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(Paper No. 26)

* 0400 POLICE AND COUNTER-TERRORISM—UNION DISCLOSURE—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Agriculture, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Police and Counter-terrorism—

- (1) Can the Minister please advise why their 2022 Ordinary Return does not note any Trade Union membership, can they confirm this is correct?
- (2) If the Minister's Trade Union membership was not disclosed in their 2022 Ordinary Return, why was such a disclosure not made?
- (3) Is the Minister in breach of 2023 NSW Labor Party Rule N.9(c), requiring all endorsed candidates for the 2023 NSW Election to be a financial member of a Trade Union?
- (4) If the Minister is not in breach of the 2023 NSW Labor Party Rule N.9(c), what grounds were met to satisfy 2023 NSW Labor Party Rule N.11(b)(ii)?

Answer—

I am advised that The Constitution (Disclosures by Members) Regulation 1983 (the Regulation) sets out Members' obligations to disclose relevant pecuniary and other interests in periodic returns to Parliament.

I am advised Clause 13 of the Regulation relevantly requires the disclosure of the name of each trade union and each professional or business association 'in which he or she held any position' as at specified dates. The Regulation does not require Members to disclose membership of a trade union. Membership of Unions can be disclosed on a discretionary basis.

I am advised that the Clerk of the Parliaments has confirmed that this view is consistent with guidance provided to Members.

* 0402 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—UNION DISCLOSURE—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Agriculture, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Western New South Wales representing the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) Can the Minister advise why their 2022 Ordinary Return does not note any Trade Union membership, can they confirm this is correct?
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* 0403 CUSTOMER SERVICE AND DIGITAL GOVERNMENT—NSW FIRE SERVICE—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Youth Justice—

- (1) In relation to planning proposal submissions, how many submissions were made by NSW Rural Fire Service to planning proposals in the following years:
 - (a) 2017-18?
 - (b) 2018-19?
 - (c) 2019-20?
 - (d) 2020-21?
 - (e) 2021-22?
 - (f) 2022-23?
- (2) In relation to the proposed development at 95-97 Stanhope Road, Killara:
 - (a) Does the Minister have concerns that the NSW Rural Fire Service submission states “no objection” despite Ku-ring-gai Council’s submission stating, “the planning proposal fails to provide transparent exhibited bushfire related evidence to warrant the departure from key strategic considerations that are applied to all other sites across the LGA and NSW and that, if approved, would set precedents detrimental to key work related to bushfire safety”?
 - (b) The NSW Rural Fire Service submission publicly available refers to a report by BlackAsh Consulting, “Addendum Bushfire Report for Lourdes Retirement Village”, will this report be made available via the NSW Planning Portal?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The RFS has lodged the following submissions to planning proposals:
 - (a) 2017-18 = 148
 - (b) 2018-19 = 158
 - (c) 2019-20 = 164
 - (d) 2020-21 = 168
 - (e) 2021-22 = 176
 - (f) 2022-23 = 179
- (2)(a) The comments by the RFS at this stage relate only to the Planning Proposal and Rezoning for 95-97 Stanhope Road, Killara, and do not constitute any approvals under s100B of the Rural Fires Act 1997. Any future Development Application submitted for the site must be formally referred to the RFS for its detailed consideration and will require a Bush Fire Safety Authority to be issued by the RFS under s100B.
- (b) The BlackAsh Report is available on the NSW Planning Portal at: <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/ppr/post-exhibition/95-97-stanhope-road-killara-lourdes-retirement-village>

* 0404 FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES—UNION DISCLOSURE—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Energy, Minister for Climate Change, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage representing the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Inclusion—

- (1) Can the Minister advise why their 2022 Ordinary Return does not note any Trade Union membership, can they confirm this is correct?
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Answer—

The Constitution (Disclosures by Members) Regulation 1983 (the Regulation) sets out Members' obligations to disclose relevant pecuniary and other interests in periodic returns to Parliament.

Clause 13 of the Regulation relevantly requires the disclosure of the name of each trade union and each professional or business association 'in which he or she held any position' as at specified dates. The Regulation does not require Members to disclose membership of a trade union.

Membership of Unions can be disclosed on a discretionary basis. The Clerk of the Parliaments has confirmed that this view is consistent with guidance provided to Members.

* 0405 PREMIER—MINISTERIAL STAFF—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Energy, Minister for Climate Change, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage representing the Premier—

- (1) Can the Premier advise how many Ministerial advisors currently hold office as Councillors?
 - (a) What processes are in place to avoid a conflict of interest?
 - (b) Will Ministerial advisors who hold office as Councillors be prohibited from running for election or re-election at the next local government election on 14 September 2024?

Answer—

Ministerial staff are employed by Ministers, on behalf of the State, in their capacity as "political office holders" under Part 2 of the *Members of Parliament Staff Act 2013 (Act)*.

All Ministerial staff are required to comply with the NSW Office Holder's Staff Code of Conduct, including obligations to seek approval for secondary employment, and to take reasonable steps to avoid, and in all cases disclose, any actual or potential conflicts of interest (real or apparent).

* 0406 PLANNING AND PUBLIC SPACES—DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Energy, Minister for Climate Change, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage representing the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

- (1) In relation to the proposed development at 95-97 Stanhope Road, Killara:
 - (a) Does the Minister have concerns that the NSW Rural Fire Service submission states "no objection" despite Ku-ring-gai Council's submission stating, "the planning proposal fails to provide transparent exhibited bushfire related evidence to warrant the departure from key strategic considerations that are applied to all other sites across the LGA and NSW and that, if approved, would set precedents detrimental to key work related to bushfire safety"?
 - (b) The NSW Rural Fire Service submission publicly available refers to a report by BlackAsh Consulting, "Addendum Bushfire Report for Lourdes Retirement Village", will this report be made available via the NSW Planning Portal?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1)(a) The Department of Planning and Environment will consider Ku-ring-gai Council's submission, and all other submissions received during the public exhibition, as part of its post-exhibition report for the Sydney North Planning Panel. Everyone that made a submission on the proposal will be advised of the Panel meeting date and invited to address the Panel.
- (1)(b) The Addendum Bushfire Report for Lourdes Retirement Village is publicly available on the NSW Planning Portal website at: <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/ppr/post-exhibition/95-97-stanhope-road-killara-lourdes-retirement-village>

- * 0407 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—MINISTERIAL DEBIT AND CREDIT CARD—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) In your capacity as a Minister, do you or your office have a credit card or debit card?

Answer—

No.

- * 0408 INNOVATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—UNION DISCLOSURE—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Natural Resources representing the Minister for Better Regulation and Fair Trading, Minister for Industry and Trade, Minister for Innovation, Science and Technology, Minister for Building, and Minister for Corrections—

- (1) Can the Minister please advise why their 2022 Ordinary Return does not note any Trade Union membership, can they confirm this is correct?
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- (3) Is the Minister in breach of 2023 NSW Labor Party Rule N.9(c), requiring all endorsed candidates for the 2023 NSW Election to be a financial member of a Trade Union?
- (4) If the Minister is not in breach of the 2023 NSW Labor Party Rule N.9(c), what grounds were met to satisfy 2023 NSW Labor Party Rule N.11(b)(ii)?

Answer—

I am advised by Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation, Minister for Industry and Trade, Minister for Innovation, Science and Technology, Minister for Building and Minister for Corrections that The Constitution (Disclosures by Members) Regulation 1983 (the Regulation) sets out Members' obligations to disclose relevant pecuniary and other interests in periodic returns to Parliament.

I am advised Clause 13 of the Regulation relevantly requires the disclosure of the name of each trade union and each professional or business association 'in which he or she held any position' as at specified dates. The Regulation does not require Members to disclose membership of a trade union. Membership of unions can be disclosed on a discretionary basis.

I am advised that the Clerk of the Parliament has confirmed that this view is consistent with guidance provided to Members.

- * 0410 TRANSPORT—TRANSFER ACCOUNTABILITY FOR OPERATION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the Government transfer accountability for the operation of the electric Intercity fleet and management of associated station staff from NSW TrainLink to Sydney Trains?
- (a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

The NSW Government announced an independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems on 6 April 2023, led by National Transport Commission Chair, Carolyn Walsh.

The initial focus of the review is on governance and accountability, asset management and planning, reliability and resilience. The Review Panel handed down its initial report to Government on 12 May 2023. There are 12 recommendations in the report which have been accepted by Government.

Work has commenced on the implementation of the interim recommendations, while the Review Panel undertake more detailed investigations during Phase Two of the review.

- * 0411 TRANSPORT—PASSENGER NUMBERS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) As at June 2023, where do passenger numbers on Sydney Trains sit each day of the week compared to pre-pandemic levels?

Answer—

I am advised

During the period 1 May 2023 to 11 June 2023, the average weekday daily public transport trips on Sydney Trains when compared to the equivalent period in 2019 is provided below:

Day of the Week	Ratio of average weekday daily public transport trips during current period (1 May 2023 to 11 June 2023) vs. equivalent period in 2019 (pre-covid)
Monday	66%
Tuesday	72%
Wednesday	72%
Thursday	70%
Friday	67%
Saturday	86%
Sunday	75%

- * 0412 TRANSPORT—SYDNEY METRO & SOUTHWEST BUSINESS CASE—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the Government publish the full Sydney Metro City & Southwest final business case, including the final financial model and benefit cost analysis for the Metro Southwest project.

- (a) If so, when?

Answer—

The Final Business case summary for the Sydney Metro City & Southwest project is already publicly available.

- * 0413 TRANSPORT—METRO SOUTHWEST PROJECT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the Government not proceed with the Metro Southwest project, leaving the Sydney Metro to terminate at Sydenham, and instead spend project funds on connecting new communities to rail services and improving existing rail services?

Answer—

The NSW Government has launched an independent review into Sydney Metro. The Sydney Metro Review Terms of Reference is publicly available.

* 0414 TRANSPORT—METRO SOUTHWEST CONSULTATION STRATEGY—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the Government review its consultation processes for the Metro Southwest project and develop and implement a mandatory consultation strategy which is focused on genuine and meaningful community consultation?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

Unlike the former Liberal Government, the Minns Labor Government is committed to working with local communities to ensure they are consulted during all stages of the Metro Southwest project.

* 0415 TRANSPORT—BANKSTOWN INTERCHANGE—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will Sydney Metro and Transport for NSW review the design for the Bankstown interchange, in collaboration with the Department of Planning and Bankstown Local Council?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

A Station Design and Precinct Plan has been approved for Bankstown Station and is publicly available.

* 0416 TRANSPORT—COLLABORATING METRO SOUTHWEST—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the Government provide additional resources to Inner West Council and Canterbury Bankstown Council for the purposes of collaborating on the Metro Southwest project, to ensure optimal project outcomes can be achieved?

Answer—

I am advised

Sydney Metro continues to work closely with local councils along the alignment to ensure best outcomes for the community, including providing councils with resources as required.

* 0417 TRANSPORT—BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the Government review the biodiversity management strategy for Metro Southwest, including vegetation and fencing requirements, to ensure that all wildlife and vegetation in the affected rail corridor experience minimal project impacts and are adequately protected and supported in recovery?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

- (1) In a crash, the person who is at fault is the person who caused the crash. There may be more than one person at fault or in breach of the laws depending on the circumstances of the crash.

- (2) The NSW Government is always open to opportunities to further protect vulnerable road users. There are a range of rules, road treatments, technology and education programs already in place intended to protect these road users. For pedestrians, this includes prohibitions for the riding of

vehicles on footpaths, including bicycles. For bicycle riders, a range of environments are permitted for use other than roads, such as shared paths, bicycle paths and bicycle lanes. Where bicycle riders interact with motor vehicles on roads, motor vehicle drivers are required to maintain a minimum passing distance from bicycle riders.

- (3) Insurance schemes and coverage for bicycle riders and pedestrians vary between jurisdictions in Australia. The NSW Government is also aware that internationally, there are examples of laws where the onus of proof is on drivers of motor vehicles to demonstrate that they are not at fault where they are involved in a crash with a pedestrian or bicycle rider. This is sometimes referred to as 'strict liability'. Examples of countries where some form of strict liability has been adopted include the Netherlands and Germany.
- (4) In 2015, a working group was chaired by the State Insurance Regulatory Authority on the broader issue of personal injury insurance options for bicycle riders. This working group included representatives from Transport for NSW as well as various bicycle and pedestrian stakeholder groups. This group was convened before the 2017 reforms to the Compulsory Third Party insurance scheme, which introduced defined personal injury benefits, irrespective of fault or injury severity.
- (5) Compulsory Third Party reforms are a matter for the Treasurer and the State Insurance Regulatory Authority.

* 0418 TRANSPORT—NSW LONG TERM TRANSPORT MASTER PLAN—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Can the Minister advise whether they agree that Sydney Metro is the "preferred option" for future rail transport for Sydney as identified in Sydney's Rail Future, a key component of the 2012 New South Wales Long Term Transport Master Plan?

Answer—

I am advised

Sydney's Rail Future did not identify Sydney Metro as "the preferred option" for future rail transport for Sydney.

* 0419 TRANSPORT—SYDENHAM-BANKSTOWN LINE—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Can the the Minister advise whether they agree with the finding in the Legislative Council's Portfolio Committee 6 2020 Report into the Sydenham-Bankstown line conversation that "The Suburban Option", i.e. the existing rail network, would not meet estimated future demand or address network issues like congestion, capacity and capability challenges?

Answer—

The NSW Government has launched an independent review into Sydney Metro. The Sydney Metro Review Terms of Reference is publicly available. Sydney Metro is working collaboratively with the reviewers to ensure they have the assistance and support they need.

* 0420 TRANSPORT—MALDON TO DOMBARTON RAILWAY LINE—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What is the Government's position on the Maldon to Dombarton Railway Line?

Answer—

I am advised

The NSW Government is committed to the development of an Illawarra Rail Resilience Plan for the South Coast Line.

The Illawarra Rail Resilience Plan will examine options to improve the resilience of connections between the South Coast Line, Port Kembla and South West Sydney. The Maldon-Dombarton rail corridor will be investigated in the plan as one possible long-term option.

- * 0421 TRANSPORT—IMPLEMENTING MALDON TO DOMBARTON RAILWAY PROJECT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Has the Government investigated the options available for implementing the Maldon to Dombarton Railway project?

Answer—

I am advised

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The Illawarra Rail Resilience Plan will examine options to improve the resilience of connections between the South Coast Line, Port Kembla and South West Sydney. The Maldon-Dombarton rail corridor will be investigated in the Plan as one possible long term option.

- * 0422 TRANSPORT—113KM OF NEW METRO RAIL—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Is it still anticipated that Sydney will have 113km of new metro rail by 2030?
(a) If not, what is the length of new metro rail expected?

Answer—

This information is available at <https://www.sydneymetro.info/about>

- * 0423 TRANSPORT—STEP-FREE TRAIN STATIONS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) When will all train stations in New South Wales be step-free?

Answer—

I am advised

The NSW Government remains committed to improving accessibility outcomes for passengers and is developing a strategy to manage the completion of compliance requirement.

The Transport Access Program is a NSW Government initiative delivering safe, modern and accessible public transport infrastructure across the state, improving access to train stations and ferry wharves for people with disability or limited mobility, and parents and carers with prams.

More than \$2.2 billion has been invested in the program with approximately 520 projects completed or underway. As part of the 2022-23 NSW Budget, \$240.2 million in capital expenditure (\$342.4 million over four years) has been allocated to continue the upgrade of train stations under the Transport Access Program.

As of the end of May 2023, more than 93 per cent of passenger journeys now begin from accessible train stations and ferry wharf locations, while 87 per cent of all journeys start and finish at accessible stations and wharf locations.

- * 0424 TRANSPORT—LARGEST GAP SYDNEY TRAINS NETWORK—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What is the largest gap between a platform and train on the Sydney Trains network?

(a) Where is this located?

Answer—

I am advised

On the Sydney rail network, larger gaps between a train and platform tend to occur in locations with a tight track radius of 600m or less, where platforms are curved. In these constrained locations, the gap between a train and platform could range between 280 mm – 320 mm.

* 0425 TRANSPORT—LARGEST GAP TRAINLINK—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) What is the largest gap between a platform and train on the TrainLink network?

(a) Where is this located?

Answer—

I am advised

The largest horizontal gap between a platform and train on the Trainlink network is 740mm on a curved section of Platform 1 at Werris Creek Station.

Werris Creek has two platforms, and during normal operations, NSW Trainlink operates on the main straight platform which has a smaller gap.

When the curved section of Platform 1 is required to be used, NSW TrainLink staff make on board and station announcements and assist customers boarding/alighting.

* 0426 TRANSPORT—ACCIDENTS GAP & PLATFORM—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Each year since 2017, how many accidents have been recorded that were caused or exacerbated by a gap between a platform and train?

Answer—

Fall in the Gap incidents on the Sydney Trains and NSW TrainLink network is listed below and includes data for both customers with injury and customers without injury:

2017-18: 301 *NSW TrainLink does not hold data for 2017-18

2018-19: 365

2019-20: 285

2020-21: 222

2021-22: 211

2022-23: 394

Operating since 2019, Sydney Metro Northwest is a fully enclosed system meaning that there is no gap between the platform and the entry to the train.

* 0427 TRANSPORT—AVERAGE WAIT TIME SYDNEY TRAINS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) What is the average time spent by a commuter waiting for a train on the Sydney Trains network?

Answer—

I am advised

The average time spent by a commuter waiting for a train on the Sydney Trains network is 5.5 minutes in AM and PM peaks.

- * 0428 TRANSPORT—AVERAGE WAIT TIME SYDNEY METRO NETWORK—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) What is the average time spent by a commuter waiting for a train on the Sydney Metro network?

Answer—

I am advised

Services at the 13 metro stations on the Metro North West Line operate every four minutes in the peak, every 10 minutes in the off peak, and in the late evening every 30 minutes in each direction.

- * 0429 TRANSPORT—AVERAGE NUMBER OF TRAIN SERVICES—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) As at June 2023, what is the average number of train services across Sydney per hour?

Answer—

I am advised

- The total number of suburban services across the week is 14,394.
- The total number of intercity services across the week is 2,430.
- The total number of suburban services across the weekend is 4,427.
- The total number of intercity services across the weekend is 640.
- The total number of suburban services in the AM peak one hour is 235.
- The total number of intercity services in the AM peak one hour is 33.
- The total number of suburban services in the PM peak one hour is 213.
- The total number of intercity services in the PM peak one hour is 36.

- * 0430 TRANSPORT—AVERAGE TRAIN SERVICES FROM BANKSTOWN—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) As at June 2023, what is the average number of train services running from Bankstown per hour?
- (2) How does this compare to the anticipated number of services running from Bankstown after the full delivery of the Metro South-West?

Answer—

I am advised

- (1) In the morning peak hour, there are 10 trains per hour between Bankstown and the CBD and in the afternoon/evening (PM) peak hour, there are eight trains per hour between the CBD and Bankstown. Throughout the day, there is an average of six trains per hour running from Bankstown to the CBD. In the early morning and late at night on weekdays, there is an average of four trains per hour operating between Bankstown and the CBD. On the weekend, there is an average of four trains per hour throughout the entire day.
- (2) The NSW Government has launched an independent review into Sydney Metro. The Sydney Metro Review Terms of Reference is publicly available. Information about the anticipated number of services on a converted Bankstown Line is publicly available, with services every four minutes in the peak and every ten minutes at all other times.

- * 0431 TRANSPORT—ADDITIONAL STATIONS TO SYDNEY METRO WEST—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Does the Government have plans to add any additional stations to Sydney Metro West?
 (a) If so, where?

Answer—

The NSW Government has launched an independent review into Sydney Metro. Any implications of this review on Sydney Metro West will be announced accordingly.

- * 0432 TRANSPORT—OPAL TICKETING AND FARES SYSTEM—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What is the Government's position on the current Opal ticketing and fares system?

Answer—

I am advised

The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal sets the maximum Opal fares that Transport for NSW can charge by mode and by distance fare band. As Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal only sets the maximum fares, Transport for NSW has the discretion to set fares, as well as concessions, discounts and caps, below these maximums. Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal published its last Opal maximum fares determination in June 2020 which can be found on their website.

The maximum fares in the determination are effective until at least 30 June 2024, with annual Consumer Price Index indexation of the maximum fares to apply in 2024, or until the determination is replaced.

- * 0433 TRANSPORT—REVIEW OPAL TICKETING & FARES SYSTEM—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Does the Government have a plan to review the Opal ticketing and fares system?

Answer—

I am advised

Transport for NSW is working to deliver Opal Next Gen, which will provide the customers with seamless and convenient ticketing experience, enabling fast and connected multi-modal journeys.

Opal Next Gen will also provide new hardware and software, new ticket/travel tokens, enhanced online and self-serve options, and improved tools for staff and operators to support our customers.

Transport for NSW will run several competitive tender processes as part of this multi-year program of work. Transport for NSW will update the community as planning progresses.

- * 0434 TRANSPORT—OVER STATION DEVELOPMENT AT PARRAMATTA—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) When will the Environmental Impact Statement for over station development at Parramatta be completed?
 (a) Will it be made public?

Answer—

I am advised

The Concept State Significant Development Application Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for over and adjacent station development at Parramatta metro station is currently under assessment, following public exhibition in 2022.

This will be followed by a Detailed State Significant Development Application EIS by a development partner which will also be placed on public exhibition for community and stakeholder feedback.

* 0435 TRANSPORT—OVER STATION DEVELOPMENT SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) When will the Environmental Impact Statement for over station development at Sydney Olympic Park be completed?

(a) Will it be made public?

Answer—

I am advised

The Concept State Significant Development Application Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is currently under assessment for over and adjacent station development at Sydney Olympic Park metro station following public exhibition in 2022.

This will be followed by a Detailed State Significant Development Application EIS by a development partner which will also be placed on public exhibition for community and stakeholder feedback.

* 0436 TRANSPORT—OVER STATION DEVELOPMENT HUNTER STREET STATION EAST—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) When will the Environmental Impact Statement for over station development at Hunter Street Station East be completed?

(a) Will it be made public?

Answer—

I am advised

(1) When the EIS assessment is complete.

(2) Yes.

* 0437 TRANSPORT—OVER STATION DEVELOPMENT HUNTER STREET STATION WEST—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) When will the Environmental Impact Statement for over station development at Hunter Street Station West be completed?

(a) Will it be made public?

Answer—

I am advised

(1) The Environmental Impact Statement is still being assessed..

(2) Yes.

* 0438 TRANSPORT—ALTER STATION LOCATIONS SYDNEY METRO - WESTERN SYDNEY AIRPORT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Does the Government have plans to alter the station locations for the Sydney Metro - Western Sydney Airport project?

Answer—

I am advised

The stations for the Sydney Metro - Western Sydney Airport project will be located at St Marys, Orchard Hills, Luddenham, Airport Business Park, Airport Terminal and the Aerotropolis.

* 0439 TRANSPORT—WESTERN AUSTRALIA TRIP—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) In regards to the trip you undertook in June 2023 to Western Australia:
- (a) Was this trip an official trip?
 - (b) Did you take leave for the trip?
 - (c) Who did you meet with on the trip?
 - (d) What was the total expenditure for the trip?
 - (i) Can you please provide the expenditure in itemised form?

Answer—

I (a-i) In June I attended the Infrastructure and Transport Ministers Meeting as the NSW Minister for Transport. I met with other Transport and Infrastructure Ministers. Costs of travel and one night's accommodation were covered.

* 0440 TRANSPORT—RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SYSTEMS REVIEW 2023 INITIAL REPORT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Who are the stakeholders being referred to in the Rail Infrastructure and Systems Review 2023 Initial Report, where it is stated that "the support we have received from stakeholders to date"?
- (a) In what form was the support provided in?
 - (b) Is the feedback provided to the review publicly available?
 - (i) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised

On 12 May 2023, the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems handed down its initial report to the Government. The report contained 12 recommendations which have been accepted by the NSW Government. Work has begun on the implementation of the interim recommendations, while the Review Panel undertakes more detailed investigations during Phase Two of the review.

During the initial phase of the Review, the Panel have engaged with Executives and representatives from Sydney Trains, Transport for NSW, NSW Trainlink, Transport Asset Holding Entity and rail unions. As outlined in its Terms of Reference, the Review Panel will engage with additional stakeholders during Phase Two of the review.

* 0441 TRANSPORT—RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SYSTEMS REVIEW PANEL—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Has Mr Arthur Smith of the Rail Infrastructure and Systems Review panel ever been an employee of Transport for NSW or Sydney Trains? If so, for what period of time?
- (2) How much remuneration has Mr Arthur Smith received for being on the 2023 Rail Infrastructure and Systems Review panel?
- (3) What qualifications does Mr Arthur Smith have that makes him a suitable member of the panel conducting the Sydney Trains Review?
- (4) In relation to the appointment of Mr Arthur Smith to the Rail Infrastructure and Systems Review:
 - (a) Who decided on his appointment to the review?
 - (b) Did Transport for NSW recommend Mr Smith to the review?

Answer—

I am advised

- (1) Mr Arthur Smith has been previously employed with the State Rail Authority from 29 April 1985 - 10 June 2020.
- (2) Transport for NSW has disclosed all relevant contract details that are not commercial in confidence obligations to the Transport for NSW contracts register on the NSW Government eTendering website as required by the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009.
- (3) Mr Arthur Smith has over 40 years' experience in the rail industry in NSW. During his career, Mr Smith has held various senior executive positions in operations, capital works and maintenance fields.
- (4) The Minister for Transport announced the established the Sydney Trains Rail Infrastructure and Systems Review on 6 April 2023.

Additional information received via email and uploaded 1 August 2023:

Question 1: original response provided:

“Mr Arthur Smith has been previously employed with the State Rail Authority from 29 April 1985- 10 June 2020.”

Mr Smith’s employment period was inaccurate due to an administrative error.

Amended response:

“Mr Arthur Smith has been previously employed with the State Rail Authority from 6 January 1964- 16 January 2004.”

* 0442 TRANSPORT—PROTECTED INDUSTRIAL ACTION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) As a part of the Rail Infrastructure and Systems Review, how many instances of Protected Industrial Action did the Sydney Trains Review identify between mid-2021 and mid-2022?

Answer—

I am advised

During bargaining for the 2022 Enterprise Agreement with Sydney Trains and NSW TrainLink, the Combined Rail Unions enacted more than 540 Protected Industrial Actions between 3 September 2021 and 26 November 2022.

* 0443 TRANSPORT—PROTECTED INDUSTRIAL ACTION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) On average, by how many minutes were Trains on the Sydney rail network delayed during instances of Protected Industrial Action between mid-2021 and mid-2022?

Answer—

I am advised

The on-time performance for Sydney Trains peak rail services in the 2022 calendar year was 85 per cent. The punctuality of rail services in 2022 was impacted by severe weather events, staff availability during COVID and protected industrial action.

* 0444 TRANSPORT—PROTECTED INDUSTRIAL ACTION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) How many Safety Critical inspections on the Sydney rail network were not undertaken between mid-2021 and mid-2022 due to the impacts of Protected Industrial Action?
- (2) How many infrastructure inspections on the Sydney rail network were not undertaken between mid-2021 and mid-2022 due to the impacts of Protected Industrial Action?

Answer—

I am advised

All safety critical inspections for infrastructure were completed between mid-2021 and mid-2022.

Unlike the former Liberal and National Government, which chose to inflame industrial disputes rather than solving industrial problems through negotiation, the Minns Labor Government will value and work with transport workers.

* 0445 TRANSPORT—PROTECTED INDUSTRIAL ACTION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) How many delays were caused due to a maintenance backlog each year since 2017 as a direct or indirect result of missed infrastructure inspections due to Protected Industrial Action?

Answer—

I am advised

Sydney Trains does not have data for the number of delays caused due to a maintenance backlog that were either a direct or indirect result of missed infrastructure inspections due to Protected Industrial Action.

Unlike the former Liberal and National Government, which chose to inflame industrial disputes rather than solving them through negotiation, the Minns Labor Government will value and work with transport workers.

* 0446 TRANSPORT—PROTECTED INDUSTRIAL ACTION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) For each year since 2017, how many infrastructure related defects were caused directly or indirectly by missed infrastructure inspections due to Protected Industrial Action?

Answer—

I am advised that Sydney Trains undertake a comprehensive program of inspections to detect defects and keep our rail system safe and reliable. During periods of Protected Industrial Action, all the necessary

inspections to detect safety related defects were conducted in accordance with this framework. Safety was not compromised at any time.

Comprehensive monitoring and assurance of inspection compliance was conducted during Protected Industrial Action to ensure that all defects were being detected and safety was not compromised.

Defects occur as a result of the operation of the network and not caused by missed infrastructure inspections.

Unlike the former Liberal and National Government, which chose to inflame industrial disputes rather than solving them through negotiation, the Minns Labor Government will value and work with transport workers.

* 0447 TRANSPORT—PROTECTED INDUSTRIAL ACTION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) For each year since 2020, what percentage of major works that were not completed against the Annual Works Program were delayed due to Protected Industrial Action?

Answer—

I am advised

In 2022, 4.5 per cent of the Sydney Harbour Bridge painting target was missed as a result of Protected Industrial Action.

In 2021-22, Protected Industrial Action impact to Major Periodic Maintenance was 16.0 per cent of the Annual Works Program. (The year end actual/ original plan was 66.8 per cent as COVID-19 was also an impacting factor this year.

In 2022-23, Protected Industrial Action impact to Major Periodic Maintenance was 12.4 per cent of the Annual Works Program. (The year end actual/ original plan was 87.0 per cent).

Unlike the former Liberal and National Government, which chose to inflame industrial disputes rather than solving them through negotiation, the Minns Labor Government will value and work with transport workers.

* 0448 TRANSPORT—PROTECTED INDUSTRIAL ACTION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) For each year since 2017, what is the estimated financial cost of missed infrastructure inspections and Safety Critical inspections caused by Protected Industrial Action?

Answer—

I am advised

During this period, there has been no missed Safety Critical inspections because of Protected Industrial Action.

Some additional non safety related, and general housekeeping inspections were allowed to have one cycle skipped during this time to provide relief due to extra workload and limited staffing caused by Protected Industrial Action. This led to an increased backlog work bank for infrastructure teams.

The estimated impact of these missed infrastructure inspections due to Protected Industrial Action is forecasted to be approximately \$9.6 million.

* 0449 TRANSPORT—PROTECTED INDUSTRIAL ACTION—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) For each year since 2020, what is the estimated financial cost of delays to major works to replace or upgrade existing infrastructure caused by Protected Industrial Action?

Answer—

I am advised

The estimated financial cost of Protected Industrial Action to projects undertaken by the Major Works team in Sydney Trains by financial year is:

- FY21-22 (Jan - Jun 22) - \$11.3 million
- FY22-23 (Jul - Nov 22) - \$15.4 million
- Total January to November 2022 - \$26.8 million

Unlike the former Liberal and National Government, which chose to inflame industrial disputes rather than solving industrial problems through negotiation, the Minns Labor Government will value and work with transport workers.

* 0450 TRANSPORT—MANAGEMENT OF TRAINING AND COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What is your plan to improve the management of training and competency requirements for Rail Safety Workers?

Answer—

I am advised

A Rail Safety Worker Training and Competency project was established in November 2022, to improve the competency process for Sydney Trains' Rail Safety Workers.

The recommendations of the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems will be incorporated into this work.

* 0451 TRANSPORT—RAIL SAFETY WORKERS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) How many Rail Safety Workers are employed by Sydney Trains?

Answer—

I am advised

The total number of Rail Safety Workers employed by Sydney Trains is 9,921.

* 0452 TRANSPORT—REVIEWS CONDUCTED ON RAIL SAFETY WORKERS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (11) How frequently are performance reviews conducted on Rail Safety Workers?

Answer—

I am advised

Grow, Perform, Succeed is the performance and development program within Transport for NSW, including Sydney Trains. Annual plans are developed with milestones throughout the year designed to help employees and managers manage performance and development through regular conversations.

Employees who do not fall under the Grow, Perform, Succeed model (frontline workers) generally fall under the competency and classification structure contained within the relevant Enterprise Agreement. Performance is monitored via one or more of the following:

- gaining of competencies within the discipline they work;

- periodical reviews by Rail Safety coaches or workplace mentors/assessors;
- completing and passing an annual 2-part technical competency assessment, and
- attendance and passing of required routine medicals to maintain qualifications.

* 0453 TRANSPORT—SYDNEY TRAINS MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(12) What is considered an "acceptable level" of backlog in the Sydney Trains maintenance schedule?

Answer—

I am advised

Sydney Trains plans and executes maintenance service schedules for the assets that support operations of the rail network. Service schedules (including inspections) are categorised as safety or reliability related.

An acceptable level of backlog for a particular asset would be determined by the age and condition of the asset; the frequency of all system maintenance on these assets; and consideration of the specified service schedules for the asset.

Safety is Sydney Trains' top priority. This is managed through preventive and corrective maintenance. If assets do not meet the required standards, they are taken out of service to ensure safety.

* 0454 TRANSPORT—SYDNEY TRAINS MAINTENANCE PROGRAM—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(13) Will Sydney Trains release a detailed accelerated maintenance program?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

Sydney Trains Rail Repair Plan commenced on 4 June 2023 and information has been released and is available on the Transport for NSW website.

* 0455 TRANSPORT—TRANSPORT FOR NSW STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION PROCESS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will Transport for NSW review its stakeholder engagement processes to ensure they provide effective and meaningful engagement with operators/maintainers such as Sydney Trains during the procurement of new rail assets?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

The NSW Government announced an independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems on 6 April 2023.

The Review Panel handed down its interim report to Government on 12 May 2023. The Government has accepted all 12 recommendations made in the report.

Work has commenced on the implementation of the interim recommendations, while the Review Panel will undertake more detailed investigations during Phase Two of the review.

* 0456 TRANSPORT—UNIONS AND PROCUREMENT OF MAJOR RAIL ASSETS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will Sydney Trains work with rail unions to develop, document and agree a comprehensive process for the management of major change to ensure rail unions are fully engaged at all appropriate stages of the procurement of major rail assets?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

On 12 May 2023, the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems handed down its initial report to the Government. The report contained 12 recommendations which have been accepted by the NSW Government. Work has begun on the implementation of the interim recommendations, while the Review Panel undertakes more detailed investigations during Phase Two of the review.

* 0457 TRANSPORT—NSW TRAINLINK AND PROCUREMENT OF MAJOR RAIL ASSETS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will NSW TrainLink work with rail unions to develop, document and agree a comprehensive process for the management of major change to ensure rail unions are fully engaged at all appropriate stages of the procurement of major rail assets?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

Yes. A process is currently being developed by Sydney Trains, NSW Train Link and in collaboration with the rail unions.

* 0458 TRANSPORT—2023 SYDNEY TRAINS REVIEW INITIAL REPORT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) In the 2023 Sydney Trains Review initial report, what is the definition of an "appropriate stage of the procurement of major rail assets" for engagement with rail unions?

Answer—

I am advised

On 12 May 2023, the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems handed down its initial report to the Government. The Interim Report indicated that:

"Early engagement of the operator of the asset in its design and construction also ensures that plans are in place to effectively manage the asset once it is commissioned. This includes the Concept of Operations (ConOps), required changes to business systems and resource planning (including impacts on worker roles and functions)."

"There have been issues over the last few years that indicate potential failures in effectively engaging key stakeholders in the delivery of transport assets. This includes a failure to ensure that the operator of new assets has secured support from its unions and workforce for any change to the way in which assets are operated and maintained."

"While the Panel will explore this issue in further detail during Phase Two of the Review, there is an immediate need to ensure that the process for stakeholder engagement in the procurement of rail assets is meaningful and effective, particularly as it relates to the operation and maintenance of the asset."

- * 0459 TRANSPORT—2023 SYDNEY TRAINS REVIEW INITIAL REPORT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What constitutes 'full engagement' of rail unions in the procurement of major rail assets as mentioned in the 2023 Sydney Trains Review initial report?

Answer—

I am advised

On 12 May 2023, the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems handed down its initial report to the Government. The Interim Report indicated that:

"Early engagement of the operator of the asset in its design and construction also ensures that plans are in place to effectively manage the asset once it is commissioned. This includes the Concept of Operations (ConOps), required changes to business systems and resource planning (including impacts on worker roles and functions).

"There have been issues over the last few years that indicate potential failures in effectively engaging key stakeholders in the delivery of transport assets. This includes a failure to ensure that the operator of new assets has secured support from its unions and workforce for any change to the way in which assets are operated and maintained.

"While the Panel will explore this issue in further detail during Phase Two of the Review, there is an immediate need to ensure that the process for stakeholder engagement in the procurement of rail assets is meaningful and effective, particularly as it relates to the operation and maintenance of the asset."

- * 0460 TRANSPORT—PLAN FOR THE RAIL OPERATIONS CENTRE—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) How much will it cost for Sydney Trains to develop a plan for the Rail Operations Centre to address identified shortcomings and enhance the capability of critical roles, systems, processes and procedures, and appropriate training and exercising, to ensure a more responsive and effective management of major incidents?

Answer—

I am advised

The plan for the Sydney Trains Rail Operations Centre is currently in development, with internal resources being used for the project planning.

- * 0461 TRANSPORT—TRAIN CREWING RESPONSES—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What additional resourcing does Sydney Trains anticipate will be required to expedite technological capacity to manage train crewing responses during periods of degraded operations?

Answer—

I am advised

Transport for NSW is supporting Sydney Trains to improve systems to more effectively manage train crew resources during periods of degraded operations. Five project team resources have been redirected from other in-flight projects.

- * 0462 TRANSPORT—FRESHWATER CLASS FERRY—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) How much time does it take a Freshwater class Ferry to complete the trip from Manly to Circular Quay compared to an Emerald class ferry?

Answer—

I am advised

This information is available via trip planer on transportnsw.info

- * 0463 TRANSPORT—CUSTOMER COMMUNICATIONS INITIATIVES—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What resourcing do Sydney Trains and Transport for NSW anticipate would be required for the rolling out of short-term targeted customer communications initiatives to be delivered within six months?

Answer—

I am advised

On 12 May 2023, the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems handed down its initial report to the Government. The report contained 12 recommendations which have been accepted by the NSW Government. Work has commenced on the implementation of the interim recommendations, while the Review Panel undertakes more detailed investigations during Phase Two of the review.

These passenger communication initiatives are being prioritised and the resources strategy required to deliver these initiatives is currently being finalised.

- * 0464 TRANSPORT—RISK BASED TRAINING FOR RAIL SAFETY WORKERS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What outstanding recertifications and Risk Based Training Needs Analyses for Rail Safety Workers have been identified by Sydney Trains and Transport for NSW since 28 March 2023?

Answer—

I am advised

Since 28 March 2023 there have been no additional recertification and/or Risk Based assessments identified. This is being addressed via a collaboration between Transport for NSW Learning and Development and Sydney Trains SEQR (Rail Safety Worker Training and Competency team) which has developed a detailed project plan to address the issues identified in the Rail Report Recommendation #9.

- * 0465 TRANSPORT—CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF SYDNEY TRAINS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) When will the Chief Executive of Sydney Trains begin reporting directly to the Secretary for Transport within the Transport for NSW structure?

Answer—

I am advised

Effective from 22 May 2023, the Sydney Trains' Chief Executive reports directly to the Transport Secretary.

- * 0466 TRANSPORT—ACTING SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the Acting Secretary for Transport rescind the delegations to the Deputy Secretary Greater Sydney for the performance and management of Sydney Trains functions?
(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

Effective from 22 May 2023, the Sydney Trains' Chief Executive reports directly to the Transport Secretary.

* 0467 TRANSPORT—ACTING SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will the Acting Secretary for Transport rescind the delegations to the Deputy Secretary Greater Sydney of the power to issue directions to Sydney Trains under the Transport Administration Act 1988?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

Effective from 22 May 2023, the Sydney Trains' Chief Executive reports directly to the Transport Secretary.

* 0468 TRANSPORT—ACTING SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will the Acting Secretary for Transport appoint the Chief Executive of Sydney Trains to the Transport for NSW Executive Team and related executive committees?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

Effective from 18 June 2023, the Chief Executive of Sydney Trains was added to the Transport for NSW Executive forums and related committees.

* 0469 TRANSPORT—CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will Sydney Trains create a role of Chief legal Counsel, responsible for independent legal advice and support to the Chief Executive?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

On 12 May 2023, the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems handed down its initial report to the Government. The report contained 12 recommendations which have been accepted by the NSW Government. Work has begun on the implementation of the interim recommendations, while the Review Panel undertakes more detailed investigations during Phase Two of the review.

* 0470 TRANSPORT—EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PEOPLE AND CULTURE—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will Sydney Trains create a role of Executive Director People and Culture, responsible for strategy and high level decision making for people-related issues, reporting to the Chief Executive?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

On 12 May 2023, the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems handed down its initial report to the Government. The report contained 12 recommendations which have been accepted by the NSW Government. Work has begun on the implementation of the interim recommendations, while the Review Panel undertakes more detailed investigations during Phase Two of the review.

* 0471 TRANSPORT—DIRECTOR EMPLOYEE RELATIONS—The Hon. Natalie Ward to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will Sydney Trains create a dedicated role of Director Employee Relations responsible for employee relations strategy and providing advice and assistance at both the Executive and operational levels?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised

On 12 May 2023, the independent review of Sydney Trains' Rail Infrastructure and Systems handed down its initial report to the Government. The report contained 12 recommendations which have been accepted by the NSW Government. Work has begun on the implementation of the interim recommendations, while the Review Panel undertakes more detailed investigations during Phase Two of the review.

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0764 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - NUMBER OF ONBOARDED COUNCILS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister advise how many councils were onboarded and using the One Road platform as of 30 June 2023?

0765 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - NUMBER OF COUNCILS BEING ONBOARDED—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister advise how many councils are in the process being onboarded onto the One Road platform as of the 30 June 2023?

0766 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - COUNCILS YET TO BE ONBOARDED—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister list which councils that are yet to be onboarded to the One Road Platform?

0767 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - DECLINES FROM COUNCILS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister list which councils have declined Transport for NSW's offer to participate on the One Road platform?

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- 0768 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - REASONS FOR DECLINES—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister advise the reasoning for why the councils who declined the offer to participate on the One Road Platform did so?
- 0769 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - FUNDING FOR COUNCILS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Is the Government looking to offer councils any additional support or funding towards participating on the One Road platform?
- 0770 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - FUNDING—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) What funding has been allocated from the Government towards the One Road platform in 2023?
- 0771 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - ROLL OUT—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) When is the expected full roll out of the One Road platform across the 128 local government areas expected to be completed?
- 0772 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - NSW FARMERS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Has the Minister met with NSW Farmers as of 30 June 2023 to discuss the One Road platform?
- 0773 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - NSW POLICE CONSULTATION—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Have the NSW Police been consulted on the progress with the One Road Platform in 2023?
- 0774 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - NSW POLICE ACCESS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Has the NSW Police been given full access to the One Road platform in the event of an emergency?
- (a) If not, why not?
- 0775 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - NSW POLICE TRAINING—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Have the NSW Police been trained on how to use the One Road platform?
- (a) If not, why not?

0776 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROAD AND LOCAL ROADS REPAIR PROGRAM—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise how many regional and local roads have been repaired across regional New South Wales under the regional and local roads repair program?

0777 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REPAIRS REGIONAL AND LOCAL ROADS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister please advise how many roads and specifically which roads have been repaired as of the 30/06/23 in the following Local Government Area with funding from the Regional Road and Local Roads Repair Program:

- Albury City Council?
- Federation Council?
- Greater Hume Shire Council?
- Murrumbidgee Council?
- Ballina Shire Council?
- Byron Shire Council?
- Bogan Shire Council?
- Bourke Shire Council?
- Brewarrina Shire Council?
- Broken Hill City Council?
- Central Darling Shire Council?
- Cobar Shire Council?
- Coonamble Shire Council?
- Gilgandra Shire Council?
- Lachlan Shire Council?
- Narrabri Shire Council?
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- Walgett Shire Council?
- Warren Shire Council?
- Warrumbungle Shire Council?
- Bathurst Regional Council?
- Blayney Shire Council?
- Lithgow City Council?
- Oberon Council?
- Mid-Western Regional Council?
- Bega Valley Shire Council?
- Eurobodalla Shire Council?
- Cessnock City Council?

- Lake Macquarie City Council?
- Clarence Valley Council?
- Richmond Valley Council?
- Coffs Harbour City Council?
- Bellingen Shire Council?
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- Coolamon Shire Council?
- Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council?
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- Wingecaribee Shire Council?
- Yass Valley Council?
- Kiama Municipal Council?
- Shellharbour City Council?
- Shoalhaven City Council?
- Kyogle Council?
- Lismore City Council?
- Tenterfield Shire Council?
- Maitland City Council?
- Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council?
- Snowy Monaro Regional Council?
- Berrigan Shire Council?
- Carrathool Shire Council?
- Edward River Council?
- Griffith City Council?
- Hay Shire Council?
- Leeton Shire Council?
- Murray River Council?
- Balranald Shire Council?
- Wentworth Shire Council?

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- Dungog Shire Council?
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council?
- Muswellbrook Shire Council?
- Singleton Council?
- Upper Hunter Shire Council?
- Lockhart Shire Council?
- Snowy Valleys Council?
- Wagga Wagga City Council?

0778 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—SUPPORT OF REGIONAL ROAD AND LOCAL ROADS REPAIR PROGRAM—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise whether they support the Regional Road and Local Roads Repair program?

0779 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—GRADING REGIONAL ROAD AND LOCAL ROADS REPAIR PROGRAM—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise, how many kilometres of unsealed road network has been graded under the Regional Road and Local Roads Repair program?
- (a) Please list per local government area.

0780 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—HEAVY PITCHES REGIONAL ROAD AND LOCAL ROADS REPAIR PROGRAM—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister advise, how many heavy pitches have been completed under Regional Road and Local Roads Repair program?

(a) Please list per local government area?

(i) Specifically which roads?

0781 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - RURAL FIRE SERVICE ACCESS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Have the NSW Rural Fire Service been given full access to the One Road Platform in the event of an emergency?

(a) If not, why not?

0782 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—UNINCORPORATED AREA OF NSW REGIONAL ROAD AND LOCAL ROADS REPAIR PROGRAM—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister advise which roads have been repaired under the Regional Road and Local Roads Repair program in the unincorporated area of New South Wales?

(a) Please advise separately sealed and unsealed roads.

0783 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - RURAL FIRE SERVICE TRAINING—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Have the NSW Rural Fire Service been trained on how to use the One Road Platform?

(a) If not, why not?

0784 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - TRANSPORT FOR NSW—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Has Transport for NSW conducted any surveys or consultation with local councils on how the One Road platform and Live Traffic App is performing in their respective regional areas?

0785 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TOUR OF THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTRE—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Has the Minister toured the Traffic Management Centre (TMC) as of 30 June 2023?

(a) If not, why not?

0786 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING LOCAL ROADS POTHOLE REPAIR ROUND—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister advise how many potholes have been filled under the \$50 million Fixing Local Roads Pothole Repair round announced on the 28 November 2022?

- (a) Please list potholes filled by local government area and specially on which roads in the following local government areas?
- Albury City Council?
 - Federation Council?
 - Greater Hume Shire Council?
 - Murrumbidgee Council?
 - Ballina Shire Council?
 - Byron Shire Council?
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- Singleton Council?
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- Wagga Wagga City Council?

0787 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ALLOCATION OF FUNDING FIXING LOCAL ROADS POTHOLE REPAIR ROUND—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise, what is the deadline for councils to use their allocation of funding under the Fixing Local Roads Pothole Repair Round ?

0788 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING LOCAL ROADS POTHOLE REPAIR ROUND - BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise how many potholes have been filled under the \$50 million Fixing Local Roads Pothole Repair round announced on the 28 November 2022?

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0789 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING LOCAL ROADS POTHOLE REPAIR ROUND - UNSPENT FUNDS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise, will the Government take back any unspent money under the Fixing Local Roads Pothole Repair Round program?

0791 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—DEEDS TO ALL COUNCILS FROM TRANSPORT FOR NSW—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise, have the deeds been issued to all councils from Transport for NSW as part of the Regional Roads and Transport Recovery Package program?
- (a) If not, why not?
- (b) If so, how many have been executed and returned to Transport for NSW?

0792 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—SIGNED AND EXECUTED DEEDS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister please list which councils have signed and executed their deeds as part of the Regional Roads and Transport Recovery Package program?

0793 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - DELAYS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise if the Regional Roads and Transport Recovery Package is delayed because of the Government's infrastructure review?

0794 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - MINISTERIAL SUPPORT—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise whether they support Regional Roads and Transport Recovery Package?

0795 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - EXPANSION—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise whether the Government supports expanding the Regional Roads and Transport Recovery Package to all regional New South Wales councils?

0796 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - 2ND ROUND—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise, will there be a second round of the Regional Roads and Transport Recovery Package?
 - (a) If not, why?
 - (b) If so, when?

0797 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - CHANGES—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise if Transport for NSW have made any changes to the structure of the Regional Roads and Transport Recovery program since it was announced?

0798 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - REMAIN—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise if all State Highways and State Roads listed below remain part of the Regional Roads and Transport Recovery Package program:
 - Betterment of Ross Lane, Lennox Head Flood Immunity?
 - Betterment of Mullumbimby Road?
 - Betterment of Wilsons Creek Road?
 - Betterment of flood immunity and pavement resilience along Yamba Road between Harwood Bridge and Palmers Channel, Palmers Island?
 - Betterment of Naughtons Gap Road?
 - Betterment of MR145 Woodburn Coraki Road?
 - Betterment of O'keefe Drive?
 - Betterment of Wisemans Ferry Road Embankment Stabilisation and Pavement Restoration?
 - Betterment of Deaves Road, Mandalong?
 - Betterment of Grieve Crossing Bridge across the Richmond River_Gradys Creek Road?
 - Betterment of Clarence Way Sandilands to Bonalbo?
 - Betterment of Strategic Causeways in Lismore LGA?
 - Betterment of Molesworth Street Bridge & Sewer Line, Tenterfield?
 - Betterment of Melville Ford timber bridge at Melville Ford Road (Maitland)?
 - Betterment of Lansdowne Road Pavement Upgrade?
 - Betterment of Old Maitland Road Hexham - Road Renewal?
 - Betterment of ARC Unsealed Rd Drainage?
 - Betterment of Glen Innes Severn Local Roads?
 - Betterment of Glen Innes Severn Regional Roads?
 - Betterment of Kalang Road?
 - Betterment of Darkwood, Timboon, Valery and Martells Roads?

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- Betterment of Dungay Creek Causeway?
 - Betterment of Nambucca Valley river crossings - raising for future flood immunity?
 - Betterment of Maria River Road?
 - Betterment of Stoney Creek/Pembrooke Road & Bridges?
 - Betterment of Tweed Shire causeways?
 - Betterment of River and floodway Crossings?
 - Betterment of Wybong Road, Muswellbrook Shire?
 - Betterment of Bell Street Bridge, Muswellbrook?
 - Betterment of Kilfoyles Bridge?
 - Betterment of Stanhope Road?
 - Betterment of Causeways across the Upper Hunter?
 - Betterment of stormwater drainage for 43 nominated road crossings?
 - Betterment of MR83 Summerland Way Seg2080 - 3300 - Armouring of Waterways?
 - Betterment of MR83 Summerland Way Seg3300 - 3750 - Armouring of Waterways?
 - Betterment of MR83 Summerland Way Seg3750 - 9110 - Armouring of Waterways?
 - Betterment of HW16 Bruxner Highway Seg 2710 - 2330 - Armouring of Waterways?
 - Betterment of MR83 Summerland Way Seg 3640 - 3670 - Harden Pavement
 - Betterment of HW16 Bruxner Highway Seg 2940 - 2960 - Scour protection & Downslope stabilisation
 - Betterment of HW12 Gwydir Highway Seg 1110 - 1520 Improve slope stability
 - Betterment of HW10 Pacific Highway - Yamba Off-Ramp
 - Betterment of SH10 Old Pacific Highway Seg 3020 - 3400 Mooney Mooney to Calga
 - Betterment of HW16 Bruxner Highway Seg 5330 - 5400 - Improve batter drain & transverse culverts
 - Betterment of MR83 Summerland Way Seg 8855 - 9110 - Improve slope stability
 - Betterment of MR83 Summerland Way Seg 8350 - Scour protection & Downslope stabilisation
 - Betterment of MR83 Summerland Way Seg 8776 - Rock fall fence
 - "Betterment of HW16 Bruxner Highway Seg6005 - Scour Protection & Downslope Stabilisation"
 - Betterment of MR692 Failford Rd Seg 550 - 560 - Raise road level and improve drainage
 - Betterment of HW10 Pacific Highway Seg 80 to Seg 8010 and Seg 8110 New England Highway Hexham - Repair and upgrade transverse drainage
 - Betterment of HW12 Gwydir Highway Seg4000 - 4050 - Improve Slope Stability
 - Betterment of MR108 Nelson Bay Road Seg 510 - 540 from Frost Road to Gan Gan Road - Raise road level and improve drainage
 - Betterment of MR76 Waterfall Way Seg1200 - 1420 - Improve Slope Stability
 - Betterment of MR76 Waterfall Way Seg1400 - Improve Slope Stability
 - Betterment of MR76 Waterfall Way Seg1180 Culvert 39 - Improve
 - Betterment of HW27 Golden Highway Seg 38
 - Betterment of MR503 Putty Road Seg 6780 - 6070

- Betterment of MR209 Denman Road Seg 209090 – 209140

0799 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ROAD MAINTENANCE COUNCIL CONTRACTS - COUNCILS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise how many councils currently have Road Maintenance Council Contracts with Transport for NSW?

0800 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ROAD MAINTENANCE COUNCIL CONTRACTS - COUNCIL LIST—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister list all councils that have Road Maintenance Council Contracts with Transport for NSW?

0801 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - REMOVAL—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise if any Road Maintenance Council Contracts have been taken back by Transport for NSW after the 2022 flooding events?
- (2) Can the Minister advise if any Road Maintenance Council Contracts have been taken back by Transport for NSW after the 2023 flooding events?

0802 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - LIST—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister list the councils that Transport for NSW have taken back Road Maintenance Council Contracts work from?

0803 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - SPEND—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise, how much have Transport for NSW spent in the current financial year on Road Maintenance Council Contracts in regional New South Wales?

0804 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - BUDGET—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise how much is budgeted on Road Maintenance Council Contracts in the following:
 - (a) Financial Year 2023/2024?
 - (b) Financial Year 2024/2025?

0805 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - ACCREDITED—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

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- (1) Can the Minister advise, how many councils are currently Road Maintenance Council Contracts accredited as of 30 June 2023 to do work for Transport for NSW?
- 0806 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - ACCREDITED LIST—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister please list the councils that are accredited to do Road Maintenance Council Contracts work?
- 0807 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - NOT ACCREDITED—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister please list the councils that are not accredited to do Road Maintenance Council Contracts work?
- 0808 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT RECOVERY PACKAGE - EXPANSION—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Will Transport for NSW look to expand the Road Maintenance Council Contracts program?
- 0809 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – UPDATE—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister provide an update on the progress of the Transport for NSW Lismore Pilot, specifically the rebuild of Lismore City Councils road repairs?
- 0810 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – SPECIALIST—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister advise when the Transport for NSW specialist will conclude their role with Lismore City Council?
- 0811 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – REBUILT OR REPAIRED—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister advise, how many roads in the Lismore City Council area have been rebuilt and/or repaired under the pilot structure?
- 0812 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – PROJECT MANAGED—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister list the roads that the Transport for NSW specialist/project manager has project managed for the Lismore City Council?
- 0813 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – MEET PROJECT MANAGER—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) As of 30 June 2023, can the Minister advise whether they have met with the Transport for NSW specialist/project manager based at Lismore City Council?
- 0814 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – INSPECTION—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) As of 30 June 2023, can the Minister advise whether they visited Lismore to inspect the road rebuilding program and discuss the pilot program?
- 0815 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – MEET LISMORE COUNCIL—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) As of 30 June 2023, can the Minister advise whether they met with Lismore City Council?
- (a) If not, why not?
- 0816 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – ROLL-OUT—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Will the Transport for NSW specialist/project manager pilot structure be expanded and rolled out to other local government areas that request this additional support?
- 0817 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – COST—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister advise, how much has the Lismore Pilot Program cost Transport for NSW?
- 0818 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – ENGAGEMENT—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister advise, how much has the Lismore Pilot Program cost Transport for NSW?
- 0819 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—TRANSPORT FOR NSW LISMORE PILOT – FUTURE EVENTS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister advise, will the Government continue to fund the Transport for NSW specialist positions/project manager pilot programs for future natural disaster events?
- 0820 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING LOCAL ROADS - ROUND 6 PROJECTS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- (1) Can the Minister provide an update on each of the Fixing Local Roads Round 6 projects listed below?
- Bellingen Shire Council - Short Cut Road, Raleigh - Upgrade
 - Cobar Shire Council - Wool Track, Cobar, Seal Extension
 - Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council - Hovell Street Causeway Upgrade

- Dubbo Regional Council - Saxa Road rehabilitation
- Edward River Council - Pretty Pine Road - Widening
- Eurobodalla Shire Council - Sylvan St & George Bass Dr, Malua Bay - New roundabout
- Forbes Shire Council Central NSW Joint Organisation - Dynamic Bridge Testing
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Jingellic Road Wantagong - Replacement of 5 Bridges
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Reconstruction of 3.2km Jingellic Road Wantagong
- Gwydir Shire Council - Bridges and Route Assessment, Gwydir Shire - Assessment
- Gwydir Shire Council - Croppa Creek Road Upgrade
- Hay Shire Council - MR514 / Pimpara Creek Bridge, Hay - Widening
- Lake Macquarie City Council - Owens Road Bridge, Martinsville
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council - Werris Creek Industrial Precinct Southern Access
- Maitland City Council - Tocal Road, Bolwarra Heights
- MidCoast Council - Gloucester Road, Burrell Creek- Pavement Upgrade Stage 1
- Moree Plains Shire Council - Caloona Road 5km Sealing Freight / Community Connectivity
- Murray River Council - Murray Irrigation Network – Bridge Load Assessments
- Murray River Council - Kyalite Road Widening
- Narromine Shire Council - Bridge and Route Loading Assessments
- Parkes Shire Council - Realignment and new bridge at Graddle Creek, the McGrane Way
- Port Macquarie-Hastings Council - Bridge Assessments Port Macquarie Hastings Region
- Singleton Council - Replacement of Brunners Bridge
- Temora Shire Council - Howards Road, Reefton - Upgrade
- Tenterfield Shire Council - Mount Lindesay Road – New England Hwy to Washpool Ck Bridge
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Wheeo Road Upgrade
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Peelwood Road Upgrade
- Uralla Shire Council - Thunderbolts Way upgrading Uralla to Inverell
- Warren Shire Council - Replacement of Neue Park and Marthaguy Creek Bridges.

0821 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - MEETING WITH NSW POLICE—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Has the Minister met with NSW Police in her capacity as the Minister to discuss the One Road Platform as of 30 June 2023?

0822 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ONE ROAD PLATFORM - MEETING WITH RURAL FIRE SERVICE—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Has the Minister met with the Rural Fire Service in her capacity as the Minister to discuss the One Road Platform as of 30 June 2023?

0823 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—MINISTERIAL SUPPORT FOR FIXING COUNTRY ROADS PROGRAM—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Does the Minister support the projects listed below and the continuation of the Fixing Country Roads program?

- Bellingen Shire Council - Short Cut Road, Raleigh - Upgrade
- Cobar Shire Council - Wool Track, Cobar, Seal Extension
- Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council - Hovell Street Causeway Upgrade
- Dubbo Regional Council - Saxa Road rehabilitation
- Edward River Council - Pretty Pine Road - Widening
- Eurobodalla Shire Council - Sylvan St & George Bass Dr, Malua Bay - New roundabout
- Forbes Shire Council Central NSW Joint Organisation - Dynamic Bridge Testing
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Jingellic Road Wantagong - Replacement of 5 Bridges
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Reconstruction of 3.2km Jingellic Road Wantagong
- Gwydir Shire Council - Bridges and Route Assessment, Gwydir Shire - Assessment
- Gwydir Shire Council - Croppa Creek Road Upgrade
- Hay Shire Council - MR514 / Pimpara Creek Bridge, Hay - Widening
- Lake Macquarie City Council - Owens Road Bridge, Martinsville
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council - Werris Creek Industrial Precinct Southern Access
- Maitland City Council - Tocal Road, Bolwarra Heights
- MidCoast Council - Gloucester Road, Burrell Creek- Pavement Upgrade Stage 1
- Moree Plains Shire Council - Caloona Road 5km Sealing Freight / Community Connectivity
- Murray River Council - Murray Irrigation Network – Bridge Load Assessments
- Murray River Council - Kyalite Road Widening
- Narromine Shire Council - Bridge and Route Loading Assessments
- Parkes Shire Council - Realignment and new bridge at Graddle Creek, the McGrane Way
- Port Macquarie-Hastings Council - Bridge Assessments Port Macquarie Hastings Region
- Singleton Council - Replacement of Brunners Bridge
- Temora Shire Council - Howards Road, Reefton - Upgrade
- Tenterfield Shire Council - Mount Lindesay Road – New England Hwy to Washpool Ck Bridge
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Wheeo Road Upgrade
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Peelwood Road Upgrade
- Uralla Shire Council - Thunderbolts Way upgrading Uralla to Inverell
- Warren Shire Council - Replacement of Newe Park and Marthaguy Creek Bridges.

0824 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING LOCAL ROADS - ROUND 6 PROJECTS - COMPLETION DATE—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister advise the expected completion date of the Fixing Local Roads Round 6 projects listed below?

- Bellingen Shire Council - Short Cut Road, Raleigh - Upgrade
- Cobar Shire Council - Wool Track, Cobar, Seal Extension
- Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council - Hovell Street Causeway Upgrade
- Dubbo Regional Council - Saxa Road rehabilitation
- Edward River Council - Pretty Pine Road - Widening
- Eurobodalla Shire Council - Sylvan St & George Bass Dr, Malua Bay - New roundabout
- Forbes Shire Council Central NSW Joint Organisation - Dynamic Bridge Testing
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Jingellic Road Wantagong - Replacement of 5 Bridges
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Reconstruction of 3.2km Jingellic Road Wantagong
- Gwydir Shire Council - Bridges and Route Assessment, Gwydir Shire - Assessment
- Gwydir Shire Council - Croppa Creek Road Upgrade
- Hay Shire Council - MR514 / Pimpara Creek Bridge, Hay - Widening
- Lake Macquarie City Council - Owens Road Bridge, Martinsville
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council - Werris Creek Industrial Precinct Southern Access
- Maitland City Council - Tocal Road, Bolwarra Heights
- MidCoast Council - Gloucester Road, Burrell Creek- Pavement Upgrade Stage 1
- Moree Plains Shire Council - Caloona Road 5km Sealing Freight / Community Connectivity
- Murray River Council - Murray Irrigation Network – Bridge Load Assessments
- Murray River Council - Kyalite Road Widening
- Narromine Shire Council - Bridge and Route Loading Assessments
- Parkes Shire Council - Realignment and new bridge at Graddle Creek, the McGrane Way
- Port Macquarie-Hastings Council - Bridge Assessments Port Macquarie Hastings Region
- Singleton Council - Replacement of Brunners Bridge
- Temora Shire Council - Howards Road, Reefton - Upgrade
- Tenterfield Shire Council - Mount Lindesay Road – New England Hwy to Washpool Ck Bridge
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Wheeo Road Upgrade
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Peelwood Road Upgrade
- Uralla Shire Council - Thunderbolts Way upgrading Uralla to Inverell
- Warren Shire Council - Replacement of Neue Park and Marthaguy Creek Bridges.

0825 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING LOCAL ROADS - ROUND 6 PROJECTS - START DATE—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

(1) Can the Minister advise the start date of each of the Fixing Local Roads Round 6 projects listed below?

- Bellingen Shire Council - Short Cut Road, Raleigh - Upgrade

- Cobar Shire Council - Wool Track, Cobar, Seal Extension
- Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council - Hovell Street Causeway Upgrade
- Dubbo Regional Council - Saxa Road rehabilitation
- Edward River Council - Pretty Pine Road - Widening
- Eurobodalla Shire Council - Sylvan St & George Bass Dr, Malua Bay - New roundabout
- Forbes Shire Council Central NSW Joint Organisation - Dynamic Bridge Testing
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Jingellic Road Wantagong - Replacement of 5 Bridges
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Reconstruction of 3.2km Jingellic Road Wantagong
- Gwydir Shire Council - Bridges and Route Assessment, Gwydir Shire - Assessment
- Gwydir Shire Council - Croppa Creek Road Upgrade
- Hay Shire Council - MR514 / Pimpara Creek Bridge, Hay - Widening
- Lake Macquarie City Council - Owens Road Bridge, Martinsville
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council - Werris Creek Industrial Precinct Southern Access
- Maitland City Council - Tocal Road, Bolwarra Heights
- MidCoast Council - Gloucester Road, Burrell Creek- Pavement Upgrade Stage 1
- Moree Plains Shire Council - Caloona Road 5km Sealing Freight / Community Connectivity
- Murray River Council - Murray Irrigation Network – Bridge Load Assessments
- Murray River Council - Kyalite Road Widening
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- Singleton Council - Replacement of Brunners Bridge
- Temora Shire Council - Howards Road, Reefton - Upgrade
- Tenterfield Shire Council - Mount Lindesay Road – New England Hwy to Washpool Ck Bridge
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Wheeo Road Upgrade
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Peelwood Road Upgrade
- Uralla Shire Council - Thunderbolts Way upgrading Uralla to Inverell
- Warren Shire Council - Replacement of Neue Park and Marthaguy Creek Bridges.

0826 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING LOCAL ROADS - ROUND 6 PROJECTS - EXECUTED DEEDS—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister advise which councils have signed and executed their deeds on the Fixing Local Roads Round 6 projects listed below?
- Bellingen Shire Council - Short Cut Road, Raleigh - Upgrade
 - Cobar Shire Council - Wool Track, Cobar, Seal Extension
 - Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council - Hovell Street Causeway Upgrade
 - Dubbo Regional Council - Saxa Road rehabilitation

- Edward River Council - Pretty Pine Road - Widening
- Eurobodalla Shire Council - Sylvan St & George Bass Dr, Malua Bay - New roundabout
- Forbes Shire Council Central NSW Joint Organisation - Dynamic Bridge Testing
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Jingellic Road Wantagong - Replacement of 5 Bridges
- Greater Hume Shire Council - Reconstruction of 3.2km Jingellic Road Wantagong
- Gwydir Shire Council - Bridges and Route Assessment, Gwydir Shire - Assessment
- Gwydir Shire Council - Croppa Creek Road Upgrade
- Hay Shire Council - MR514 / Pimpara Creek Bridge, Hay - Widening
- Lake Macquarie City Council - Owens Road Bridge, Martinsville
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council - Werris Creek Industrial Precinct Southern Access
- Maitland City Council - Tocal Road, Bolwarra Heights
- MidCoast Council - Gloucester Road, Burrell Creek- Pavement Upgrade Stage 1
- Moree Plains Shire Council - Caloona Road 5km Sealing Freight / Community Connectivity
- Murray River Council - Murray Irrigation Network – Bridge Load Assessments
- Murray River Council - Kyalite Road Widening
- Narromine Shire Council - Bridge and Route Loading Assessments
- Parkes Shire Council - Realignment and new bridge at Graddle Creek, the McGrane Way
- Port Macquarie-Hastings Council - Bridge Assessments Port Macquarie Hastings Region
- Singleton Council - Replacement of Brunners Bridge
- Temora Shire Council - Howards Road, Reefton - Upgrade
- Tenterfield Shire Council - Mount Lindesay Road – New England Hwy to Washpool Ck Bridge
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Wheeo Road Upgrade
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Peelwood Road Upgrade
- Uralla Shire Council - Thunderbolts Way upgrading Uralla to Inverell
- Warren Shire Council - Replacement of Neue Park and Marthaguy Creek Bridges.

0827 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING LOCAL ROADS - ROUND 6 PROJECTS - TIMELINE—The Hon. Sam Faraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Can the Minister provide a timeline on each of the individual Fixing Local Roads Round 6 projects listed below?
- Bellingen Shire Council - Short Cut Road, Raleigh - Upgrade
 - Cobar Shire Council - Wool Track, Cobar, Seal Extension
 - Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council - Hovell Street Causeway Upgrade
 - Dubbo Regional Council - Saxa Road rehabilitation
 - Edward River Council - Pretty Pine Road - Widening
 - Eurobodalla Shire Council - Sylvan St & George Bass Dr, Malua Bay - New roundabout
 - Forbes Shire Council Central NSW Joint Organisation - Dynamic Bridge Testing

- Greater Hume Shire Council - Jingellic Road Wantagong - Replacement of 5 Bridges
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- Gwydir Shire Council - Croppa Creek Road Upgrade
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- Lake Macquarie City Council - Owens Road Bridge, Martinsville
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council - Werris Creek Industrial Precinct Southern Access
- Maitland City Council - Tocal Road, Bolwarra Heights
- MidCoast Council - Gloucester Road, Burrell Creek- Pavement Upgrade Stage 1
- Moree Plains Shire Council - Caloona Road 5km Sealing Freight / Community Connectivity
- Murray River Council - Murray Irrigation Network – Bridge Load Assessments
- Murray River Council - Kyalite Road Widening
- Narromine Shire Council - Bridge and Route Loading Assessments
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- Singleton Council - Replacement of Brunners Bridge
- Temora Shire Council - Howards Road, Reefton - Upgrade
- Tenterfield Shire Council - Mount Lindesay Road – New England Hwy to Washpool Ck Bridge
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Wheeo Road Upgrade
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Peelwood Road Upgrade
- Uralla Shire Council - Thunderbolts Way upgrading Uralla to Inverell
- Warren Shire Council - Replacement of Neue Park and Marthaguy Creek Bridges.

0828 REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FIXING COUNTRY ROADS PROJECTS—The Hon. Sam Farraway to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Will the Government honour all of the below projects announced under Round 6 of Fixing Country Roads?
 - Bellingen Shire Council - Short Cut Road, Raleigh - Upgrade
 - Cobar Shire Council - Wool Track, Cobar, Seal Extension
 - Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council - Hovell Street Causeway Upgrade
 - Dubbo Regional Council - Saxa Road rehabilitation
 - Edward River Council - Pretty Pine Road - Widening
 - Eurobodalla Shire Council - Sylvan St & George Bass Dr, Malua Bay - New roundabout
 - Forbes Shire Council Central NSW Joint Organisation - Dynamic Bridge Testing
 - Greater Hume Shire Council - Jingellic Road Wantagong - Replacement of 5 Bridges
 - Greater Hume Shire Council - Reconstruction of 3.2km Jingellic Road Wantagong
 - Gwydir Shire Council - Bridges and Route Assessment, Gwydir Shire - Assessment

- Gwydir Shire Council - Croppa Creek Road Upgrade
- Hay Shire Council - MR514 / Pimpara Creek Bridge, Hay - Widening
- Lake Macquarie City Council - Owens Road Bridge, Martinsville
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council - Werris Creek Industrial Precinct Southern Access
- Maitland City Council - Tocal Road, Bolwarra Heights
- MidCoast Council - Gloucester Road, Burrell Creek- Pavement Upgrade Stage 1
- Moree Plains Shire Council - Caloona Road 5km Sealing Freight / Community Connectivity
- Murray River Council - Murray Irrigation Network – Bridge Load Assessments
- Murray River Council - Kyalite Road Widening
- Narromine Shire Council - Bridge and Route Loading Assessments
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- Tenterfield Shire Council - Mount Lindesay Road – New England Hwy to Washpool Ck Bridge
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Wheeo Road Upgrade
- Upper Lachlan Shire Council - Peelwood Road Upgrade
- Uralla Shire Council - Thunderbolts Way upgrading Uralla to Inverell
- Warren Shire Council - Replacement of Neue Park and Marthaguy Creek Bridges.

0829 CORRECTIONS—CORRECTIONAL CENTRES ACT—Ms Sue Higginson to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Natural Resources representing the Minister for Better Regulation and Fair Trading, Minister for Industry and Trade, Minister for Innovation, Science and Technology, Minister for Building, and Minister for Corrections—

- (1) Can the Minister please advise, what regulations presently exist under section.50(1)(i) of the Correctional Centres Act 1952?

0830 YOUTH JUSTICE—YOUNG OFFENDERS SENTENCING OPTIONS—The Hon. Aileen MacDonald to ask the Minister for Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Youth Justice—

- (1) Regarding a call by the Member for Northern Tablelands on issues of sentencing repeat offenders in the Children's Court for alleged serious crimes:
- (a) What interventions are taking place when young offenders are sentenced before Court for serious offences?
 - (b) Do these 'serious offences' extend to stealing cars, joyriding and posting videos to social media channels?
- (2) Can the Minister indicate what programs and interventions these young offenders are subject to?
- (3) Can the Minister confirm the rate of participation and completion of these programs?
- (4) Can the Minister advise:
- (a) How many young offenders in the past twelve (12) months have reoffended?
 - (b) What is the timeframe between reoffending?

- (5) What sentences or community supervision sentences or community supervision is being imposed for reoffenders?
- (a) How many have breached these orders?
- (6) Can the Minister advise if:
- (a) A review of current sentencing options will occur that will directly address the factors that lead to offending?
- (b) Once reviewed when the implementation of suitable interventions that will address the factors that lead to reoffending will occur?
- (c) The approximate cost of a review and implementation of effective interventions for the people of New South Wales?
- 0831 HOMELESSNESS—STREET SLEEPING—The Hon. Natasha Maclaren-Jones to ask the Minister for Water, Minister for Housing, Minister for Homelessness, Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Youth, and Minister for the North Coast—
- (1) Can the Minister advise, whether the Government is committed to reducing street homelessness in New South Wales by 50 per cent by 2025?
- (a) If not, why?

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