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(Paper No. 151)

\* 7784 SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) With regard school crossing supervisors:
  - (a) How many school crossing supervisors are employed across the Cessnock electorate?
    - (i) Which schools have school crossing supervisors?
  - (b) How many vacant school crossing supervisor positions are there currently in the Cessnock electorate?
    - (i) Which schools have vacant positions?
  - (c) Have all vacant positions been advertised?
    - (i) If not, why not?
    - (ii) If yes, what is the average time to fill the vacant position from time of advertisement until commencement of employment?
  - (d) Have any positions been vacant for:
    - (i) More than 3 months?
- (2) Which schools?
  - (ii) More than 6 months?
- (3) Which schools?
  - (e) Are school crossing supervisors paid for by:
    - (i) Individual schools?
    - (ii) School zones?
    - (iii) NSW Department of Education?
    - (iv) Transport for NSW?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 12 May 2022, there are eight school crossing supervisors employed and no vacant school crossing supervisor positions in the Cessnock electorate.

The following schools have school crossing supervisors:

- Cessnock East Public School
- Kearsley Public School
- Kurri Kurri Public School
- St Patrick's Primary School

School crossing supervisors are paid for by Transport for NSW.



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\* 7785 VEHICLE CLEARANCE ASSESSMENTS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering that in late December 2021 AIS inspectors performing vehicle clearance assessments within Barwon were unable to upload information to the RMS website, leaving constituents in flood prone areas with unregistered/uninsured vehicles, would the Minister consider giving similar extension times to those given during COVID- 19 for Western New South Wales communities?
- (2) What strategies does the Minister have in place to ensure these outages do not reoccur?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Transport for NSW has permitted deferrals of light vehicle Authorised Inspection Scheme (AIS) inspections in response to extreme circumstances, such as natural disasters or the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (2) Periodic planned maintenance is performed on the AIS system to progress critical system upgrades, improve service reliability and security and also allow for the support of future Government digital initiatives.
- (3) Transport for NSW continues to take reasonable steps through established communication channels to notify AIS examiners and stations of system outages, to limit any impacts to businesses and customers

\* 7786 WEILMORINGLE PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

Considering Weilmoringle Public School is one of the smallest and most remote schools in Barwon and New South Wales, with six children and one classroom teacher, who is also the Principal and Assistant and who recently became sick causing the school to close due to no other teacher being available, what does the Minister have in place to rectify this issue so the school stays open and the children are not disadvantaged?

Answer—

I acknowledge the challenges of rural and remote settings and expectations on teaching Principals. The Weilmoringle Public School parents and community were consulted prior to the school being non-operational on 7 April 2022 due to staff illness.

The students were able to use the learning from home systems and resources that were put in place during the COVID-19 pandemic to continue their learning for this day.

Several local strategies have been implemented to attract teachers to the area, including by implementing the recommendations of the 2021 Review of Rural and Remote Incentives.

\* 7787 AUSTRALIAN UNITY'S FAILURE TO PROVIDE HOME CARE—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

Considering Australian Unity is contracted by LiveBetter to provide home and aged care services in parts of rural New South Wales and that patients recently discharged from hospital have been unable to obtain home care packages due to a lack of trained and qualified medical officers, what obligation does Australian Unity have to provide medical services to home and aged care patients under their contract with LiveBetter?



Answer—

Home care packages funded under the aged care system are the responsibility of the Commonwealth Government. NSW Health is unable to comment on contractual arrangements between providers.

\* 7789 WESTERN SYDNEY PARKLAND AUTHORITY NEWSLETTER—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) In relation to the Western Sydney Parkland Authority April 2022 community newsletter, issued via email:
  - (a) Has SVSR Pty Ltd signed on to be involved in the Advanced Manufacturing Research Facility (AMRF)?
  - (b) What involvement with SVSR Pty Ltd have with the AMRF?
  - (c) Has a formal tenancy agreement, partnership agreement or research collaboration agreement been entered into with SVSR Pty Ltd for the AMRF?
  - (d) What was the total cost to produce the video titled “How the Advanced Manufacturing Facility (AMRF) can help grow local industry” that was embedded in the community newsletter?
  - (e) How many local manufacturing businesses has the Western Sydney Parkland Authority met with in relation to the AMRF?
  - (f) How many local manufacturing businesses have signed on to be a part of the AMRF?

Answer—

- (1) The Western Parkland City Authority has a dedicated investment attraction team which works with local and international businesses to attract interest in the Western Parkland City and the Bradfield City Centre and its related initiatives, including the Advanced Manufacturing Research Facility.

SVSR Pty Ltd is one of the many local businesses the Western Parkland City Authority has engaged with regarding future opportunities presented by the activation of the Bradfield City Centre and the Advanced Manufacturing Research Facility.

The Western Parkland City Authority does not have a formal tenancy agreement, partnership agreement or research collaboration agreement with SVSR Pty Ltd. Information regarding the Advanced Manufacturing Research Facility is available on the Western Parkland City Authority's website.

The video in the April 2022 Community Newsletter was produced using internal resources.

\* 7791 EDMONDSON PARK FIRE AND AMBULANCE STATIONS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) Given the suburb of Edmondson Park will have about 7500 dwellings and a population of 20,000 when complete;
  - (a) Are there any plans to build a fire station in the suburb?
    - (i) If so, when will the fire station be delivered?
    - (ii) If not, why not?
    - (iii) What feasibility studies or investigations have been carried out to determine the need for a fire station in Edmondson Park and what was the outcome?



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- (b) Are there any plans to build an ambulance station in the suburb?
  - (i) If so, when will the ambulance station be delivered?
  - (ii) If not, why not?
  - (iii) What feasibility studies or investigations have been carried out to determine the need for an ambulance station in Edmondson Park and what was the outcome?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Edmondson Park area is serviced by adjoining Fire and Rescue NSW Fire Stations including Horningsea Park, Macquarie Fields, Liverpool and Busby fire stations. Horningsea Park fire station was built in a strategic location to service future growth areas such as Edmondson Park. Fire and Rescue NSW continually reviews new growth areas in liaison with planning agencies to ensure appropriate services are delivered to the community.
- (2) This is a matter for the Hon Brad Hazzard MP in his capacity as Minister for Health.

\* 7792 POLICE STATION AT EDMONDSON PARK—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) Given the suburb of Edmondson Park will have about 7500 dwellings and a population of 20,000 when complete, are there any plans to build a police station in the suburb?
  - (a) If so, when will the police station be delivered?
  - (b) If not, why not?
- (2) What feasibility studies or investigations have been carried out to determine the need for a police station in Edmondson Park?
  - (a) What was the outcome of those studies or investigations?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1)
  - (a) The NSW Police Force has not identified an operational requirement for a police station in Edmondson Park.
  - (b) While population growth is a consideration for resource planning, research suggests that population density is not closely correlated with demands on policing. When data demonstrates an increase in policing demand within the Edmondson Park area, the NSW Police Force will utilise this information to determine if a police station is required, and if so, when, and where.
- (2) Given the range of factors that can influence demands on policing, the NSW Police Force continuously makes use of predictive analytics to determine the need, timing, and location of future police stations across the State.

\* 7793 BUSINESS NAME EXPIRY—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations—

- (1) Was the Business Name “Revenue NSW” (ABN 819 138 301 79) allowed to expire on 24 March 2022?
  - (a) If so, why?



Answer—

The Business Name renewal notice for Revenue NSW was sent to outdated contact details. This has since been rectified and the Revenue NSW business name is current. The expiry of the Business Name did not have any impact on Revenue NSW fulfilling its day to day operations.

\* 7794 DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE, INVESTMENT AND TRADE EMPLOYEES—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) In relation to the Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade that was established on 1 April 2022:
  - (a) What is the total number of employees?
  - (b) How many employees are designated as non-executive?
  - (c) How many employees are designated as Senior Executives?
    - (i) How many of those were employed in non-executive positions in other Government agencies before the establishment of the Department?
  - (d) How many employees are designated Senior Executive Band 1?
    - (i) What is the job title for each Senior Executive Band 1 employee?
    - (ii) How many were employed at a level below Senior Executive Band 1 in other Government agencies before the establishment of the Department?
    - (iii) Have any “within band” remuneration adjustments been made to the salaries of Senior Executive Band 1 employees?
      - (1) If so, how many Senior Executive Band 1 employees received a within band remuneration adjustment?
    - (iv) Have any “above band” remuneration adjustments been made to the salaries of Senior Executive Band 1 employees?
      - (1) If so, how many Senior Executive Band 1 employees received an above band remuneration adjustment?
  - (e) How many employees are designated Senior Executive Band 2?
    - (i) What is the job title for each Senior Executive Band 2 employee?
    - (ii) How many were employed at a level below Senior Executive Band 2 in other Government agencies before the establishment of the Department?
    - (iii) Have any “within band remuneration adjustments” been made to the salaries of Senior Executive Band 2 employees?
      - (1) If so, how many Senior Executive Band 2 employees received a within band remuneration adjustment?
    - (iv) Have any “above band” remuneration adjustments been made to the salaries of Senior Executive Band 2 employees?
      - (1) If so, how many Senior Executive Band 2 employees received an above band remuneration adjustment?
  - (f) How many employees are designated Senior Executive Band 3?
    - (i) What is the job title for each Senior Executive Band 3 employee?



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- (ii) How many were employed at a level below Senior Executive Band 3 in other Government agencies before the establishment of the Department?
- (iii) Have any “within band remuneration adjustments” been made to the salaries of Senior Executive Band 3 employees?
  - (1) If so, how many Senior Executive Band 3 employees received a within band remuneration adjustment?
- (iv) Have any “above band” remuneration adjustments been made to the salaries of Senior Executive Band 3 employees?
  - (1) If so, how many Senior Executive Band 3 employees received an above band remuneration adjustment?

Answer—

(1)

- (a) As at 11 May 2022, there were 380 people employed by the Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade.

For all subsequent questions, customary information about Senior Executives in the Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade will be provided in the relevant annual reports when published.

- \* 7795 AFFORDABLE HOMES IN THE MURRAY ELECTORATE—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

Of the 200 affordable homes that the Government recently announced, how many will be allocated to the Murray electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

Funding allocations are based on results of existing and future tenders. All community housing providers, including those able to deliver in the Murray electorate, will be encouraged to participate in the tender.

- \* 7796 NSW AMBULANCE SERVICES WITHIN THE MURRUMBIDGEE LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) Within the Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD), how many NSW Ambulance vehicles service the population?
  - (a) Where is each ambulance based within the MLHD?
- (2) What is the average NSW Ambulance response time within the MLHD?
- (3) What is the average time taken for NSW Ambulance to return to station after responding to incidents in other towns?
- (4) What percentage of the NSW Ambulance times is taken up for non-emergency patient transport?
- (5) What factors are considered when reviewing NSW Ambulance resources within the MLHD?
- (6) Is the proximity to a major highway a factor that is considered when reviewing NSW Ambulance resources within the MLHD?



Answer—

(1 – 6)

Information about NSW Ambulance performance, including response and turnaround time, is available on the Bureau of Health Information website.

NSW Ambulance does not deploy workforce on the basis of a local health district.

Paramedics are a mobile workforce and usually respond from one patient to the next across the state, regardless of whether they are located at a hospital, an ambulance station or another location. Vehicles and their paramedic crew are moved throughout their shift to provide geographical coverage of ambulance resources across New South Wales.

NSW Ambulance monitors factors such as demographics and population growth when planning for future service provision, as well as proximity to existing services and general ambulance coverage.

NSW Ambulance will continue to monitor demand in the area for future decisions about ambulance coverage.

\* 7797 ABORIGINAL HOUSING OFFICE FUNDING—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

Of the 17 new homes in the Far West area being constructed under the \$20 million of funding allocated for large Aboriginal families, in what locations will these homes be built?

Answer—

I am advised:

Through the \$20m awarded to the Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) for new supply through the Economic Recovery strategy, AHO will deliver 13 homes across communities in Far West New South Wales. The type of dwellings being delivered have been revised following consultation with the community.

Separately, an additional \$20m was awarded under the Aboriginal Community Housing Investment Fund (ACHIF) and will deliver a further 16 units in the Far West as well as one unit in Murrumbidgee (Young).

In total, under the \$40m available for the Economic Recovery strategy, AHO will deliver 29 new units in Far West and 1 new unit in the Murrumbidgee District during the 2022/23 financial year. The Government is securing a brighter future for all in New South Wales.

LGA	Location	Units	Bedrooms	Comment
Bourke	Far West NSW	4	2	1) 2 x 2 bed AHO Owned 2) 2 x 2 bed LALC Owned
	Far West NSW	2	3	2 x 3 bed LALC Owned
	Far West NSW	6	4	6 x 4 bed LALC Owned
Berrwarrina	Far West NSW	4	2	4 x 2 bed AHO Owned
	Far West NSW	1	3	1 x 3 bed LALC Owned
Cobar	Far West NSW	2	2	1) 2 x 2 bed AHO Owned
Wilcannia	Far West NSW	1	4	1) 1 x 4 bed AHO Owned
	Far West NSW	2	2	2) 2 x 3 bed AHO Owned
	Far West NSW	2	3	3) 2 x 2 bed AHO Owned
Wentworth	Far West NSW	4	3	1) 4 x 3 bed LALC Owned



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	Far West NSW	1	2	2) 1 x 2 bed LALC Owned
Hilltops	Murrumbidgee	1	3	1 x 3 bed LALC Owned
Totals		30		

\* 7798 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN MANAGEMENT OF YANGA NATIONAL PARK—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—

- (1) What opportunities are provided for in the current Yanga Conservation Management Plan for engaging with the local community in the day-to-day operation of Yanga National Park?
- (2) Who are the current members of the local management committee for Yanga National Park?
  - (a) Is this management committee currently active?
  - (b) How are members of this committee selected?
    - (i) How often are they appointed?
- (3) Why has the Government failed to properly maintain Yanga Homestead and other historic buildings, allowing these to deteriorate?
- (4) Why does the Government not allow locals to collect felled timber and sell it for firewood?
  - (a) Would the Government consider allowing the sale of firewood in the future?

Answer—

- (1) The Yanga Conservation Management Plan (2013) references a range of engagement opportunities such as: formal and informal engagement with neighbours, involvement of Aboriginal community members, engagement with local government, events and educational activities, volunteering, a Yanga friends group and a Yanga working group.
- (2) There is no local management committee specifically for Yanga National Park. There is a National Parks and Wildlife West Regional Advisory Committee with membership representation across western New South Wales. The committee's term expires on 30 June 2022. A new committee is in the process of being established, following public advertising for nominations. A new committee will be appointed for a term as determined by the Minister for Environment and Heritage.
- (3) The National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) has committed significant resources to maintain the Yanga Homestead, and other historic buildings, in conserving and promoting the parks' rich pastoral heritage. Maintenance funds are prioritised to Yanga's most important heritage assets.
- (4) NPWS allows locals to obtain a permit to collect firewood for personal use from Yanga National Park. There are no plans to establish commercial firewood operations at Yanga due to the environmental impact of the large-scale removal of coarse woody debris.

\* 7799 NSW AMBULANCE SERVICES WITHIN THE MURRUMBIDGEE LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

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NSW Ambulance will continue to monitor demand in the area for future decisions about ambulance coverage.

\* 7802 TOLL RELIEF PROGRAM—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—

- (1) What is the total expended on the Government's Toll Relief program for residents of the Granville electorate since the M4 toll was reintroduced?
- (2) What is the total expended on the Government's Toll Relief program for residents of the Cumberland Local Government Area (LGA) since the M4 toll was reintroduced?
- (3) What is the total expended on the Government's Toll Relief program for residents of the Parramatta LGA electorate since the M4 toll was reintroduced?

Answer—

- (1) \$894,138
- (2) \$11,932,769
- (3) \$11,711,551

\* 7803 LEARNER DRIVERS IN GRANVILLE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—

- (1) What is the backlog of learner drivers who have held a learner drivers licence for at least 12 months as at 29 March 2022?
- (2) How many learner drivers have held a drivers licence for the following time periods at 29 March 2022?
- (a) 11 Months?
- (b) 10 months?
- (c) 9 months?
- (d) 8 months?
- (e) 7 months?



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- (f) 6 months?
- (3) What is the longest time period that a learner driver licence has been held without having accessed a driving test in Granville as at 29 March 2022?

Answer—

This question should be directed to the Minister for Metropolitan Roads and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence.

- (1) This question should be directed to the Minister for Metropolitan Roads and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence.
- (a) Service NSW does not hold this data
- (b) Service NSW does not hold this data
- (c) Service NSW does not hold this data
- (d) Service NSW does not hold this data
- (e) Service NSW does not hold this data
- (f) Service NSW does not hold this data
- (2) This question should be directed to the Minister for Metropolitan Roads and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence

\* 7804 SOCIAL HOUSING CLIENT SERVICE VISITS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) What proportion of client service visits identified maintenance needs across New South Wales and in the Sydney electorate or inner Sydney?
- (a) How did the Government ensure this work was carried out?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services.

\* 7805 REFUGEE EMPLOYMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

- (1) Noting high rates of unemployment amongst refugees and asylum seekers while many businesses are struggling to get workers during the pandemic, what action has the Government taken to facilitate matches to mutual benefit?
- (2) What practical information and advice does the Government provide to private employers to support employment of refugees and asylum seekers?
- (3) What programs does the Government provide or fund to support refugees and asylum seekers into training and employment?
- (4) What further action will the Government take to help match refugees with job vacancies?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Refugee Employment Support Program (RESP) is a \$27.5 million program that commenced in July 2017 to assist refugees and people seeking asylum in Western Sydney and the Illawarra gain



sustainable and skilled employment. The RESP is delivered by Settlement Services International (SSI) and their sub-contractors.

RESP works with participants to develop career plans and links them to employers and vocational education and training (VET) as required. SSI and the Government work in collaboration with industries to facilitate training and job opportunities for RESP participants including matching them to employment.

- (2) The Government funds Settlement Services International to work with private employers including: Allianz; The AMP Foundation; Australia Post; Clayton Utz; ClubsNSW; Crescent Foundation; Crescent Wealt; First State Super; Harvey Norman; Henry Davis York; NRMA; Telstra; Transurban; Westpac; Woolworths; UST Global; Microsoft; and many other small and medium businesses to create opportunities for employment. SSI work one-on-one with employers to meet their staffing needs from the RESP participant pool.

RESP provides wrap-around support of up to \$2,950 per participant to support participation. This includes resume writing and interview preparation. RESP also provides a discretionary fund to provide funding support for overseas skills assessment and professional exams, translation services, driving lesson, clothing and tools for work and relocation for job opportunities where required.

- (3) The RESP assists refugees and people seeking asylum in Western Sydney and the Illawarra gain sustainable and skilled employment. To date through RESP, 9,346 participants have been supported into employment and training.

Access to VET fee-free training through the Government subsidised training system, Smart and Skilled, is also provided including: fee-free foundation skills courses; fee waiver apprenticeship and traineeship courses; and fee-free part qualification/short course training.

Refugees and asylum seekers are also eligible for Job Trainer and Skilling for Recovery fee free training in priority full and part qualification courses if they fall into the following categories: young people aged 16–24 years; unemployed people; Government welfare recipients (and their dependants); and people expected to become unemployed.

- (4) SSI and the Government is working in collaboration with industries in Information Communication and Technology (ICT) and digital creative, health and care, advanced manufacturing and transport and logistics to facilitate training and job opportunities for RESP participants including matching them to employment. The Government is working with the Coordinator General of Settlement NSW, Professor Peter Shergold AM to create opportunities to further support refugees and asylum seekers with job vacancies in New South Wales.

\* 7806 RURAL WOMEN'S HIDDEN TREASURE HONOUR ROLL—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

- (1) Considering the Rural Women's Hidden Treasure Honour Roll which recognises the impact of women who volunteer their time to keep their communities strong and healthy, why have no names been added to the Honour Roll since 2020?

- (a) Is the Minister aware that no rural women have been added to the honour roll since 2020?
- (b) Why has the volunteer work of rural women not been recognised since 2020?

Answer—

The NSW Government recognises the contribution of regional and rural women and volunteers through a range of programs and awards including:

- NSW Women of the Year Awards which recognise and celebrate the outstanding contribution made by women across NSW, including Regional Woman of the Year, and Community Hero.



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- Local Woman of the Year Honour Roll which is chosen by Members of Parliament and is recognised for their contribution to their local community.
- NSW Women's Week which is a chance for women and girls across the state to come together, share information and celebrate women's achievements .
- NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards recognising community heroes.
- Support AgriFutures Rural Women's Awards .
- Support for 48 regional women to participate in the Future Women Rural Scholarship Program.

\* 7807 HOMELESSNESS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) The 2016 Census shows that homelessness in New South Wales has increased at the fastest rate of any state, with homelessness among women increasing by 32 per cent, and homelessness among women aged between 65 and 74 years increasing by 78 per cent. Similarly, the NSW Homelessness Strategy states that between 2013-14 and 2016-17, New South Wales saw an 88 per cent growth in the number of women over the age of 55 years accessing homelessness services. What is the Government's approach to reducing the numbers of women facing homelessness?
- (2) How many frontline women's refuges there are across New South Wales as part of the Homelessness Services?
  - (a) What is the total funding to these services from the overall \$2.7 billion in the Stronger Communities cluster?
- (3) Considering, the NSW Homelessness Strategy 2018-2023 highlighted older women as a focus area for targeted housing options, what strategies have been put in place to lower the risk of homelessness in this high risk group?
- (4) What is the Government doing to address rental affordability, especially as it affects low income women, older women and girls?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The NSW government's approach to reducing the number of women facing homelessness includes:
  - Prevention and early intervention programs.
  - Crisis, transitional and social housing programs including initiatives such as:
    - the Social and Affordable Housing Fund (SAHF) which aims to deliver 3,485 social and affordable dwellings across NSW by the end of 2023;
    - the Together Home program that supports people across NSW who are street sleeping, into stable accommodation and links them to wrap around support
    - in October 2021, the NSW Government announced an investment of \$426.6 million over four years to expand Core and Cluster to deliver and operate extra women's refuges.
  - Other housing products including assistance for private rental accommodation.
  - Link2Home, which serves as a dedicated contact point for those experiencing homelessness to access early intervention and crisis support, as well as immediate access to accommodation.
  - Specialist homelessness services (SHS), including outreach and post-crisis support.



- (2) There are currently 86 women's refuges in NSW, an increase from 76 in 2014.
- (a) In 2021-22, the NSW Government invested \$70.6 million for homelessness services including crisis accommodation and providing support for women experiencing domestic and family violence.
- (3) The government has implemented many prevention and early intervention programs under the NSW Homelessness Strategy which seek to lower the risk of homelessness for older women. These programs include:
- Next STEP - Funding for transitional accommodation with supports.
  - Sustaining Tenancies in Social Housing - supporting people to sustain their social housing tenancies by addressing identified or complex needs.
  - Staying Home Leaving Violence (SHLV) - Expansion of SHLV to six new sites to support women and their children to remain safely in their own home.
  - SHS available to all people at risk of, or experiencing homelessness, including older women and provides a range of services to support people to stay in their current home or help them secure other accommodation.
- (4) The Government is addressing rental affordability for people on low and very low incomes through a range of products that assist with tenancy facilitation, advance rent, private rental subsidy, and tenancy assistance. Some products include:
- (a) Rentstart bond loan provides financial assistance for eligible clients to help them set up or maintain a tenancy in the private rental market.
- (b) Start Safely is a private rental assistance product that provides a subsidy and links to supports, to help people rent privately who do not have a stable and secure place to live due to domestic or family violence.
- (c) Bond Extra provides additional funding to landlords/agents to cover rental arrears and/or property damage over and above the rental bond to encourage private sector landlords and agents to rent properties to people experiencing difficulty entering the private rental market even though they have the income and skills to sustain a successful tenancy.
- (d) Additional information on rental assistance can be found at:  
<https://www.dcj.nsw.gov.au/housing.html>

\* 7808 DULWICH HILL TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL APPROVAL—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

When will Traffic Control Signals (TCS) approval be granted for the upgrade of the pedestrian crossing at Dulwich Hill Station?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW is currently working with Inner West Council on a proposed set of traffic lights at the intersection of Wardell Road and Dudley Street in Dulwich Hill.

\* 7809 RESIDENTIAL TENANCY SUPPORT PAYMENTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—

How many applications were received as of 30 June 2021 from residents within the electorate of Liverpool for Residential Tenancy Support payments?



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Answer—

Nil. The Residential Tenancy Support Package was introduced to support landlords who agreed to reduce rent to COVID-19 impacted tenants from 14 July 2021.

- \* 7811 PROCEEDINGS REGARDING DAMAGE TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—

What progress has occurred in the proceedings against the person arrested and charged on 17 June 2020 with inter alia Malicious Damage by Fire and Aggravated Break Enter and Commit Serious Indictable Offence concerning burning down of Liverpool Council Chambers in Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool?

Answer—

I am advised:

The matter is listed for case conference mention on 6 July 2022 at Campbelltown Local Court.

- \* 7812 HEAVY FABRICATION ENGINEERING QUALIFICATIONS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

Will you make representations to Federal Authorities to allow non-apprentices to enrol in courses for Heavy Fabrication Engineering qualifications so that current non-apprentice workers can upskill?

Answer—

I am advised:

In New South Wales, non-apprentice workers may undertake training in one of the 14 MEM trade qualifications via a non-apprenticeship pathway provided the:

- Student meets the employment requirements (which can be broader than apprenticeships only), or otherwise meets the relevant exceptions outlined in the decision; and
- Training and assessment is able to occur in a way that complies with the training package requirements.

This includes any training through the following initiatives aimed at upskilling workers with trade experience, but for whom an apprenticeship may not be appropriate:

- Smart and Skilled non-apprenticeship pathways for trade-related qualifications
- Trade Pathways for Experienced Workers Program.

- \* 7813 HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUESTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

How many health and safety requests as referred to in Answer to LA Question 6713 were referred to the Asset Maintenance Service contractor by the NSW Land and housing Corporation after a report by an MP in the period 1.7.20 - 31.10.21?

Answer—

I am advised:

Between 1 July 2020 and 31 October 2021, 95 maintenance issues reported by a MP, which had not previously been reported to the Contractor Maintenance Line, were referred by the Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) to maintenance contractors because they were considered to be health and safety issues.



\* 7814 BOARD MEETINGS ATTENDANCE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—

How many Board meetings have each of the individuals on the Board of Governors of the Law and Justice Foundation attended from 1.1.18 to 5.4.22?

Answer—

I am advised:

Between 1 January 2018 to 5 April 2022, individuals appointed to the Board of Governors of the Law and Justice Foundation each attended the following number of board meetings:

\* 7815 GREGORY HILLS PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Skills

<b>Board member</b>	<b>Term of appointment</b>	<b>No. of meetings eligible to attend</b>	<b>No. of meetings attended</b>
Behrendt, Jason	July 2002 – June 2020	12	10
Cook, Sharon	June 2020 – current	14	14
Fordham, Michael	June 2020 – current	14	12
Kenny, Coralie	Aug 2014 – June 2020	12	12
McAuley, Steve	June 2020 – current	14	14
McDermott, Hugh	Feb 2020 – current	16	14
Mookhey, Daniel	Dec 2015 – Apr 2018	1	0
Mulherin, Geoff	Nov 2000 – Feb 2022	23	23
O'Brien, Jackie	July 2020 – current	14	14
Rozzoli, Kevin	May 1999 – June 2020	12	11
Sheahan, John	Sept 2008 – June 2020	12	9
Smith, Andrew	Aug 2022 – current	14	13
Stein, Paul	Sept 2006 – June 2020	12	9
Stubbs, Julie	Feb 2013 – current	26	24

and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) When will construction of the proposed Gregory Hills Public School actually commence?
- (2) When will the construction be complete?



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Answer—

A project is underway to deliver a new primary school in Gregory Hills. The statutory planning process has begun and a construction program will be determined following planning approval and the appointment of the contractor. More information will be published as it becomes available on the School Infrastructure NSW website at <https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/n/New-primary-school-in-Gregory-Hills.html#about-project-tab>

\* 7816 FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN INVESTIGATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) What further developments have occurred in relation to the investigation into the burning down of Liverpool Council Chambers in Hoxton Park Rd, Liverpool since a person was arrested and charged on 17 June 2020?
  - (a) Has anyone else been arrested or charged in relation to this matter apart from the person referred to above?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) As this matter is now before the Court, I am unable to make any further comment at the current time.
  - (a) As of 17 May 2022, no other person has been charged with offences relating to the fire.

\* 7817 ORAN PARK FIRE STATION CONSTRUCTION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

When will construction of the proposed Oran Park Fire Station actually commence?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Please refer to the response to question on notice from The Hon. Mark Buttigieg on page 54 of the Budget Estimates hearing transcript on 6 April 2022.

\* 7818 DETAILS OF SIX MATTERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—

What are the details of the allegations in the six matters referred to in the Answer to Question no. 7503 in relation to which the Director of Public Prosecutions declined to prosecute?

Answer—

I am advised:

The allegations in the six matters referred to in the answer to LA Q7503 were:

- (1) A person engaged in acts of anti-Semitic graffiti on Sydney train carriages.
- (2) Anti-Semitic, homophobic and racist threats posted anonymously online through social media.
- (3) A person made verbal threats against two Muslim women in Liverpool.
- (4) A person burned a flag and engaged in four acts of violence towards members of the Sikh community in Harris Park.
- (5) A person made threats towards an Asian man in Paddington including threats to kill, verbal abuse and racial insults.



- (6) A second person was also alleged to have made threats towards the same man in Paddington, including threats to kill, verbal abuse and racial insults.

In matters 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 above, prosecutions proceeded on other charges that were available on the evidence.

\* 7819 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) In relation to stage 4 and 5 of the upgrade to the Pacific Highway between Lisarow and West Gosford please advise:
- (a) What is the current stage of planning for the works?
  - (b) When will construction begin on these works?

Answer—

I am advised:

The New South Wales and Commonwealth Governments have committed \$66 million to the two intersection upgrades, comprising of a \$13.2 million contribution from the NSW Government and \$52.8 million from the Commonwealth Government.

The initial priorities along this road corridor are the intersection upgrades at Stockyard Place and Narara Creek Road, with Transport for NSW progressing detailed designs, cost estimates, and property acquisitions. Delivery of both upgrades is subject to the approval of a Final Business Case.

Further information about these upgrades is available on the Transport for NSW website.

\* 7820 ROUNDABOUT LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF WYONG ROAD, TUGGERAH AND BRYANT AND RELIANCE DRIVE—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) In relation to the roundabout location at the intersection of Wyong Road, Tuggerah and Bryant and Reliance Drive:
- (a) Is the roundabout operating safely and to expected standard?
  - (b) What plans are in place to upgrade the roundabout?
  - (c) What work has been done with Central Coast Council to plan traffic movement at the intersection and along Bryant Drive?
  - (d) Does Council have a contribution plan in place to commit with upgrading of Bryant Drive?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW has been undertaking planning across a range of key areas on the Central Coast, to align with expected future growth, including the Tuggerah precinct. While there are no current plans for an upgrade of the roundabout, Transport for NSW is working with other stakeholders to understand future growth in this area in order to develop a plan to upgrade this intersection.

Central Coast Council has no current contributions planned for a potential upgrade of the intersection.

\* 7821 WASHING MACHINE REPLACEMENT TRIAL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

Could the Minister please advise which criteria it used to determine the eligible Local Government Areas selected for the NSW Washing Machine Replacement Trial?



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Answer—

The trial locations were selected based on the estimated number of eligible households to test the program and its delivery. Locations were selected based on the number of freestanding NSW Land and Housing Corporation and Aboriginal Housing Office properties with larger households and higher water usage and therefore potentially higher water savings.

To help facilitate the trial's delivery, NSW Land and Housing Corporation Contract Areas were also considered. Regional areas were included to pilot the viability of delivery to remote and regional areas.

Trial locations were selected following consultation with a wide working group of stakeholders including Sydney Water, Hunter Water, regional Local Water Utilities and the NSW Land and Housing Corporation.

- \* 7822 WASHING MACHINE REPLACEMENT TRIAL IN CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

Considering the Canterbury-Bankstown Local Government Area's (LGA) unemployment rate was recorded as 8.8 per cent in October 2021, higher than the state average of 5.7 per cent, could the Minister advise why the Canterbury-Bankstown LGA was not selected for the NSW Washing Machine Replacement Trial?

Answer—

Canterbury-Bankstown Local Government Area was not selected as a trial location. Locations were not selected based on unemployment rates but rather were selected based on the number of freestanding NSW Land and Housing Corporation and Aboriginal Housing Office properties with larger households and higher water usage, and therefore potentially higher water savings.

Trial locations were selected following consultation with a wide working group of stakeholders including Sydney Water, Hunter Water, regional Local Water Utilities and the NSW Land and Housing Corporation.

- \* 7824 BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL SITE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

Could the Minister advise whether he has been advised by the Minister for Health, health bureaucrats or any of his own executive TAFE staff of the possibility that the Bankstown TAFE site (or, part thereof) will be earmarked for the new Bankstown Hospital?

Answer—

I am advised:

All questions relating to the location of NSW Health assets should be directed to the Minister for Health.

- \* 7826 BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL SITE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

Given there has been speculation that the new Bankstown Hospital will be built on the Bankstown TAFE site, why have you as the Minister for Skills and Training not come out publically to confirm that the future of the Bankstown TAFE site will be secure and remain entirely for the purposes of TAFE and vocational education?

Answer—

All questions relating to the location of NSW Health assets should be directed to the Minister for Health.

The Government has provided record funding to TAFE NSW, including capital investment in the Bankstown campus of \$3.5 million since 2016. Bankstown is an important community in South West Sydney and the Government will continue to ensure that its people have access to training for the jobs that industry needs.



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\* 7827 BANKSTOWN SPORTS COMPLEX—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) Will the findings of NSW Health's investigation into the Bankstown Sports Complex as a potential site for the new Bankstown Hospital, including the exact location of any potential hazardous material, be released?
  - (a) Did the NSW Health report identify the same hazardous materials as the report commissioned by Canterbury-Bankstown Council this year?
  - (b) Were there any hazardous material detected on the site of Bankstown Senior College?

Answer—

- (1) The site selection process for the new Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital is in progress. The sites being assessed are commercial-in-confidence.

\* 7828 BANKSTOWN SPORTS COMPLEX SITE REMEDIATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Local Government—

Considering Canterbury-Bankstown Council's revelation that friable asbestos, lead and Polychlorinated Biphenyls were detected under the Bankstown Sports Complex, what steps have you taken to ensure that the site will be adequately remedied?

Answer—

I am advised:

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

\* 7829 HAZARDOUS WASTE AT BANKSTOWN SPORTS COMPLEX—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

Considering Canterbury Bankstown Council's revelation that friable asbestos, lead and Polychlorinated Biphenyls were detected under the Bankstown Sports Complex, what steps have you taken to ensure that students and teachers are not impacted by hazardous waste?

Answer—

The health, safety and well-being of students and staff is the highest priority of the Department of Education. This commitment includes ensuring that any exposure to asbestos-containing materials is managed in such a way as to minimise the risk to students, staff, parents and visitors to the site and is in line with the Department's Asbestos Management Plan.

The Department has not been advised of hazardous materials on the site of the Bankstown Sports Complex. No Government schools currently use the site.

\* 7830 BULLI AND THIRROUL TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) In relation to the Bulli and Thirroul Traffic Improvements:
  - (a) Can you please provide an update on the status of the works?
  - (b) What works are newly planned?
  - (c) When will the changes to Memorial Drive be completed?
  - (d) What changes are scheduled for 2022/2023?



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Answer—

I am advised:

In February 2022, work began to add an additional left-turn lane to the roundabout at the intersection of the Princes Highway and Memorial Drive. Work is expected to be completed by the end of 2022, weather permitting.

Planning work is continuing on proposed improvements for Lawrence Hargrave Drive through Thirroul. Transport for NSW will continue to work with Wollongong City Council and the Thirroul community to minimise ongoing concerns around safety, traffic flow, and congestion.

Community feedback is being incorporated to refine the plan for further upgrades in Bulli.

Transport for NSW is also progressing plans to upgrade the intersections of the Princes Highway with Grevillea Park Road and Point Street.

\* 7831 TEACHER RETENTION AND ATTRITION—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) As at May 10th 2022, how many vacancies are there for teachers who are qualified to teach specialist subjects such as Industrial Technology Timber and Chemistry across the three Sydney Secondary College campuses in Leichhardt, Balmain and Blackwattle Bay?
  - (a) Where such qualified teachers are not available, what strategies does the Department of Education employ to ensure students of these high schools continue to receive high quality lessons in these subject areas, and that their studies are not disadvantaged?
  - (b) Where such qualified teachers are not available, what steps has the Department of Education taken to recruit suitably qualified replacement staff?

Answer—

- (1) As at 10 May 2022, there were four declared permanent teacher positions across the three Sydney Secondary College campuses that were either industrial technology, science, mathematics or English faculties:
  - Teacher industrial technology vacancy at Sydney Secondary College Balmain Campus.
  - Teacher science vacancy at Sydney Secondary College Blackwattle Bay Campus.
  - Teacher mathematics at Sydney Secondary College Leichhardt Campus.
  - Teacher English at Sydney Secondary College Blackwattle Bay Campus.

(a) and (b) All declared permanent teacher vacancies are currently filled by qualified temporary teachers pending permanent recruitment action being completed.

\* 7832 200 EXTRA HOMES - DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE - LISMORE—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

Of the Government's \$52.5 million investment in social housing announced last month, how many of the projected extra 200 homes for women experiencing domestic and family violence will be built in the Electorate of Lismore?

Answer—

I am advised:



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All community housing providers, including those able to deliver in the Lismore electorate, will be encouraged to participate in the tender process, which is yet to be completed.

\* 7833 SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS IN WOLLONGONG—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) Of the 10 applications for school crossing guards made in the Wollongong Local Government Area within the 2020-21 financial year, how many were successful?
  - (a) Of those that were not successful, what was the basis for their rejection?
- (2) How many schools in the Wollongong Local Government Area currently operate without a full-time crossing guard?
- (3) How many applications have been received for school crossing guards since the beginning of the 2022 school year in the Wollongong Local Government Area?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) All ten applications were successful.
- (2) Transport for NSW does not hold this information in this form.
- (3) As at 17 May 2022, within the 2022 school year, no applications have been received for school crossing supervisors within the Wollongong Local Government Area.

\* 7834 TRAVEL OF RESIDENTS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) How many residents of the Gosford, The Entrance, Terrigal, Wyong and Swansea electorates travelled through the:
  - (a) NorthConnex:
    - (i) Every month of 2020?
    - (ii) Every month in 2021?
    - (iii) Every month in 2022?
  - (b) The Cross City Tunnel:
    - (i) Every month of 2020?
    - (ii) Every month in 2021?
    - (iii) Every month in 2022?
  - (c) The Harbour Bridge:
    - (i) Every month of 2020?
    - (ii) Every month in 2021?
    - (iii) Every month in 2022?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW does not hold this information in this form.



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\* 7835 TRAIN TRIPS BETWEEN GOSFORD AND WOY WOY—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) How many trips occurred from Gosford Train Station to Woy Woy Train Station from 2018 to 2021?
- (2) How many trips occurred from Woy Woy Train Station to Gosford Train Station from 2018 to 2021?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Between 1 July 2018 and 30 June 2021, there were around 48,000 train services and more than 335,000 passenger trips from Gosford Train Station to Woy Woy Train Station.
- (2) Between 1 July 2018 and 30 June 2021, there were more than 49,400 train services and around 300,000 passenger trips from Woy Woy Train Station to Gosford Train Station.

\* 7837 HOUSING NUCLEAR SUBMARINES—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Premier—

- (1) With respect to the Commonwealth Government announcement to look at three options for housing nuclear submarines:
  - (a) Has the New South Wales Government made representations to the Commonwealth Government about this matter?
  - (b) Will the Government commit to Port Kembla being the Government's preferred site for housing new nuclear submarines?

Answer—

This is a matter for the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade.

\* 7838 PRINCES HIGHWAY UPGRADE—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) With respect to upgrading the Princes Highway:
  - (a) When will the Berry to Bomaderry Princes Highway Upgrade have dual carriage way open, permanently, in both directions?
  - (b) When will tenders be let for the Jervis Bay Road Interchange?
  - (c) Will all pre-construction work on the Jervis Bay Road interchange be complete by the end of the 2022 calendar year?
  - (d) What work is currently being undertaken to progress the Nowra Bypass?
  - (e) What funding has been allocated in 2021/22 from within the Transport budget to progress the Nowra Bypass?
  - (f) Will the Government propose any funding in the 2022/23 NSW State Budget to the Nowra Bypass?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Berry to Bomaderry Princes Highway Upgrade of the Princes Highway project is expected to be completed in late 2022.



Transport for NSW is preparing tender documentation for the Jervis Bay Road Interchange. Following this, early work on Jervis Bay Road Interchange is expected to start in late 2022.

Transport for NSW is finalising a Preliminary Feasibility Assessment report to better understand the potential costs and benefits associated with a bypass of Nowra. This preliminary assessment was completed earlier this year and the report is currently under review.

\* 7840 NEW SHELLHARBOUR HOSPITAL—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) With respect to the new Shellharbour Hospital:
  - (a) When will tenders be let?
  - (b) When will pre-construction commence?
  - (c) Will the head (main construction) tender be awarded by the end of this year?
  - (d) How many additional nurses and doctors will be working in this hospital when it opens?
    - (i) Can you provide a breakdown?
  - (e) Will the Ministry ensure that the main contract has targets for local jobs, local trainees and apprentices, local aboriginal people and women in non-traditional roles?
  - (f) What are the service categories that will be on offer at this hospital?
    - (i) Which services will be available at the new Shellharbour Hospital that are not available at the current Shellharbour Hospital?
  - (g) What is the estimated time that the new hospital will be open to the public?
  - (h) Is there any consideration to moving any nearby ambulance stations alongside the new Shellharbour Hospital?

Answer—

- (1) a. – h.

Early works packages for the New Shellharbour Hospital & Integrated Services project, including works on Integrated Services at Bulli and Wollongong, will commence in early 2023. Pending completion of site acquisition, it is expected that some preliminary works for the new hospital will also commence at this time.

The pre-construction planning and design phase has already commenced, and timelines – including those related to commissioning and opening – will be confirmed once further planning and design has taken place.

The main works construction contract will include targets for local jobs, trainees and apprentices, local Aboriginal people and women in non-traditional roles, in accordance with NSW government guidelines. As the development progresses a workforce plan will also be completed. It is expected there will be an increase in staff numbers across clinical, non-clinical and support services to deliver the expanded services planned. Information on services that will be available at the new Shellharbour Hospital can be found on the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District website.

Earlier this month the NSW Government announced a \$1.76 billion boost to frontline emergency care as part of the 2022-23 Budget. The \$1.76 billion over four years will provide NSW Ambulance with more than 2,000 new staff and 30 more stations, including one at Warilla.

\* 7841 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT IN THE ILLAWARRA-SHOALHAVEN LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) With respect to mental health supports in the Illawarra-Shoalhaven Local Health District (ISLHD):



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- (a) How many full time FTEs are dedicated to supporting mental health services in the current financial year?
  - (i) Can the Ministry provide a breakdown of the broad areas of support that these staff provide?
- (b) How many full time FTEs were dedicated to supporting mental health services in the ISLHAD in the 2019/20 financial year?
- (c) What work is the ISLHD doing by way of outreach support to communities around the health district?
- (d) How is the ISLHD coordinating with Commonwealth funded services such as headspace to provide critical services across the district?

Answer—

(1) (a) - (d)

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District varies staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational need, as required.

A broad range of specialist mental health services are provided in both inpatient and community-based settings. The mental health services the District provides are available publicly on the District website at: <https://www.islhd.health.nsw.gov.au/services-clinics/mental-health-service>

The District's community mental health programs provide an outreach model that aims to meet the consumer where they are most comfortable, with face-to-face or virtual consultations. These include:

- Mental Health Police and Ambulance Program
- Acute care and continuing care
- Child, adolescent and youth mental health
- Perinatal mental health
- Community mental health rehabilitation services
- Older persons mental health services
- Vulnerable person's clinicians (peer workers across a range of these services also complete outreach appointments)
- Disaster Recovery Clinicians
- Rural Adversity Mental Health Program (RAMHP) Coordinator
- The Mental Health Community Living Programs – Housing and Accommodation Support Initiative (HASI), Community Living Supports (CLS) and Mental Health Community Living Supports for Refugees.
- Suicide prevention outreach team (Shoalhaven area)
- Towards Zero Suicide Rural Counsellor (Shoalhaven area)

The District collaborates with Commonwealth funded services to ensure essential services are delivered to the community in a timely and appropriate way.



\* 7842 RAIL LINE BETWEEN KIAMA AND BOMADERRY—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) With respect to the upgrade of the rail line between Kiama and Bomaderry:
  - (a) Has a tender been let for the passing loop at Toolajooa?
    - (i) If not, when will it be let?
  - (b) When is the passing loop at Toolajooa due to be complete?
  - (c) When will the replacement trains for the Endeavour Class carriages be serving the South Coast Line?
  - (d) Will the introduction of the passing loop at Toolajooa and the introduction of new carriages result in more commuter rail services on the South Coast Line?
  - (e) Will every electric service departing from, and arriving at Kiama station be met by a commuter rail service once the Toolajooa passing loop is complete?
  - (f) Will the new hybrid rolling stock be used for any service between Bomaderry and Sydney without the need to change at Kiama?
    - (i) If not, is the intention to continue to require passengers to change at Kiama Station?

Answer—

I am advised:

The corridor between Sydney and Bomaderry has been identified as one of the routes that will form part of the NSW Fast Rail Program. Transport for NSW is continuing planning for rail infrastructure improvements which are part of delivering this vision. A completion date for the Toolajooa passing loop project will be determined following further planning for the rail infrastructure improvements.

The Regional Rail Project fleet is planned to be progressively introduced from late-2023. Based on the likely fleet delivery sequencing, the Endeavour trains currently operating between Kiama and Bomaderry are expected to remain in service until 2024-2025.

The passing loop project does not include provision for additional services on the South Coast Line and train interchanging will still be required at Kiama in both directions. However, the new Mariyung fleet is designed to meet the demand requirements of the busier portions of the NSW Trainlink Intercity network, such as between Kiama-Wollongong and Sydney.

\* 7843 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Premier—

- (1) With respect to the Government's commitment to ensure people with disability comprise 5.6 per cent of the public service by 2025:
  - (a) Does the Government remain committed to this target?
  - (b) Has the target changed in the course of this Parliamentary term?
  - (c) What is the breakdown by department of the percentage of public servants with disabilities for this financial year?
  - (d) Will the Government provide a dashboard, updated monthly, of people with disabilities employed in each Government Department?

Answer—

I am advised:

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- (a) Yes.
- (b) No.
- (c) Information in relation to this financial year will be in the 2021-22 Department of the Premier and Cabinet annual report, to be tabled later in the year.
- (d) The Public Service Commission conducts an annual census of New South Wales public sector employees. Data from that census is published annually in the Workforce Profile Report and the State of the Public Sector Report. These reports provide information on the number of people employed who identify as having a disability. Data is not available to provide for monthly updates.

\* 7844 SHOALHAVEN DISTRICT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) With respect to the proposed upgrade of Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital:
  - (a) When will tenders be let?
  - (b) When will pre-construction commence?
  - (c) Will the head (main construction) tender be awarded by the end of this year?
  - (d) How many additional nurses and doctors will be working in this hospital when it opens?
    - (i) Can you provide a breakdown?
  - (e) Will the Ministry ensure that the main contract has targets for local jobs, local trainees and apprentices, local aboriginal people and women in non-traditional roles?
  - (f) What are the service categories that will be on offer at this hospital?
    - (i) Which services will be available at the upgraded Shoalhaven Hospital that are not currently available?
  - (g) When is it estimated that the upgraded hospital will be open to the public?

Answer—

- (1) (a) – (g)

The main works tender process for the hospital redevelopment will commence in late 2022, with construction to start in 2023. The main contract will have a target for local jobs, local trainees and apprentices, local Aboriginal people and women in non-traditional roles in accordance with NSW Government guidelines.

The redevelopment will be supported by a detailed workforce plan to train, recruit and retain staff to meet the future growth planned for the hospital. Information about services that will be available at the redeveloped Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital can be found on the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District website.

The redeveloped hospital is anticipated to open in 2026.

\* 7845 RESILIENCE NSW CONTACT WITH PORT STEPHENS COUNCIL—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

On what date was Resilience NSW first in contact with Port Stephens Council regarding the March 2022 flood event?

Answer—

I am advised:



- (1) Resilience NSW representatives were in contact with the Port Stephens Local Emergency Management Officer from 9 March regarding the flood impact in Port Stephens local government area, and subsequently met with Port Stephen's Council leadership team and the Local Emergency Operations Controller on 15 March 2022 to discuss recovery services and supports.

\* 7846 RESILIENCE NSW HINTON FLOODS—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

On what date did Resilience NSW first become aware of the March 2022 flood event in Hinton, within the Port Stephens Local Government Area?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Resilience NSW began monitoring the situation in Port Stephens on 7 March 2022 when low lying areas began to experience localised flooding.

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\* 7847 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Attorney General—

In relation to the 2021 local Government election, can the Minister advise if the disruption to the online voting system had any material impact on the election of individual councillors?

Answer—

I refer you to the decision of the Supreme Court on 5 April 2022 (NSW Electoral Commissioner v Kempsey Shire Council (No 3) [2022] NSWSC 409) which declared three of the Council elections held in December 2021 void.

The Court's declaration took effect on 3 May 2022. The effect of the declaration is that the returning officer must hold another election as if a casual vacancy had occurred in the civic office of each of the relevant councillors.

I understand that a key consideration in the Court's judgement was that on election day (4 December 2021) a number of voters were unable to gain access to the iVote system due to the high volume of usage.

\* 7848 POLLING BOOTHS IN SMALL COMMUNITIES—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Attorney General—

What actions will be undertaken for polling booths in small communities such as Gwabegar and Pilliga?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Electoral Commission will review all venues in preparation for the 2023 State general elections and assess enrolment rates and projected voter turnout for each district. This will include the venues used for the recent federal election (in consultation with the Australian Electoral Commission).

Where there is very low attendance at voting centres, consideration may be given to whether they should continue to be used. The NSW Electoral Commission advises that in Gwabegar, low and declining voter turnout resulted in a decision not to use it for the 2019 State general election.

I am advised that Pilliga voting centre was unable to be used for safety reasons for the 2021 local Government election for Narrabri Council (despite early voting or pre-poll voting having been available at both Narrabri and Pilliga).

Information about voting centres is updated on the Electoral Commission's website.



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\* 7849 VACANT TEACHER AND POLICE HOUSING PROPERTIES—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) Of the 47 vacant teacher and police housing properties located in the Murray electorate, where is each dwelling located?
- (2) How many of the 47 teacher and police housing properties are currently undergoing maintenance?
  - (a) By what date will these properties be available for occupancy?
- (3) How many of the 47 teacher and police housing properties are set for divestment?
  - (a) Where are these properties located?
  - (b) Will the funds from the divestment of these properties be reinvested into the communities in which they are located?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The teacher properties are located in Balranald, Barham, Buronga, Coleambally, Dareton, Ellerslie, Euston, Finley, Griffith, Hay, Hillston, Mathoura, Tooleybuc, Wakool and Wentworth.  
Police housing locations cannot be disclosed due to privacy reasons.
- (2) Three teacher and police properties are currently undergoing maintenance. Thirty-seven properties are to be re-let and seven properties divested.
  - (a) The expected completion date of maintenance works is September 2022, subject to availability of construction materials.
- (3) Seven teacher and police properties will be divested. The Teacher Housing Authority and NSW Police Force Housing consult with Department of Education and NSW Police Force regarding asset disposals.
  - (a) The teacher properties are located in Hay, Hillston and Finley. Police housing locations cannot be disclosed due to privacy reasons.
  - (b) Funds will be re-invested in locations that have teacher and police housing demand.

\* 7850 REPLACEMENT OF THE TOOLEYBUC BRIDGE—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Given the commitment made by then Minister for Roads Mr Duncan Gay in 2013 to replace the Tooleybuc Bridge, when will construction start on the new Tooleybuc Bridge?
  - (a) When will construction of the new Tooleybuc Bridge be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW is planning essential maintenance work to repair and strengthen Tooleybuc Bridge. Following further community consultation, Transport for NSW are committed to minimising impacts on the local community throughout this work. This work will ensure the structure remains safe and continues to be an important link for communities and freight across the Murray River.



\* 7851 MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) Given the current lack of both in-person psychology and psychiatry services within the Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD), will you fund an urgent mental health needs assessment to assess the level of need within the community?
- (2) Will you undertake an audit of what mental health services are available by location within the MLHD?

Answer—

(1 – 2)

Face to face psychiatry and psychology services are available to consumers in the Griffith community and surrounding regions. These are available through the Griffith community mental health and drug and alcohol team and the Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network. Additionally, there are eight private psychology services in the Griffith region funded through Medicare and private fees.

Further, the Government is funding private psychologists and psychiatrists to make available additional appointments to reduce waiting lists. This includes psychologists and psychiatrists across the Murrumbidgee. This has recently commenced and over 150 people have received support already in the Murrumbidgee, with more capacity becoming available as the program is implemented.

In consultation with Murrumbidgee Local Health District, the Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network has completed a Murrumbidgee health needs assessment 2019-2022. This data has been reviewed and updated in 2022 and will be released later this year.

Comprehensive information on State and Commonwealth funded providers of mental health services by location is available on the MapMyRecovery website at <https://mapmyrecovery.org.au/>

I have also provided information to the Member for Murray on the extensive range of mental health services offered in the Murrumbidgee region, including multiple new initiatives launched, such as Safeguard child and adolescent acute response teams, suicide prevention outreach teams, two new Safe Haven drop in centres. I strongly encourage the Member to make her constituents aware of what is available.

There are extensive mental health services available in the Murrumbidgee region and it is time that the Local Member recognised the critical importance of ensuring that people know there is support available if they need it.

\* 7852 NEW SOUTH WALES YOUTH WEEK 2022—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) In relation to Youth Week 2022, what total funding was provided by the Government to support Youth Week?
- (2) How many activities were undertaken in New South Wales during youth week?
  - (a) How many activities were undertaken in each Local Government Area (LGA) during youth week?
- (3) How many young people were engaged in activities in New South Wales during youth week?
- (4) Which Government agencies actively supported Youth Week through secondment of staff, financial support or workplace based activities?

Answer—

I am advised:

The total allocated funding for Youth Week 2022 was \$470,000.



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Local councils are due to provide their Youth Week Completion and Acquittal Reports by 30 June 2022. Once this data is collated, it will identify how many activities were undertaken during Youth Week as well as highlight how many young people engaged in Youth Week activities.

The Department of Communities and Justice works in partnership with the Office of the Advocate for Children and Young People, and the Office for Regional Youth, to support the implementation of Youth Week by local councils across New South Wales.

\* 7853 SOCIAL HOUSING MAINTENANCE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) How many housing maintenance jobs have been lodged and resolved in New South Wales?
  - (a) 2017/18?
  - (b) 2018/19?
  - (c) 2019/20?
  - (d) 2020/21?
  - (e) 2021 to 11 May 2022?
- (2) How many housing maintenance jobs have been (i) lodged and (ii) resolved in the Granville electorate?
  - (a) 2017/18?
  - (b) 2018/19?
  - (c) 2019/20?
  - (d) 2020/21?
  - (e) 2021 to 11 May 2022?
- (3) How long is the standard waiting period until a job is completed?
- (4) What was the actual expenditure for housing maintenance in;
  - (a) 2017/18?
  - (b) 2018/19?
  - (c) 2019/20?
  - (d) 2020/21?
  - (e) 2021 to 11 May 2022?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The number of housing maintenance jobs lodged and resolved in New South Wales were:
 

(a)	2017/18	632,177
(b)	2018/19	732,728
(c)	2019/20	647,144
(d)	2020/21	599,058
(e)	2021 to 11 May 2022	547,492
- (2) The number of housing maintenance jobs lodged and subsequently resolved in the Granville electorate were:



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| (a) | 2017/18             | 9,970  |
| (b) | 2018/19             | 11,878 |
| (c) | 2019/20             | 10,227 |
| (d) | 2020/21             | 9,525  |
| (e) | 2021 to 11 May 2022 | 9,337  |
- (3) In accordance with the Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) Asset Maintenance Services Contract, maintenance requests are assessed and performed by the maintenance contractor using the Criticality Repairs Matrix (CRM) with the timeframes specified. Under the CRM, maintenance is prioritised based on safety and associated risk (e.g. frail aged and disabled, WHS/health and hygiene, security, major components failure etc). LAHC expects that its maintenance contractors deliver the maintenance work within the established timeframes set by the CRM.
- (4) Expenditure on social housing recurrent and capital maintenance for the following years is:
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| (a) | 2017/18                                                                                    | \$608.5M |
| (b) | 2018/19                                                                                    | \$452.5M |
| (c) | 2019/20                                                                                    | \$513.8M |
| (d) | 2020/21                                                                                    | \$517M   |
| (e) | 2021/22 data will be available following release of the 2022 audited financial statements. |          |

\* 7854 SERVICE NSW CENTRE TRANSACTIONS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—

- (1) In each of the last three years of operation at the Merrylands RMS office what proportion of payments were made by:
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| (a) | Cash?                     |
| (b) | Card or non-cash methods? |

Answer—

- (1) Merrylands Motor Registry was managed by Transport for NSW (Roads & Maritime Services) until its closure in 2016
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| (a) | This question should be directed to the Minister for Metropolitan Roads and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence. |
| (b) | This question should be directed to the Minister for Metropolitan Roads and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence. |
- The new Merrylands Service Centre opened operationally on the 3rd June 2022 with an official opening scheduled for Friday, 17th June 2022, as a digital-first store (no cash) located at Stockland Shopping Centre, Merrylands.

\* 7855 DISASTER RELIEF AND SUPPORT FOR SPORT AND RECREATION CLUBS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

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| (1) | Which individual or individuals will assess eligibility for disaster relief financial assistance?                                              |
| (2) | Which individual or individuals is the decision maker on whether to approve a grant or loan?                                                   |
| (3) | Do sport and recreation clubs and associations need to be a) incorporated or b) have an ABN to apply for disaster relief financial assistance? |



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- (4) What evidence will be required by applicants concerning costs of clean up, removal of debris and/or restoring essential facilities, equipment or other assets that have been damaged or destroyed by a disaster?
- (5) When will applications for grants and loans close?
- (6) Will sport and recreation clubs and associations be eligible for Natural Disaster risk reduction grants?
- (7) What funding is allocated to the marketing and promotion of disaster relief financial assistance for sport and recreation clubs and associations?
- (8) What marketing and promotion of disaster relief financial assistance for sport and recreation clubs and associations will be undertaken in languages other than English?

Answer—

These questions are best directed to the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery.

\* 7856 OFFICE OF STATE REVENUE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations—

- (1) Does the Office of State Revenue (OSR) accept a New South Wales digital driver licence as a valid form of identification for stamp duty transactions?
  - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

- (1) No.
  - (a) Copies of documents must be certified.

At this time, a copy of a digital driver licence is not able to be sent to Revenue NSW, or practitioners that make assessments on behalf of the Chief Commissioner of State Revenue.

This is because screen images of a digital driver licence are unable to be validated once the QR (Quick Response) code is refreshed.

\* 7857 NEW SOUTH WALES FOOTBALL LEGACY PROGRAM—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) Which individual or individuals will assess eligibility for grants?
- (2) Which individual or individuals is the decision maker on whether to approve a grant?
- (3) When will the eligibility criteria be available?
- (4) Will there be any geographic limitation on the Local Government Areas (LGA) from which applications may be made?
- (5) When will applications for grants close?
- (6) What funding is allocated to the marketing and promotion of disaster relief financial assistance for sport and recreation clubs and associations?
- (7) What marketing and promotion of disaster relief financial assistance for sport and recreation clubs and associations will be undertaken in languages other than English?

Answer—

I am advised that:



(1) to (5)

Guidelines for the NSW Football Legacy Fund will be published on the Office of Sport website when they are finalised. The Guidelines will provide information on the eligibility criteria, opening and closing dates and outline the assessment and approval process.

(6) and (7)

The disaster relief financial assistance program is managed by NSW Treasury.

\* 7858 PERSONAL INFRINGEMENT NOTICES—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations—

(1) In relation to:

- (a) Postcode area 2142;
- (b) Postcode area 2145;
- (c) Postcode area 2150;
- (d) Postcode area 2160;
- (e) Postcode area 2161;
- (f) Cumberland Local Government Area;
  - (i) What is the total amount in fines in personal infringement notices issued for breach of public health orders between 15 December 2021 and 1 April 2022?
  - (ii) What is the percentage paid of the fines referred to above?
  - (iii) What is the total amount outstanding as at 1 April 2022 of the fines referred to above?
  - (iv) How many fines were subsequently waived?

Answer—

(1) See the answer to Question on Notice 7743.

\* 7859 REGIONAL ACTIVE YOUTH PROGRAM—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—

- (1) What sports and activities which they would like to get involved have been identified in the pilot programs in:
  - (a) South Coast?
  - (b) Mid North Coast?
  - (c) Central West?
- (2) What funding is allocated to the Regional active youth program in 2021/22?
- (3) What other organisations have been identified as partners for the Regional active youth program?
- (4) When will an assessment be undertaken of the pilots?
- (5) What targets have been set for the pilots?
- (6) How many young people have participated in the program to date?
  - (a) How many young people from each New South Wales region have participated in the program to date?



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Answer—

- (1) The Office of Sport delivers place-based school outreach and after-school programs, and school residential camps targeting isolation, drought, bushfire and priority populations as part of the Office for Regional Youth's Active Youth Program. The sports and activities identified in the pilot projects for each region are:
  - (a) Surfing, MTB-OZ Cycling, touch football, golf, and tennis on the South Coast
  - (b) Yoga, Cross Fit, archery, oz-tag, and JiuJitsu on the Mid North Coast
  - (c) Archery, Parkour, Multisport and CrossFit on the Central West.
- (2) The funding allocated to the Program in 2021/22 is:
  - \$100,000 from the Office for Regional Youth
  - \$50,000 from the Office of Sport
  - \$66,000 from Active Kids Vouchers
  - \$12,000 from Transport for NSW
- (3) The organisations identified as partners for the Program include:
  - The Office of Sport
  - Transport for NSW
  - The Department of Education including local schools
  - NSW Health
  - Local Councils
  - Department of Communities and Justice
  - Community organisations and Active Kids program partners including:
    - Berry Sport and Recreation Centre
    - Headspace
    - PCYC
    - Katungal Aboriginal Regional Health and Community Services
    - South Coast Tennis Academy
    - Surf the Bay
    - Macleay Valley Martial Arts
    - Yoga White Lotus
    - Fortify Your Health
    - Bathurst Archers Association
    - Exergames
    - Bathurst PCYC
    - Crossfit 2795
    - Basketball NSW
    - Bathurst BMX Club.



- (4) An assessment of the Program will take place following completion of the pilot program in February 2023. The Office of Sport's Data and Insights team will capture the data throughout the program until all camps are completed in December 2022.
- (5) The three-day residential camp aims to attract up to 100 participants. The overall pilot program expects to generate sustained participation in physical activity programs in subsequent years, improve educational outcomes, and increase self-esteem, confidence, and resilience for participants.

The Program objectives are to:

- Increase awareness of the benefits of physical activity in youth and influencers such as parents and educators
- Increase awareness of the Active Kids Voucher program
- Increase engagement in 'come and try' programs
- Increase participation of inactive youth
- Maintain engagement in follow-up sessions
- Increase youth engagement in residential camps which provide a safe environment where young people can be challenged to develop social connections, self-esteem, and motivation.

The anticipated Program outcomes are:

- Sustained participation in physical activity programs in subsequent years
- Improved educational outcomes
- Increased self-esteem, confidence, and resilience.

- (6) 330 young people have participated in the Program to date.
- (a) The number of young people who have participated in each region are:
- Batemans Bay in the South Coast Region has had 152 young people participate in the in-school sessions and 91 young people attend the camp
  - Kempsey in the North Coast Region has had 37 young people participate in the in-school session
  - Kelso in the Central West and Orana Region has had 48 young people participate in the in-school session.

\* 7861 EDGECLIFF COMMERCIAL CENTRE INFRASTRUCTURE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) Noting the Government's requirement for additional housing in Woollahra Municipal Council area, what work has been done to identify and plan for additional infrastructure to meet community needs within the Edgecliff Commercial Centre Strategy area?
- (2) What plans does the Government have to provide the necessary additional infrastructure through:
- (a) Schools and childcare?
  - (b) Transport and traffic management?
  - (c) Sports and recreations facilities?
  - (d) Affordable and social housing?
  - (e) Community facilities?
- (3) What support will the Government provide to Woollahra Council to meet increased community needs as a result of the Edgecliff Commercial Centre Strategy?



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Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Woollahra Municipal Council initiated and prepared the Draft Edgecliff Commercial Centre [ECC] Planning and Urban Design Strategy ('the draft Strategy'). The planning for the Centre is being undertaken by Council. The draft Strategy has not been finalised or submitted to the Department for assessment
- (2) Infrastructure requirements, including the types mentioned from 2(a) to (e), are being investigated by Council.
- (3) The Department will consider requirements for consultation with State agencies that deliver infrastructure and services if and when the Draft Strategy is submitted with a request for a Gateway Determination.

\* 7862 TUCKERS NOB PLANTATION RISKS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

- (1) Given Tuckers Nob plantation contains significant areas of remnant native forest, old growth rainforest, and rare and threatened species, and it is an important koala corridor between the coast, the mountains and Bindarri National Park:
  - (a) What action will you take to address concerns raised with you that the Forestry Corporation has commenced extraction operations in the plantation without proper assessment to exclude biodiversity-rich areas?
  - (b) Will you issue a stop work order to ensure all native forest remnants are properly mapped, with data validated and areas set aside from extraction before operations commence?
    - (i) If so, how will you ensure an independent scientific approach is taken to mapping and exclusion?
    - (ii) If not, why not?

Answer—

- (1)
  - (a) Timber plantations are independently authorised following a rigorous assessment process to correctly identify the plantation area in line with the Plantations and Reafforestation Act 1999. The appropriate authorisation and assessment processes were completed for the timber plantations in Tuckers Nob State Forest.  
  
 These plantations were established during the 1970's on previously cleared, privately owned agricultural land. The timber plantation was established by a private company and purchased by the then Forestry Commission in 1983 for its future timber value.  
  
 The Forestry Corporation of NSW has implemented rigorous planning procedures for identifying and managing any unique and special wildlife values in the areas proposed to be harvested and has included mandatory and additional voluntary measures for managing environmental values in the plantation.  
  
 The Plantations Regulation Unit of the Department of Primary Industries are currently investigating Tuckers Nob operations as part of a review of plantations within State forests in the Coffs Harbour region and in response to a complaint. The outcome of that investigation will determine if and what compliance action is required.  
  
 At this stage there is no evidence of any unauthorised clearing.
  - (b) No.
    - (i) N/A.



- (ii) Operations in Tuckers Nob State Forest are managed in line with the Plantations and Reafforestation Act 1999. The appropriate authorisation and assessment processes have been completed. The Department of Primary Industries is responsible for regulating compliance with this legislation and officers of the Plantations Regulation Unit have the requisite technical skills to ensure native vegetation is retained in accordance with the provisions of the Code.

\* 7863 DESIGN AND PLACE STATE ENVIRONMENT PLANNING POLICY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) What greenhouse gas emission reduction targets does the Government have for the property development and construction industry, and new urban areas?
- (2) To what extent does the Government plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 50 percent by 2030 and then net zero by 2050 from the construction and occupation of new suburbs, and in new buildings including commercial, industrial and high rise apartments?
- (3) What new rules will the Government apply to the development of new suburbs and the construction industry aimed solely at reducing greenhouse gas emissions in line with the Government's Net Zero Plan?
- (4) What modelling has been done on these new rules and what greenhouse gas emission reductions are they expected to result in?
- (5) What new rules will the Government apply to the construction of homes and surrounding areas to protect the amenity in homes on days of extremely high temperatures as a result of climate change?
- (6) What new rules will the Government apply to the construction of homes to build resilience against climate change and reduce impacts on future residents from disasters including flood and fire?
- (7) What assessment has the Government made on the expected increases to greenhouse gas emissions as a result of withdrawing plans to introduce the Design and Place State Environment Planning Policy (SEPP)?
- (8) What assessment has the Government made on the sustainability and liveability of new housing under predicted climate change impacts as a result of withdrawing plans to introduce the Design and Place SEPP?
- (9) What direct consultation by the minister occurred with environment and professional groups and local Government before plans for introducing the Design and Place SEPP were dropped?
- (10) What consideration will you give to introducing the Design and Place SEPP?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) NSW Net Zero Plan, Stage 1 2020-2030. Information is publicly available at <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/climate-change/net-zero-plan>
- (2) New houses and apartment buildings will make a significant contribution to the 50 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 due to the higher standards proposed for the BASIX State Environmental Planning Policy.
- (3) In line with Stage 1 of the Government's Net Zero Plan, higher BASIX standards proposed for the thermal performance and energy efficiency of new homes are being finalised. The proposed higher standards for the thermal performance and energy efficiency of new homes will reduce emissions by another 150,000 tonnes a year.
- (4) See: <https://pp.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/draftplans/under-consideration/basix-higher-standards>



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- (5) The higher thermal performance standards proposed for BASIX will keep homes naturally cooler and reduce the need for air-conditioning in summer and heating in winter.
- (6) The natural hazards package released in December 2021 identifies the natural hazards relevant to New South Wales that should be considered in strategic planning and is publicly available at <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Natural-hazards#:~:text=The%20Natural%20Hazards%20package%20includes%3A%20A%20Strategic%20Guide,authorities%20find%20the%20information%20and%20data%20they%20need>
- (7) There has been no assessment on this matter.
- (8) The Design and Place SEPP package proposed higher thermal performance requirements and energy standards for new residential buildings (single homes and multi-residential) in NSW through BASIX. Whilst the Design and Place SEPP has been discontinued, the BASIX changes are still being proposed.
- (9) The Minister's diary is publicly available at <https://www.dpc.nsw.gov.au/publications/ministers-diary-disclosures/>
- (10) N/A

\* 7864 OPEN SPACES PILOTS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

When will the Government announce funding for the pilot Place to Swim and Places to Play projects that were listed to be announced in late 2021?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Places to Swim and Places to Play grant funding was announced on Monday, 30 May 2022.

The announcement includes the pilot projects, and details are available on the Department's website at: [www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/premiers-priorities/great-public-spaces/open-space/open-spaces-program](http://www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/premiers-priorities/great-public-spaces/open-space/open-spaces-program)

\* 7866 TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) What requirements does the Government have for taxi drivers to accept payment through the Taxi Transport Subsidy Scheme (TTSS)?
- (2) Is it true that there are significant delays for payment of taxi drivers accepting the TTSS payment?
- (3) What is the performance standard timeframe for these payments?
- (4) What complaints has the Government received about taxi drivers refusing TTSS passengers due to late payment?
- (5) What action is the Government taking to address any restrictions on access to the TTSS?

Answer—

I am advised:

There are no specific legislative requirements for taxi drivers to accept payments through the Taxi Transport Subsidy Scheme (TTSS). Transport for NSW recommends TTSS participants inform their taxi driver they have a smartcard or paper docket before their trip commences. Transport for NSW also recommends drivers ensure they have agreed on the payment method before commencing.

Taxi drivers can submit paper travel dockets to their taxi service provider (TSPs), who is then responsible for submission to Transport for NSW. Transport for NSW makes payment to TSPs within 6-11 weeks of



paper docket submission, providing the paper docket is correctly completed. TTSS smartcard payments are made to TSPs weekly, with funds released to TSPs within 1-2 weeks.

Transport for NSW is continuing to work with TSPs to address drivers' concerns in processing the new smartcards and receiving payments for trips undertaken.

Taxis equipped with Cabcharge payment terminals have been updated to accept smartcards. Transport for NSW has recommended TTSS participants continue to carry paper travel dockets to ensure they can still access subsidised travel if they have not yet received a smartcard or use a taxi that is not Cabcharge enabled.

Information on the TTSS and the new TTSS smartcard is publicly available on the Transport for NSW website.

\* 7867 AUTOMATED PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the benefits of automated pedestrian crossings at traffic signals since they were introduced in the early phases of the pandemic?
- (2) What consideration has the Government given to developing and expanding this program since LA Q 4714?
- (3) What further action will the Government take to improve pedestrian access at traffic signals in high pedestrian activity zones?

Answer—

I am advised:

The automation of pedestrian signal crossings remains active in the Sydney Central Business District and at key intersections in the immediate vicinity of key health precincts to continue to limit the spread of COVID-19 in the community.

Transport for NSW has also worked closely with NSW Health to identify locations where the automation would be most effective and continue to review the benefits of these measures.

\* 7868 HOMOSEXUAL PRISON POLICIES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the incarceration of homosexual men in the Cooma and Maitland prisons as exposed in the 'The Greatest Menace' podcast?
- (2) Is it true that the homosexual men were sent to Cooma prison to be used to 'find a cure for homosexuality'?
- (3) What action has the Government taken to acknowledge this history and apologise to the gay community?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) has conducted a search of records but has not been able to locate specific policies, assessments or studies on the use of Cooma Gaol for housing inmates convicted of homosexual offences.
- (2) CSNSW notes references in NSW Hansard to this effect. For example, in response to a written question in Hansard on 26 February 1958, the then Premier stated that the Attorney General and Minister of Justice had advised him that:

... with the opening of Cooma Prison, all convicted homosexual offenders will pass through the one location and would thereby simplify an investigation. Arrangements are being made, therefore, to



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establish a committee of inquiry comprising (a) a medical clinician to investigate the pathology, biochemistry and histology of the offenders; (b) a clinical psychiatrist; (c) a qualified social worker with adequate psychological training; (d) two ministers of religion. An investigation such as that indicated will enable an evaluation to be made of what can or should be done in regard to treatment of aberrant sexual behaviour.

- (3) Matters relating to the past criminalisation of homosexuality fall within the portfolio of the Attorney General.

\* 7869 RAILWAY TERRACE AND WEST STREET PETERSHAM—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) Why has Transport for NSW rejected proposals for a scramble crossing at the intersection of Railway Terrace and West Street, Petersham?
- (2) What has Transport for NSW rejected proposals for a crossing guard at the intersection of Railway Terrace and West Street, Petersham?
- (3) Has Transport for NSW completed investigations into amending the phasing at this location to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists, including students at Petersham Public School?
- (4) What is the outcome of those investigations?
  - (a) What changes will be made?
- (5) What other changes is Transport for NSW making to improve safety at this location?

Answer—

I am advised:

Scramble crossings are appropriate where there is heavy and consistent pedestrian movement.

The pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Railway Terrace and West Street, Petersham is currently signalised by traffic lights, which is a higher order safety treatment that provides timed protection for pedestrians crossing the road.

School Crossing Supervisors are provided where Transport for NSW guidelines and criteria are met, which are available on the public website:

[www.roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/schools/schoolcrossingsupervisorprogram.html](http://www.roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/schools/schoolcrossingsupervisorprogram.html)

Transport for NSW will carry out a Road Safety Review and Feasibility Study of the intersection to determine if further safety improvements can be made.

\* 7870 SOLAR IN PUBLIC HOUSING—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) How many dwellings owned by NSW Land and Housing Corporation in New South Wales are currently powered by solar?
- (2) How many dwellings owned by NSW Land and Housing Corporation have received solar panels between 1 July 2021 and 11 May 2022?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Around 5,900 NSW Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) properties across New South Wales have solar panels.



- (2) Around 1,100 LAHC properties have received solar panels between 1 July 2021 and 11 May 2022. An additional 300 solar installations have been planned to be completed by the end of June 2022.

\* 7872 WATER TANKS IN PUBLIC HOUSING—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) How many dwellings owned by NSW Land and Housing Corporation in New South Wales have been fitted with water tanks and other water saving measures?
- (2) Does the Government have any plans to fit dwellings owned by NSW Land and Housing Corporation in New South Wales with water tanks and other water saving measures?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) There are approximately 3,500 social housing properties owned and managed by Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) that have been fitted with rainwater tanks. Approximately 2,000 social housing households received water efficiency upgrades in 2021.
- (2) LAHC installs rainwater tanks for new residential projects if they are required to comply with BASIX water reduction targets. Over 3,000 social housing households are scheduled to receive water efficiency upgrades in 2022.

\* 7873 FREDERICK STREET, ASHFIELD—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) What actions have been taken by Transport for NSW to improve pedestrian and cyclist safety on Frederick Street, Ashfield, since the fatal accident involving a senior resident on March 13?
- (2) Will Transport for NSW signalise the pedestrian crossing?
- (3) Will Transport for NSW reduce speeds along Frederick Street?
- (4) What other safety measures is Transport for NSW planning to implement on Frederick Street?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW has upgraded the pavement marking at the pedestrian crossing near John Street, Ashfield, and have installed additional advance notification signage, and larger pedestrian crossing signage.

Following a speed zone review of Frederick Street between Parramatta Road and Liverpool Road, Transport for NSW will reduce the speed from 60km/h to 50km/h.

Transport for NSW is also undertaking a detailed safety review of Frederick Street, Ashfield and will continue to monitor the Frederick Street corridor.

\* 7874 VACANT TEACHING POSITIONS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) As of 11 May 2022, how many permanent teaching positions remain vacant at the following schools in the Summer Hill electorate?
- (a) Ashbury Public School?
- (b) Ashfield Boys High School?



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- (c) Ashfield Public School?
- (d) Dobroyd Point Public School?
- (e) Dulwich High School of Visual Art and Design?
- (f) Dulwich Hill Public School?
- (g) Ferncourt Public School?
- (h) Haberfield Public School?
- (i) Lewisham Public School?
- (j) Marrickville High School?
- (k) Marrickville Public School?
- (l) Marrickville West Public School?
- (m) Petersham Public School?
- (n) Summer Hill Public School?
- (o) Tempe High School?
- (p) Wilkins Public School?
- (q) Yeo Park Infants School?

Answer—

(1) As of 11 May 2022:

- (a) 1 position (0.8 FTE)
- (b) Nil
- (c) Nil
- (d) Nil
- (e) 2 positions (2.0 FTE)
- (f) 2 positions (1.4 FTE)
- (g) 1 position (1.0 FTE)
- (h) 1 position (0.6 FTE)
- (i) Nil
- (j) 2 positions (2.0 FTE)
- (k) Nil
- (l) 1 position (1.0 FTE)
- (m) Nil
- (n) Nil
- (o) Nil
- (p) 2 positions (2.0 FTE)
- (q) Nil



\* 7877 PARK STREET AND SYDENHAM ROAD—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) What actions have been taken to improve pedestrian and cyclist safety at the intersection of Park Road and Sydenham Street, Marrickville, following the meeting between Transport for NSW, Wilkins Public School, Inner West Council and my office on 5 November 2021?
- (2) What further improvements at the intersection are being planned by Transport for NSW?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW will repaint the existing line marking at the signalised intersection of Sydenham Road and Park Road to improve the delineation of the intersection.

Transport for NSW is also preparing a proposal to upgrade the traffic signals at this intersection. In the interim, Transport for NSW is investigating the phasing of the traffic signals during school start and end times.

\* 7878 SERVICE NSW TRANSACTIONS—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—

- (1) Considering the Service NSW centres located at Erina, Tuggerah and Toukley;
  - (a) How many transactions, on average, occur each day at each centre?
  - (b) Does Service NSW keep records of customer postcode for each transaction?
    - (i) If so, please advise transactions, by postcode at each centre for each month over the last 12 months?

Answer—

- (1) The average number of transactions is calculated based on monthly issued ticket volumes over the previous 24 months. Service NSW does not collect postcode data.
  - (a) Erina 215, Tuggerah 277, Toukley 236
  - (b) Service NSW does not keep this data
    - (i) Service NSW does not keep this data

\* 7880 PACIFIC DEL MAR ESTATE—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) Considering the Pacific Del Mar Estate Bateau Bay on the Central Coast, please advise:
  - (a) What maintenance of public areas have been undertaken in the last 12 months?
  - (b) Is Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) responsible for water and sewer mains and connectivity located in the estate?
    - (i) What maintenance of these have occurred in the last 12 months?
  - (c) How many dwellings have been sold from the estate since 2011?
  - (d) How many land allotments have been sold from the estate since 2011?
  - (e) What has been the gross and net return on the sale of the estate property?
  - (f) What amount has been expended towards the maintenance of estate property from sale proceeds?



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Answer—

I am advised:

(1)

- (a) Lawns and grounds maintenance of common areas is completed on a monthly basis. General responsive work has been completed including repairs to a common area tap, removal of a tree, repairs to common area tiling, and removal of illegally dumped rubbish. Additionally, retaining walls at Samuel Drive, Mitchell Drive, Jessica Street and Debra Anne Drive were replaced in 2021; and repairs to retaining walls at Rotherham Street and Shane Close were completed in April 2022.
- (b) The Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) is not responsible for water and sewer mains and connectivity located in the estate.
- (c) 10 dwellings have been sold since 2010-11.
- (d) 12 land allotments have been sold since 2010-11.
- (e) Gross sales proceeds from the sale of the 22 properties is \$5.8 million.
- (f) All proceeds from the sale of LAHC properties which are not fit for modern use as social housing are expended on capital maintenance of the portfolio and the provision of new homes across New South Wales. From 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2021, LAHC has been spent \$12.6 million on capital maintenance in The Entrance electorate.

\* 7882 ADDITIONAL TEACHING STAFF—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) In relation to the Government announcement in the NSW 2020-2021 Budget:

- (a) How many additional teaching staff have been employed to deliver the "Free Tutoring support for Students" program in the Keira electorate as at 10 May 2022?

Answer—

- (1) (a) As at 10 May 2022, 139 additional teaching staff have been employed to deliver the "Free Tutoring support for students" program in the Keira electorate.

\* 7883 MAINTENANCE BACKLOG—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) What is the value of the current maintenance backlog on public housing properties in the Keira electorate (as at 10 May 2022)?
- (2) How many requests for maintenance were received from residents in the Keira electorate from 1 January 2022 to 10 May 2022?
- (3) What is the value of the current maintenance backlog on public housing properties in the Heathcote electorate (as at 10 May 2022)?
- (4) How many requests for maintenance were received from residents in the Heathcote electorate from 1 January 2022 to 10 May 2022?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) & (3) There has been no reported backlog maintenance by the Audit Office of New South Wales since 2015. The Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) maintains public housing properties through



responsive and planned maintenance programs to keep its properties in good condition and ensure they are clean, safe and habitable standard.

- (2) 2738 maintenance requests have been received from residents in the Keira electorate from 1 January 2022 to 10 May 2022.
- (4) 320 maintenance requests have been received from residents in the Heathcote electorate from 1 January 2022 to 10 May 2022.

\* 7884 COWRA HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) In relation to Cowra Hospital Redevelopment announcement in February 2019 of allocation of \$70.2m for the project;
  - (a) Have there been substantial increases in the cost of the construction?
    - (i) What is the new budget allocation for the redevelopment?
  - (b) Will the redevelopment include a helipad?

Answer—

- (1)
  - (a) The Cowra Hospital redevelopment is in the planning stage. The project will deliver a high quality and purpose-built health facility to support the health needs of the Cowra community now and into the future. This is a regionally significant development and planning, and design of the new health service continues to be a collaborative process involving consultation with clinicians, staff, patient groups, stakeholders, and the community. NSW Treasury distributes progressive funding for capital projects in alignment with the annual budget process.
  - (b) Presently, there is no helipad at Cowra Hospital. This is partly due to topography and density of residential and commercial properties surrounding the current hospital site. Cowra Airport is currently used for all aeromedical transfers, and these arrangements have been suitable for all patient transfers to date. As part of the redevelopment planning, Cowra Airport will continue to be utilised into the future for this purpose.

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\* 7885 FLOODGATES IN THE MAITLAND AREA—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

- (1) How many floodgates are there in the Maitland Local Government Area?
  - (a) How often are each of these floodgates checked and maintained?
- (2) During the February/March 2022 flood events, how many floodgates were in full operation?
  - (a) How many floodgates failed to operate correctly during the February/March flood events?
- (3) How many floodgates have been reported as broken or requiring maintenance in the last 5 years?
  - (a) What was the time period for repair of each reported floodgate?

Answer—

- (1) There are 164 floodgates in the Maitland Local Government Area (LGA) under state or council control. The Department of Planning and Environment, Water does not hold information about council's maintenance of these assets.



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- (a) The department does not have details about the maintenance of assets under council control, so cannot provide a complete breakdown of how all of them are checked and maintained.
- (2) During the February/March 2022 flood, 132 scheme floodgates and all 26 council floodgates were operational.
  - (a) Two floodgates were not operating correctly during the March 2022 flood.
- (3) The department undertook repair works on 46 HVFMS floodgates in the past four years within the Maitland LGA.
  - (a) On average it takes three to four months for maintenance works to be completed.

\* 7887 AMBULANCE AND PARAMEDIC STAFF—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) How many ambulance jobs were raised in the Maitland Local Government Area (LGA) for each month from 1 July 2015 to 31 March 2022?
- (2) What was the average turnaround time of ambulance jobs in the Maitland LGA for each month from 1 July 2015 to 31 March 2022?
- (3) What is the average number of hours worked per shift for paramedics in the Maitland LGA for each month from 1 July 2015 to 31 March 2022?

Answer—

(1-3) NSW Ambulance does not report performance and activity based on Local Government Areas.

NSW Ambulance activity and performance data is publicly available on the Bureau of Health Information website.

\* 7888 DEMOUNTABLE BUILDINGS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) How much money has the Government invested in demountable buildings at the following schools each year since January 2015:
  - (a) Ashtonfield Public School?
  - (b) Bolwarra Public School?
  - (c) Gillieston Public School?
  - (d) Hunter River Community School?
  - (e) Largs Public School?
  - (f) Lochinvar Public School?
  - (g) Maitland East Public School?
  - (h) Maitland Public School?
  - (i) Metford Public School?
  - (j) Millers Forest Public School?
  - (k) Morpeth Public School?
  - (l) Nillo Public School?
  - (m) Rutherford Public School?
  - (n) Telarah Public School?



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- (o) Tenambit Public School?
  - (p) Thornton Public School?
  - (q) Woodberry Public School?
  - (r) Woodberry Learning Centre?
  - (s) Francis Greenway High School?
  - (t) Maitland Grossmann High School?
  - (u) Maitland High School?
  - (v) Rutherford Technology High School?
- (2) How many students have been enrolled at each school listed in question (1) at the beginning of each school term since January 2015?
  - (3) How much investment has been made in repairs and maintenance at each school listed in question (1) since January 2015?
  - (4) What is the total capital expenditure at each school listed in question (1) since January 2015?
  - (5) How many demountables are currently at each school listed in question (1)?
    - (a) When will the Government replace demountables with permanent buildings at the schools listed in question (1)?
  - (6) What are the feeder suburbs for each school listed in question (1)?
  - (7) What is the population of each of the feeder suburbs for each school listed in question (1)?

Answer—

- (1)
  - (a) Ashtonfield Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8803
  - (b) Bolwarra Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8804
  - (d) Hunter River Community School – please refer to LC QoN 8806
  - (e) Largs Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8807
  - (f) Lochinvar Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8808
  - (g) Maitland East Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8809
  - (h) Maitland Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8812
  - (i) Metford Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8813
  - (j) Millers Forest Public School– please refer to LC QoN 8814
  - (k) Morpeth Public School– please refer to LC QoN 8815
  - (l) Nillo Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8816
  - (m) Rutherford Public School– please refer to LC QoN 8817
  - (n) Telarah Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8819
  - (o) Tenambit Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8820
  - (p) Thornton Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8821
  - (q) Woodberry Public School – please refer to LC QoN 8822
  - (s) Francis Greenway High School – please refer to LC QoN 8805



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- (t) Maitland Grossmann High School— please refer to LC QoN 8810
- (u) Maitland High School— please refer to LC QoN 8811
- (v) Rutherford Technology High School – please refer to LC QoN 8818

(c) Gillieston Public School

- (1) Since 2015/16, the investment in maintenance and capital is approximately \$0.74 million
- (2) Enrolment data for all New South Wales public schools is available at <https://data.cese.nsw.gov.au/data/dataset/?tags=enrolments>
- (3) Refer to answer 1.
- (4) Refer to answer 1.
- (5) Demountables have been part of the New South Wales education system for many decades and will continue to be utilised across the state.

The Department of Education retains a stock of demountable classrooms to manage periodic fluctuations in enrolments as well as remain highly responsive to school needs by providing emergency accommodation following fires and other natural disasters similar to the recent flooding events in the New South Wales Northern Rivers region.

Demountable classrooms are modern, air-conditioned rooms that provide students and teaching staff with excellent quality facilities. The learning spaces have the same range of technology that is available in permanent spaces.

The Department reviews school accommodation needs each year, looking at changing enrolment patterns and other factors to prepare for the upcoming school year. This helps to identify schools that need new demountables and schools where they can be removed. Most demountable movement takes place between October and February and are reported in an annual demountable statistics each April. Additional demountable installations can occur outside this window to support capital works and maintenance projects in schools or emergency responses to natural disasters.

There are currently 10 demountable teaching spaces and 6 other demountable facilities at Gillieston Public School.

- (6) All New South Wales primary schools and most New South Wales high schools have designated local enrolment areas. Students enrol in New South Wales public schools based on their home address. Designated intake areas of New South Wales public schools can be found at <https://schoolfinder.education.nsw.gov.au/>

- (7) The Department of Planning and Environment publishes population data on its website [www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Research-and-Demography/Population-projections](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Research-and-Demography/Population-projections)

(r) Woodberry Learning Centre

- (1) Since 2015/16, the investment in maintenance and capital is approximately \$0.24 million
- (2) Enrolment data for all New South Wales public schools is available at <https://data.cese.nsw.gov.au/data/dataset/?tags=enrolments>
- (3) Refer to answer 1.
- (4) Refer to answer 1.
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There are currently no demountables at Woodberry Learning Centre.

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\* 7889 DEMOUNTABLE ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Given that the number of demountables at New South Wales public schools are recorded in the Department's Asset Management System and a 'snapshot' report prepared in April each year. Disaggregated by school, how many demountable classrooms are there in schools in the Maitland electorate (as at 11 May 2022)?
- (2) What is the average age of demountables across the Maitland electorate?
- (3) How many demountable classrooms will be replaced with permanent classrooms in the Maitland electorate during 2022-23?

Answer—

- (1) Please refer to answer for LA QON 7888.
- (2) The average age in the Maitland electorate of refurbished demountables is six years and nine months.
- (3) Please refer to answer for LA QON 7888.

\* 7890 FIRST LAP VOUCHERS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—

- (1) Please provide the number of First Lap vouchers that have been applied for in the following postcodes:
  - (a) 2320?
  - (b) 2321?
  - (c) 2322?
  - (d) 2323?
  - (e) 2324?



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- (f) 2326?  
(g) 2334?  
(h) 2335?  
(i) 2421?
- (2) What is the total value of first lap vouchers that have been issued in each of the postcodes in question (1)?

Answer—

As of 25 May 2022:

\* 7891 ORTHOPAEDIC SPECIALIST APPOINTMENTS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health

Customer Postcode	Total Vouchers Issued	Total Value Vouchers Issued
2320	1,102	\$110,200
2321	679	\$67,900
2322	730	\$73,000
2323	604	\$60,400
2324	443	\$44,300
2326	191	\$19,100
2334	97	\$9,700
2335	259	\$25,900
2421	43	\$4,300

representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) What is the current wait time for patients seeking an appointment with an Orthopaedic Specialist at a public hospital in the Hunter? Please disaggregate by hospital.
- (2) What is the current wait time for Orthopaedic surgery at a public hospital in the Hunter? Please disaggregate by hospital.
- (3) How many patients who were scheduled to have Orthopaedic surgery at the New Maitland Hospital have had their operations cancelled, postponed or rescheduled?
- (a) Why were they cancelled, postponed or rescheduled?
- (b) Were all cancelled appointments rescheduled?
- (i) If not, why not?
- (c) What is the average number of times patients have had procedures cancelled?
- (d) What is the average number of days between when procedures are scheduled and when they were rescheduled?
- (e) What factors cause orthopaedic procedures to be rescheduled?
- (4) How many elective orthopaedic procedures have been performed at the New Maitland Hospital?

Answer—

(1–5)



Wait times for an appointment with an orthopaedic specialist at public hospitals in the Hunter region vary and are allocated according to a patient's clinical urgency, with the most acute patients seen first. There is a rapid access clinic where acute patients are booked to be seen.

All postponed surgeries have been re-scheduled as clinically appropriate. Most surgeries were postponed due to more urgent surgical cases requiring care.

Data on surgery waiting times and the number of surgical procedures performed are available on the Bureau of Information (BHI) website.

\* 7892 MEDICAL ENERGY REBATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

- (1) How many families residing in the Maitland Local Government Area (LGA) have applied for the 2021–22 Medical Energy Rebate?
- (2) What is the total quantum of the rebate paid to families living in the Maitland LGA?

Answer—

(1–2) I am advised that the Office of Energy and Climate Change (OECC) will publish the 2021–22 NSW Energy Social Programs Annual Report in early 2023 on its website: <https://www.energy.nsw.gov.au/government-and-regulation/legislative-and-regulatory-requirements/social-programs-energy-code>

The Report will include data on the number of Medical Energy Rebate customers in the Maitland Local Government Area and the total amount paid in 2021–22.

\* 7893 LIFE SUPPORT ENERGY REBATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

- (1) How many families residing in the Maitland Local Government Area (LGA) have applied for the 2021–22 Life Support Energy Rebate?
- (2) What is the total quantum of the rebate paid to families living in the Maitland LGA?

Answer—

(1–2) I am advised that the Office of Energy and Climate Change (OECC) will publish the 2021–22 NSW Energy Social Programs Annual Report in early 2023 on its website: <https://www.energy.nsw.gov.au/government-and-regulation/legislative-and-regulatory-requirements/social-programs-energy-code>.

The Report will include data on the number of Life Support Rebate customers in the Maitland Local Government Area and the total amount paid in 2021–22.

\* 7894 POLICE VEHICLES FITTED WITH DIFIBRILLATORS—Mr Stephen Bali to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) As at 31 December 2021 what was the Number of police operation vehicles and police officers in the following Police Area Commands:
  - (a) Blacktown?
  - (b) Mt. Druitt?
  - (c) Riverstone?
  - (d) North Shore?
  - (e) Northern Beaches?
- (2) What is the current the number of police vehicles fitted with a defibrillator in the following Police Area Commands:



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- (a) Blacktown?
  - (b) Mt. Druitt?
  - (c) Riverstone?
  - (d) North Shore?
  - (e) Northern Beaches?
- (3) Outside of the 5 police area commands listed above, what is the number of police vehicles across the New South Wales that have a defibrillator?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) As at 31 December 2021, the following were the number of marked vehicles, including the Mobile Command Post reported:
- (a) 11
  - (b) 12
  - (c) 11
  - (d) 16
  - (e) 19

The number of police officers are publicly reported in each NSW Police Force Annual Report.

- (2) In general, most Police vehicles do not carry an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).

\* 7895 RURAL PROGRAMS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

- (1) How much funding has been directed to the Rural Women's Network (RWN) each financial year since 1 July 2019?
- (a) Is the funding of this state-wide Government program funded on a reoccurring basis?
    - (i) If not, why not?
- (2) In what year was the Hidden Treasure's program last held?
- (a) Why has this program ceased?
  - (b) Will it be reinstated?
    - (i) If yes, when?
- (3) What other programs facilitated by Department of Primary Industries (DPI) exist to allow rural and regional communities to recognise the voluntary contribution of female residents?
- (a) How often are each of the programs run?

Answer—

(1)

2019-20: \$263,353

2020-21: \$258,000

Expenses for the Rural Women's Network were lower than budgeted in 2019-20 and 2020-21 due to COVID-19 impacts.



Future funding for the Rural Women's Network is being considered through the current NSW budget process.

(2) and (3)

Due to the pandemic, there was a pause to the program as community's dealt with the challenges of covid-19. The Hidden Treasures Awards will continue to play an important role in recognising the immense contribution women continue to make in their rural and regional communities.

The Government recognises the contribution of regional and rural women and volunteers through a range of annual programs and awards including:

- NSW Women of the Year Awards which recognise and celebrate the outstanding contribution made by women across New South Wales, including Regional Woman of the Year, and Community Hero.
- Local Woman of the Year Honour Roll which is chosen by Members of Parliament and is recognised for their contribution to their local community.
- NSW Women's Week which is a chance for women and girls across the state to come together, share information and celebrate women's achievements.
- NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards recognising community heroes.
- Support AgriFutures Rural Women's Awards.
- Support for 48 regional women to participate in the Future Women Rural Scholarship Program.

\* 7896 ST HELIERS CORRECTIONAL CENTRE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What remand facilities currently exist at St Heliers Correctional Centre?
- (2) Why are inmates who have been bail refused by magistrates in Upper Hunter local courts not entered into the Corrective Services system at St Heliers Correctional Centre?
  - (a) What changes are required to enable this to happen?
    - (i) Has this been considered?
- (3) At what point do Corrective Services NSW staff take custody of an inmate that has been bail refused by a magistrate sitting at Scone, Muswellbrook, Singleton and Cessnock local courts?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) St Heliers Correctional Centre (St Heliers) does not have remand facilities.
- (2) St Heliers is a minimum security prison farm and is not set up to appropriately manage remand inmates.
  - (a) The expansion of prison bed capacity at Cessnock Correctional Complex (including Shortland Correctional Centre) in 2019 established additional remand capacity in the Hunter region to meet current and future growth requirements. St Heliers does not have the essential security or design features to hold remand inmates. The staffing profile at St Heliers is inconsistent with that necessary for a remand facility. Substantial changes and increased resources to support essential inmate transport options, Audio Visual Links and other technology would also be necessary to hold remand inmates.
    - (i) Corrective Services is not considering any changes to St Heliers to support holding remand inmates.



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- (3) Corrective Services NSW takes custody of inmates that are bail refused in these local courts after they are transported by the NSW Police Force to either Newcastle Court Cells or Shortland Correctional Centre.

\* 7897 CLASS 357—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) On what basis has it been necessary to ‘push back class 357 start date’ from 26 June 2022 to 21 August 2022 as per NSW Police Force Recruitment Branch Facebook post of 28 March 2022?
- (2) How many positions are available in class 357?
  - (a) Is this more/less/same as previous classes?
- (3) Are potential recruits who were previously removed from the application process able to apply/reapply?
  - (a) If yes, is this a change of policy?
    - (i) If yes, when did this change?
    - (ii) If yes, why did this change?
  - (b) If yes, is there a time frame before they can apply/reapply which is dependent on the reason for their removal from the application process?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The commencement date for Class 357 was deferred to allow for the recruitment of additional students.
- (2) 240
  - (a) This is similar to previous intakes.
- (3) Successful applicants for Class 357 will not need to reapply, and will commence their studies in August 2022. Unsuccessful applicants may reapply once their previously identified professional suitability concerns have been addressed.
  - (a) There has been no change to the recruitment policy.
  - (b) Yes, depending upon the specific circumstances, various time frames may apply.

\* 7898 ROYAL EASTER SHOW TICKETS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) With regard to free children’s tickets being issued to the 2022 Royal Easter Show in return for each child aged 5-11 that had a COVID vaccine:
  - (a) Which Health Districts offered this incentive?
  - (b) Which Health Districts had the highest take-up, defined by total volume of free children’s tickets issued, of the incentive?
  - (c) What was the total value of tickets issued in each Health District?
  - (d) Was it necessary for NSW Health to make a monetary financial contribution to the organisers of the 2022 Royal Easter Show in lieu of the free tickets issued to children for this health initiative?
    - (i) If so, what was the value of the financial contribution?



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Answer—

(1) (a) – (d)(i)

NSW Health with the support of The Royal Agricultural Society and The Royal Easter Show ran a campaign offering children aged 5-11 years a free ticket to the Sydney Royal Easter Show when they were vaccinated at Sydney Olympic Park Centre, located within Sydney Local Health District, between 1 and 18 April 2022. At the time, alternative strategies for increasing the vaccination rate amongst this cohort were crucial.

The Royal Agricultural Society of New South Wales agreed to discount the sale value of the children's ticket from \$28 to \$10. NSW Health was only invoiced for the 1,062 tickets that were redeemed.

\* 7899 PATHOLOGY COLLECTORS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health—

(1) With regard Pathology Collectors employed by NSW Health:

- (a) How many full-time equivalent (FTE) collectors were employed annually across all health districts since 1 July 2017?
- (b) How many part-time collectors were employed annually across all health districts since 1 July 2017?
- (c) How many FTE collectors were employed within the Hunter New England Local Health District (HNELHD) annually since 1 July 2017?
- (d) How many part-time collectors were employed within the HNELHD annually since 1 July 2017?
- (e) How many collector positions were vacant within the HNELHD as at 30 April 2022?
  - (i) Where were these positions located?

Answer—

NSW Health Pathology varies staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational need as required.

\* 7900 KURRI KURRI HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health—

(1) With regard to the Kurri Kurri Hospital:

- (a) In what year was the hospital built?
- (b) When originally built, how much did the building cost?
  - (i) What portion came from the Government?
  - (ii) What portion came from the community?
- (c) In what year did the Kurri Kurri Hospital become a 100 per cent Government owned and operated facility?
  - (i) What group/body from the community were a party to the signing over of the Hospital?
- (d) What has been the annual recurrent budget to run the Kurri Kurri Hospital, each financial year for the past 5 years?
- (e) What has been the annual capital budget dedicated to the Kurri Kurri Hospital, each financial year for the past 5 years?



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Answer—

(1) (a–e)

Kurri Kurri Hospital was officially opened at the current location in 1910. I am advised that Hunter New England Local Health District does not hold records relating to the historical funding and ownership of Kurri Kurri Hospital. The District's financial statements are publicly available on its website.

\* 7901 MOBILE SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) With regard mobile speed camera signs which are to appear on top of all mobile speed camera vehicles from February 2022:

(a) How many mobile speed camera vehicles were registered as at 1 February 2022?

(b) How many mobile speed camera vehicles had the signs installed by:

(i) 28 February 2022?

(ii) 31 March 2022?

(iii) 30 April 2022?

(iv) 12 May 2022?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The rollout of the rooftop signs commenced in February 2022 and was completed by the end of March 2022. All Mobile Speed Camera vehicles in New South Wales are fitted with rooftop signage.

\* 7903 POINT TO POINT INDEPENDENT REVIEW 2020—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) With regard the recommendations provided in the Point to Point Independent Review 2020 by Sue Baker Finch which were provided in April 2021:

(a) When will the Government finalise and release information on the assistance scheme as per the recommendations?

(b) When will this come into effect?

(c) What was the projected timeframe for the release of this information?

(i) If the release has been delayed, what has been the cause of the delay?

(2) Will the Passenger Service Levy surplus funds (i.e. the funds that exceed \$250m) that will have been collected during the April-June 2022 quarter be returned to the authorised taxi and booking service providers?

(a) If no, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has committed to providing further assistance to taxi licence owners.



Funds raised through the Passenger Service Levy continue to remain for the purposes of providing industry assistance.

\* 7904 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING GRANTS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

- (1) What criteria was used to classify regional Local Government Areas (LGA) for the Electric vehicle destination charging grants program?
  - (a) Why was Newcastle excluded?
- (2) What electric vehicle charging grants is Newcastle eligible for?
  - (a) If none, why?
  - (b) If none, will you establish a grant program?
    - (i) If not, why not?
- (3) Why does the Government not support establishing electric vehicle charging infrastructure in Newcastle?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) To be eligible under the electric vehicle (EV) destination charging grants as specified in the NSW Electric Vehicle Strategy, local government areas (LGAs) must be located in regional New South Wales (i.e. outside of Newcastle, Sydney and Wollongong).
  - (a) The Government defines Newcastle as a Metro New South Wales LGA. It classifies 'regional New South Wales' as all of the State except the metropolitan areas of Greater Sydney, Newcastle and Wollongong.
- (2) Newcastle is eligible for the EV fast-charging grants under the NSW Electric Vehicle Strategy. Newcastle is one of the key priority zones identified in the Electric vehicle fast charging master plan. Further details on the EV fast-charging grants can be found at: <https://www.energysaver.nsw.gov.au/reducing-emissions-nsw/electric-vehicles/electric-vehicle-fast-charging-grants>.

In addition to the fast-charging grants program, I am pleased to confirm that Newcastle can benefit from other programs under the Government's Electric Vehicle Strategy including:

- EV fleet incentive – incentives to support fleets to procure battery electric vehicle.
- EV ready buildings – tools to support retrofitting existing buildings to support EV charging.
- Multiple resources available on the Destination charging grants webpage (<https://www.energysaver.nsw.gov.au/reducing-emissions-nsw/electric-vehicles/electric-vehicle-destination-charging-grants/electric-vehicle-destination-charging-faqs>) that can help businesses and councils pursue EV charging outside of the grant programs.

\* 7905 STATE TRAINING SERVICES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) How many people are employed at State Training Services to administer Smart and Skilled?
- (2) What is the wage budget for State Training Services?
- (3) What percentage of the wage budget is utilised administering Smart and Skilled?



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- (4) How much has State Training Services spent on litigation with Smart and Skilled providers?
- (5) What is the actual wage and salary expense for Training Services NSW (previously the Department of State Training Services) to administer Smart and Skilled in each of the following years:
  - (a) 2014?
  - (b) 2015?
  - (c) 2016?
  - (d) 2017?
  - (e) 2018?
  - (f) 2019?
  - (g) 2020?
  - (h) 2021?
- (6) How many staff were employed or subcontracted by the NSW Government at Training Services NSW (previously the Department of State Training Services) to administer Smart and Skilled in each of the following years:
  - (a) 2014?
  - (b) 2015?
  - (c) 2016?
  - (d) 2017?
  - (e) 2018?
  - (f) 2019?
  - (g) 2020?
  - (h) 2021?

Answer—

Please refer to answer to LC 8767.

\* 7906 STATE TRAINING SERVICES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

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  - (b) 2015?
  - (c) 2016?
  - (d) 2017?
  - (e) 2018?
  - (f) 2019?
  - (g) 2020?
  - (h) 2021?

Answer—

Please refer to answer to LC 8767.

\* 7907 TAFE EXPENSES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

- (1) What was the cost of external providers engaged to provide legal advice or conduct staff investigations at TAFE NSW in the following years:
- (a) 2014?
  - (b) 2015?
  - (c) 2016?
  - (d) 2017?
  - (e) 2018?
  - (f) 2019?
  - (g) 2020?
  - (h) 2021?
  - (i) 2022 (to 12 May 2022)?

Answer—

I am advised:

Expenses regarding professional services can be found in the NSW TAFE Annual Report.

\* 7908 TAFE NSW RESTRUCTURE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

- (1) Has the Minister been briefed on the Tranche 2 restructure at TAFE NSW which effects librarians, counsellors, disability support workers?
- (2) Did the Minister sign off on the restructure?



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- (3) Is the Minister aware that the review period was extended by a week, partly due to numerous errors including incorrect links to Position Descriptions and unclear reporting lines?
- (4) Has the Minister considered the rural and regional impact of the new Tranche 2 structure?
- (5) Will TAFE's regional library networks be managed from Sydney?
- (6) Will cuts to library staffing in regional TAFE campuses result in the reduction of face-to-face support to students?
- (7) Will libraries in Broken Hill, Richmond, Blue Mountains, Nowra, Albury and Goulburn be forced to cut their opening hours?
- (8) Why have six Disability Student Support officers been cut from the Hunter region?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1-2) TAFE NSW undertook the usual briefing process.
- (3) TAFE NSW extended both the consultation and review periods by one week at the request of impacted employees.
- (4) The Student Services Tranche 2 organisational change will deliver an enhanced, state-wide operational model by removing duplication and better leveraging resources to deliver quality education outcomes and services to students. Through the integration of campus services with well-defined campus service footprints, students in regional locations will have improved access to services that were not readily available at their local campus.
- (5) Libraries will continue to be managed locally, supported by regional and state-wide library networks.
- (6) The new structure will result in an increase of a number of employees across disability, library and counselling services, with the overall headcount increasing by 48 full-time equivalent employees. Library opening hours are based on the student profile at each location.
- (7) The local needs will also be taken into consideration for example, a campus with many trade students may have a demand for earlier opening hours.
- (8) There is no reduction in Disability Student Support officers in the Hunter region.

\* 7909 KAMAY FERRY WHARVES PROJECT PROPOSAL, BOTANY BAY—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) The ARUP Investigation methodology for the Contamination report has been cited in the Kamay Ferry Wharves Project EIS as being contained in Appendix F of the Targeted Site Investigation. However Appendix F shows an empty page. The ARUP Investigation methodology document was again cited in the Response to Submission as being Appendix B of the Sampling Analysis Quality Plan. However, Appendix B shows an empty page. Given this is a critical document to understand and justify the Contamination report, how can an assessment be made when this document continues to be withheld from the public and possibly also the EPA?
- (2) Is it correct that documents concerning the contamination report methodology (the Sampling Analysis Quality Plan (SAQP); and the ARUP Investigation methodology) were not provided in the Kamay Ferry Wharves Project EIS?
  - (a) If so, what effect did this have on the EPA or the public to understand and comment on the contamination report in their submissions?
  - (b) If so, what action did Planning take to ensure the public and relevant agencies could provide comment and receive feedback on the project?



- (3) The EPA in their submission stated that ‘interim audit advice from an EPA-accredited site auditor commenting on the nature and extent of the contamination and the adequacy of the Sampling and Analysis Quality Plan’ was required prior to their assessment. Planning have acknowledged receipt of contamination expert Dr Bill Ryall’s opinion ‘on the unreliability of assessment’ of the marine part of the Contamination report;
- (a) Does Dr Ryall’s report appears to fulfil the function the EPA require, as he is an expert in marine contamination and was previously an EPA site auditor?
- (b) Is Planning making use of Dr Ryall’s assessment and taking it into account in any way?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Department of Planning and Environment (the Department) notified the Proponent of the missing ARUP Investigation methodology document and requested a copy be provided. Once the methodology document was received, it was forwarded to the EPA and made publicly available in Major Projects on the NSW Planning Portal. The methodology document has not changed the EPA’s or Department’s consideration of contamination issues.
- (2) The Sampling and Analysis Quality Plan was included in the Response to Submissions and provided to the EPA for comment. The ARUP Investigation methodology was provided to the Department and the EPA separately and made publicly available on the Department’s website.
- (a) The Department consulted with the EPA on the Response to Submissions (including the Sampling and Analysis Quality Plan) and ARUP Investigation methodology (separately) and accepted advice from the EPA on the matter.
- (b) The Response to Submissions, including the SAQP and ARUP Investigation Methodology is publicly available on Major Projects on the NSW Planning Portal. The Department continues to receive feedback from the community regarding contamination and this feedback has been considered in its assessment of the project.
- (3) The Department has been forwarded a copy of Dr Ryall’s report.
- (a) This is a matter for the EPA.
- (b) The Department has considered Dr Ryall’s report in its assessment of the project.

\* 7910 HEALTH WORKER ACCOMMODATION—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) Of the \$45.3 million committed to deliver health worker accommodation close to health facilities in the Murrumbidgee, Southern New South Wales and Far West Local Health Districts, how many dwellings will be built in the Murrumbidgee Local Health District?
- (a) Of these dwellings, when will construction start?
- (b) By what date will construction be completed?

Answer—

- (1) (a–b)

The priority staff accommodation requirements across Murrumbidgee Local Health District are being confirmed and details will be announced following additional planning work this year.

Construction timelines will be confirmed once detailed planning has progressed.



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\* 7911 REVIEW INTO GRANTS ADMINISTRATION—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Premier—

When will the final report and recommendations of the Government Review into Best Practice in Grants Administration be made publicly available?

Answer—

The Government has announced its support or support in principle for all of the recommendations of the Grants Administration Review to ensure any public money invested in grants programs is spent fairly, effectively, and transparently.

The response can be found on the Department of Premier and Cabinet's website here: <https://www.dpc.nsw.gov.au/assets/dpc-nsw-gov-au/publications/Review-of-grants-administration-in-NSW-listing-2015/Government-Response-to-Review-of-Grants-Administration-in-NSW.pdf>

\* 7912 NEW REFUGES—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

Where will the three new refuges funded under the Core and Cluster model be located in the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) District of Murrumbidgee?

Answer—

The Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) is undertaking stakeholder engagement to inform locations for the new Core and Cluster refuges. New refuges will be targeted to areas where there is high, unmet demand for crisis accommodation and local need.

Information about Core and Cluster is available on the DCJ website:

<https://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/domestic-violence/new-investment-housing-and-related-supports-for-women-and-children-escaping-domestic-and-family-violence>

\* 7913 OYSTER INDUSTRY—Dr Michael Holland to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

What is the current value of the oyster industry contributing to the South Coast economy (as of 12 May 2022)?

Answer—

The farmgate value of the south coast oyster industry is \$25.2 million. This is based on 2020/21 aquaculture production returns.

\* 7914 TAFE STUDENTS AND COURSES—Dr Michael Holland to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

- (1) What services are currently provided to those living with a disability to assist their learning at the Bega TAFE McKee Drive Campus?
- (2) What courses that were previously available at the Bega TAFE campus that have since been removed following the relocation from Barrack Street campus to the McKee Drive campus?
- (3) How many courses were on offer previously at the Barrack Street Campus?
- (4) How many courses are currently on offer at the Bega TAFE McKee Drive Campus?
- (5) How many students were enrolled in TAFE in Bega in each year from 2017 to 2022 (as at 12 May 2022)?



- (6) What is the Government doing to support and provide adequate assistance for TAFE students in Bega living with an intellectual disability?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) All students with a disability enrolled at TAFE NSW Bega campus, can access specialist support on-site from a Disability Teacher Consultant. This support can include an educational assessment and individual education plan outlining reasonable adjustments to the learning and assessment process to assist students with disability to participate and engage with their studies. All disadvantaged students and students with disability can access career guidance and counselling services, learner support, and library services tailored to meet their individual needs.
- (2-6) The Government's \$25 million investment in Bega, has seen TAFE NSW Bega offer a total of 125 courses through the Bega Connected Learning Centre (CLC) and the Multi-trades hub in 2022. This includes courses in critical skills areas such as building and construction, aged care and hospitality.

A total of 89 courses were available at TAFE NSW Bega in 2021.

As TAFE NSW operates in a commercial environment, it does not provide student enrolment data by location. TAFE NSW provides enrolment data as part of its annual reporting, which can be found at: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/corporate/annual-report>

- \* 7915 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED—Mr David Mehan to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) I refer to your answer to LA 7216 provided in Question and Answer paper no. 145;

- (a) Can you provide a list of applications received?

- (i) Which applications were successful?  
(ii) Which applications were unsuccessful?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1)
- (a) Given LA 7216 referred to detailed and multiple funding components supported under the Regional Digital Connectivity Program, it is not possible to adequately address this latest question unless it's more specific.
- (i) n/a  
(ii) n/a

- \* 7916 BRIEFING FOR FLOOD PLAN—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) When will you arrange for the briefing of Central Coast Members of Parliament that I requested on 11 January (ref: 332/21/DA) regarding the Local Flood Plan for the Central Coast and schedules to that plan for Tuggerah Lakes?

Answer—

I am advised that:



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This briefing was held on 8 June 2022 in New South Wales Parliament House with NSW State Emergency Service in attendance.

- \* 7917 PLANS TO IMPROVE SAFETY ON THE BRUXNER HIGHWAY—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

What progress has Transport for NSW made on plans to improve safety on the Bruxner Highway by constructing a dual carriageway realignment between Goonellabah and Wollongbar?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW is currently investigating the upgrade of the Bruxner Highway between Wollongbar and Goonellabah, as part of the overall strategic plan for this important transport corridor. These investigations will look at all options, including upgrading the existing alignment, new alignments, providing safe access points and capacity to meet future demands.

The Commonwealth Government has committed \$6.8 million to this project. The planning of the project is expected to be completed by late 2023.

- \* 7918 PEST MANAGEMENT CONTROL PLAN—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

Will the Government allocate more resources, including bringing in more trappers, to achieve a better coordinated wild dogs/pest management control plan in the Tweed Shire Local Government Area and other parts of rural and regional New South Wales?

Answer—

- (1) All future funding measures across Government will be released publically with the State Budget on 21 June, 2022.
- (2) Wild dogs are identified as a priority pest in the North Coast Regional Strategic Pest Animal plan (RSPAMP) which is the strategic pest plan that includes the Lismore electorate.
- (3) Local Land Services (LLS) is the lead agency in coordinating pest animal and wild dog management programs, advice and assistance to land managers. LLS will continue to work with landowners to manage wild dogs roaming across land tenures'.
- (4) All land managers have a General Biosecurity duty under the Biosecurity Act 2015 to control wild dogs on their land.
- (5) Following the Bushfires in 2019 the Government invested a further \$2 million and the Commonwealth Government over \$1 million into additional pest management control projects in bushfire impacted areas on North Coast:
  - (a) LLS targeted wild dogs and foxes, leading the largest aerial baiting program in New South Wales in 2020 across Northern Tablelands and North Coast LLS regions, with 200,000 baits distributed
  - (b) North Coast LLS deployed 12 wild dog trappers across the region, removing 150 wild dogs from problem areas
  - (c) In the Lismore electorate over 4,188 baits were distributed to 462 holdings.
- (6) The Commonwealth and New South Wales Governments on 2 June 2022 announced a \$13 Million Early Needs Recovery Program. This funding will support North Coast, Hunter Valley, Central Coast, Greater Sydney and South East landholders affected by the 2022 flooding. Among other outcomes, the funding will be available to address pest impacts as a consequence of flooding.



- (7) While there has been a positive drop in predication report, the Government will continue to allocate significant resources to help mitigate the impact of wild dogs.
- (8) Local Land Services will continue to monitor future opportunities for funding to control wild dogs.
- (9) North Coast LLS continues to work with land managers, both public and private, to promote proactive nil tenure wild dog management programs across the region and to respond quickly to wild dog attacks.

\* 7919 PROGRAMS FOR AUTISM EDUCATION—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) What education programs are in place for students to learn about what Autism is and to break down social stigma?
- (2) What social support is provided to students with Autism in New South Wales schools?

Answer—

- (1) The Department has developed an Inclusive Practice Hub with practical resources for teachers and school staff to help students learn about Autism, as follows:
  - Peer information sheet for students to improve their understanding of Autism, containing friendship tips and a guide to getting to know a student with Autism, with a focus on commonalities rather than differences.
  - Peer inclusion and group work guide that includes explicitly teaching students about different communication needs and preferences of all students, including students with Autism.
  - Disclosing a disability to peers guide covers how teachers can support students with disability, including students with Autism, to disclose their disability and shape positive peer perceptions of their strengths and differences.
  - Social inclusion resources including character strengths poster and social story to support classroom teachers to create opportunities for discussion around the individual strengths of students and the importance of celebrating diversity.
- (2) The practical resources available within the Inclusive Education Hub provide guidance for teachers and school staff, and information and activities for students, to enhance students' understanding of how they can support their peers with Autism.

School staff may additionally plan and provide access to various programs, activities and extracurricular opportunities for students with Autism to socialise with their peers within and outside the classroom, including supervised playground programs and activities based around shared interests.

The Department also provides a range of wellbeing supports to students in schools, including the School Counselling Service, Student Support Officers, Wellbeing Nurses and Year Advisors.

\* 7920 CARE FOR PATIENTS WITH AUTISM—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) Does NSW Heath have a specific policy for patient care for people with Autism?
- (2) What is being done to improve the patient care outcomes and experiences for people Autism within hospitals?



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Answer—

- (1) NSW Health has policies and guidelines that define how care is provided, and to ensure quality standards are upheld. These policies are designed to be inclusive of the needs of people with disability, alongside other vulnerable populations, and are available at <https://www1.health.nsw.gov.au/pds/Pages/pdslanding.aspx>
- (2) NSW Health is undertaking activities to improve the experience and outcomes of people with autism who access NSW Health services, including:
  - Improving access to the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Hub for children with autism and complex mental health needs,
  - Developing easy read mental health resources to help people with autism and other developmental disabilities find information to understand their health care journey,
  - Supporting the MySigns web application, developed by the Department of Developmental Disability Psychiatry, University of New South Wales, that helps families and care staff to keep a visual record of a person's mood, behaviour, and presentation to support health professionals assess and treat people with communication difficulties, and
  - Ongoing collaboration regarding service delivery for people with autism with peak bodies for autistic people and their families.

\* 7921 SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH AUTISM IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Attorney General—

- (1) What special provisions are in place to support people with Autism in all steps of the justice system, from questioning to incarceration?
- (2) Does the Government plan to secure the funding of the Justice Advocacy Service in New South Wales for the long-term future?

Answer—

I am advised that:

- (1) The Justice Advocacy Service (JAS) provides support for victims, witnesses, suspects and defendants with a cognitive impairment, including those with autism spectrum disorder, in contact with the New South Wales criminal justice system.  
  
The Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Regulation 2016 allows a vulnerable person, which includes a person with impaired intellectual functioning, to have a support person present during any investigative procedure in which they are required to participate as a protected suspect or detained person.  
  
The Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020 includes a definition for cognitive impairment, which includes autism spectrum disorder. Further, Section 14 of the Act enables a Magistrate to make an order to dismiss a charge or discharge eligible defendants with a cognitive impairment.
- (2) The Government has secured funding for JAS until 30 June 2025. In June 2021, the Government allocated funding of \$28 million over four years to extend the JAS and to expand JAS to include a court-based diversion service in six New South Wales local courts. These locations include Lismore, Penrith, Gosford, Blacktown, Downing Centre and Parramatta.

\* 7922 TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT STUDENTS WITH AUTISM—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) What teacher training programs are in place to help them teach students with Autism?



- (2) What plans does the Government have to invest in more teacher's aides and specialist support services for students with Autism?

Answer—

- (1) The Department of Education provides professional learning for principals, teachers and support staff to build their knowledge and skills in meeting the needs of students with autism. This includes a specialist course, Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder. Between 1 January 2020 and 30 April 2022, the Department recorded over 1,600 course completions.

Other specialist courses such as supporting student wellbeing and mental health also build teachers' understanding of and skills in supporting students with autism alongside other needs such as mental health.

The Department has partnered with Deakin University to develop an Inclusive Practice Hub. This hub, launched in November 2021, includes more than 140 practical resources for teachers and school staff. The Inclusive Practice Hub includes guidance on taking an evidence and strengths-based approach to supporting the learning and wellbeing of students, including students with autism.

- (2) The Department provides additional resources to support students with disability including autism. These include Low Level Adjustment for Disability and Integration Funding Support.

Students with autism may be supported in mainstream classes through the Low-Level Adjustment for Disability as appropriate. In 2021, Low-Level Adjustment for Disability provided more than \$300.6 million to support students through more than 1,890 learning and support teachers and a flexible funding allocation to every mainstream school. Flexible funding can be used to allocate additional teacher and school learning support officer (SLSO) time to support students and teachers.

The Integration Funding Support program provides support for more than 12,200 students enrolled in mainstream classes who have confirmed disability and moderate-to-high support needs. Funding from Integration Funding Support is often used by schools to engage SLSOs to provide additional help to students in the classroom.

More than, 6,300 students with a diagnosis of autism are currently being supported through Integration Funding Support.

There are currently more than 2,150 specialist support classes for students with additional needs including autism in mainstream schools and schools for specific purposes.

- \* 7923 PACER PROGRAM—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

Will the Government extend the Police Ambulance and Clinical Early Response (PACER) program into the Lismore electorate with in-person mental health practitioners supporting frontline police?

Answer—

Health services are not provided on the basis of electorate. Northern New South Wales Local Health District is supportive of the PACER model, which is being developed jointly with NSW Police and NSW Ambulance to consider clinical governance, project governance, and evaluation components.

Consideration of how the program trial will be developed, implemented, and evaluated will guide future decisions for PACER models within Northern New South Wales Local Health District.

- \* 7924 FUNDING TO UPGRADE CLARENCE WAY—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Will the Government provide \$12 million in funding to upgrade the final 23-kilometre stretch of the Clarence Way between the Bruxner Highway and the town of Bonalbo in the Kyogle Local Government Area?



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Answer—

I am advised:

The 23-kilometre section of Clarence Way between the Bruxner Highway and Bonalbo is under the control of Kyogle Shire Council. All Councils determine the priorities and funding arrangements for works on their Regional Roads.

Over the next 12 months, Transport for NSW will work with the Northern Rivers Councils and the wider community to identify roads for further investment with a focus on resilience.

Kyogle Shire Council is encouraged to continue applying for funding under the various funding opportunities provided by Transport for NSW.

- \* 7925 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AMONG PEOPLE WITH AUTISM—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—

What is the Government doing to address the high unemployment rate for people with Autism (sitting nationally at 31.6 per cent) and to provide the support people with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) need to get into employment within the Lismore electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government recognises the importance of supporting people with disability throughout New South Wales, including the importance of meaningful employment opportunities.

Australia's Disability Strategy 2021-2031, agreed by the Government in 2021, identifies that the Commonwealth has primary responsibility for the delivery of disability employment services.

The Commonwealth also has primary responsibility for supporting employment goals of National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) participants through implementation of the NDIS Participant Employment Strategy.

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) collects and reports data on participant employment outcomes, and the Government is not provided with data on employment outcomes for specific disability cohorts or locations.

Further questions regarding this matter should be directed to the Commonwealth Minister responsible for Families and Social Services and the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

- \* 7926 FAMILY ENERGY REBATE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

(1) In the 2021-22 financial year how many residents of the following postcodes have applied for a Family Energy Rebate:

- (a) 2508?
- (b) 2515?
- (c) 2516?
- (d) 2517?
- (e) 2518?
- (f) 2519?
- (g) 2500?
- (h) 2525?



- (i) 2526?
  - (j) 2505?
  - (k) 2502?
  - (l) 2506?
  - (m) 2530?
- (2) For each of the postcodes in (1) how many people have had their application for a Family Energy Rebate refused?
- (3) What is the total amount of rebates provided in each of the postcodes in (1)?
- (4) In the 2021-22 financial year how many residents of the following postcodes have applied for a Seniors Energy Rebate:
- (a) 2508?
  - (b) 2515?
  - (c) 2516?
  - (d) 2517?
  - (e) 2518?
  - (f) 2519?
  - (g) 2500?
  - (h) 2525?
  - (i) 2526?
  - (j) 2505?
  - (k) 2502?
  - (l) 2506?
  - (m) 2530?
- (5) For each of the postcodes in (4) how many people have had their application for a Seniors Energy Rebate refused?
- (6) What is the total amount of rebates provided in each of the postcodes in (4)?
- (7) In the 2021-22 financial year how many residents of the following postcodes have applied for a Gas Rebate:
- (a) 2508?
  - (b) 2515?
  - (c) 2516?
  - (d) 2517?
  - (e) 2518?
  - (f) 2519?
  - (g) 2500?
  - (h) 2525?
  - (i) 2526?



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- (j) 2505?
- (k) 2502?
- (l) 2506?
- (m) 2530?
- (8) For each of the postcodes in (7) how many people have had their application for a Gas Rebate refused?
- (9) What is the total amount of rebates provided in each of the postcodes in (7)?

Answer—

(1–9) I am advised that the Office of Energy and Climate Change (OECC) will publish the 2021-22 NSW Energy Social Programs Annual Report (the Report) in early 2023 on its website: <https://www.energy.nsw.gov.au/government-and-regulation/legislative-and-regulatory-requirements/social-programs-energy-code>

The Report will provide data on the total number of customers and total amount of rebates paid for the Family Energy Rebate, Seniors Energy Rebate and Gas Rebate by Local Government Area in 2021-22.

The OECC does not collect data on refused applications.

\* 7927 DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) Considering The Daily Telegraph reported on 8 May 2022, page 19, that the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) "made a legal exemption" for a property in Silverdale for an approved secondary dwelling and subsequently amended the Aerotropolis State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP):
  - (a) Was the legal exemption granted by DPE for only one property?
  - (b) If so, what specific factors favoured the legal exemption for this specific property and not others in similar circumstances?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) A legal exemption was not made. The Department of Planning and Environment amended SEPP provisions to allow approval of a secondary dwelling that had already undergone substantial construction in accordance with a complying development certificate issued by a private certifier. Demolition of the secondary dwelling would have caused the landowner significant hardship. This is the only property where the landowner undertook substantial construction in good faith in accordance with complying development certificate that had been incorrectly issued.

\* 7928 BERKELEY HARBOUR MASTER PLAN—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

- (1) How many people attended the Berkeley Harbour Master Plan community consultation session on:
  - (a) 23 April 2022?
  - (b) 24 April 2022?
- (2) How many written submissions have been received as part of the Berkeley Harbour Master Plan?
- (3) When does the community consultation on the Berkeley Harbour Master Plan end?



- (4) What advertising or awareness activities were undertaken to encourage participation in the community consultation process for the Berkeley Harbour Master Plan?
- (a) What was the total cost of these advertising and awareness activities?
- (5) Please provide the milestones and key dates for these milestones for the remainder of the Berkeley Harbour Master Plan process?
- (6) On what date will the draft Berkeley Harbour Master Plan be released for public comment?
- (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised

- (1) a) On 23 April 2022, 22 people attended the Berkeley Harbour Master Plan community consultation session.
- (b) On 24 April 2022, 13 people attended Berkeley Harbour Master Plan community consultation session.
- (2) The consultation was a preliminary drop-in session, and no written submissions were requested or received.
- late-June 2022.
- (3) The following advertising or awareness activities were undertaken:
- Key stakeholders contacted on 17 March 2022.
  - Online advertising on the Wollongong City Council's website and via social media.
  - A notice in the Illawarra Mercury newspaper and Facebook page on 22 April 2022
  - Notices displayed at Berkeley Boat Harbour, fishing stores and local shops in Berkeley.
- (a) Public engagement has cost approximately \$18,000.
- (4-5) Future milestones will be announced by Government.

\* 7929 COMPLAINTS RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) How many complaints has the Department of Planning and Environment (OPE) received from a) individuals, b) businesses, c) stakeholders and d) government agencies since the Planning Portal became operational?
- (2) What is the nature of the complaints received by OPE on the functioning of the Planning Portal?
- (3) What is being done to fix the Planning Portal?
- (4) What is the cost for the lodgement of documents on the Planning Portal?
- (5) What was the total cost of developing the Planning Portal?
- (6) Has OPE commissioned an evaluation of the Planning Portal?
- (a) If so, what has the evaluation concluded?
- (b) Who undertook it?
- (c) If not, why not?
- (i) Will OPE do so and when?



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Answer—

I am advised:

(1)

- In the financial year 2020-2021 the NSW Planning Portal (the Portal) facilitated more than 300,000 transactions across all main digital services.
- On average, the Department of Planning and Environment (the Department), has received seven letters per month (July 2021 to April 2022) in relation to the Portal. This correspondence is triaged and responded to by the appropriate team (policy, technical or training and support). In some instances, the Department will contact the applicant via phone to discuss the issue in more detail.
- Stakeholder feedback informs the ongoing enhancements to the NSW Planning Portal digital services and provides further improvements to the customer experience, ensuring it meets the needs of its customers.
- All NSW Planning Portal digital services provide an on-screen “thumbs-up, thumbs-down” widget to measure customer satisfaction during the application process. The current performance figure is 85.3% “thumbs up” based on approximately 65,359 responses as of 30 May 2022.
- Additional feedback is provided by a dedicated NSW Planning Portal support team, who assists stakeholders through individual digital transformations, and supports applicants with individual applications.
- There are multiple channels for customer feedback:
  - All digital services include a thumbs-up/thumbs-down widget on every screen, described above.
  - Applicants can call the Service NSW hotline for support.
  - Applicants can also call and email The NSW Planning Portal support team for support.
  - Correspondence via the Minister’s Office.
- From July 2021 to April 2022, the NSW Planning Portal support team received an average of 450 initial calls per month from councils, state agencies and industry. Additionally, there was an average of 79 calls each month from applicants, escalated from Service NSW.
- The monthly average for general enquiry emails for the same period was 2550.
- On average, the team has resolved 50% of enquiries during the first point of contact. The remaining queries were triaged to the relevant teams, and the majority are these were resolved within 7 days.
- On average, 789 enquiry tickets were raised by Service NSW per month.
- On average, there was 497 STRA enquiry emails per month. (Large volume of enquiries received in the initial October-November release, with an average of 363 per month since January).

(2) Correspondence is triaged to the relevant section of the Program:

- Policy
- Technical
- Training and support

(3) The NSW Planning Portal is delivering on the Department’s commitment to cutting red tape and improving the customer experience. In the 2020-2021 financial year, more than 55,500 Development Applications were submitted through the Portal, with an estimated total cost of development of \$74.5B.

From 1 July 2021 to 30 April 2022, the Department saw an 11-day reduction in the average determination time for Development Applications, compared to paper-based processes (from 88 days to 77 days based on Local Development Performance Monitor data FY2019/20).



- (4) On 25 June 2020, the Expenditure Review Committee (ERC) approved funding for the NSW Planning Portal Business Case 3, covering Phase 4 implementation in 2023. It included a cost-recovery model (NSW Planning Portal Service Fees), which will help the Government recover costs, to reinvest in the planning system ensuring the ongoing sustainability of the NSW Planning Portal. An amendment to Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation (2000) stipulated the introduction of digital service fees, for certain applications on the NSW Planning Portal, effective from 1 July 2021. The funds collected will support the ongoing maintenance and delivery of the NSW Planning Portal. This includes training and support services.

Name of Service Fee	Amount
Modification of Development Consent Portal Fee	\$40
Site Compatibility Certificate Portal Fee	\$40
Construction Certificate Portal Fee	\$40
Subdivision Works Certificate Portal Fee	\$40
Occupation Certificate Portal Fee	\$40
Subdivision Certificate Portal Fee	\$40
Building Information Certificate Portal Fee	\$40
Review of Determination of DA Portal Fee	\$5
Lodgement of a State Voluntary Planning Agreement Portal Fee	\$5
Application for a BASIX Certificate Portal Fee <sup>+</sup>	\$5
Certificate Registration for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complying Development Certificate Portal Fee</li> <li>• Construction Certificate Portal Fee</li> <li>• Subdivision Works Certificate Portal Fee</li> <li>• Occupation Certificate Portal Fee</li> <li>• Subdivision Certificate Portal Fee</li> </ul>	\$5 for each certificate
Payment of Development Contributions Portal Fee <sup>*</sup>	\$5

Note: \* denotes approved fees for future digital services that are planned to be delivered through the NSW Planning portal

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- (6) (a) An independent ICT Assurance Review was undertaken on behalf of the Government and was conducted by the Department of Customer Service (DCS). This report is delivered to DCS by the review team, then submitted to the Expenditure Review Committee (ERC).
- Key excerpts from the report are:
- “The ePlanning Phase 4 Program (Program) has a high profile in Government and is seen as a successful major digital initiative”.



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- “The Program is under control in relation to time, cost and quality with a well-established delivery methodology and approach. This approach is seen as better practice, which is in the process of being adopted by the wider department”.
  - “The majority of Tranche 2 deliverables will be completed by June 2022, with the remainder to be completed during Tranche 3. The review team notes that the Tranche 3 deliverables are consistent with the business case objectives and appear achievable in the timeframe – June 2023”.
- (b) The independent ICT assurance review was undertaken on behalf of the Government and administered by the Department of Customer Service (DCS). In addition, the Audit Office of New South Wales recently conducted an audit of the Portal, with report findings being shared with the Secretary of the Department.
- (c) N/A

\* 7930 STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS ORDER—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) Is the Environment Planning and Assessment (Statement of Expectations) Order 2021 signed by the former Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, The Hon Rob Stokes MP, on 26 November 2021, still current?
- (a) If so, are all expectations in the statement on track to be achieved?
- (b) If not, what expectations remain of concern?
- (2) What action has been taken to address this concern in (b)?
- (3) Is the Minister contemplating any changes to the Environment Planning and Assessment (Statement of Expectations) Order 2021?
- (a) If so, what changes are under consideration?
- (4) When will the Minister issue a new Statement of Expectations?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) On 26 November 2021, the former Minister for Planning and Public Spaces signed the Environmental Planning and Assessment (Statement of Expectations) Order 2021 (Order). The Order, which took effect on 15 December 2021, sets out clear expectations as to what constitutes an effective and efficient planning system and one that businesses and the community can have confidence in.
- (a) The Order is not intended to be a rigid compliance tool, and the expectations are not supposed to be applied inflexibly. However, councils and applicants are expected to work collaboratively to resolve issues that slow down the planning processes.
- (b) Refer to response (a)
- (2) Where individual councils are not meeting the expectations, in the future there may be circumstances that warrant further investigation of a council's performance and there may occasionally be the need for state intervention.
- (3) The statement reflects the contemporary planning system, as the planning system changes the expectations may change accordingly.
- (a) As above.
- (4) No



\* 7931 SOUTH COAST LINE SERVICE CHANGES—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) What changes has Transport for NSW made to the passenger services timetable on the South Coast Line since 1 January 2022?
- (2) If so, what are those changes to the timetable since 1 January 2022?
- (3) Is it true that one morning services is no longer on the timetable?
  - (a) If so, what was the morning service that has now been cancelled?
- (4) Is it true that one afternoon service is no longer on the timetable?
  - (a) If so, what was the afternoon service that has now been cancelled?
- (5) Are these two services now permanently cancelled?
  - (a) If so, why were these two services cancelled?
  - (b) If not, when will the services be reinstated?
- (6) Can you guarantee that no other passenger services, currently timetabled on the South Coast Line as of 12 May 2022, will be cancelled?
  - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

Between 1 January and 25 February 2022, NSW Trainlink operated a weekend base timetable with additional services due to significant workforce shortages related to the COVID-19 pandemic. For the same reason, between 28 February to mid May 2022, NSW Trainlink operated a reduced weekday timetable.

South Coast services resumed to a full weekday timetable from 6 June 2022.

There are no further service cancellations planned, other than possible altered working on the South Coast Line due to planned trackwork.

\* 7932 SUBMISSIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) How many submissions has the Department of Planning and Environment (OPE) received on the discussion paper, A new approach to rezonings, published in December 2021?
- (2) When will the Government determine what approaches it will adopt?
- (3) Why has the Government not yet published all of the submissions OPE received on its website?
- (4) When will it publish all of the submissions received?
  - (a) If not, why will it not do so?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Department of Planning and Environment (Department) has received 185 submissions in response to the exhibition of the Discussion Paper.
- (2) The Department is thankful for the ideas and responses and is considering the issues raised before confirming a preferred policy approach and implementation timeframes.
- (3) The Department has published the submissions on its website at <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/rezoning-new-approach>.



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In accordance with the Department's Privacy and Confidentiality policy, the submissions have been checked to ensure confidential details were not released.

(4) See response to question 3.

\* 7933 UPGRADES TO NORTHBOUND EXIT—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

What was the total (i) planning and design and (ii) construction cost of the upgrades to the northbound exit from Memorial Drive onto the Princes Highway at North Wollongong?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has invested significant funds to upgrade the Memorial Drive connection onto the Princes Highway at North Wollongong.

\* 7934 RECRUITMENT OF COMMISSIONERS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Cities, and Minister for Active Transport—

(1) How many applications were received for each of the following positions:

- (a) Illawarra-Shoalhaven City Commissioner?
- (b) Hunter City Commissioner?
- (c) Central Coast City Commissioner?

(2) On what date will the recruitment process for the positions in (1) be completed and appointments be made?

(3) Please outline the stages of the appointment process for each position in (1).

(4) What is the salary and allowances for each position in (1)?

(5) Will the Commissioners require administrative support?

(a) If so, how will this be provided?

(6) Will each Commissioner in (1) have an office in the region where they are appointed?

(a) If so, where will the office be located?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) As at 15 June 2022: (a) 22 (b) 31 (c) 19.

(2) Third quarter of 2022.

(3) The Greater Cities Commission has engaged an independent recruitment agency to manage the process, as well as an independent probity advisor. The interview panel for each City Commissioner role includes a representative from each council in the City area. Commissioners will be appointed subject to Cabinet consideration.

(4) City Commissioners receive \$80,000 per annum (excluding superannuation) which covers the Commissioner's duties including Commission and Committee meetings. There is also a daily rate of \$1,435 for additional work undertaken as agreed.

(5) City Commissioners are supported by Greater Cities Commission agency staff.



- (6) Commissioners will have access to Greater Cities Commission office facilities in their respective Cities. The location of these facilities is yet to be finalised.

\* 7935 KARIONG PARKLANDS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) When will the Hunter Central Coast Development Corporation release the vision strategy for the Parklands in Kariong?
- (2) How many tenants currently occupy lands at the Kariong Parklands?
- (3) Can you list the tenants who currently occupy lands at the Kariong Parklands?
- (4) Which tenants have leases which are currently month-to-month and/or have not been renewed?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Place Vision for Mount Penang Parklands is available on the Hunter and Central Coast Development website.
- (2) There are currently nine tenants at Mount Penang Parklands, including a sub-tenant to the Rotary Club of Kariong/Somersby.
- (3) The following tenants currently occupy land at Mount Penang Parklands.
  - (a) Central Coast Sports College
  - (b) NAISDA Dance College
  - (c) Options Disability Services
  - (d) Sunnyfield
  - (e) Parklands Community Preschool
  - (f) KU Children's Services
  - (g) Waterfall Café
  - (h) Rotary Club of Kariong/ Somersby
  - (i) CC Family support services (sub tenant to Rotary).
- (4) The following tenants have leases that are currently month to month or have not been renewed.
  - Central Coast Sports College occupies 15 buildings and playing fields. Eleven of these buildings are occupied on long term leases, with four being occupied on month to month holding over provisions.
  - NAISDA Dance College occupies 13 buildings. Twelve of these buildings are occupied on long term leases, with one currently on month to month holding over provisions.
  - KU Children's Services is currently on month to month holding over provisions.

\* 7936 PARKLANDS COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) What is the number of students at the Parklands Community Preschool?
- (2) How many staff are currently working at the Parklands Community Preschool?
- (3) How much funding did the Department of Education has provided Parklands Community Preschool in 2021-22 and in 2020-21?



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Answer—

- (1) Parklands Community Preschool recorded 96 children enrolled in the latest census.
- (2) The latest census showing staffing numbers recorded the preschool had 15 staff employed.
- (3) Parklands Community Preschool received \$769,198.25 (ex. GST) in 2020-21, and \$849,959.59 (ex. GST) in 2021-22.

\* 7937 HAWKESBURY RIVER FERRY SERVICES—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) For the following Hawkesbury River ferry services of Portland, Wisemans Ferry, Webbs Creek and Sackville:
  - (a) How often are ferries taken off of these waterways for maintenance?
  - (b) How many ferries have been taken off of the river?
  - (c) What is the cost per year of ferry maintenance for each of the following ferries:
    - (i) Portland?
    - (ii) Wiseman's?
    - (iii) Webbs Creek?
    - (iv) Sackville?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Minister for Metropolitan Roads, Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence

\* 7938 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) How many Department of Education corporate staff are responsible for the management and formation of the 'Inclusive, Engaging and Respectful Schools' policy package?

Answer—

The Inclusive, Engaging and Respectful Schools (IER) package consists of three policies, all of which have been formed over a number of years through a variety of contexts:

- The Inclusive Education Policy for students with disability, which builds on the Disability Strategy launched on 27 February 2019 and Inclusive Education Statement launched on 25 August 2020.
- The Student Behaviour Policy, which is part of the Student Behaviour Strategy released on 8 March 2021 and builds on research commissioned from 2018 onwards.
- The Restrictive Practices Framework and the Restrictive Practices Reduction and Elimination Policy, which is built on the issues paper on restrictive practices released by the Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability (the Disability Royal Commission) on 26 May 2020.

Two Directorates within the Department have led on the policy development and implementation planning of the IER package: Inclusion and Wellbeing, and Student Support and Specialist Programs. As of May 2022, Inclusion and Wellbeing Directorate had 173 employees, while Student Support and Specialist



Programs had 347 employees. It is important to note that not all of these staff worked directly on IER policy development, and that staff also directly support schools with advice and learning and wellbeing services.

Staff in these two Directorates have worked with a large number of colleagues, inside the Department and across the sector, to provide expert input to the policy formulation and implementation planning. It is therefore not possible to specify an exact number of staff responsible for the formulation of such a large reform package.

\* 7939 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORGANISATIONS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) How many organisations received domestic violence funding from the Government in:
  - (a) 2017/18?
  - (b) 2018/19?
  - (c) 2019/20?
  - (d) 2020/21?
  - (e) 2021/22?
- (2) How many regionally headquartered domestic violence organisations received Government funding in the years listed above?
- (3) How many community-based headquartered domestic violence organisations received Government funding in the years listed above?
- (4) How many domestic violence clients does Catholic Care and Salvation Army have here on the Central Coast Peninsula?
- (5) How many Department of Communities and Justice domestic violence referrals have been provided to Peninsula Light House during the years above?
- (6) What percentage of Department of Communities and Justice domestic violence funding is received by Peninsula Lighthouse?
- (7) How many 1800RESPECT domestic violence clients are referred to Peninsula Lighthouse?
- (8) What percentage of 1800RESPECT funding on the Central Coast is received by Peninsula Lighthouse?

Answer—

I am advised:

Multiple organisations have received domestic violence funding from the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) from 2017/2018 to 2021/2022.

Organisations receiving funding from the DCJ operate in a variety of settings and locations across New South Wales.

Details regarding clients of CatholicCare, the Salvation Army and Peninsula Lighthouse are a matter for those organisations.

\* 7940 DIALECTICAL BEHAVIOUR THERAPY—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many patients were receiving dialectical behaviour therapy through the Central Coast Local Health District during 2017/18/19 at:
  - (a) Gosford?



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- (b) Wyong?
- (c) Long Jetty?
- (d) Toukley?
- (2) What was the Central Coast Local Health District budget for dialectical behaviour therapy on the Central Coast in:
  - (a) 2017?
  - (b) 2018?
  - (c) 2019?
- (3) Where and through what services are public health clients currently receiving dialectical behaviour therapy on the Central Coast?

Answer—

(1 – 3)

Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (DBT) is a form of treatment used by clinicians across the Central Coast Local Health District in mental health, allied health, alcohol and other drugs, violence abuse and neglect and youth health services. I am advised the District does not maintain a separate registry of psychological therapeutic treatment types used with patients. Similarly, there is no specific budget allocation for these treatment types.

Patients are also able to receive DBT through several private and community managed organisations through referrals to private counsellors from their general practitioner. I am advised that DBT programs are available on the Central Coast through the following private providers:

- Brisbane Water Private Hospital
- Living Well Psychology Clinic
- Mindful Recovery Services
- Psychology Perspective

\* 7942 POLICE AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN FAIRFIELD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) How many Police Vehicles in the Fairfield City Police Area Command contain Automated External Defibrillators (AED)?
  - (a) How many AEDs are there in the Fairfield City Police Area Command Stations?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) In general, most Police vehicles do not carry an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).
  - (a) Three in the Fairfield City Police Area Command Stations.

\* 7943 POLICE AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN THE NORTHERN BEACHES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) How many Police Vehicles in the Northern Beaches Police Area Command contain Automated External Defibrillators (AED)?
  - (a) How many AEDs are there in the Northern Beaches Police Area Command Stations?



Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) In general, most Police vehicles do not carry an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).
- (a) Five in the Northern Beaches Police Area Command Stations.

\* 7944 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN YENNORA FIRE SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) How many Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are there at Yennora Fire Station?
- (a) How many AEDS are there in Yennora Fire Station vehicles and appliances?

Answer—

I am advised that:

Fire and Rescue NSW appliances and minor fleet are equipped with Automated External Defibrillators, including the appliance at Yennora Fire Station.

\* 7945 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN HORSLEY PARK RURAL FIRE SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) How many Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are there at the Horsley Park Rural Fire Service Station?
- (a) How many AEDs are there in the Horsley Park Rural Fire Service vehicles and appliances?

Answer—

I am advised that:

NSW Rural Fire Services appliances are equipped with Automated External Defibrillators, including the four vehicles stationed at Horsley Park Rural Fire Brigade Station. Horsley Park Rural Fire Brigade Station is also equipped with an Automated External Defibrillator.

\* 7946 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN TERRY HILLS PARK RURAL FIRE SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) How many Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are there at the Terry Hills Park Rural Fire Service Station?
- (a) How many AEDs are there in Terry Hills Park Rural Fire Service vehicles and appliances?

Answer—

I am advised that:

NSW Rural Fire Services appliances are equipped with Automated External Defibrillators, including the three vehicles at Terrey Hills Rural Fire Brigade Station.

\* 7947 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN SMITHFIELD FIRE SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) How many Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are there at Smithfield Fire Station?
- (a) How many AEDs are there in Smithfield Fire Station vehicles and appliances?



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Answer—

I am advised that:

Fire and Rescue NSW appliances and minor fleet are equipped with Automated External Defibrillators, including the appliance at Smithfield Fire Station.

\* 7948 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN CABRAMATTA FIRE SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

(1) How many Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are there at the Cabramatta Fire Station?

(a) How many AEDs are there in Cabramatta Fire Station vehicles and appliances?

Answer—

I am advised that:

Fire and Rescue NSW appliances and minor fleet are equipped with Automated External Defibrillators, including the appliance at Cabramatta Fire Station.

\* 7949 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN THE NARRABEEN FIRE SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

(1) How many Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are there at the Narrabeen Fire Station?

(a) How many AEDs are there in Narrabeen Fire Station vehicles and appliances?

Answer—

I am advised that:

Fire and Rescue NSW appliances and minor fleet are equipped with Automated External Defibrillators, including the two appliances at Narrabeen Fire Station.

\* 7950 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN THE DEE WHY FIRE SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

(1) How many Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are there at the Dee Why Fire Station?

(a) How many AEDs are there in Dee Why Fire Station vehicles and appliances?

Answer—

I am advised that:

Fire and Rescue NSW appliances and minor fleet are equipped with Automated External Defibrillators, including the appliance at Dee Why Fire Station.

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\* 7951 ORTHOPAEDICS SURGEONS IN GRIFFITH—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

(1) At the Regional Health Forum in Griffith on 13 May 2022, you told the audience that Murrumbidgee Local Health District were currently negotiating with two orthopaedic surgeons who were prepared to come to Griffith. Can you confirm:

(a) By what exact date will these two orthopaedic surgeons commence work in Griffith?



- (b) Will both orthopaedic surgeons be employed directly by the Murrumbidgee Local Health District as full-time surgeons based at the public Griffith Base Hospital?
- (c) What involvement, if any, will St Vincent's Private Hospital have in regards to these two orthopaedic surgeons?

Answer—

- (1) (a) – (c)

Murrumbidgee Local Health District has recruited two orthopaedic surgeons to provide public orthopaedic services in Griffith. The Visiting Medical Officers, based at the Griffith Base Hospital, will commence orientation in June. While the new Griffith Base Hospital Clinical Services Block is being built, the surgeons will be operating on public patients at the St Vincent's Private Community Hospital, Griffith which is collocated on site with Griffith Base Hospital.

- \* 7952 MAJOR UPGRADES AT MURRUMBIDGEE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Given that the Regional NSW Budget Paper 2020-21 states that \$1.3 million will be spent in 2021-22 for Stage 2 of major upgrades at both Murrumbidgee Regional High School sites, by what date will the new gymnasium and assembly space on the former Wade High School site be completed?
- (2) By what date will a new multi-purpose space on the former Griffith High School site be completed?

Answer—

Stage 2 of the project is in the planning and design phases. The progress of the projects will be communicated to school communities. Further information will also be made available via the School Infrastructure NSW website as it becomes available at [www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au](http://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au)

- \* 7953 PATIENT TRANSPORT SERVICE AT GRIFFITH BASE HOSPITAL—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

Will you increase the size of the patient transport service crew at Griffith Base Hospital (GBH) to such a level that the NSW Ambulance service no longer undertakes non-emergency patient transfers from GBH?

Answer—

Murrumbidgee Local Health District has a modern fleet of transport vehicles, including patient transport vehicles based in Griffith, and liaises closely with NSW Ambulance to optimise the efficiency of both fleets to meet patient needs. The District's Patient Transport Service can flexibly increase fleet availability to meet capacity demand for non-emergency patient transport.

- \* 7954 SUPPORT FOR QUALIFIED PARAMEDIC MENTORS—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) Does a Qualified Paramedic receive any additional pay for mentoring a Trainee Paramedic?
  - (a) Does a Qualified Paramedic receive any other support, including time allocated to mentor their Trainee Paramedic?

Answer—

- (1) (a)

The National Boards for the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency Code of Conduct and the Paramedicine Board of Australia's Professional capabilities for registered paramedics set



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out the expectations that health professionals have to support and mentor trainee paramedics. Mentoring of paramedic interns is a standard professional responsibility of a NSW Ambulance paramedic role as a clinician.

Qualified paramedics have received NSW Ambulance guidance and training in mentoring practice. Mentoring occurs in the context of clinical practice and paramedic interns are supported by additional input and oversight by the NSW Ambulance Education Centre.

\* 7955 FUNDING CUTS TO THE RURAL FINANCIAL COUNSELLING SERVICE—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

- (1) Will the Government commit to reversing the planned 25 percent funding cut to the Rural Financial Counselling Service?
- (2) Will you commit to maintaining the current level of funding for the Rural Financial Counselling Service for the next four years?

Answer—

- (1) On 26 May 2022, I announced \$5 million over three years to fund the Rural Financial Counselling Service in New South Wales.
- (2) Funding for the Rural Financial Counselling Service beyond that time period will be considered in future budgets.

\* 7956 AMBULANCE SERVICES IN TOCUMWAL—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) Can you provide the number of times a 000 ambulance callout and Clinical Emergency Response Systems (CERS) assist call was made in Tocumwal during 2021?
- (2) What was the average response time for ambulance services in Tocumwal during 2021?
- (3) Do these response times meet the minimum New South Wales standards for ambulance response times?
  - (a) Are they comparable to metropolitan response times?

Answer—

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NSW Ambulance activity and performance data is publicly available on the Bureau of Health Information website.

\* 7957 INCREASE TO POLICE RESOURCES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) What steps will you take to increase police resources in the areas of Horningsea Park, Carnes Hill and West Hoxton to reduce the increasing incidence of stealing from cars parked in driveways of homes and residential streets and of stealing from homes?
- (2) Will you increase the number of police patrols in the Horningsea Park, Carnes Hill and West Hoxton areas?
  - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2)



All police positions attached to Police Districts and Police Area Commands are flexible resources available to respond to incidents across the districts. All local resources are supplemented by specialist police who are managed centrally but can be deployed across boundaries to meet the changing community needs and respond to changing crime patterns and emerging issues.

The Liverpool City PAC has received a total of five new positions in the last two years. The allocation of police resources is determined by the Commissioner of Police based on operational need. Police Commanders regularly review the allocation of resources within their Commands/Districts to ensure that policing meets demand.

The Liverpool City Police Area Command (PAC) participates in Community Safety Precinct Committees and regularly meets with key stakeholders and community groups to strengthen community relationships, safeguard assets and infrastructure to deter crime and improve personal safety. The NSW Police Force will continue to undertake patrols across the area and respond to calls for assistance as required.

7958 EMPLOYMENT OF TRANSPORT STAFF MEMBER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

\* 7959 LUNA PARK GHOST TRAIN INQUIRY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—

- (1) What progress, if any, has been made into holding a fresh inquiry into the Luna Park Ghost Train fire of 1979?
- (2) What was the result of the request by the Coroner to the NSW Police Force to review the matter?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) On 9 April 2021, the NSW State Coroner requested that NSW Police review the Luna Park ghost train fire matter. The NSW Police Taskforce involved in the investigative review has recently briefed the NSW State Coroner to provide an update on the investigation so far.

Once the Coroner is in receipt of the NSW Police report, her Honour will make a determination as to whether to re-open and conduct a fresh inquest into the Luna Park ghost train fire and the deaths that occurred as a result of that fire.

- (2) NSW Police has not yet finalised their review.

\* 7960 FIRE ENGINE CREW RELOCATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) On how many occasions since 20 March 2022 has a fire engine and crew moved to another fire station for 5 hours or more from:
  - (a) Horningsea Park Fire Station?
  - (b) Busby Fire Station?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) (a) One  
(b) Nil



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- \* 7961 ASBESTOS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

How many public schools within the electorate of Liverpool have friable asbestos on site?

Answer—

Please refer to answer for LC QON 8652.

- \* 7962 AIR PURIFIERS IN SCHOOLS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health—

(1) How many and which Department of Education schools within the state electorate of Liverpool have received requests for air purifiers to be put in place?

(a) How many and which of these requests have been declined?

Answer—

This matter is best addressed by the Minister for Education and Early Learning.

- \* 7963 PARAMEDICS AT LIVERPOOL AMBULANCE STATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health—

How many paramedics were at Liverpool Ambulance Station (at 1-3 Roxton Park Rd, Liverpool) for the financial year 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021?

Answer—

NSW Ambulance varies staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational need as required.

- \* 7964 CLAIMS UNDER THE ABORIGINAL LAND RIGHTS ACT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

How old is the oldest outstanding and unresolved Aboriginal land claim under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act?

Answer—

I am advised:

The oldest unresolved Aboriginal land claim under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 is ALC 1043 lodged 20 September 1984 by Brewarrina Local Aboriginal Land Council. This claim is part of complex negotiations underway as part of an Aboriginal Land Agreement (ALA) negotiation. The ALA is dependent on a complementary Indigenous Land Use Agreement which is also being negotiated with Native Title holders who also have interests in the land.

- \* 7965 PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION WORK—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) What construction work is currently being carried out on the site of Liverpool West Public School and Mainsbridge Public School?

(a) When will the work be complete?

Answer—

The project to relocate Mainsbridge School to purpose built facilities on the Warwick Farm Public School is complete.



The upgrade at Liverpool West Public School is progressing with construction commencing earlier in 2022.

All project updates, including project scope and timelines, are communicated via the School Infrastructure NSW website at [www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/)

- \* 7966 REVIEW OF THE MINE SAFETY TECHNOLOGY CENTRE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

In October of last year the Department of Regional NSW advised staff members in the Mining, Exploration and Geoscience division that Ernst & Young would be conducting a review of the Mine Safety Technology Centre's (MSTC) "technical and commercial activities". Could the Minister advise why did it take the Government nearly four years to act on the issues regarding the operation of the MSTC?

Answer—

After receiving the Deloitte report in 2018, the Department concluded there were perceived and actual conflicts of interest between Mine Safety Technology Centre (MSTC) and its policy and strategy role in the mining, exploration and geoscience sector. Deliberate steps were taken to operationally separate MSTC from the Resources Regulator including adjusting reporting lines to manage conflicts. Despite implementing various operational changes to address concerns related to conflicts, the Department decided additional action was required, hence the announcement in October last year of the Ernst & Young review. The review resulted in a decision to close the MSTC on 8 April 2022.

- \* 7967 CLOSURE OF THE MINE SAFETY TECHNOLOGY CENTRE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

In December of last year the Department of Regional NSW notified staff that it would discontinue the operations of the Mine Safety Technology Centre (MSTC), prior to the Ernst & Young report of the MSTC "technical and commercial activities" been finalised. Could the Minister advise what consultation was carried out by the Department of Regional NSW in relation to the closure of the MSTC?

Answer—

The Department led the overall assessment of the MSTC and was informed throughout Ernst & Young's review.

- \* 7968 REASONS FOR DISCONTINUING OPERATIONS OF THE MINE SAFETY TECHNOLOGY CENTRE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

With reference to the Ernest & Young report on Mine Safety Technology Centre's (MSTC) "technical and commercial activities", could the Minister advise the reasons for discontinuing the operations of the MSTC?

Answer—

The Department concluded there were perceived and actual conflicts of interest between Mine Safety Technology Centre (MSTC) and its regulatory and policy role in the mining, exploration and geoscience sector.

- \* 7969 COAL SERVICES FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

(1) The Ernst & Young report on Mine Safety Technology Centre's (MSTC) "technical and commercial activities" recommended that Coal Services take over the operations and functions of MSTC. The MSTC was formerly funded by the Mining Safety Levy, could the Minister advise whether Coal Services will now receive this funding?

(a) If not, how will those surplus funds be allocated?



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Answer—

- (1) Coal Services will not receive ongoing Mine Safety Levy funding previously provided to the Mine Safety Technology Centre.
- (2) The Department will cease to collect Mine Safety Levy funds from industry that were previously attributable to the MSTC.

\* 7970 BANKSTOWN CITY PLAZA REMEDIATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) Given your announcement that the Metro City and Southwest project will be opened in stages, what impact will this have on the building at Bankstown City Plaza which was destroyed by an arson attack on 17 December 2020?
  - (a) When will the building be remedied?
  - (b) Why is the building still cornered off almost a 1.5 years after the fire?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Cities, and Minister for Active Transport.

\* 7971 NEW BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL SITE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health—

In the latest Project Update for the new Bankstown Hospital published in April 2022, staff and consumer representatives advocated for “easy drop-off and pick-up, less clutter, and the need for access to quiet spaces and gardens” including “easy-to-access parking”, will you rule out the Bankstown Central Business District as a potential site for the new Bankstown Hospital?

Answer—

I refer the Member to my response to LA 3927.

\* 7972 BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL SITE CONSIDERATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) Has the Bankstown Senior College been considered as a potential site for the new Bankstown Hospital?
  - (a) If so, what determination has been made regarding this site as a potential location for new Bankstown Hospital?

Answer—

I refer the Member to the response at LA 3927.

\* 7973 TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES FOR BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) How many roads in the Bankstown electorate have been allocated funding for upgrades to traffic calming measures in the 2021-22 financial year to date?
  - (a) Which roads have been allocated funding?
  - (b) What is the total amount of funding allocated?



Answer—

I am advised:

In the current 2021-22 financial year, Bankstown electorate has received funding for 10 road safety projects.

Further information about these projects is publicly available.

7974 REPAIR TO PROPERTIES DAMAGED IN FLOODS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

\* 7975 ALBURY WODONGA HOSPITAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) In relation to the Albury Wodonga Hospital announcement in January 2020 to expand the hospital's emergency department:
  - (a) Has the new Emergency Department been completed ?
    - (i) If not, when?
  - (b) Has the Government got any plans to build a new hospital?
    - (i) If so, when?
  - (c) Has the Government got any plans to redevelop the hospital?
    - (i) If so, when?
  - (d) How much money has been allocated?

Answer—

- (1) (a) – (d)

In 2019, the Government announced \$45 million to redevelop identified components of the Albury Base Hospital, with work to commence on the redevelopment in this term of Government. The Government also announced \$30 million as part of the 2017-18 NSW Budget for the Albury Base Hospital Emergency Department Expansion.

\$30 million was invested as part of 2017-18 NSW State Budget for the Albury Base Hospital Emergency Department Expansion.

The redevelopment is being delivered by the Victorian Health Building Authority (VHBA). The VHBA has experienced delays in receiving the Development Permit from Albury City Council.

NSW Health has fulfilled its funding commitment with the final \$10 million milestone payment being processed in 2021-22.

The development of clinical services at both the Albury and Wodonga Hospital campuses is the role of the Albury Wodonga Health Executive and Board.

\* 7976 TRANSPORT PEAK HOUR PRICING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

In relation to the announcement by the Minister for Transport in July 2020 that the Sydney's public transport peak hour pricing window would be widened to 6am to 10am and 3pm to 7pm, when will the peak hour pricing window be returned to 6am to 8am and 4pm to 6.30pm?

Answer—

I am advised:



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This information is publicly available on the Transport for NSW website.

\* 7977 NEW INTERCITY FLEET ON THE SOUTH COAST—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) In relation to the South Korean built New Intercity Fleet for the South Coast:
  - (a) When will the peak hour services for the South Coast line be reinstated from February 2020 timetable ?
  - (b) How many of the new carriages have arrived in New south Wales as at 16 May 2022?

Answer—

I am advised:

The New Intercity Fleet is currently subject to Government consideration. Once finalised, the timeline for when the trains will start operating will be issued.

As at 16 May 2022, 26 new 10-carriage trains have arrived in New South Wales.

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7978 COVID-19 VACCINATIONS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Health—

7979 OFFICE OF THE ADVOCATE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—

7980 HER SPORT HER WAY GRANT PROGRAM—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—

\* 7981 NEW SOUTH WALES ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—

- (1) In each of the financial years since the publication of the “Improving Prospect Creek (IPC) Final Project Report - 10 May 2013” what funds have been allocating to improving Prospect Creek?
- (2) In each of the financial years since the publication of the “Duck River Catchment Floodplain Risk Management Plan – November 2012” what funds have been allocating to improving Duck River?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) No applications for further funding have been received in relation to the Improving Prospect Creek project in the period since 10 May 2013. The Department of Planning and Environment's Floodplain Management Program has provided two grants for Prospect Creek:

- Holroyd City Council was awarded \$33,787 for the Prospect Creek overland flood study in 2012-13
- Fairfield City Council was awarded \$96,402.67 for the Prospect Creek/Georges River flood study update and detention basin assessment in 2018-19.

I note these grants do not relate to improving water quality or habitat.

- (2) The Duck River Floodplain Risk Management Plan looks at flood risk and mitigation options. Actions in this plan relate to flood mitigation rather than environmental improvement.



The Department of Planning and Environment's Floodplain Management Program has provided two grants related to Duck River:

- Parramatta City Council was awarded \$22,741 for a feasibility study for a flood detention basin at Woodville Golf Course, Granville in 2013-14.
- Holroyd City Council was awarded \$139,331 for Clay Cliff, Domain and Duck creeks overland flood study in 2012-13.

The Environmental Trust awarded Parramatta City Council a grant of \$100,000 for the Duck River Restoration and Stabilisation Project in 2012-13.

This project was not related to the Duck River Catchment Floodplain Risk Management Plan.

7982 YOUTH BUDGET—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—

7983 WESTINVEST GRANTS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—

7984 ATP CUP TENNIS LEGACY FUND—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—

\* 7985 REGIONAL YOUTH BUDGET—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—

(1) What is the expenditure in 2021/22 budgeted for the following initiatives:

- (a) Regional component of Youth opportunities fund?
- (b) Regional Youth Taskforce?
- (c) Regional Youth Community Coordinator Initiative?
- (d) Holiday Break program?
- (e) Youth Radio?
- (f) Regional Gap Year?
- (g) Other initiatives not listed above?

Answer—

(1) The expenditure in 2021/22 budgeted for the following initiatives is:

- (a) The Youth opportunities fund is administered by the Department of Justice and Communities. This question should be referred to the Minister for Stronger Communities.
- (b) \$142,684 in expenditure is budgeted for the Regional Youth Taskforce.
- (c) \$1,385,000 in expenditure is budgeted for the Regional Youth Community Coordinator Initiative.
- (d) \$3,265,000 in expenditure is budgeted for the Holiday Break program.
- (e) \$100,000 in expenditure is budgeted for Youth Radio.
- (f) \$22,570 in expenditure is budgeted for the Regional Gap Year.
- (g) Other initiatives not listed above are:



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- (i) \$6,150,000 in expenditure is budgeted for the Children and Young People Wellbeing Flood Recovery Program.
- (ii) \$258,000 in expenditure is budgeted for the Youth Action Meetings pilot program.
- (iii) \$190,000 in expenditure is budgeted for the 500 Nights pilot program.
- (iv) \$100,000 in expenditure is budgeted for the School Alumni pilot program.
- (v) \$100,000 is budgeted for the Maayuma-Li GEM pilot program.

7986 OFFICE OF THE ADVOCATE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—

\* 7987 ACCIDENTS INVOLVING THE LIGHT RAIL—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) What is the number of accidents involving:
  - (a) Pedestrians since the opening of the South East Sydney light rail on 14 December 2019?
  - (b) Buses since the opening of the South East Sydney light rail on 14 December 2019?
  - (c) Cars since the opening of the South East Sydney light rail on 14 December 2019?
- (2) What is the number of incidents that have not involved cars, buses or pedestrians but has resulted in a breakdown of the South East Sydney light rail since 14 December 2019?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1)
  - (a) 12
  - (b) None.
  - (c) 38.
- (2) Accidents involving pedestrians, buses and cars account for 2.9 per cent of the network incidents with service impacts greater than 2 minutes on the Central Business District and South East Light Rail.

\* 7988 DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) What is the number of unsolicited development proposal for the Waverley Bus Depot site since 2011 (Corner Oxford Street and York Road, Bondi Junction New South Wales 2022)

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 25 May 2022, Transport for NSW has not received any unsolicited proposals for Waverley Bus Depot.

7989 SOUTH KIAMA DEVELOPMENT—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

7990 KANGAROO VALLEY BUSINESSES—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—



7991 SECURITY AT SHOALHAVEN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Health—

7992 RURAL FIRE STATIONS—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

\* 7993 JOBS IN TRANSPORT FOR NSW—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) With respect to employment policies of Transport for NSW:
  - (a) What are the targets for Aboriginal people as a percentage of the Departments' workforce?
    - (i) Is your Department meeting that target?
  - (b) What are the targets for women in non-traditional roles as a percentage of the departments' workforce?
    - (i) Is your Department meeting that target?
  - (c) What are the targets for people with disabilities as a percentage of the departments' workforce?
    - (i) Is your Department meeting that target?
  - (d) Has the Minister made formal or informal requests to amend these abovementioned targets?
  - (e) Will the Minister commit to producing a dashboard, to be made publicly available, to track his Departments' commitments to the abovementioned targets?
  - (f) What changes have been made to recruitment processes in order to meet the abovementioned targets?

Answer—

I am advised:

Targets for Aboriginal people, women, and people with disabilities, and Transport for NSW's progress against these targets, are publicly available in the Transport for NSW Annual Report.

Transport for NSW is meeting its targets.

There is no common definition for 'non-traditional roles for women', as such, Transport for NSW has no target for this.

Transport for NSW actively promotes the employment of people with disabilities and are committed to creating an inclusive and flexible workforce. Transport for NSW regularly conducts targeted recruitment campaigns. This includes recruitment of disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, women, and people aged under 25.

\* 7994 NEW INTERCITY FLEET AND FAST RAIL—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) With respect to the New Intercity Fleet and Fast Rail:
  - (a) When will the New Intercity Fleet be serving the South Coast Line?
  - (b) How many new Intercity Fleet carriages will be servicing the South Coast Line?
  - (c) How many additional services will be added to the South Coast Line when the New Intercity Fleet arrives?
  - (d) When will any new additional services commence on the South Coast Line?



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- (e) Will the introduction of the New Intercity Fleet see the reductions of seats per service on the South Coast Line?
  - (i) If so, by how many seats per service?
- (f) When will the Fast Rail Report (prepared by Professor Andrew McNaughton) be released to the public?
- (g) Is the Government still considering constructing a Fast Rail Line to service Nowra and the South Coast?
- (h) When will the Minister and the Department provide an update on its plans for new fast rail services for New South Wales?

Answer—

I am advised:

The New Intercity Fleet is currently subject to Government consideration. Once finalised, the timeline for when the trains will start operating will be issued.

Matters relating to the Fast Rail Line should be referred to the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads.

- 7995 ALBION PARK BYPASS—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 7996 OAK FLATS INTERCHANGE—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 7997 BOMADERRY HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

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- 7998 HUNTER TENANTS ADVICE AND ADVOCACY SERVICE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—
- 7999 SOCIAL HOUSING PROJECTS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8000 REGIONAL SENIORS TRANSPORT CARD—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8001 FIRE STATIONS TAKEN OFF-LINE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—
- 8002 COMMUNITY AND SMALL BUSINESS CCTV FUND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Attorney General—
- 8003 MAITLAND LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—
- 8004 MRI MACHINE AT NEW MAITLAND HOSPITAL—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health—



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- 8005 FAMILY ENERGY REBATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—
- 8006 LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLD REBATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—
- 8007 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND BLACKTOWN CITY COUNCIL PROPERTIES—Mr Stephen Bali to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8008 SCHOOL CAPACITY AND ENROLLMENT NUMBERS—Mr Stephen Bali to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8009 FUTURE DIRECTIONS EVALUATIONS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8010 REVENUE NSW COLLECTION OF PARKING FINES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations—
- 8011 MOBILE SPEED CAMERA SIGNS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- 8012 OPTIONAL DISENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Premier—
- \* 8013 NO PARKING SIGNAGE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- (1) With regard 'No Parking' signage at and around schools:
- (a) How many fines were issued each school year from 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2021 for –
- (i) Exceeding the 2 minute 'kiss and drop' time limit?
- (ii) Exceeding the 'no further than 3 metres from the vehicle' limit?
- (b) Are there any signs installed which include the additional information of (1)(i) and (1)(ii) to assist drivers?
- (i) If yes, can these be applied for by a local council or a school for installation?
- (ii) If no, has this additional information been considered to be attached to existing signage?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is not a matter for the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans.

- \* 8014 BOATING LICENCES AND VESSEL REGISTRATION FUNDS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- (1) With regard to the funds collected for boating licences and vessel registrations how much each year, for each of the past 10 financial years, has been:
- (a) Collected in total?
- (b) Spent on:



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- (i) On water assistance, education and compliance?
- (ii) Safety information?
- (iii) Advice on environmentally sustainable boating practices?
- (iv) Funding for Marine Rescue?
- (v) Boating publications?
- (vi) The state-wide navigation marker system?
- (vii) Funding for boating facilities such as boat ramps, pump outs and public jetties?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1)
  - (a) Financial information about boating licenses and vessel registrations are published in the Transport for NSW Annual Reports.
  - (b) The revenue collected supports Maritime business units carrying out numerous activities to improve boating safety, manage maritime infrastructure, and preserve and protect the maritime environment. All revenues and expenditures concerning Maritime Operations in New South Wales are subject to Section 42 of the Ports and Maritime Administration Act.

\* 8015 OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE COMMAND—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) With regard the NSW Police Transport Command:
  - (a) How many dedicated police officers were assigned to the command as at:
    - (i) 30 June 2014?
    - (ii) 30 June 2015?
    - (iii) 30 June 2016?
    - (iv) 30 June 2017?
    - (v) 30 June 2018?
    - (vi) 30 June 2019?
    - (vii) 30 June 2020?
    - (viii) 30 June 2021?
- (2) With regard Transport Officers who commenced their responsibilities on 13 May 2013:
  - (a) How many Transport Officers were assigned to the command as at:
    - (i) 30 June 2014?
    - (ii) 30 June 2015?
    - (iii) 30 June 2016?
    - (iv) 30 June 2017?
    - (v) 30 June 2018?
    - (vi) 30 June 2019?
    - (vii) 30 June 2020?



(viii) 30 June 2021?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) This is a matter for the Minister for Police.
- (2) Transport for NSW does not have any employees seconded to the NSW Police Transport Command.

8016 RECORDED STATEMENTS IN THE NEW SOUTH WALES JUSTICE SYSTEM—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General—

\* 8017 GENERAL BOATING LICENCE FEES AND CHARGES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) With regard to the fees and charges for a General Boating Licence (GBL):
  - (a) When was the knowledge test fee/charge introduced?
  - (b) Each financial year, since its introduction, what has been the fee/charge for the knowledge test in that year?
  - (c) What is the total quantum value of fees collected, from GBL knowledge tests each year, since its introduction?
  - (d) What is money from the GBL knowledge test spent on?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1)
  - (a) and (b) Information on the charge is available from the year 2000. In this year, the General Boating Licence knowledge test fee was \$22. Since that time, there have been slight increases to the fee, excluding the last 3 years where the fee has not changed from \$36.
  - (c) Transport for NSW does not hold the information requested in this form.
  - (d) The fees are paid into the Waterways Fund which contributes to safer waterways for the community.

8018 NEW SOUTH WALES BORDER WILD DOG FENCE—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

8019 BROKEN HILL TO SILVERTON ROAD WORKS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

8020 MEDICAL PROVIDER CONTRACT CHANGES—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Health—

8021 GOVERNMENT-FUNDED AGENCIES EXEMPT FROM ADVERTISING IN LOCAL REGIONAL PAPERS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

8022 MOTOR REGISTRY CUSTOMERS—Ms Yasmin Catley to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—



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8023 REDEEMED AND UNSPENT VOUCHERS—Ms Yasmin Catley to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—

8024 COOKS RIVER CATCHMENT COASTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Local Government—

8025 FORMAL INSPECTIONS IN RELATION TO DAMAGE TO PROPERTY—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

\* 8026 NOISE COMPLAINTS DUE TO SYDNEY METRO CONSTRUCTION—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

(1) As at 25 March 2022, there have been 7 noise complaints regarding the construction of the Sydney Metro by residents in the electorate of Canterbury. What was the outcome of these complaints?

(a) On average, how many days did it take to address these complaints by Sydney Metro?

(b) How were these complaints received (by phone/ email/ in person)?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) All seven complaints have been investigated and closed. Of the seven complaints, three did not relate to Sydney Metro activities where two were related to noise within allowable limits. The final two involved machinery idling and worker behaviour, managed by the relevant delivery contractor to avoid recurrence.

(a) Six complaints were closed within one day. One required further investigation and was closed after approximately one week.

(b) One complaint was received by text message, four via the 24-hour community information line, and two by email.

8027 COMPLAINTS REGARDING POTHOLE—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

8028 DONALD STREET, HAMILTON RED LIGHT SPEED CAMERA—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

8029 NSW TAFE LIBRARIES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—

8030 NURSE WORKING WHILE COVID POSITIVE—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

8031 CANCER COUNCIL NEW SOUTH WALES—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health—

8032 FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS OWNING NEW SOUTH WALES WATER—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

8033 HOUSEHOLDS WITH INSULATION—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—



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\* 8034 FOOD ORGANICS AND GARDEN ORGANICS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—

- (1) What specific actions is the Government and Environmental Protection Agency taking to expand processing capacity to facilitate the uptake of food organics and garden organics recycling?
- (2) How many licenses are currently available to businesses to process food organics and garden organics?
- (3) What specific actions will be taken by the Government and Environmental Protection Agency to increase processing capacity in the next twelve months?

Answer—

- (1) Under the Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy 2041, the Government is undertaking a range of actions to support the transition to net zero emissions from organic waste by 2030. The Government is mandating the collection of food and garden organics from all households, and food waste from large food-waste generating businesses.

This is supported by funding to help expanded organics processing capacities across New South Wales, including:

- \$69 million over five years to support local councils and households adjust to the mandates
  - \$57 million Organics Infrastructure Large and Small (OILS) grants program which includes nine rounds of funding for infrastructure and equipment to process food and garden organics
  - \$10 million of co-funding with the Federal Government for its Food Waste for Healthy Soils Fund for organics processing facilities
  - \$24 million Strategic Infrastructure Fund which will consider organics processing
  - \$37 million Carbon Abatement Program and \$7.5 million Landfill Gas Capture Fund which includes supporting the processing of food waste and recovery of biogas.
- (2) I am advised that in the 2020-21 financial year, 82 licensed facilities were identified across New South Wales that receive and process organic waste.
  - (3) The specific actions to be taken by the Government over the next 12 months include working with the recently announced grantees: four projects under the OILS program and eight under the Food Waste for Healthy Soils program.

The Environment Protection Authority is also supporting councils through online master classes for the implementation of food and garden organics collection services including topics on infrastructure procurement, contracting, education and contamination management.

8035 SALE OF 30 TREVENAR STREET, ASHBURY—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

8037 SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN SHUTDOWN—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

8039 ABORIGINAL LAND CLAIMS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

8041 FARE FREE DAYS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—



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\* 8042 HABERFIELD STATE HERITAGE REGISTER—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—

- (1) Since an answer was printed for LA 9114, what progress has been made to progress the listing of the entire suburb of Haberfield on the State Heritage Register?
- (2) Has the Minister for Environment and Heritage met with representatives of the Haberfield Association or Inner West Council to discuss the proposal?
- (3) When was the last time staff from Heritage NSW met with representatives of the Haberfield Association or Inner West Council to discuss the proposal?
- (4) When will the entire suburb of Haberfield be listed on the State Heritage Register?

Answer—

- (1) Inner West Council submitted a nomination to list Haberfield on the State Heritage Register on 7 January 2022 and requested to present to the Heritage Council of New South Wales on the proposal. At its meeting on 1 February 2022, the Heritage Council's State Heritage Register Committee noted the receipt of the nomination and agreed to invite Inner West Council to make a presentation on the proposal at its next meeting in March or April 2022. This presentation has been deferred to the State Heritage Register Committee's meeting in September 2022 at the request of Inner West Council.
- (2) No.
- (3) Heritage NSW has not met with representatives of the Haberfield Association or Inner West Council to discuss the proposal. Heritage NSW staff last contacted representatives from the Haberfield Association about the proposal on 9 February 2022, and representatives from Inner West Council on 12 May 2022.
- (4) Under the Heritage Act 1977, I may only direct the listing of a precinct on the State Heritage Register if the Heritage Council has recommended it be listed. I will consider directing the listing of Haberfield on the State Heritage Register, should it be recommended to me by the Heritage Council.

8043 NSW EV DESTINATION CHARGING GRANTS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

8044 REGIONAL FLYING SQUADS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

8045 EXTENSION OF CONSTRUCTION WORK DAYS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

8046 RECREATIONAL FISHING TRUST APPLICATIONS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

8047 PUBLIC PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

8048 SERVICE NSW SAVINGS FINDER SERVICE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—

8049 PROBATIONARY CONSTABLE ALLOCATIONS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—



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- 8050 SCHOOL CAPITAL WORKS FUNDING—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8052 BLOCK SIZES FOR LAND USE—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8054 GRIFFITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 8055 BREWARRINA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 8056 VETERANS SKILLS PROGRAM EMPLOYMENT—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—
- 8057 FLOOD GRANT APPLICATIONS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—
- 8058 INCREASE AWARENESS OF ENERGY REBATES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—
- 8059 INCREASE AWARENESS OF ENERGY REBATES FOR CALD COMMUNITY HOUSEHOLDS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—
- 8060 NURSE TO PATIENT RATIO—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8061 MERGED CLASSES IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8062 POLICE RESPONSE TIMES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- 8063 AVERAGE WAIT TIME FOR PATIENT TREATMENT—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8064 ESSENTIAL ELECTIVE SURGERY MEASURES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health—

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- 8065 UHF RADIOS IN POLICE AND SES VEHICLES—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—
- 8066 FIXING LOCAL ROADS PROGRAM—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8067 LIQUIDATION OF YUPLA GROUP FUNERAL FUND—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—



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- 8068 UNPLANNED POWER OUTAGES IN BARWON—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—
- 8069 ALLOCATION OF A RESIDENCE—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8070 DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES OWNED HOUSES—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8071 NUMBER OF HOUSES OWNED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8072 MAINTENANCE BACK LOG FOR PUBLIC HOUSING—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8073 AVERAGE WAIT TIMES FOR HOUSING—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8074 INCREASING HOUSING IN CANTERBURY—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8075 KAMAY FERRY WHARVES PROPOSAL BEACH IMPACT—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8076 KAMAY FERRY WHARVES PROPOSAL SEARS REQUIREMENTS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8077 KAMAY FERRY WHARVES PROPOSAL CONTAMINANT SAMPLES—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8078 KAMAY FERRY WHARVES PROPOSAL WHARF LENGTH—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8079 KAMAY FERRY WHARVES PROPOSAL TEXT—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8080 COOLER CLASSROOMS PROGRAM—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8081 MURRUMBIDGEE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL REPORT—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8082 GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO THE ICE INQUIRY—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Attorney General—
- 8083 ABORIGINAL FLAG ON THE SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—



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- 8084 PROVISIONS FOR THREE WHEEL MOTORCYCLE LICENCE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- 8085 PROVISIONS FOR THREE WHEEL MOTORCYCLE LICENCE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8086 MAINTENANCE BACKLOG IN SCHOOLS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8087 BAIL ACT MONITORING GROUP—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 8088 COVID-19 VACCINATION TO IN-PATIENTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8089 SNAKES IN LIVERPOOL SCHOOLS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8090 STATION ACCESS FROM CONCOURSE TO TICKET GATES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- 8091 EVENT FUNDING TO LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 8092 RECRUITMENT FOR LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 8093 PART FUNDING FOR LIVERPOOL COUNCIL EVENT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8094 DISTANCE-BASED TOLLING FOR THE M5—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- 8095 DISTANCE-BASED TOLLING IN SPECIFIC REGIONS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- 8096 SUPPORT FOR COMMUTERS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- 8097 DISASTER RELIEF GRANTS APPROVED—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—
- 8098 TOTAL OF PAYMENTS TO FLOOD AFFECTED RESIDENTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—
- 8099 PROCESSING TIME FOR RELIEF PAYMENTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—



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- 8100 ORGANISED CRIME BRIEFING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- 8101 ACTION IN RESPONSE TO ORGANISED CRIME WARNINGS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- 8102 PROTECTION AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- 8103 FLOOD REINSURANCE SCHEME—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—
- 8104 REBUILDING LISMORE TAFE—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—
- 8105 PARTNERSHIP WITH TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8106 SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR FLOOD AFFECTED ELECTORATES—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Premier—
- 8107 FUNDING CONTRIBUTION TO SUPPORT PACKAGE—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
- 8108 HEALTH RECRUITMENT PROGRAMS—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8109 LANDCOM FUNDING—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Premier—
- 8110 RESPONSIBILITY OF REGIONAL ROADS—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8111 PAYMENT PROGRAMS TO FLOOD AFFECTED NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8112 POLICE RESIDENCES - KIAMA AND KANGAROO VALLEY—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- 8113 A NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR CALDERWOOD—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8114 INFRASTRUCTURE SKILLS LEGACY HUB AND PRODUCTIVITY BOOT CAMP—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—
- 8115 POLICE RESIDENCE KIAMA—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—
- 8116 STRONGS ROAD ROUNDABOUT AND SIGNAGE—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8117 WARILLA AMBULANCE STATION—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Health—



- 8118 TEACHER NUMBERS—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8119 DRIVING THROUGH FLOOD WATERS—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—
- 8120 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADDITIONAL PARAMEDICS—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Health—

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- 8121 EXCESSIVE NOISE PENALTIES—Ms Yasmin Catley to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—
- \* 8122 NOISE POLLUTION CAMPAIGN—Ms Yasmin Catley to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—
- (1) When was the last noise pollution campaign enacted by NSW Police?
- (a) What was the duration of the last noise pollution campaign enacted by NSW Police?
- (b) How many infringements were issued by NSW Police during their last noise pollution campaign?

Answer—

- (1) These questions should be referred to the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police, the Hon Paul Toole MP.
- 8123 RESTRICTIONS ON CREATIVE KIDS PROGRAM—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—
- 8124 RESTRICTIONS ON ACTIVE KIDS PROGRAM—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 8125 NARARA PUBLIC SCHOOL CROSSING—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8126 PROPOSED WORKS TO INCREASE TRAIN RUNNING TIMES—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

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- 8127 SCHOOL DRIVE SUBSIDY—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
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- 8129 NURSING STAFF HOURS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8130 PAEDIATRIC EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT BEDS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health—
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- 8132 MAITLAND HOSPITAL PATIENT PRESENTATIONS AND EARLY DISCHARGE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health—
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- 8135 NEWCASTLE INNER CITY BYPASS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8136 ADDITIONAL AMBULANCE STATIONS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8137 STATE FOREST, NATIONAL PARK AND RESERVE ACCESS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—
- 8138 OPTIONAL DISENGAGEMENT SCHEME—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- 8139 REPORTED ASSAULTS ON THE TRANSPORT NETWORK—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- 8140 TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- 8141 MEN'S DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE SHELTERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- 8142 STAY NSW VOUCHERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—
- 8143 PRIVATE AND PUBLIC HOUSING RENTALS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—
- 8144 ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY SERVICE PERSONNEL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8145 CASULA HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8146 CASULA PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—



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- 8147 PENSIONER CONCESSIONS ON COUNCIL RATES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 8148 CERTIFICATE III CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AT RICHMOND TAFE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology—
- 8149 SPECIAL COMMISSION DRUG INQUIRY—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Attorney General—
- 8150 NEWCASTLE BUS CANCELLATIONS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- 8151 RECRUITMENT PROCESS FOR INTERSTATE TEACHERS—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8152 CLINICAL SERVICE PLAN - DENILQUIN HOSPITAL—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—
- 8153 ISOLATED PATIENTS TRANSPORT AND ACCOMMODATION SCHEME ELIGIBLE TREATMENT—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—
- 8154 GRIFFITH AS A SPECIFIED AREA FOR THE DRUG COURT—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Attorney General—
- 8155 AVERAGE WAIT TIME FOR AMBULANCES TO WESTMEAD HOSPITAL—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8156 NEW AMBULANCE STAFF—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8157 TRIPLE 000 CALLOUTS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8158 AMBULANCE STATIONS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8159 M4 TOLLS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- 8160 FAIR TRADING COMPLAINT—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—
- 8161 NSW YOUTH WEEK 2022—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8162 SERVICE NSW CENTRE TRANSACTIONS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—
- 8163 AMBULANCE INCIDENT RESPONSE AND WAIT TIMES—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Health—
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- 8169 AUSTRALASIAN RECYCLING LABEL—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—
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- 8172 PAY IN FRANCHISED BUS REGIONS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- 8173 RIDE SHARE HAIL FARES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
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- 8176 WASTE MANAGEMENT IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Corrections—
- 8177 BATEMANS BAY BRIDGE FEATURE LIGHTING—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8178 BATEMANS BAY SEA PLANES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8179 NEW INTERCITY FLEET MODIFICATIONS COST—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- 8180 NEW INTERCITY FLEET MODIFICATIONS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- 8181 TASKFORCE REPORT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
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- 8184 SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE ENTRANCE ELECTORATE—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—



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- 8185 ROUNDBOUT LOCATED AT WYONG ROAD AND BROOKE AVENUE—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 8186 FUNDING FOR STATE ROADS—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
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- 8189 DESALINATION PLANT IN WOLLONGONG—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—
- 8190 EXTENSION OF CONSTRUCTION HOURS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- 8191 FLASHING LIGHTS ON SCHOOL ZONE SIGNS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
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- 8193 HOSPITAL STAFF RECRUITMENT—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8194 SPECTACLES PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8195 NEW AMBULANCE RECRUITS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Health—
- 8196 HYLTON-MOORE AFL CLUBHOUSE—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—
- 8197 AGEING AND DISABILITY COMMISSION FUNDING—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 8198 REBATES FOR FAMILIES—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—
- 8199 KOALAS IN PORT STEPHENS—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—
- 8200 NEW SOUTH WALES KOALA STRATEGY—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—
- 8201 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING SUBJECTS AVAILABLE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—



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- 8202 TOTAL NUMBER OF ENROLLED STUDENTS IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING SUBJECTS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8203 TEACHER RETRAINING TO BE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING TEACHERS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8204 STUDENTS IN THE ARTEXPRESS EXHIBITION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8205 STUDENTS IN THE INTECH EXHIBITION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8206 STUDENTS IN THE ENCORE PERFORMANCE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8207 STUDENTS IN ONSTAGE PERFORMANCES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8208 STUDENTS IN THE SHAPE EXHIBITION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—
- 8209 STUDENTS IN THE CALLBACK PERFORMANCE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

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- 8210 OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE NSW POLICE TRANSPORT COMMAND—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- (1) With regard the NSW Police Transport Command:
- (a) How many dedicated police officers were assigned to the command as at:
- (i) 30 June 2014?
  - (ii) 30 June 2015?
  - (iii) 30 June 2016?
  - (iv) 30 June 2017?
  - (v) 30 June 2018?
  - (vi) 30 June 2019?
  - (vii) 30 June 2020?
  - (viii) 30 June 2021?
- (2) With regard Transport Officers who commenced their responsibilities on 13 May 2013:



- (a) How many Transport Officers were assigned to the command as at:
- (i) 30 June 2014?
  - (ii) 30 June 2015?
  - (iii) 30 June 2016?
  - (iv) 30 June 2017?
  - (v) 30 June 2018?
  - (vi) 30 June 2019?
  - (vii) 30 June 2020?
  - (viii) 30 June 2021?

8211 IVANHOE PUBLIC SCHOOL BUS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Considering some students at Ivanhoe public school are travelling 120km per day in private transport to attend school, with fuel prices increasing, and the importance and requirement for all children to be educated, what contingency plan do you propose for those families who are struggling with the cost of driving their child/children to school when there is not an alternative?
- (2) Would the Minister consider utilising a bus, that is surplus to the needs of another Government organisation, in place of purchasing a new vehicle?
- (3) Is the school bus subsidy (per km) capped, concerning those students who are travelling long distances to attend school?

8212 DINE AND DISCOVER VOUCHERS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government—

- (1) How many Dine NSW and Discover NSW vouchers are currently unused in Barwon?
- (2) How many Discover NSW Vouchers have been donated to charities or community groups?
- (3) Considering not all rural towns or villages within Barwon have attractions for redeeming a Discover NSW voucher, leaving those constituents disadvantaged - especially the aged - would you consider having a combined voucher that allows the constituent to choose their preference; whether to Dine NSW or Discover NSW, thereby giving everyone a choice and supporting their local community?

8213 THE CURRENT BIRTHRATE PLUS SYSTEM—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) Considering the Birthrate Plus Maternity Staffing (BPMS) system currently counts babies as the patient of the mother, not of the midwife, will the system be reviewed and updated supporting the need for ratios as a priority?
- (2) Will the review of BPMS adopt counting newborns as patient numbers when determining reasonable workloads in postnatal wards?

8214 NOISE POLLUTION CAMPAIGN—Ms Yasmin Catley to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) When was the last noise pollution campaign enacted by NSW Police?
  - (a) What was the duration of the last noise pollution campaign enacted by NSW Police?
  - (b) How many infringements were issued by NSW Police during their last noise pollution campaign?



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8215 EDMONDSON PARK FIRE AND AMBULANCE STATIONS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) Given the suburb of Edmondson Park will have about 7500 dwellings and a population of 20,000 when complete;
  - (a) Are there any plans to build a fire station in the suburb?
    - (i) If so, when will the fire station be delivered?
    - (ii) If not, why not?
    - (iii) What feasibility studies or investigations have been carried out to determine the need for a fire station in Edmondson Park and what was the outcome?
  - (b) Are there any plans to build an ambulance station in the suburb?
    - (i) If so, when will the ambulance station be delivered?
    - (ii) If not, why not?
    - (iii) What feasibility studies or investigations have been carried out to determine the need for an ambulance station in Edmondson Park and what was the outcome?

8216 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN SCHOOLS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Can you provide an itemised breakdown of how many students residing in the suburb of Edmondson Park are enrolled at each of the following schools:
  - (a) Prestons Public School?
  - (b) Dalmeny Public School?
  - (c) Bardia Public School?
  - (d) Denham Court Public School?
  - (e) Casula Public School?
  - (f) Casula High School?
  - (g) Ingleburn High School?
  - (h) Robert Townson High School?
  - (i) Lurnea High School?
  - (j) John Edmondson High School?

8217 GYMNASIUM CONSTRUCTION AT MURRUMBIDGEE HIGH SCHOOL SITES—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

When will the gymnasium for the Griffith and Wade sites of Murrumbidgee Regional High School be constructed?

8218 RECRUITMENT PROCESSES FOR INTERSTATE TEACHERS—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

What recruitment and accreditation processes does your department use to employ experienced and qualified interstate teachers?



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8219 COMPENSATION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF DIGITAL WATER METERS—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

Will your Government compensate farmers who are compulsory required to upgrade to digital water metres?

8220 RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS IN EMBEDDED NETWORKS—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

- (1) Is it possible for an individual residential customer in an embedded network to access a cheaper contract from an authorised retailer?
- (2) How can a residential customer in an embedded network do this when the incoming network has to a) first accept and b) install metering equipment at the customer's cost?
- (3) What actions has the Government taken to better enable residential customers in embedded networks to change providers?

8221 DISASTER RELIEF AND SUPPORT FOR SPORT AND RECREATION CLUBS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) Which individual or individuals will assess eligibility for disaster relief financial assistance?
- (2) Which individual or individuals is the decision maker on whether to approve a grant or loan?
- (3) Do sport and recreation clubs and associations need to be a) incorporated or b) have an ABN to apply for disaster relief financial assistance?
- (4) What evidence will be required by applicants concerning costs of clean up, removal of debris and/or restoring essential facilities, equipment or other assets that have been damaged or destroyed by a disaster?
- (5) When will applications for grants and loans close?
- (6) Will sport and recreation clubs and associations be eligible for Natural Disaster risk reduction grants?
- (7) What funding is allocated to the marketing and promotion of disaster relief financial assistance for sport and recreation clubs and associations?
- (8) What marketing and promotion of disaster relief financial assistance for sport and recreation clubs and associations will be undertaken in languages other than English?

8222 BACKLOG OF LEARNER DRIVER TESTS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) What is the backlog of learner drivers who have held a learner drivers licence for at least 12 months as at 29 March 2022?
- (2) How many learner drivers have held a drivers licence for the following time periods at 29 March 2022:
  - (a) 11 Months?
  - (b) 10 months?
  - (c) 9 months?
  - (d) 8 months?
  - (e) 7 months?
  - (f) 6 months?



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- (3) What is the longest time period that a learner driver licence has been held without having accessed a driving test in Granville as at 29 March 2022?
- 8223 MERRYLANDS RMS PAYMENTS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- (1) In each of the last three years of operation at the Merrylands RMS office what proportion of payments were made by:
- (a) Cash?
- (b) Card or non-cash methods?
- 8224 ORGANISATION SUPPORT PROGRAM—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) What total base funding was provided to State Sporting Organisations (SSOs) and State Sporting Organisations for people with Disability (SSODs) in:
- (a) 2001-02?
- (b) 2011-12?
- (c) 2021-22?
- (2) What funds were allocated to each of the grant programs applicable to regional youth in (1) in:
- (a) 2019-20?
- (b) 2020-21?
- (c) 2021-22?
- (3) What funds allocated to each of the grant programs applicable to regional youth in (1) remain unacquitted for:
- (a) 2019-20?
- (b) 2020-21?
- (c) 2021-22?
- (4) Who was the decisionmaker for each of the grants in (1)?
- 8225 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES GRANTS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- (1) What grant programs applicable to regional youth received applications in:
- (a) 2019-20?
- (b) 2020-21?
- (c) 2021-22?
- (2) What funds were allocated to each of the grant programs applicable to regional youth in (1) in:
- (a) 2019-20?
- (b) 2020-21?
- (c) 2021-22?
- (3) What funds allocated to each of the grant programs applicable to regional youth in (1) remain unacquitted for:



- (a) 2019-20?
  - (b) 2020-21?
  - (c) 2021-22?
  - (4) Who was the decisionmaker for each of the grants in (1)?
- 8226 CITY DISTRICT PLANS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- What is the status of the development of each City District Sport and Recreation Participation Strategy and Sport and Recreation Facility Plan which "Our Greater Sydney 2056" indicated would be prepared in 2018 and 2019?
- 8227 CITY DISTRICT PLANS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—
- What is the status of the development of each City District Sport and Recreation Participation Strategy and Sport and Recreation Facility Plan which "Our Greater Sydney 2056" indicated would be prepared in 2018 and 2019?
- 8228 MAJOR EVENTS IN WESTERN SYDNEY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Has the Government planned for any major events to be held in Western Sydney in 2022?
    - (a) If so, what events are they?
    - (b) If so, where will they be located?
    - (c) If not, why not?
- 8229 REGIONAL GAP YEAR—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—
- (1) Considering that in answer to LC QON 7981 asked by the Hon Mick Veitch MLC the Government does not know how many people have taken up a regional gap year:
    - (a) How will the Government assess whether the initiative is successful if they do not know how many participants are involved?
    - (b) Will the Government take any action to fill its knowledge gap concerning the initiative?
    - (c) What targets have been set by the Government in relation to the scheme?
    - (d) Will the initiative be extended beyond 2020-21 and 2021-22?
    - (e) How many Regional Gap Year jobs were advertised on the [www.nsw.gov.au](http://www.nsw.gov.au) website?
    - (f) How many Regional Gap Year jobs were advertised in total?
- 8230 MULTI-SPORT COMMUNITY FACILITY FUND—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) In relation to the Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund:
    - (a) Were outcomes advised to successful applicants in May 2022?
    - (b) If yes, what are the Applicant Organisation names, Project Titles, Project Descriptions and Grant Amounts of each successful application?
    - (c) If not, when will applicants be advised?



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- 8231 2022 UCI ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) In relation to the 2022 UCI Road World Championships -Wollongong Legacy Partnership Program (Round 4):
- (a) Were projects approved by the UCI Local Organising Committee in May 2022?
- (b) If yes, what are the Applicant Organisation names, Project Titles, Project Descriptions and Grant Amounts of each successful application?
- (c) If not, when will applications be approved?
- 8232 MINISTERIAL MEETINGS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Who have you met since your appointment as Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney on 21 December 2021?
- (2) Since the Department of Premier and Cabinet has not published Minister's Diary Disclosures for any meetings since 31 December 2021, when will this information be publicly available?
- 8233 SOCIAL HOUSING CLIENT SERVICE VISITS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Corrections representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—
- (1) What proportion of client service visits identified maintenance needs across New South Wales and in the Sydney electorate or inner Sydney?
- (a) How did the Government ensure this work was carried out?
- 8234 APPLICATIONS FOR LAND TAX COVID-19 RELIEF—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations—
- How many applications were received as at 30 June 2021 from residents within the electorate of Liverpool for Land Tax Covid-19 relief?
- 8235 LAND CLAIMS UNDER THE ABORIGINAL LAND RIGHTS ACT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—
- On what basis are some land claims under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act prioritised?
- 8236 FAIR TRADING COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—
- How many Fair Trading compliance inspections have been undertaken under the Residential Apartment Buildings (RAB) (Compliance and Enforcement) Act in the Liverpool Council area since 1 November 2020?
- 8237 PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT OPERATIONS (GENERAL) REGULATION 2021—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Environment and Heritage—
- (1) Will you expand the meaning of "higher use" in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2021 to include habitat and ecosystem services?
- (a) If not, why not?
- 8238 APPLICATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL TENANCY SUPPORT PAYMENTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—



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How many applications were received as of 1 May 2022 from residents within the electorate of Liverpool for Residential Tenancy Support payments?

8239 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CORONIAL INQUEST—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) Have the recommendations from the Coronial Inquest into the death of Tane Chatfield at Tamworth Correctional Centre directed at Corrective Services NSW been adopted and implemented?
  - (a) If not, why not?

8240 IMPROVING POLICE RESPONSE TIMES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) Is the Government taking any steps or measures to improve police response times in the electorate of Liverpool?
  - (a) If not, why not?
  - (b) If yes, what steps?

8241 FUNDING FOR SES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience, and Minister for Flood Recovery—

- (1) What was the total quantum for funding for SESNSW in the Liverpool Local Government Area for the following financial years:
  - (a) 2018-2019?
  - (b) 2019-2020?
  - (c) 2020-2021?

8242 CAPITAL FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

What is the capital funding for each school in the Liverpool electorate for the current financial year?

8243 AIR PURIFIERS IN SCHOOLS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Skills and Training, and Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology representing the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) How many and which Department of Education schools within the state electorate of Liverpool have received requests for air purifiers to be put in place?
  - (a) How many and which of these requests have been declined?

8244 BANKSTOWN CITY PLAZA REMEDIATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Cities, and Minister for Active Transport—

- (1) Given your announcement that the Metro City and Southwest project will be opened in stages, what impact will this have on the building at Bankstown City Plaza which was destroyed by an arson attack on 17 December 2020?
  - (a) When will the building be remedied?
  - (b) Why is the building still cornered off almost a 1.5 years after the fire?

8245 HAWKESBURY RIVER FERRY SERVICES—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Attorney General representing the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—



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- (1) For the following Hawkesbury River ferry services of Portland, Wisemans Ferry, Webbs Creek and Sackville:
- (a) How often are ferries taken off of these waterways for maintenance?
  - (b) How many ferries have been taken off of the river?
  - (c) What is the cost per year of ferry maintenance for each of the following ferries:
    - (i) Portland?
    - (ii) Wiseman's?
    - (iii) Webbs Creek?
    - (iv) Sackville?
- 8246 CLIMATE CHANGE TARGETS—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—
- (1) With respect to climate change;
- (a) What is the Government doing to reduce omissions in a sustainable and affordable way?
  - (b) What targets does the Government seek to meet with respect to climate change?
  - (c) What grants are available to encourage businesses and individuals to play their part in reducing the impacts of climate change?
  - (d) What is the total annual cost, and over the forward estimates, of climate change policies?
- 8247 HOUSING NUCLEAR SUBMARINES—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) With respect to the Commonwealth Government announcement to look at three options for housing nuclear submarines:
- (a) Has the New South Wales Government made representations to the Commonwealth Government about this matter?
  - (b) Will the Government commit to Port Kembla being the Government's preferred site for housing new nuclear submarines?
- 8248 FERRY MANUFACTURE—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- (1) With respect the new Emerald Class and River Class Ferries:
- (a) Where were they manufactured?
  - (b) Who undertook the procurement?
  - (c) Was the procurement undertaken by the franchisee or Transport for NSW?
  - (d) What percentage of components for the ferries were manufactured in Australia?
  - (e) Have the passengers on the Circular Quay to Parramatta Ferry had to stand down off the open deck to avoid hitting their heads on overhead bridges since 2014?
- 8249 NEW INTERCITY FLEET—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—
- (1) With respect to 2014 announcement in relation to the new inner-city fleet:
- (a) Did any Australian company bid to tender for the manufacture of the New InterCity Fleet?
    - (i) If yes, who tendered?



- (b) Did any overseas manufacturer offer to manufacture the new InterCity Fleet trains in Australia?
  - (i) If yes, what was their bid cost and timeframe to undertake the work?
- (c) Did any overseas manufacturer offer to assemble the New InterCity Fleet trains in New South Wales?
  - (i) If yes, was the assembly plant subsidised by New South Wales taxpayers and at what cost?
- (d) Was an overseas company in the final shortlist to build and assemble the New InterCity Fleet in New South Wales?
  - (i) If yes, what was the company?
- (e) Were the original specifications for the new InterCity Fleet trains altered to accommodate people with disability?
  - (i) If yes, what were those changes?
- (f) Have you or your department considered a separate Enterprise Bargaining Agreement and separate workforce to drive, operate and guard the new InterCity Fleet?

8250 MINISTER'S PUBLIC STATEMENT—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) In light of your public statements that Transport for NSW is no longer going to procure trains, buses and ferries from any overseas manufacturer:
  - (a) Will the trains for the new Western Sydney Airport Metro be manufactured in Australia?
  - (b) Will the trains for the Metro West be manufactured in Australia?

8251 ROAD STORAGE FACILITY—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) With respect to a storage facility on the corner of Meroo Road and the Princes Highway:
  - (a) Is the Minister aware of the facility?
  - (b) Has the Minister been made aware of local concerns about the recent relocation of the facility?
  - (c) Why was the facility moved from a site near no local residents to directly opposite homes?
  - (d) How much did the move cost?
  - (e) Who authorised the move?
  - (f) Will the Minister meet with concerned resident and consider moving the facility back to its previous location?
  - (g) Is the Minister aware that the facilities were not disclosed in the detailed design on either side of the highway that was presented and is currently still being presented on the flyover simulation displayed on the Berry to Bomaderry information website?
  - (h) Is the Minister aware that none of the local residents were consulted about the creation of the site?
  - (i) Is the Minister aware that Meroo Road carries many trucks that use the industrial estate in Berry and the added risk that this poses?



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8252 TRANSPORT ASSET HOLDING ENTITY—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) With respect to the Transport Asset Holding Entity (TAHE):
- (a) What involvement does TAHE's board and management have in relation to negotiations over their new InterCity fleet assets?
  - (b) What are the costs to New South Wales taxpayers of this arrangement?
  - (c) Given TAHE is meant to be a profitable corporation, what are the costs to TAHE of this arrangement?
  - (d) Is the Government compensating TAHE for its financial costs?
  - (e) What are TAHE's costs with respect to the new InterCity fleet in the current year?
  - (f) What exposure has your department's budget had to these costs, including any compensation to TAHE?
  - (g) What interaction has your office or your department had with the NSW Auditor General in relation to her review of the total state sector accounts for 2021/22 with respect TAHE?
  - (h) Can the Minister provide evidence of these interactions by tabling the documents?
  - (i) What percentage and dollar increase has occurred in TAHE's staff costs in the current financial year?
  - (j) What was the FTE for TAHE in 2020/21 compared to this financial year?

8253 THIRD FLAG POLE ON THE HARBOUR BRIDGE—Mr Gareth Ward to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for Veterans—

- (1) With respect the procurement and delivery of a third flag pole on the harbour bridge:
- (a) Whose idea was this?
  - (b) Was consideration given to replacing the State Flag with the Aboriginal flag?
  - (c) What is the anticipated cost?
  - (d) Who undertook the cost assessment?
  - (e) Will Australian steel be used when manufacturing the flag pole?
  - (f) Will the flag pole be made in Australia?
  - (g) What percentage of workers employed in the manufacture and erection of the flagpole are aboriginal people?
  - (h) What is the Minister's departmental target for aboriginal employees?
  - (i) Is the Minister's department meeting this target?