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* 9668 PLANNING—LOCAL ACTIVATION PRECINCTS—The Hon. Mick Veitch to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) To date how many Local Activation Precincts (LACs) have been established in New South Wales?
- (2) What Local Government Areas are the LACs located within?
- (3) How much funding has been allocated to each LAC in the following years:
 - (a) 2018-19?
 - (b) 2019-20?
 - (c) 2020-21?
 - (d) 2021-22?
 - (e) 2022-23?
- (4) How have local businesses been engaged or consulted with respect to their involvement with the LACs?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for The Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Police.

* 9669 ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS—ABORIGINAL PLACEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Regional Youth, and Minister for Tourism—

- (1) Will the Aboriginal Place Management Plan (APMP) for Mount Warning effectively prevent the public from accessing that region?
 - (a) If not, can the Minister please provide the details of the APMP, specifically those details that impact on the public's rights to enter the subject area?
- (2) Which Aboriginal group will be the manager of this APMP?
 - (a) How was this group identified as the most appropriate to be involved in the APMP?
 - (b) Was this contested by any other Aboriginal groups?
 - (i) If so, which Aboriginal groups contested it?
 - (ii) What were the grounds of the contestation?
 - (iii) How was the contestation dealt with?
 - (c) How was the Aboriginal group assessed on its ability to manage the APMP?
 - (i) Did the Aboriginal group or any of its members demonstrate specific management skills suitable for administering the APMP?
 - (ii) How were those management and administration skills demonstrated and tested?
 - (iii) Were any educational or training programmes offered to the Aboriginal group or its members with respect to their future management and administration of the APMP?
 - (iv) Who delivered this educational or training service?
 - (v) How much did the educational or training service cost the taxpayer?
- (3) Can the Minister provide details of any public consultations or liaison that occurred before the decision was made with respect to the APMP over Mount Warning, specifically:

- (a) How was it advertised to the community?
 - (b) When did it take place?
 - (c) What form did it take?
 - (d) Who participated in it?
 - (e) What public concerns were put on the record?
 - (f) How were these concerns addressed?
- (4) Were any submissions, objections or other concerns received from community groups or individuals with respect to the APMP over Mount Waring before the decision was made with respect to the APMP?
- (a) If so, who raised these submissions, objections or other concerns?
 - (i) When were these received?
 - (ii) How were they dealt with?
- (5) Can the Minister confirm that the image of Mount Waring will be copyrighted as a result of the APMP decision, or allow the image to be copyrighted in the future as a result of the decision?
- (a) If so, who will be the holder of the copyright?
 - (b) If so, how is this justified considering the image is a commonly used identifier for the region by generations of its residents?
- (6) In relation to any public infrastructure currently existing on the subject land:
- (a) What infrastructure may be subject to removal under the APMP?
 - (b) What cost will be associated with the removal of this infrastructure?
 - (c) Who will bear the cost of the removal?
- (7) What other regions in New South Wales may be subject to similar APMPs?

Answer—

Aboriginal Place Management Plans fall within the portfolio responsibilities for the Minister for Heritage, the Hon. James Griffin MP. I refer these questions to Minister Griffin for consideration and response.

* 9670 ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—ABORIGINAL PLACEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Regional Youth, and Minister for Tourism representing the Minister for Environment and Heritage—

- (1) Will the Aboriginal Place Management Plan (APMP) for Mount Waring effectively prevent the public from accessing that region?
 - (a) If not, can the Minister please provide the details of the APMP, specifically those details that impact on the public's rights to enter the subject area?
- (2) Which Aboriginal group will be the manager of this APMP?
 - (a) How was this group identified as the most appropriate to be involved in the APMP?
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 - (ii) What were the grounds of the contestation?
 - (iii) How was the contestation dealt with?
 - (c) How was the Aboriginal group assessed on its ability to manage the APMP?
 - (i) Did the Aboriginal group or any of its members demonstrate specific management skills suitable for administering the APMP?
 - (ii) How were those management and administration skills demonstrated and tested?

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 - (iv) Who delivered this educational or training service?
 - (v) How much did the educational or training service cost the taxpayer?
- (3) Can the Minister provide details of any public consultations or liaison that occurred before the decision was made with respect to the APMP over Mount Warning, specifically:
- (a) How was it advertised to the community?
 - (b) When did it take place?
 - (c) What form did it take?
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 - (e) What public concerns were put on the record?
 - (f) How were these concerns addressed?
- (4) Were any submissions, objections or other concerns received from community groups or individuals with respect to the APMP over Mount Warning before the decision was made with respect to the APMP?
- (a) If so, who raised these submissions, objections or other concerns?
 - (i) When were these received?
 - (ii) How were they dealt with?
- (5) Can the Minister confirm that the image of Mount Waring will be copyrighted as a result of the APMP decision, or allow the image to be copyrighted in the future as a result of the decision?
- (a) If so, who will be the holder of the copyright?
 - (b) If so, how is this justified considering the image is a commonly used identifier for the region by generations of its residents?
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- (a) What infrastructure may be subject to removal under the APMP?
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Answer—

- (1) Wollumbin was declared an Aboriginal Place above 600 metres to the summit by the Government in 2014 to protect its cultural values and formally recognise it as a place of special significance to Aboriginal people.
- The Wollumbin Aboriginal Place Management Plan (APMP) formally sets out the Aboriginal community's advice on access to the summit and documents Wollumbin's significant Aboriginal cultural heritage values.
- The future of Wollumbin National Park will be guided by Aboriginal custodians after the development of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Wollumbin Consultative Group (WCG), which represents a range of Aboriginal groups and families with a connection to the site.
- (2) NPWS will manage Wollumbin National Park consistent with relevant legislative requirements, and guided by the APMP, in consultation with the WCG through the MOU.
- (a) Wollumbin is a place of highest significance to the Bundjalung people. The WCG has representatives from the Bundjalung and adjoining Aboriginal nations community members, Elders, Native Title claimants and corporations, the Local Aboriginal Land Council, ancestral families and knowledge holders.

- (b) No.
(i-iii) Not applicable.
- (c) Refer to the answer at (2).
(i-v) Not applicable.
- (3) Access to the summit has been closed since March 2020 due to COVID-19, safety risks, and further consultation with the Aboriginal community.
- The WCG developed the APMP to detail the Aboriginal cultural heritage values of Wollumbin summit for the Aboriginal community. The WCG includes Aboriginal representatives as detailed in the answer to (2)(a).
- On 20 October 2022, the Government announced that the future of Wollumbin National Park will be guided by Aboriginal custodians after an MOU is developed with the WCG.
- The MOU will be a first step to joint management with Aboriginal custodians, and will provide a framework for Aboriginal decision-making about the national park, including decisions regarding access to the summit track and new visitor infrastructure. This announcement followed a long process of engagement and consultation by NPWS, involving a range of stakeholders, including Tweed Shire Council, Destination North Coast and Tweed Tourism Company. Consultation and engagement with all stakeholders will continue and will be ongoing.
- (a-f) Not applicable.
- (4)
- (a)
(i-ii) Refer to the answer at (3).
- (5) The Government has not restricted the use of images of Wollumbin mountain. The APMP includes a request by the Aboriginal community that images taken within the Wollumbin Aboriginal Place are not used for tourism or advertising purposes.
- (a-b) Not applicable.
- (6)
- (a) The development of an MOU with the WCG will provide a framework for Aboriginal decision-making about management of the national park, including the future of the summit track and installation or removal of visitor infrastructure.
- (b-c) Not applicable.
- (7) There are 51 Aboriginal Places on the NPWS estate. Nine of these Aboriginal Places currently have APMPs.

* 9671 LANDS AND WATER—BARWON-DARLING WATER SHARING PLAN—The Hon. Rose Jackson to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Regional Youth, and Minister for Tourism representing the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

- (1) What is the Minister doing to support those license holders who have been severely impacted by the Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan amendments?
- (2) What steps has the Minister taken to amend compensation provisions of the Water Management Act 2000 in relation to access for impacted license holders on the Barwon-Darling?

Answer—

- (1) The Minister will respond to this matter within the provisions of the Water Management Act 2000.
- (2) This matter may be considered the next time the Water Management Act 2000 is reviewed.

* 9672 HEALTH—NURSE AND MIDWIFE POSITIONS—Ms Cate Faehrmann to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many full-time equivalent nursing positions are employed in the New South Wales public health system?
- (2) How many full-time equivalent positions are in the New South Wales public health system for:
 - (a) Assistant in Nursing/Midwifery?
 - (b) Enrolled Nurse without medication qualification?
 - (c) Enrolled Nurse?
 - (d) Mothercraft Nurse?
 - (e) Registered Nurse/Midwife?
 - (f) Clinical Nurse/Midwife specialist?
 - (g) Clinical Nurse/Midwife consultant?
 - (h) Nurse/Midwife practitioners?
 - (i) Clinical Nurse/Midwife educator?
 - (j) Nurse/Midwife educator?
- (3) How many full-time equivalent positions in the New South Wales public health system are vacant for:
 - (a) Assistant in Nursing/Midwifery?
 - (b) Enrolled Nurse without medication qualification?
 - (c) Enrolled Nurse?
 - (d) Mothercraft Nurse?
 - (e) Registered Nurse/Midwife?
 - (f) Clinical Nurse/Midwife specialist?
 - (g) Clinical Nurse/Midwife consultant?
 - (h) Nurse/Midwife practitioners?
 - (i) Clinical Nurse/Midwife educator?
 - (j) Nurse/Midwife educator?
- (4) What is the average wage in the New South Wales public health system for:
 - (a) Assistant in Nursing/Midwifery?
 - (b) Enrolled Nurse without medication qualification?
 - (c) Enrolled Nurse?
 - (d) Mothercraft Nurse?
 - (e) Registered Nurse/Midwife?
 - (f) Clinical Nurse/Midwife specialist?
 - (g) Clinical Nurse/Midwife consultant?
 - (h) Nurse/Midwife practitioners?
 - (i) Clinical Nurse/Midwife educator?
 - (j) Nurse/Midwife educator?
- (5) How many full-time equivalent positions are there in the New South Wales public health system for:

- (a) Patient Transport Officer?
 - (b) Trainee Paramedic?
 - (c) Paramedic Intern?
 - (d) Paramedic?
 - (e) Paramedic Specialist?
 - (f) Critical Care Paramedic (Aeromedical)?
 - (g) Critical Care Paramedic (Aeromedical) Team Leader?
 - (h) Ambulance NSW Team Leader?
 - (i) Ambulance NSW Station Manager?
 - (j) Ambulance NSW District Manager?
 - (k) Ambulance NSW Clinical Training Officer?
 - (l) Ambulance NSW Clinical/Paramedic Educator?
 - (m) Ambulance NSW Control Centre - Non-Paramedic?
 - (n) Ambulance NSW Control Centre Paramedic?
 - (o) Ambulance Control Centre Paramedic Specialist?
 - (p) Ambulance NSW Duty Control Centre Officer non-paramedic?
 - (q) Ambulance NSW Duty Control Centre Officer paramedic?
 - (r) Ambulance NSW Senior Control Centre Officer?
 - (s) Ambulance NSW Aeromedical Control Centre Officer?
- (6) How many full-time equivalent positions in the New South Wales public health system are vacant for:
- (a) Patient Transport Officer?
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 - (d) Paramedic?
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 - (n) Ambulance NSW Control Centre Paramedic?
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- (7) What is the average wage in the New South Wales public health system for a:
- (a) Patient Transport Officer?
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Answer—

I am advised that:

Information relating to staff numbers is publicly available in annual reports. Central data at the NSW Ministry of Health level is not available for the specific workforce groups requested, and collating such data would necessitate a significant diversion of Health resources.

NSW Health varies staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational need as required, and has mechanisms in place to identify vacancies and recruit to positions in accordance with service delivery needs and models of care.

Moreover, local health districts and speciality health networks determine the make-up of their workforces to provide clinical services, and manage workforce strategies and opportunities for positions using localised data.

NSW Health nurses and midwives, HealthShare NSW Patient Transport Officers, paramedics and ambulance support staff roles are paid in accordance with the rates contained in the relevant State Awards.

* 9673 HEALTH—HOSPITAL STATISTICS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) For Blacktown Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the Emergency Department (ED) was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?

- (c) The number of times per month that black status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (d) The highest peak per month in number of patients waiting in the ED since 1 January 2021?
 - (e) The highest peak per month in number of patients in waiting room since 1 January 2021?
 - (f) The highest peak per month in number of mental health patients since 1 January 2021?
 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (2) For Mt Druitt Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (c) The number of times per month that black status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (3) For Westmead Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (f) The highest peak per month in number of mental health patients since 1 January 2021?
 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (4) For St George Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (c) The number of times per month that black status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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- (5) For Nepean Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?

- (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (c) The number of times per month that black status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (f) The highest peak per month in number of mental health patients since 1 January 2021?
 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (6) For Liverpool Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (c) The number of times per month that black status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (7) For Campbelltown Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (8) For Canterbury Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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- (9) For Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital, please provide:

- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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- (10) For Auburn Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (11) For Concord Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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- (12) For Fairfield Hospital, please provide:
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- (13) For Hornsby Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (14) For Northern Beaches Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (15) For St Vincent's Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (f) The highest peak per month in number of mental health patients since 1 January 2021?
 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (16) For Prince of Wales Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (c) The number of times per month that black status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (f) The highest peak per month in number of mental health patients since 1 January 2021?

- (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (17) For Royal North Shore Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
- (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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- (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (18) For Ryde Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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- (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (19) For Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
- (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
- (c) The number of times per month that black status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
- (d) The highest peak per month in number of patients waiting in the ED since 1 January 2021?
- (e) The highest peak per month in number of patients in waiting room since 1 January 2021?
- (f) The highest peak per month in number of mental health patients since 1 January 2021?
- (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (20) For Sutherland Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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- (f) The highest peak per month in number of mental health patients since 1 January 2021?
 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (21) For Sydney Hospital, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (f) The highest peak per month in number of mental health patients since 1 January 2021?
 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (22) For Sydney Children's Hospital at Randwick, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
 - (b) The number of times per month that red status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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 - (g) The highest peak per month in number of patients admitted without beds since 1 January 2021?
- (23) For the Children's Hospital at Westmead, please provide:
- (a) The number of times per month that amber status in the ED was reached since 1 January 2021?
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Answer—

(1-23)

- (a-c) Hospital facilities have local arrangements in place to manage their demand and capacity on an ongoing basis. I am advised that the specific information sought is not collected centrally and that collating such information would necessitate a significant diversion of Health resources.

- (d-e) Real time information on emergency department wait times is publicly available on the NSW Health website.
- (f) Monthly ED mental health presentations are reported publicly on the Healthstats NSW website.
- (g) Appropriate treatment of patients admitted to ED is determined at the time of being admitted and may require one of various modalities.

* 9674 REGIONAL HEALTH—CLOSURE OF LITHGOW PRIVATE HOSPITAL—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) Can the Minister confirm whether or not the Lithgow Private Hospital will close?
 - (a) If so, what date is this closure to take place?
- (2) In the event that the Lithgow Private Hospital does close, what does the Minister propose to do to ensure that the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District (LHD) can absorb the services that the Lithgow Private Hospital currently provides?
 - (a) What are the projected costs of the Nepean Blue Mountains LHD absorbing those services?

Answer—

- (1) The Lithgow Community Private Board have confirmed their preference to continue operation of the services at Lithgow Community Private.
- (2) Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District has collaborated with Lithgow Community Private since its formation and will continue to work closely with their staff and clinicians to ensure Lithgow residents have options for their care and local access to health services as public or private patients.

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9706 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—CAMDEN SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL SPORTS SHIRTS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Can the Minister please provide data on the number and proportion of students at Camden South Public School who are:
 - (a) Of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage?
 - (b) From a non-English Speaking Background?
- (2) Is it true that Camden South Public School has decided to design a shirt for its sports day that features a dominant Aboriginal theme or artwork?
 - (a) Who will be designing this shirt?
 - (b) Will this be an authentic design, made by an Indigenous person?
 - (i) If not, why not?
 - (c) What aspects of Aboriginal art will be involved in the design?
 - (d) What due diligence has been taken (or is planned to be taken) to prevent offense or insensitivity in the use of those aspects of Aboriginal design on such an item of clothing?
 - (i) What were the processes involved in this due diligence?
 - (ii) Who was consulted and how?
- (3) With respect to point 1.2 of the Government's School Uniform Policy:
 - (a) How are other students from non-English speaking backgrounds being acknowledged in the design of uniforms?

- (b) How are the remainder of students who are from English speaking backgrounds or of European heritage acknowledged in the design of uniforms?
- (4) Why has one demographic been chosen over others in the design of a uniform for the school's sports day?
- (5) How does the school plan to acknowledge students from other backgrounds in the future?
- 9707 AGRICULTURE—ANIMAL RESEARCH AUTHORITY—The Hon. Mark Pearson to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads representing the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
- (1) Is an Animal Research Authority (ARA) issued for "research purposes", appropriate to cover the scope of works involved in demolition and vegetation clearing?
- (2) Is an ecologist working under an ARA required to specify each site they work on?
- (a) If not, why not?
- 9708 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES—PORT MACQUARIE BREAKWALL—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—
- (1) Have decisions been made that affect the unique character and structure of Port Macquarie's Breakwall?
- (a) If so, what decisions were made?
- (b) If not, are there any proposals to make alterations?
- (2) Do any of the proposals involve/has a decision been made to cut down pine trees alongside the Breakwall?
- (a) If so, how many trees will be cut down?
- (3) Do any of the proposals/has any decision been made to remove the Breakwall's painted memorial rocks or to alter the world famous surf break at the end of the Breakwall?
- (a) If so, to where will the historic rocks be relocated?
- (4) With respect to the works/proposed works referred to in (1-3)?
- (a) Who will undertake these works?
- (b) What is the estimated cost of these works?
- (c) Who will fund these works?
- (5) Has any survey work been carried out with respect to any decisions made/any proposals?
- (a) If so, who carried out this survey work?
- (b) If not, why not?
- (6) What has been the response to any decisions made/any proposals developed from Port Macquarie/Hastings Council and local residents?
- (7) Has an assessment been undertaken regarding the impact of the works on local tourism?
- (a) If so, what did it find?
- (b) If not, why not?
- 9709 TOURISM—PORT MACQUARIE BREAKWALL—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Regional Youth, and Minister for Tourism—
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9710 TRANSPORT—PORT MACQUARIE BREAKWALL—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for Veterans, and Minister for Western Sydney—

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9711 HOMES—DEVELOPERS NATIVE FAUNA—The Hon. Mark Pearson to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Homes—

- (1) Who monitors developers when they are causing harm by removing the habitat of native protected fauna species?
 - (a) If there is no monitor, why is that the case?
 - (b) If there is a monitor:
 - (i) What does the monitoring entail?
 - (ii) To whom are the monitors accountable?

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