “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (6) How many separate rewards of \$200,000 “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (7) How many separate rewards of \$150,000 “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (8) How many separate rewards of \$100,000 “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (9) How many separate rewards of \$50,000 “for information” were announced from 1 January 2021 18 June 2021?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (10) How many separate rewards of \$1 million “for information” were announced in 2020?
  - (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
    - (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?

- (11) How many separate rewards of \$500,000 “for information” were announced in 2020?
- (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
- (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (12) How many separate rewards of \$350,000 “for information” were announced in 2020?
- (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
- (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (13) How many separate rewards of \$300,000 “for information” were announced in 2020?
- (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
- (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (14) How many separate rewards of \$250,000 “for information” were announced in 2020?
- (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
- (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (15) How many separate rewards of \$200,000 “for information” were announced in 2020?
- (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
- (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (16) How many separate rewards of \$150,000 “for information” were announced in 2020?
- (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
- (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (17) How many separate rewards of \$100,000 “for information” were announced in 2020?
- (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
- (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?
- (18) How many separate rewards of \$50,000 “for information” were announced in 2020?
- (a) Were any rewards provided to members of the public?
- (i) If so, what was the total amount provided?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Government reward process has been designed to assist the NSW Police Force in bringing perpetrators to justice, and to provide closure to the families and friends of victims.

A person may be eligible for a reward where they can provide information that leads to an offender being charged or convicted. There are currently 240 open rewards, 27 of which are for \$1 million. Crime Stoppers also offers smaller rewards where information leads to an arrest.

Between 1 January and 18 June 2021 alone, there has been six rewards offered for \$1 million, one for \$500,000, one for \$250,000. In 2020, eight rewards were offered for \$1 million, three for \$500,000, two for \$350,000.

There is no central record held by the NSW Police Force relating to the payment of rewards or pending rewards.

Information provided by members of the public is invaluable to the NSW Police Force. I would encourage anyone with information in relation to a crime or criminal activity to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

\* 6892 AGRICULTURE AND WESTERN NEW SOUTH WALES—BIOSECURITY—The Hon. Mick Veitch to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- (1) What is the allocation of funding for biosecurity programs by:
  - (a) Local Land Services (LLS) for the following financial years:
    - (i) 2016-17?
    - (ii) 2017-18?
    - (iii) 2018-19?
    - (iv) 2019-20?
    - (v) 2020-21?
  - (b) Department of Primary Industries (DPI) for the following financial years:
    - (i) 2016-17?
    - (ii) 2017-18?
    - (iii) 2018-19?
    - (iv) 2019-20?
    - (v) 2020-21?
  - (c) Can the Minister please provide a breakdown of the programs that are included in this funding?
- (2) How much funding has been allocated to biosecurity programs for the 2021-22 financial year by:
  - (a) Local Land Services?
  - (b) Department of Primary Industries?
  - (c) Can the Minister please provide a breakdown of the programs that are included in this funding?
- (3) Does funding carry over if unspent during a specific financial year?
- (4) Has there been occasions where annual funding allocations have not been spent?
  - (a) If so, please provide the relevant organisation?
  - (b) The amount of money not spent?
  - (c) The relevant financial year?
- (5) Has the LLS and the DPI met recommendation 31 of the Intergovernmental Agreement on Biosecurity that “ Australian governments’ appropriations funding for biosecurity should be maintained at 2016–17 levels (in real terms) or more until after completion of the next review of the IGAB”?
- (6) Who is preparing the NSW State of Biosecurity report due to be released in 2021?
- (7) Will the 2021 report be released in 2021?
  - (a) If not, why not?
- (8) Has the NSW Biosecurity Advisory Group, established by the former Minister, been involved in the preparation of the 2021 report?
  - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1)

- (a-b) The allocation of funding for biosecurity programs for Local Land Services and the Department of Primary Industries from 2016-17 to 2020-21 are detailed in the relevant budget papers.
- (c) During this time both DPI and LLS have made investments targeted at biosecurity measures to protect NSW from increasing high priority biosecurity risks, promoting compliance with the *Commonwealth Biosecurity Act 2015* (including invasive plants and animals), undertaking biosecurity diagnosis, delivering legislative food safety requirements, safeguarding animal welfare and ensure market access by undertaking biosecurity preparedness exercises, disaster response impact assessments and recovery advisory services including:
- Plants and Animal Biosecurity and Invasive Management
  - Biosecurity Compliance and Integrity
  - Biosecurity diagnosis
  - Food Safety (NSW Food Authority)
  - Animal Welfare; and
  - Emergency Operations.
- (2) Funding is detailed in section 6 of the NSW Government Budget Paper 2 - Outcome Statement 2021-22 and includes targeted activities to protect NSW from increasing high priority biosecurity risks and promote compliance with the Commonwealth Biosecurity Act 2015 (including invasive plants and animals). This funding enables the Department to undertake:
- biosecurity diagnosis,
  - deliver legislative food safety requirements,
  - safeguard animal welfare and ensure market access by undertaking biosecurity preparedness exercises,
  - disaster response impact assessments
  - recovery advisory services
  - legislative responsibilities to manage animal and plant pests
  - animal and plant disease controls; and
  - animal and plant pest disease surveillance.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) As per (3), any underspend is carried forward.
- (5) Yes.
- (6) The NSW Department of Primary Industries.
- (7) Yes.
- (8) No. The committee ceased operating in July 2018

\* 6893 WATER, PROPERTY AND HOUSING—RESIDENTIAL HOUSING NSW UNITS—The Hon. Mick Veitch to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) How many new residential Housing NSW units were added to the housing stock in the 2020-21 financial year for the following electorates:
- (a) Heathcote?
  - (b) Keira?
  - (c) Wollongong?
  - (d) Shellhabour?



- (e) Kiama?
- (2) How many Housing NSW residential units are being considered or under construction in the 2020-21 financial year for the following electorates:
  - (a) Heathcote?
  - (b) Keira?
  - (c) Wollongong?
  - (d) Shellhabour?
  - (e) Kiama?
- (3) How many Housing NSW residential units were removed from the housing stock construction in the 2020-21 financial year for the following electorates:
  - (a) Heathcote?
  - (b) Keira?
  - (c) Wollongong?
  - (d) Shellhabour?
  - (e) Kiama?
- (4) Of these removed residential units in question (3) how many were:
  - (a) Demolished?
  - (b) Sold?
  - (c) Declared unfit for use?

Answer—

- (1) No new residential NSW Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) units were added to the housing stock in the 2020-21 financial year for the specified electorates.
- (2) LAHC residential units under contract, but not completed as at 30 June 2021, for the following electorates are:
  - (a) Heathcote: nil dwellings
  - (b) Keira: 11 social dwellings
  - (c) Wollongong: 67 social dwellings
  - (d) Shellharbour: nil dwellings
  - (e) Kiama: nil dwellings
- (3-4) The number of LAHC residential units removed from the housing stock construction in the 2020-21 financial year for the following electorates are:
  - (a) Heathcote: one dwelling sold
  - (b) Keira: three dwellings sold
  - (c) Wollongong: six dwellings sold, two dwellings demolished
  - (d) Shellharbour: one dwelling sold
  - (e) Kiama: nil dwellings

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(Paper No. 544)

- \* 6926 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—FULL LISTING OF ENTIRETY OF HEZBOLLAH AS A TERRORIST ORGANISATION—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—
- (1) Given the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security (PJCIS) recommended on June 22 that the Federal Government list the entirety of Hezbollah as a terrorist organization, which is an expansion beyond Australia's current listing of only Hezbollah's External Security Organization (ESO); and a full listing would bring Australia in line with nearly 20 countries including Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States as well as the Arab League and the Gulf Cooperation Council:
- (a) What advice has NSW Police and NSW Police's Counter Terrorism and Special Tactics Command provided to the State Government on the full listing of Hezbollah and its impact on combating terrorist activity in New South Wales?

Answer—

I am advised, questions relating to the listing of a group or organisation as a terrorist organisation should be directed to the Commonwealth Government Minister for Home Affairs.

**27 JULY 2021**

(Paper No. 549)

- \* 6980 FINANCE AND SMALL BUSINESS—FIRST HOME BUYERS—The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business—
- (1) For the First Home Buyers Assistance Scheme, in the 2020/21 financial year what was the breakdown between those receiving a:
- (a) Full exemption?
- (b) Partial exemption?
- (2) Of those claiming the First Home Buyers Grant in the 2020/21 financial year, how many are in the following age brackets:
- (a) 18-24?
- (b) 25-30?
- (c) 31-35?
- (d) 36-40?
- (e) 41-45?
- (f) 46-50?
- (g) 50 and older?
- (3) Of those claiming the First Home Buyers Assistance Scheme in the 2020/21 financial year, how many are in the following age brackets:
- (a) 18-24?
- (b) 25-30?
- (c) 31-35?
- (d) 36-40?
- (e) 41-45?
- (f) 46-50?

(g) 50 and older?

Answer—

(1)

(a) 34,464

(b) 13,651

(2)

(a) 1,695

(b) 3,918

(c) 2,789

(d) 1,738

(e) 739

(f) 407

(g) 323

(3)

(a) 12,458

(b) 24,105

(c) 14,906

(d) 9,262

(e) 4,469

(f) 2,510

(g) 3,018

## 6 AUGUST 2021

(Paper No. 557)

7097 FINANCE AND SMALL BUSINESS—BLUE WREN FARM—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

(1) Why has the Government granted \$146,980 to the Blue Wren Farm in Mudgee for the creation of a Barn Restaurant?

(a) What funding program was the money allocated from?

(b) Who initiated the grant?

(2) Why can't the Blue Wren Farm as a profitable enterprise fully fund its own business expansion and capital works into the Barn Restaurant?

(3) What role did the Member for Dubbo play in securing the government money for Blue Wren Farm?

(4) Was there a competitive process in the determination of funding?

(5) In the 2020/21 financial year, what other private enterprises in New South Wales have received government funding for capital works and facility expansion?

(a) What are the details?

7098 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES, INDUSTRY AND TRADE—BLUE WREN FARM—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) Why has the Government granted \$146,980 to the Blue Wren Farm in Mudgee for the creation of a Barn Restaurant?
    - (a) What funding program was the money allocated from?
    - (b) Who initiated the grant?
  - (2) Why can't the Blue Wren Farm as a profitable enterprise fully fund its own business expansion and capital works into the Barn Restaurant?
  - (3) What role did the Member for Dubbo play in securing the government money for Blue Wren Farm?
  - (4) Was there a competitive process in the determination of funding?
  - (5) In the 2020/21 financial year, what other private enterprises in New South Wales have received government funding for capital works and facility expansion?
    - (a) What are the details?
- 7099 TREASURER—BLUE WREN FARM—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—
- (1) Why has the Government granted \$146,980 to the Blue Wren Farm in Mudgee for the creation of a Barn Restaurant?
    - (a) What funding program was the money allocated from?
    - (b) Who initiated the grant?
  - (2) Why can't the Blue Wren Farm as a profitable enterprise fully fund its own business expansion and capital works into the Barn Restaurant?
  - (3) What role did the Member for Dubbo play in securing the government money for Blue Wren Farm?
  - (4) Was there a competitive process in the determination of funding?
  - (5) In the 2020/21 financial year, what other private enterprises in New South Wales have received government funding for capital works and facility expansion?
    - (a) What are the details?
- 7100 CUSTOMER SERVICE—SERVICE NSW CLAIM DELAYS—Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Customer Service, and Minister for Digital—
- (1) What is the average turnaround time for processing claims for small businesses impacted by the State Government's mandatory lockdown?
    - (a) How many claims have been made?
    - (b) How many claims have been processed?
- 7101 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR CHILDREN—Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) On what basis has the Government changed its vaccine rollout to include children over the age of 16?
  - (2) What studies and/or clinical trials have taken place to confirm the safety of COVID-19 vaccinations for children over the age of 16?
- 7102 JOBS, INVESTMENT, TOURISM AND WESTERN SYDNEY—DEFENCE STRATEGY—The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—
- (1) What is the status of the Defence Strategy announced as part of the 2021-21 Budget?
  - (2) How much money was spent on the Defence Strategy in 2020-21?

- (3) How much money has been allocated to the Defence Strategy in 2021-22?
- (4) When will the Defence Strategy be completed?

7103 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES, INDUSTRY AND TRADE—DEFENCE STRATEGY—The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

- (1) Given the answer to Question on Notice 6866:
  - (a) Why did you announce funding for the Defence Strategy on 12 November 2020 and 22 June 2021 if the Defence Strategy does not fall under your portfolio?

7104 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—CYBERCRIME OFFENCES IN NSW—The Hon. Walt Secord to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) Given that question on notice number 6871 answered on 5 August 2021 reported that “State Crime Command receives and triages approximately 1,000 referrals per month in relation to cybercrime, many of which are sent to Police Area Commands and Police Districts for investigation” and “over the past 18 months the Cybercrime Squad has charged 34 people for 510 offences”:
  - (a) What is the break-down of the 510 offences by offence category?
  - (b) Did any of the 510 offences relate to racist or online abuse?
    - (i) If yes, how many?

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