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(a) If so, what risk assessment was undertaken prior to the introduction of this mandate?

The Public Health (COVID-19 Care Services) Order (No 3) requires a disability services worker who provides services to people with disability to be vaccinated. The Public Health Order can be found on the NSW Legislation website at [https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/file/Public%20Health%20\(COVID-19%20Care%20Services\)%20order%20\(No%203\)%202021%20211223%204.25pm.pdf](https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/file/Public%20Health%20(COVID-19%20Care%20Services)%20order%20(No%203)%202021%20211223%204.25pm.pdf)

(b) By what NSW Health Order or other law is Liverpool Council allowed to enforce this ban?

Concerns about the rules and how they apply within a specific local government area should be directed to the individual council concerned.

(2) What action is the Minister taking to ensure all Local Government authorities in New South Wales open up to all residents, as per the new State arrangements introduced on 15 December?

I am advised:

Any conditions of entry or use that councils choose to put in place in relation to vaccination status are a matter for the Council to determine in line with the relevant legislation and their own risk assessment. This is consistent with all other industries and services. Councils across NSW have taken a range of approaches to any such conditions consistent with their status as independent bodies and their own risk assessments.

Where councils impose conditions of entry for access to services, they are strongly encouraged to put in place alternative means for accessing the services provided, where practicable. Many councils have done this, for example offering click and collect for library services or virtual meetings with council staff.

\* 8067 TRANSPORT—EMPLOYMENT MANDATES—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) What vaccination employment mandates has Transport for NSW introduced for:
  - (a) Employees?
  - (b) Contractors?
  - (c) Vendors?
  - (d) Visitors to sites?
- (2) What employee consultation and health risk assessment took place prior to the introduction of mandates?
- (3) Why do mandates apply to those working:
  - (a) Outdoors?
  - (b) Solo?
- (4) How are employment mandates consistent with the Government's 15 December policy whereby the vaccinated and unvaccinated can mix in social, retail and hospitality settings?
- (5) Were the mandates introduced by the Minister or bureaucrats?
  - (a) What are the details?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Information about vaccination requirements for Transport for NSW workers and visitors to worksites is publicly available on the NSW Government website.
- (2-5) The Transport for NSW COVID-19 policies are informed by ongoing, cluster-wide consultation. This consultation is consistent with the requirements under NSW work health and safety legislation.

\* 8068 HEALTH—COVID THIRD DOSE VACCINATION RATES BY REGION AND AGE—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) Can the Minister please provide the most recent total third dose vaccination rate for New South Wales, for all vaccination channels combined, including NSW Health, General Practitioners, pharmacies, hubs, and all other methods?
  - (a) Can the Minister please provide this third dose vaccination rate data broken for each local government area?
  - (b) Can the Minister please provide this third dose vaccination rate data for each 10-year age bracket across New South Wales?

Answer—

- (1) Data on third dose vaccinations administered is publicly available on the Australian Government Department of Health website at: <https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/covid-19-vaccination-daily-rollout-update>

- (a-b) Data on third dose/booster vaccinations by postcode is scheduled to be published during the week commencing 31 January 2022 on the NSW Government website at: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/stay-safe/data-and-statistics>

\* 8069 HEALTH—COVID THIRD DOSE VACCINATION DAILY RATES—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) Can the Minister please provide the total third dose vaccination rate for New South Wales, for all vaccination channels combined, including NSW Health, General Practitioners, pharmacies, hubs, and all other methods, for each day since booster doses began being rolled out? (if daily data is not available, please provide weekly data).
- (2) Can the Minister please provide the number of third dose vaccinations given for New South Wales across all vaccination channels combined, including NSW Health, General Practitioners, pharmacies, hubs, and all other methods, for each day since booster doses began being rolled out? (if daily data is not available, please provide weekly data)

Answer—

- (1-2) Vaccination data is updated regularly and publicly available on the Australian Government Department of Health website at: <https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/numbers-statistics>

\* 8070 HEALTH—COVID-19 HOME TREATMENT RATES—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) Can you please provide the number of people with COVID-19 being treated at home under the Hospital in the Home program, for each day since 1 December 2021, to current? (if daily data is not available, please provide weekly data).
- (2) Can you please provide the number of people with COVID-19 being treated at home under any other hospital-managed program, for each day since 1 December 2021, to current? (if daily data is not available, please provide weekly data).

Answer—

NSW Health manages patients with COVID-19 who require clinical monitoring but do not require admission to hospital either through the Hospital in the Home (HITH) program or other COVID-19 care in the community program through community care teams.

The number of people being cared for through the Hospital in the Home program or other COVID-19 care in the community program varies from day to day. I am advised that during the period 1 December 2021 to 24 January 2022 this number ranged from approximately 2,000 people to approximately 13,000 on any given day.

\* 8071 HEALTH—COVID THIRD DOSE VACCINATION WORKFORCE RATES—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) Can the Minister please provide the total third dose vaccination rate for workers in the following environments:
  - (a) Aged care?
  - (b) Health care workers?
  - (c) Teachers?

Answer—

- (1)

- (a) Vaccination data for all staff in the Aged Care sector is managed by the Australian Government. The Commonwealth publishes daily vaccination numbers and statistics including residential aged care at:
- <https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/covid-19-vaccination-daily-rollout-update#january-2022>
- (b) NSW Health holds staff vaccination data for employees who are vaccinated by a NSW Health service. Staff who choose to be vaccinated by providers external to NSW Health are not required to disclose their third dose vaccination and these records may not be captured. As at 18 January 2022, data available to NSW Health identifies that 35.1% of clinical staff and 29.7% of non-clinical staff have had their third covid vaccine recorded. Vaccination data for health care workers employed in the private or other sectors outside of NSW Health is not held.
- (c) This is a matter for the Department of Education.

### 14 JANUARY 2022

(Paper No. 660)

\* 8073 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—FORCED DEMERGER COOTAMUNDRA GUNDAGAI COUNCIL—The Hon. Rod Roberts to ask the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services representing the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the current financial situation of the Cootamundra Gundagai Council as a result of their forced merger?
- (a) Does the Minister believe that this is a viable situation going forward?
- (b) What immediate action will the Minister take to rectify this untenable position for the benefit of the local communities?

Answer—

I am advised that:

- (1) My portfolio office, the Office of Local Government (OLG) monitors the financial performance of all councils in NSW.

The Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council has sought an extension of time for the lodgement of Council's 2020-21 financial statements. When those statements are received from Council they will be considered by the OLG.

Under the Local Government Act 1993 councils are largely independent and self-governing bodies with rights and powers conferred by law. It is the responsibility of the governing body to ensure as far as possible the financial sustainability of the council.

Since 2010-11, the Government has provided over \$11 billion in funding to local councils. This significant contribution recognises the role councils play in providing vital services and infrastructure for their local communities.

The Government will continue to work with all the merged councils to ensure they are delivering for their local communities.

- (a) See answer to (1) above.
- (b) See answer to (1) above.

**17 JANUARY 2022**

(Paper No. 661)

- \* 8090 TRANSPORT—SMART UTE—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

(1) How much is the Government spending on its 'Smart Ute' project in Dubbo designed to stop utes hitting kangaroos?

(a) Why aren't the international ute manufacturers responsible for funding this research?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads.

**20 JANUARY 2022**

(Paper No. 664)

- \* 8123 LANDS AND WATER—ANNUAL EXPENDITURE ON WEEDS AND PESTS—The Hon. Mick Veitch to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth representing the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

(1) What is the annual expenditure on weeds by Crown Lands since 2015-16?

(2) What is the annual expenditure on pests by Crown Lands since 2015-16?

Answer—

Annual program expenditure on weed and pest management is provided in the table below. Programmed expenditure is from the Public Reserve Management Fund now the Crown Reserve Improvement Fund. These figures do not include localised discretionary investments made by regional Crown Lands Managers to treat hotspots.

Year	Pest	Weeds
2015/16	\$152,545	\$1,256,743
2016/17	\$201,491	\$1,561,276
2017/18	\$186,082	\$1,566,558
2018/19	\$188,581	\$1,937,646
2019/20	\$235,094	\$2,163,530
2020/21	\$472,338	\$2,653,802

- \* 8124 HOSPITALITY AND RACING—HARNESS RACING NSW—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth representing the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

(1) What is the maximum length of time a Harness Racing tribunal member can hold the position for?

(2) How many Harness Racing tribunal positions were vacant in:

(a) 2019?

(b) 2020?

(c) 2021?

(3) How many applications for vacant positions were received in:

(a) 2019?

(b) 2020?

- (c) 2021?
- (4) How many vacant positions on the Harness Racing Tribunal were filled in:
- (a) January to June 2020?
- (b) July to December 2020?
- (c) January to June 2021?
- (d) July to December 2021?
- (5) Who is responsible the appointment of a Harness Racing tribunal members?
- (6) How many members of the Harness Racing tribunal have held the position for:
- (a) 1 year?
- (b) 2 years?
- (c) 3 years?
- (d) More than 3 years?
- (7) Do members of the Harness Racing tribunal need to abide by a code of conduct?
- (8) Can members of the Harness Racing tribunal be removed?
- (a) If so, please explain this process?
- (9) Is a position for the Harness Racing tribunal advertised?
- (a) If so, where is it advertised?
- (10) How many people applied for the current position of Harness Racing Tribunal member?

Answer—

There is no statutory body called the Harness Racing Tribunal in NSW.

## 1 FEBRUARY 2022

(Paper No. 671)

8173 POLICE—NSW CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL CASES—The Hon. Mark Banasiak to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) For each calendar year from 2015 to 2021:
- (a) How many times has the Commissioner of Police applied to the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal for an order under section 64 of the Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 2013 in cases involving firearm owners/applicants?
- (i) How many applications were granted?
- (ii) How many applications were declined?
- (iii) For each case where an order was granted, how many cases were decided in favour of the applicant?
- (iv) What is the case name and Medium Neutral Citation of each case where an order was granted?
- (v) What is the case name and Medium Neutral Citation of each case where an order was declined?
- (b) How many times has the Commissioner of Police applied to the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal for an order under section 59 of the Administrative Decisions Review Act 1997 in cases involving firearm owners/applicants?
- (i) How many applications were granted?



- (ii) How many applications were declined?
- (iii) For each case where an order was granted, how many cases were decided in favour of the applicant?
- (iv) What is the case name and Medium Neutral Citation of each case where an order was granted?
- (v) What is the case name and Medium Neutral Citation of each case where an order was declined?

8174 AGRICULTURE—ANIMAL RESEARCH—The Hon. Emma Hurst to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads representing the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

- (1) These questions relate to document b(072) titled “Production Animal Pathology for NSW Field Veterinarians course”, which was produced in response to an order for papers made on 12 May 2021 relating to animals used in research. The document discloses that “3 of the 12 sheep were used in another research project being conducted on the same day involving the delivery of an inhalant” and “The sheep inhalation project carried out on the same day at [privileged] using 3 of the sheep that were then used in the course, also appears to have been done without AEC approval...” In respect to this “sheep inhalation” project, can the Minister please advise:
  - (a) What research was being conducted on the sheep?
    - (i) What was the nature of the research being conducted on the sheep?
    - (ii) What substances were being tested on the sheep?
    - (iii) What was the purpose of the research?
    - (iv) What are the dates the research was conducted?
  - (b) Can the Minister please confirm that the institutions involved in the unauthorised research were the University of Sydney, the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation and/or Charles Sturt University?
  - (c) Have proceedings been commenced, or penalties imposed, against any of the institutions involved with this sheep inhalation research that was conducted without animal ethics approval?
    - (i) If so, please provide details?
    - (ii) If not, why not?

8175 ARTS—SYDNEY FESTIVAL—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—

- (1) What were the attendances for each of the events of the Sydney Festival for the following years:
  - (a) 2020?
  - (b) 2021?
  - (c) 2022?
- (2) How much did the Government spend on the Sydney Festival in each of the following years:
  - (a) 2020?
  - (b) 2021?
  - (c) 2022?

8176 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—OCCUPATION DATA—The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Can the Minister please provide information of the number of employees, median weekly salary and average weekly overtime payment for each occupation listed in the following table?

Job title	Number of employees in this occupation	Median weekly salary for this occupation	Average weekly Overtime Payment for this occupation
<b>Teacher</b>			
Band 1(Graduate)			
Band 2(Proficient)			
Band 2.1			
Band 2.2			
Band 2.3			
Band 3 (Highly Accomplished/Lead)			
Step 13			
Step 12			
Step 11			
Step 10			
Step 9			
Step 8			
Step 7			
Step 6			
Step 5			
<b>School Counsellor</b>			
Band 1			
Band 2			
Band 2.1			
Band 2.2			
Band 2.3			
Band 3			
Home School Liaison Officer, Aboriginal Student Liaison Officer, Education Officer			
Step 13			
Step 12			
Step 11			
Step 10			
Step 9			
Step 8			
Step 7			
Step 6			
Step 5			
<b>PRINCIPAL</b>			
Teaching Principal 1 (TP1) or Associate Principal			
Teaching Principal 2 (TP2) or Associate Principal			
P1			
P2			

P3			
P4			
P5			
Central School Principal			
PC1			
<b>PC2</b>			
<b>PC3</b>			
PC4			
Primary School Principal			
PP1			
PP2			
PP3			
PP4			
PP5			
PP5			
Principal - Environmental Education Centre or Hospital school Grade 2			
Principal - Environmental Education Centre or Hospital school Grade 1			
Executive Principal, Connected Communities			
High School Deputy Principal			
Deputy Principal (Secondary) / Central Principal			
Primary School Deputy Principal			
Deputy Principal (Primary) Central School			
Assistant Principal Primary School			
Assistant Principal Central School			
Head Teacher High School			
Head Teacher Central School			
Leader, Psychology Practice			
Senior Psychologist, Education (formerly District Guidance Officer)			
Senior Assistant in Schools			
Non School based teaching service			
Principal Education Officer			
Senior Education Officer Class 2			
Senior Education Officer Class 1			
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3			
Casual Teachers and School Counsellors			
Band 1			
Band 2			
Casual TP1/AP1			
Principal Environmental Education Centre or Hospital School Grade 1			
Teacher in Charge			
Teachers of classes of students with disabilities			
EDUCATIONAL			

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PARAPROFESSIONAL			
Step 1			
Step 2			
Step 3			
Saturday School of Community Languages			
Supervisor			
Assistant Supervisor			
Curriculum Coordinator			

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS—OCCUPATION DATA—The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations—

- (1) Can the Minister please provide information of the number of employees, median weekly salary and average weekly overtime payment for each occupation listed in the following table?

Job title	Number of employees in this occupation	Median weekly salary for this occupation	Average weekly Overtime Payment for this occupation
<b>Teacher</b>			
Band 1(Graduate)			
Band 2(Proficient)			
Band 2.1			
Band 2.2			
Band 2.3			
Band 3 (Highly Accomplished/Lead)			
Step 13			
Step 12			
Step 11			
Step 10			
Step 9			
Step 8			
Step 7			
Step 6			
Step 5			
<b>School Counsellor</b>			
Band 1			
Band 2			
Band 2.1			
Band 2.2			
Band 2.3			
Band 3			
Home School Liaison Officer, Aboriginal Student Liaison Officer, Education Officer			
Step 13			
Step 12			

Step 11			
Step 10			
Step 9			
Step 8			
Step 7			
Step 6			
Step 5			
<b>PRINCIPAL</b>			
Teaching Principal 1 (TP1) or Associate Principal			
Teaching Principal 2 (TP2) or Associate Principal			
P1			
P2			
P3			
P4			
P5			
Central School Principal			
PC1			
<b>PC2</b>			
<b>PC3</b>			
PC4			
Primary School Principal			
PP1			
PP2			
PP3			
PP4			
PP5			
PP5			
Principal - Environmental Education Centre or Hospital school Grade 2			
Principal - Environmental Education Centre or Hospital school Grade 1			
Executive Principal, Connected Communities			
High School Deputy Principal			
Deputy Principal (Secondary) / Central Principal			
Primary School Deputy Principal			
Deputy Principal (Primary) Central School			
Assistant Principal Primary School			
Assistant Principal Central School			
Head Teacher High School			
Head Teacher Central School			
Leader, Psychology Practice			
Senior Psychologist, Education (formerly District Guidance Officer)			
Senior Assistant in Schools			
Non School based teaching service			
Principal Education Officer			
Senior Education Officer Class 2			

Senior Education Officer Class 1			
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3			
Casual Teachers and School Counsellors			
Band 1			
Band 2			
Casual TP1/AP1 Principal Environmental Education Centre or Hospital School Grade 1 Teacher in Charge			
Teachers of classes of students with disabilities			
EDUCATIONAL PARAPROFESSIONAL			
Step 1			
Step 2			
Step 3			
Saturday School of Community Languages Supervisor			
Assistant Supervisor			
Curriculum Coordinator			

Answer—

This question is best directed to the Minister for Education and Early Learning.

8178 POLICE—NSW POLICE CIVIL PAYMENTS FOLLOW UP QUESTION—The Hon. Rod Roberts to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) On the 16 December 2021 the Minister provided a response to question on notice 7839:
  - (a) What is the Minister doing about the inordinate and unacceptable level of settled claims against NSW Police for incidents as outlined in the answer to question (3) of 7839?
  - (b) What is the Minister doing to protect innocent citizens of New South Wales against the unlawful behaviour of New South Wales Police as evidenced in answer to question (3) (c) of 7839?

8179 CORRECTIONS—COVID-19 WITHIN THE CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM—Mr David Shoebridge to ask the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services representing the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What is the current number of COVID-19 cases with the correctional system as of 31 January 2022 divided by:
  - (a) Inmates?
  - (b) Correctional officers?
- (2) How many inmates have been diagnosed with COVID-19 in total since 1 January 2020?
- (3) How many inmates have been hospitalised following being diagnosed with COVID-19 in total since 1 January 2020?
- (4) How many correctional officers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 in total since 1 January 2020?
- (5) How many correctional officers have been hospitalised following being diagnosed with COVID-19 in total since 1 January 2020?

- (6) What is the policy that allows transfers between prisons to continue with COVID-19 transmission at an all-time high in New South Wales?
- (7) Do all inmates receive an in-person consultation with a GP following a COVID-19 diagnosis?
  - (a) If not why not?
  - (b) If not, what other services do they receive following a COVID-19 diagnosis?
- (8) What if any delays have occurred for other medical services in the prison system as a result of resources being directed towards addressing COVID-19?
- (9) What COVID-19 procedures are in place across New South Wales correctional centres, including but not limited to:
  - (a) Transfer protocols?
  - (b) Quarantine protocols?
  - (c) Isolation protocols?
  - (d) Personal protective equipment (PPE) provisions for inmates and facility staff?
- (10) What safeguards have been put in place to prevent the excessive isolation of inmates, balancing the prevention of COVID-19 spread and the other aspects of inmates mental and physical health?
- (11) What information is provided to family when inmates are:
  - (a) Transferred?
  - (b) Diagnosed with COVID-19?
- (12) What is the current policy for family visits?
- (13) What additional expenditure has been allocated to Justice Health since 1 January 2020 to deal with COVID-19?
- (14) What consideration has been given to the emergency release of minimum security inmates across correctional centres?

8180 HEALTH—COVID-19 WITHIN THE CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM—Mr David Shoebridge to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

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- 8181 PLANNING—FEE PAYABLE FOR COSTS AND EXPENSES OF STUDIES BY PLANNING AUTHORITIES—Mr David Shoebridge to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- (1) Are there limits on developers paying for consultants used for rezoning proposals or strategic planning?
  - (2) Is there a code of practice that guides this?
  - (3) What are the restrictions?
  - (4) Is the Minister aware of the cost of the report for the Chatswood CBD development for which proposers paid for the strategic planning reports?
    - (a) If not, why not?
    - (b) Is that consistent with the council's fiduciary obligations?
- 8182 CUSTOMER SERVICE AND DIGITAL GOVERNMENT—ALLOCATION OF MEDIA BUDGETS FOR COMMUNICATIONS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—
- (1) Does the Government have a minimum requirement of 7.5 per cent in the allocation of media budgets for communications with culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) and Aboriginal audiences?
  - (2) How is this provision implemented for the promotion of free Government vouchers?
  - (3) Which agencies have failed to meet the requirement?
    - (a) How is this assessed?

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