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- * 6946 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—GREATER SYDNEY LOCKDOWN—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
 - (1) What advice has the Minister received from the Chief Health Officer justifying the geographic boundaries of the Greater Sydney lockdown?
 - (a) What are the details?
 - (2) When was the advice received?
 - (3) Has the advice changed at any time in June and July 2021?
 - (a) What are the details?
 - (4) Why hasn't the advice been published for the benefit of the millions of people adversely affected?
 - (5) In June and July 2021, how many community transmissions of COVID-19 have been recorded in the following Local Government Areas:
 - (a) Central Coast?
 - (b) Northern Beaches?
 - (c) Hawkesbury?
 - (d) Penrith?
 - (e) Blue Mountains?
 - (f) Wollondilly?
 - (g) Camden?
 - (h) Wollongong?
 - (i) Shellharbour?

Answer-

(1-5) Under the Public Health (COVID-19 Additional Restrictions for Delta Outbreak) Order 2021, restrictions have been implemented across all of NSW to keep the community safe and prevent the rapid spread of COVID-19. Additional restrictions have been placed on Greater Sydney and in areas of concern where new COVID-19 cases are arising or growing, including in regional areas. The advice on restrictions has changed in response to the evolving situation, as case numbers and locations have changed.

The NSW Health COVID-19 weekly surveillance reports provide publicly available data on the number and percentage of positive COVID-19 cases by local government area (LGA), and on sewage samples tested for SARA-CoV-2 by sewage treatment sites at:

https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/weekly-reports.aspx

- * 6947 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—ONGOING CLOSURE OF GREATER SYDNEY SCHOOLS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
 - (1) What advice has the Minister received from the Chief Health Officer to justify the ongoing closure of Greater Sydney schools?
 - (2) When did the Minister receive the advice?
 - (3) Why hasn't the advice been published for the benefit of the parents and students in Greater Sydney?
 - (4) Did the advice also apply to primary schools?

- (5) How many children in New South Wales aged less than 13 have contracted COVID-19 since the beginning of outbreaks?
 - (a) What were their ages?

Answer—

(1-5) The NSW Chief Health Officer meets regularly with the NSW Department of Education to provide advice for schools on COVID-19 safety measures, including during outbreaks.

COVID-19 advice is regularly updated and is publicly available for schools and families in Greater Sydney and outside Greater Sydney, and for early childhood education and care facilities. For further information please visit https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families

I am advised that during the current outbreak, between 16 June 2021 and 30 July 2021, over 650 people aged 18 and under have been diagnosed with COVID-19 in NSW.

- * 6948 TREASURER—GREATER SYDNEY LOCKDOWNS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—
 - (1) In June and July 2021 what economic modelling did the Treasurer receive concerning the Greater Sydney lockdowns?
 - (a) What did the modelling show in terms of the following:
 - (i) Economic damage?
 - (ii) Welfare payment needs?
 - (iii) Alternative policy approaches?
 - (b) What are the details?
 - (2) When was the modelling received by the Treasurer?
 - (3) Why hasn't the modelling been published for the benefit of the people of New South Wales?
 - (4) What analysis and results were received concerning the health impacts of the loss of economic activity from the lockdowns?
 - (a) What are the details?
 - (5) What action has the Treasurer taken, in response to modelling, to alleviate the economic, social and health damage of lockdowns?

Answer-

- (1) NSW Treasury provides regular updates on the NSW economy to the NSW Treasurer. These updates include information on the cost of restrictions and the impact of emergencies such as the COVID-19 outbreak on the NSW economy. The estimated direct cost of the domestic public health restrictions on local mobility and gathering at the end of July was around \$1.3 billion per week.
- (2) NSW Treasury provides economic updates to the Treasurer on an ongoing basis.
- (3) Treasury's modelling has not been provided publicly because it is Cabinet in Confidence.
- (4) The ABS Household Impacts of Covid-19 Survey includes information on the health impacts of the loss of economic activity from public health restrictions.
- (5) Below is a list of all the new support measures that the NSW Government has put in place to alleviate the economic, social and health damage of the lockdowns:

2021 COVID-19 Business Grant

• One off grant of \$7,500 to \$15,000 (depending on decline in turnover) to support businesses in NSW that have experienced reduced demand or had to close due to the public health orders. It will provide businesses with cash flow support for the first 3 weeks of the Greater Sydney lockdown (26 June to 17 July 2021).

2021 COVID-19 JobSaver Payment

• Fortnightly payments of 40% of pre–COVID NSW weekly payroll, from \$1,500 to \$100,000 per week (paid fortnightly); \$1,000 weekly for non-employing business. This support is for businesses in NSW (total revenue from \$75,000 to \$250m) to maintain their employee headcount who have experienced a decline in turnover of 30 per cent or more over a minimum 2 week period of the Greater Sydney lockdown.

2021 COVID-19 Micro-Business Grant

• Fortnightly grant of \$1,500 to micro-business (small business, sole trader or not-for-profit organisation with aggregated annual turnover between \$30,000 and \$75,000) impacted by the recent COVID-19 restrictions to cover business expenses for the duration of the Greater Sydney lockdown.

NSW contribution to Commonwealth COVID Disaster Payments

- NSW to provide COVID-19 Disaster Payments to eligible individuals outside declared hotspots who are unable to earn an income due to the COVID-19 restrictions from 23 June 2021 for a period of 6 six-weeks (from 4 July 2020). Payments are tiered based on hours of work lost and range from \$325 \$750 a week.
 - Negotiations with the Commonwealth lead to agreement on 27 July to pay \$200 per week to existing income-support recipients (although this cohort would remain ineligible for the full CDP).
 - (ii) Further costing exercises were undertaken to estimate the value of NSW's contribution to the expanded CDP package announced by the Commonwealth on 28 July. This included: the cost of extending CDP until 28 August, higher payment rates from early August (for non-hotspot residents) and the \$200 weekly payment to income-support recipients (in non-hotspot areas).

Payroll Tax Support

- A 25% reduction in FY22 payroll tax for eligible businesses that have a 30%decline in turnover due to COVID-19 restrictions and pay Australian wages up to \$10 million.
- NSW businesses have the option of deferring payroll tax payments until 7 October 2021.
- Interest free 12-month repayment plans for deferred payroll tax.

Support for Commercial Leases

• No lockouts or evictions of impacted tenants prior to mediation for commercial and retail tenancies. Up to 100 per cent land tax concessions for landlords who provide rental relief.

Support for Residential Leases

- Protection from eviction for residential tenants who have suffered a 25 per cent or more loss of income due to the lockdown.
- Landowners can access either:
 - (i) Up to \$1,500 grant per residential tenancy to residential landowners who do not pay land tax, or;
 - (ii) Land tax relief up to 100 per cent of their 2021 land tax liability to landowners who reduce rent for COVID-19 affected tenants between 1 July and 31 December 2021.

Mental Health Support in partnership with the Commonwealth

- NSW, in partnership with the Commonwealth, to fund increased support for health, wellbeing and mental health in highly impacted LGAs. This support includes boosting Lifeline, Beyond Blue, Headspace, Kids Helpline and Butterfly Foundation and funding a range of NGOs (Sonder, Gidget Foundation, Tresillian to provide free counselling and support to people in isolation and new parents.
- As part of a joint Commonwealth and NSW Government package worth \$17.35 million, NSW will provide \$5.1m for a range of mental health services across NSW.

Support for Vulnerable Refugees, Asylum Seekers & Temporary Visa Holders

• \$6m available for NGOs to provide additional emergency relief support to vulnerable temporary visa holders, asylum seekers and refugees for the duration of the health restrictions and recovery period. These supports include providing emergency relief for food, medical supports (including mental health), transport assistance and essential housing (to maintain tenancies and for crisis accommodation).

CALD Outreach and Communications

• \$4.5 million for media and communications to deliver COVID-19 information and updates about the public health orders to CALD communities

Food relief package

• A further \$2.5 million package to deliver food relief, including food hampers, cooked meals and food vouchers to those most in need. Foodbank and OzHarvest engaged to provide support.

Expansion of Temporary Accommodation Programs

• Additional funding for temporary accommodation for people at risk of homelessness during the extended lockdown period.

Rent Choice

• Further 990 rental subsidy packages with a focus on young people aged 16-24 and on families escaping family violence to assist them to pay rent and stay in their homes.

Gaming Machine Tax Deferrals

• Gaming machine tax deferral for clubs until December 2021 and gaming machine tax deferral for hotels until 21 January 2022.

Support for Accommodation Providers

• Available from later in the year through Service NSW for providers that can demonstrate room cancellations during the school holiday period (26 June –11 July). The support is \$2,000 for losses of up to 10 room nights or \$5,000 for 11 or more room nights.

Support for the Performing Arts Sector

- Tailored payments to non-profit, commercial theatres and commercial music venues to help with the cost of current productions impacted by the lockdown. Cash payments are calculated based on a proportion of the likely revenue lost due to cancelled/postponed performances from the beginning of the COVID-19 restrictions.
- Extension of Dine & Discover to 31 August 2021
- The Dine & Discover program has been further extended to 31 August 2021 and Dine vouchers can now be redeemed for takeaway with delivery preferred.
- * 6949 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—SYDNEY METRO WEST—The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Transport and Roads—
 - (1) Regarding the Sydney Metro West project:
 - (a) How many property acquisitions are required?
 - (b) How many transactions have been completed?
 - (i) What is the breakdown between compulsory acquisition and voluntary acquisition?
 - (c) How many transactions are pending?
 - (d) How many compensation offers during acquisition are being disputed?

I am advised:

Information about property acquisitions is publicly available.

In line with the framework outlined in the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*, Transport for NSW seeks to complete acquisitions by agreement rather than by compulsory acquisition process.

- * 6950 WATER, PROPERTY AND HOUSING—ACQUISITION COMPENSATION DETERMINATIONS— The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
 - (1) How many compulsory acquisition compensation determinations were made by the Valuer General in the following financial years:
 - (a) 2017-18?
 - (b) 2018-19?
 - (c) 2019-20?
 - (d) 2020-21?
 - (e) 2021-22 to date?
 - (2) Of the compulsory acquisition compensation determinations made by the Valuer General, how many were disputed in the following financial years:
 - (a) 2017-18?
 - (b) 2018-19?
 - (c) 2019-20?
 - (d) 2020-21?
 - (e) 2021-22 to date?
 - (3) Of the compulsory acquisition compensation determinations made by the Valuer General, what was the average number of days to process the determinations in the following financial years:
 - (a) 2017-18?
 - (b) 2018-19?
 - (c) 2019-20?
 - (d) 2020-21?
 - (e) 2021-22 to date?

Answer—

- (1) The number of compulsory acquisition compensation determinations made by the Valuer General were as follows:
 - (a) 2017-18: 979
 - (b) 2018-19: 639
 - (c) 2019-20:128
 - (d) 2020-21: 3,909
 - (e) 1 July 2021 to 5 August 2021: 24

Note: Figures above include determinations made under the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991* for both properties above ground (surface land) and land below the surface (substratum) and also in accordance with Treasurer's Directions (for intergovernmental transfers).

(2) The Valuer General's involvement in the compulsory acquisition process concludes upon issuing the determination of compensation.

- (3) Of the compulsory acquisition compensation determinations made by the Valuer General, the average number of days to process the determinations was:
 - (a) 2017-18: 115 days
 - (b) 2018-19: 166 days
 - (c) 2019-20: 171 days
 - (d) 2020-21: 81 days
 - (e) 2021-22 to date: 118 days
- * 6951 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW PROPERTY—The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Transport and Roads—
 - (1) How many persons or businesses currently pay or owe rent to Transport for NSW, or any agency within the Transport for NSW cluster, on property previously owned by the tenant that has since been acquired by Transport for NSW, or any agency within the Transport for NSW cluster?
 - (2) How much has Transport for NSW, or any agency within the Transport for NSW cluster, collected in rent on properties previously owned by the tenant, in the following financial years:
 - (a) 2019-20?
 - (i) July?
 - (ii) August?
 - (iii) September?
 - (iv) October?
 - (v) November?
 - (vi) December?
 - (vii) January?
 - (viii) February?
 - (ix) March?
 - (x) April?
 - (xi) May?
 - (xii) June?
 - (b) 2020-21?
 - (i) July?
 - (ii) August?
 - (iii) September?
 - (iv) October?
 - (v) November?
 - (vi) December?
 - (vii) January?
 - (viii) February?
 - (ix) March?
 - (x) April?
 - (xi) May?
 - (xii) June?

(c) 2021-22?

(i) July to date?

- (3) How much rent on properties previously owned by the tenant, is currently in arrears and owed to Transport for NSW, or any agency within the Transport for NSW cluster?
- (4) How does Transport for NSW, or the relevant agency within the Transport for NSW cluster, make a determination of the rent amount on a property previously owned by the tenant that has since been acquired by Transport for NSW, or any agency within the Transport for NSW cluster?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) Currently, there are 6 properties that have been acquired where the former freehold owner remains in occupation and is paying rent to Transport for NSW.
- (2) \$105,645 from July 2019 to July 2021.
- (3) \$253,500
- (4) TfNSW adheres to the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 when assessing any applicable rental to be applied to a former property owner.
- * 6952 TREASURER—SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS—Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—
 - (1) Many students are casual workers in the retail space and with restrictions stemming from the Public Health Orders many are unable to work and support themselves:
 - (a) Will the Government consider COVID-19 disaster payments to include students?
 - (i) If not, why not?
 - (ii) What support will the State Government provide?

Answer—

Treasury has advised me as follows.

(1)

(a) All NSW residents 17 years or older can access a COVID-19 Disaster Payment, provided they meet all other COVID-19 Disaster Payment eligibility criteria listed on the Services NSW website.

Students aged 17 years and above, who currently receive Youth Allowance and who meet all other COVID-19 Disaster Payment eligibility criteria as listed on the Services NSW website, are eligible for a \$200 payment on top of their regular Youth Allowance payment.

- * 6953 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES IN SCHOOLS POLICY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
 - (1) Further to the Minister's answer to Question on Notice 6656:
 - (a) Will the Minister now amend the Controversial Issues in Schools policy to prohibit the teaching of pornographic and overtly sexual material, such as the Wankerman?

Answer-

The Controversial Issues in Schools Policy provides guidelines for the selection of materials to be used for educational purposes These include that the materials should be age appropriate, sensitive to student needs and relevant to the curriculum.

The Department reviews all of its policies on a regular basis.

- 6954 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—LUCAS HEIGHTS COMMUNITY SCHOOL POSTERS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
 - (1) Further to the Minister's answer to Question on Notice 6645 and 6655:
 - (a) Is the Minister aware of feedback from parents and also photographic evidence at Lucas Heights Community School that the posters, from Twenty10 and Minus18:
 - (i) Number much more than one?
 - (ii) Were put up by teachers?
 - (iii) Remain in place at the school?
 - (b) Will the Minister further investigate the accuracy of the school's response and report back to the Parliament?

Answer—

I am advised by Lucas Heights Community School that there has not been any parental feedback of a negative nature in relation to the Minus18 and Twenty10 posters, nor has any 'photographic evidence' been presented to the school.

I am further advised that some additional posters were put up by students at the school, which have since been removed.

- * 6955 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—NSW EDUCATION ACT—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
 - (1) Further to the Minister's answer to Question on Notice 6671, and given that the Baha'i are running the High Resolves program in New South Wales schools:
 - (a) Has Section 30 of the *NSW Education Act* been breached?
 - (b) Does the Minister take the responsibility to uphold all sections of the *NSW Education Act* seriously?

Answer—

The High Resolves program is non-sectarian and secular, in accordance with Section 30 of the New South Wales Education Act.

- * 6956 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—PAY OVER THE AWARD RATE—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
 - (1) Further to the Minister's answer to Question on Notice 6659:
 - (a) Does the Department of Education pay over the award rate?
 - (i) If so, by how much at each of the State's Community Connected Schools?

Answer-

From 8 January 2021, the salary for a Connected Community Executive Principal is \$204,697 as per the Crown Employees (Teachers in Schools and Related Employees) Salaries and Conditions Award 2020.

This is the rate paid to each of the current 22 Connected Community Executive Principals.

- * 6957 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—EMPLOYEES—The Hon. Adam Searle to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Transport and Roads—
 - (1) Some 400 employees of NSW Trains have had their employment terminated and been offered 'new' employment contracts (but in the same jobs in the same locations) with Transport for NSW, transferring those employees from industrial instruments made under the *Fair Work Act 2009 (Cth)* (Sydney and NSW Trains Enterprise agreements) to an Award made under the *Industrial Relations Act 1996* (NSW) (the Transport for NSW Salaried Award) which has inferior conditions to those

provided under the Federal instrument. To date, despite requests to do so, Transport for NSW has not agreed to include all the conditions currently enjoyed by those workers in any new State Award:

- (a) Why has Transport for NSW (TfNSW) not agreed to preserve existing conditions for those 400 workers?
 - (i) Who made this decision?
- (b) How does the Government justify this refusal to allow those workers to keep existing conditions, when the pay increases and salaries of TfNSW executives have been heavily criticised?
- (c) The refusal of Transport for NSW to allow those approximately 400 workers to keep their existing conditions appears to be in breach of s66 and s67 the *Transport Administration Act 1988* which requires existing conditions of employment be preserved on any transfer of employment:
 - (i) What legal advice has TfNSW sought or received on this issue?
 - (ii) What legal advice or other information has the Minister for Transport sought or received on this issue?
- (d) Is this part of a deliberate policy by the Government to reduce conditions of employment for its workers, by transferring their employment from one entity to another with lesser employment conditions?
- (e) Currently State Transit Authority ("STA") employees who are affected by changes have had their conditions preserved, which has been the long standing practice and statutory obligation outlined in the *Transport Administration Act*:
 - (i) Why is the Government treating workers in the Corporate Functions Review and the Property and Services area less favourably than those at STA, by refusing to preserve their conditions if they transfer employment to TfNSW from Sydney Trains?
- (f) Why was the restructure of the Property and Service area (and the proposed transfer of staff to TfNSW) rushed to completion by July 1?
- (e) Does the restructure of the Property and Service area (and the proposed transfer of staff to TfNSW) have any relationship with the 1 July date applicable to the Transport Asset Holding Entity?
 - (i) If yes, what is this relationship?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1)

(a-c) The objectives of the Corporate Functions Review (CFR) program are to provide an integrated service delivery model for corporate functions by, among other things, delivering process and service efficiencies, and embedding a consistent approach and ways of working across Transport for NSW (TfNSW). The design of an integrated service delivery model for TfNSW's corporate functions, regardless of the mode of transport they support, aligns with the broader organisational design of TfNSW. The principle adopted is to ensure employees who perform the same role alongside each other are on the same or substantially similar terms and conditions.

There are no transferring employees. The relevant employees of Sydney Trains and NSW Trains have been offered employment by the Transport Service of New South Wales to perform work within TfNSW. Accordingly, sections 66 and 67 of the Transport Administration Act 1988 are not being relied upon and any requirements in those sections are therefore not applicable to this situation.

(d) Employees who do not accept employment with TfNSW will remain employed by NSW Trains or Sydney Trains in accordance with those entities' procedures. Employees who choose to accept employment with TfNSW will be employed on the TfNSW Award – an industrial instrument negotiated with Transport Unions which currently covers some 4000 transport employees and provides NSW Government approved conditions.

In addition, TfNSW has committed that Employee Opal cards, while not a condition of the TfNSW Award and therefore not an automatic retention, can be retained by Sydney Trains and NSW Trains employees covered by the Enterprise Agreement (EA) who take up an offer of employment with Transport for a period of two years from their commencement with TfNSW. There has also been a commitment that where an EA employee is matched to an equivalent Transport grade the employee's salary will not be reduced.

- (e) In respect of State Transit Authority of NSW (STA) employees who accept employment with TfNSW, different industrial instruments and entitlements apply that provide for different circumstances to the Sydney Trains and NSW Trains employees who accept employment within TfNSW as part of CFR or the Commercial and Property Services restructure and reform. Also, STA employees remain with the same employer and are not moving between employers.
- (f-g) The Reform of Property and Commercial Services is separate and distinct to the CFR reforms. In May 2021, Unions were notified that consultation for the reform of Property and Commercial Services would commence. The Property and Commercial Services function that moved to TfNSW, continues to undertake the same functions as it did prior to moving
- * 6958 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—INDEFINITE LOCKDOWNS—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) COVID-19 case numbers and community transmissions are on the rise, 136 new cases were announced as of Friday 23 July 2021:
 - (a) Does the Government review and assess the effectiveness of lockdown measures?
 - (b) What guarantee can the Government provide against indefinite lockdowns?

Answer-

The NSW Government is carefully reviewing and assessing the effectiveness of lockdown measures on a daily basis during the current COVID-19 outbreak in NSW. COVID-19 is a highly contagious and potentially fatal condition. Restrictions will be eased as soon as it is safe to do so.

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- 7189 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—WESTERN SYDNEY CONSTRUCTION WORKERS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
 - (1) On what legal basis did the Minister issue a Public Health Order for the mandatory workplace vaccination of Western Sydney construction workers?
 - (a) What advice did the Minister receive from SafeWork NSW that the measure was a valid work health and safety requirement?
 - (b) What are the details?
- 7190 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—G-SIX BOXING GYMS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
 - (1) On or about August 12, did Central Coast police receive a complaint from the Member for Terrigal about a social media video likely to be posted by the owner of G-Six Boxing Gyms?
 - (a) If so, what action did they take?
 - (b) What are the details?

- (2) Was this an appropriate use of police resources in a pandemic with extreme calls on the police for Health Order compliance?
- (3) Did the police establish that the Member for Terrigal had known in advance of the posting of the video and the gym business owner had done nothing wrong?
- 7191 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—WORKFORCE OF JUSTICE HEALTH AND FORENSIC MENTAL HEALTH NETWORK—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 people work with and for the Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network in NSW as of 16 August 20201, broken down by:
 - (a) Permanent staff?
 - (b) Full-time staff?
 - (c) Part-time staff?
 - (d) Casual staff?
 - (e) Contractors?
 - (2) Please provide a breakdown of the Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network workforce by their geography?

David Blunt Clerk of the Parliament

Authorised by the Parliament of New South Wales