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* 2113 **ROADS—CONGESTION ON NARELLA ROAD**—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism—

- (1) Given the urgent need to ease the congestion on Narella Road, what is the Government doing to fast-track the extension of Liz Kernohan Drive and Spring Farm Parkway onto the Hume Motorway?
- (2) When will this project be completed with motorists able to join and exit the Hume Motorway at Menangle?

Answer—

I am advised

Spring Farm Parkway will be a key east-west link for the Greater Macarthur Growth area. Spring Farm Parkway will service existing and future residential land release areas, including Spring Farm and Menangle Park. The project is comprised of two stages:

- Stage 1: Spring Farm Parkway Stage 1 includes a new four lane divided road with north facing on and off ramps, providing an alternative east west route to Narellan Road by connecting the Hume Motorway to Menangle Road. Once complete, motorists will be able to use the new ramps to enter and exit the Hume Motorway and travel between Menangle Park and the Campbelltown area which would alleviate congestion on Narellan Road. Construction commenced in July 2022 and is expected to be completed by mid to late 2024.
- Stage 2: Transport for NSW has developed a proposed design and community consultation took place from December 2021 to February 2022. The proposed design would connect Liz Kernohan Drive in the west with Stage 1 in Menangle Park. The Australian Government has committed \$7.5 million in the 2024-25 budget towards planning of the Spring Farm Parkway Stage 2. The next stages of planning will see community input considered with a review of environmental factors, concept design and final business case prepared.

The Stage 2 project together with Stage 1 would provide an alternative route for motorists travelling between Camden Bypass, Spring Farm, and the Hume Motorway to Menangle Road, Menangle Park. This would ease congestion on Narellan Road and provide better connectivity for the communities in Greater Macarthur.

* 2114 **REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND ROADS—COMMITMENT TO FUNDING MAITLAND SHOWGROUND**—The Hon. Damien Tudehope to ask the Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

- (1) Noting that a grant of \$84,000 to the Hunter River Agricultural & Horticultural Association Limited towards an upgrade at Maitland Showground has been approved by the Special Minister of State; and the 28 July 2023 spreadsheet provided by the Premier's Office to the Premier's Department states that a commitment to provide this funding was notified on 10 April 2023, when did you make a commitment that NSW Labor would deliver \$84,000 to upgrade Maitland Showground?
 - (a) Who did you make this commitment to?
 - (b) Was this commitment made public?
 - (i) If so, where was it made public?
 - (c) Did you at any time between 25 March 2023 and 10 April 2023 request that this project be added to the list of commitments for funding under the Local Small Commitments Allocation?

Answer—

I am advised

This is a matter for the Special Minister of State.

* 2115 ENERGY—ORIGIN ENERGY RESERVE SUPPLY—The Hon. Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Does Origin Energy have any reserved supplies of coal?
 - (a) If so, is it expected that these reserves will support future energy supply in accordance with any contractual arrangement reached in extending the operation life of the Eraring Power Station?

Answer—

- (1) Origin Energy Limited maintains a stockpile of coal at the Eraring Power Station site. Origin Energy is limited to a stockpile equivalent to 60 days of Eraring Power Station's coal demand except in certain circumstances.
 - (a) No. The coal currently stockpiled at Eraring Power Station is expected to be consumed within the next 60 days.

* 2116 ENERGY—EXTENSION OF ERARING POWER STATION—The Hon. Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) In negotiating the extension of Eraring Power Station, will coal be sourced from "Centennial Coal Company Limited" or has an alternative arrangement been reached?

Answer—

- (1) The source of coal supply to Eraring Power Station is a commercial matter for Origin Energy Limited to determine as its owner and operator.

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2316 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—FUND 6101—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Finance, Minister for Domestic Manufacturing and Government Procurement, and Minister for Natural Resources representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Education and Early Learning, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) Could you please advise the exact balance recorded in the Fund 6101 in respect of each of the following schools as at the end of 2023:
 - (a) Barrenjoey High School?
 - (b) Avalon Public School?
 - (c) Bilgola Plateau Public School?
 - (d) Newport Public School?
 - (e) Pittwater High School?
 - (f) Mona Vale Public School?
 - (g) Elanora Heights Public School?
 - (h) Narrabeen Sports High School?
 - (i) Narrabeen North Public School?
 - (j) Narrabeen Lakes Public School?
 - (k) Terrey Hills Public School?
 - (l) Northern Beaches Secondary College Cromer Campus?
 - (m) The Forest High School?

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- (n) Wheeler Heights Public School?
 - (o) Allambie Heights Public School?
 - (p) Brookvale Public School?
 - (q) Collaroy Plateau Public School?
 - (r) Cromer Public School?
 - (s) Dee Why Public School?
 - (t) Forestville Public School?
 - (u) Killarney Heights High School?
 - (v) Beacon Hill Public School?
 - (w) Narraweena Public School?
 - (x) Northern Beaches Secondary College Freshwater Senior Campus?
 - (y) Royal Far West School?
 - (z) Stewart House School?
 - (aa) Seaforth Public School?
 - (bb) Harbord Public School?
 - (cc) Manly West Public School?
 - (dd) Balgowlah Heights Public School?
 - (ee) Curl Curl North Public School?
 - (ff) Manly Village Public School?
 - (gg) Balgowlah North Public School?
 - (hh) Manly Vale Public School?
 - (ii) Northern Beaches Secondary College Manly Campus?
 - (jj) Northern Beaches Secondary College Mackellar Girls Campus?
 - (kk) Northern Beaches Secondary College Balgowlah Boys Campus?
 - (ll) Frenchs Forest Public School?
 - (mm) Davidson High School?
 - (nn) Belrose Public School?
 - (oo) Wakehurst Public School?
 - (pp) Mimosa Public School?
 - (qq) Kambora Public School?
- (2) If any of the answers to the above questions reference publicly available material, could you please provide the URL and page number indicating where the relevant information can be located?

2317 HOUSING—AFFORDABLE HOUSING STATISTICS—The Hon. Scott Farlow 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 you please outline how many dwellings are classified as affordable housing in each Local Government Area across New South Wales?
- (2) How many of these properties classified as affordable housing within each Local Government Area are:

- (a) affordable housing in perpetuity?
 - (b) managed by a registered community housing provider?
 - (c) units?
 - (d) houses?
 - (e) townhouses?
 - (f) studio apartments?
- (3) How many of these properties classified as affordable housing within each Local Government Area have:
- (a) 0-1 bedroom?
 - (b) 2 bedrooms?
 - (c) 3 bedrooms?
 - (d) 4 bedrooms?
 - (e) 5 or more bedrooms?

2318 HOUSING—SOCIAL HOUSING PROPERTY STATISTICS BY LGA—The Hon. Scott Farlow 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) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the total population residing in social housing within the Local Government Area?
- (2) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the median age of the population who are the main tenant in social housing within the Local Government Area?
- (3) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the average household size of social housing within the Local Government Area?
- (4) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the total number of social housing dwellings within the Local Government Area?
- (5) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the number of social housing dwellings within the Local Government Area that are defined as a:
 - (a) single household?
 - (b) two-person household?
 - (c) family with children?
 - (d) large household?

2319 HOUSING—SOCIAL HOUSING PROPERTY STATISTICS BY PROPERTY TYPE—The Hon. Scott Farlow 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) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the number of social housing properties classified as cottages?
 - (a) Could you please outline the number of these properties that are:
 - (i) 0-19 years old?
 - (ii) between 20-39 years old?
 - (iii) between 40-59 years old?
 - (iv) between 60-79 years old?
 - (v) over 80 year old?

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- (2) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the number of social housing properties classified as units?
- (a) Could you please outline the number of these properties that are:
- (i) 0-19 years old?
 - (ii) between 20-39 years old?
 - (iii) between 40-59 years old?
 - (iv) between 60-79 years old?
 - (v) over 80 year old?
- (3) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the number of social housing properties classified as townhouses?
- (a) Could you please outline the number of these properties that are:
- (i) 0-19 years old?
 - (ii) between 20-39 years old?
 - (iii) between 40-59 years old?
 - (iv) between 60-79 years old?
 - (v) over 80 year old?
- (4) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the number of social housing properties classified as villas?
- (a) Could you please outline the number of these properties that are:
- (i) 0-19 years old?
 - (ii) between 20-39 years old?
 - (iii) between 40-59 years old?
 - (iv) between 60-79 years old?
 - (v) over 80 year old?
- (5) For each Local Government Area across New South Wales, could you please outline the number of social housing properties which have:
- (a) 0-1 bedrooms?
 - (b) 2 bedrooms?
 - (c) 3 bedrooms?
 - (d) 4 bedrooms?
 - (e) 5 or more bedrooms?

2320 GAMING AND RACING—TOPLESS WAITSTAFF—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty, Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Veterans, Minister for Medical Research, and Minister for the Central Coast—

- (1) Is there regulation, legislation or other requirements for approvals for a hospitality venue with a liquor licence to utilise the services of topless waitstaff?
- (a) Could you please provide information regarding what a venue with a liquor licence must do in order to utilise the services of topless waitstaff?
- (i) If the answer references publicly available material, could you please provide the URL and page number where the relevant information is located?

- (b) Could you please provide information regarding what restrictions or rules apply to a venue which utilises the services of topless waitstaff?
 - (i) If the answer references publicly available material, could you please provide the URL and page number where the relevant information is located?

2321 PLANNING AND PUBLIC SPACES—TOPLESS WAITSTAFF—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage representing the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

- (1) Is there any regulation, legislation or requirements for approvals for a hospitality venue to utilise the services of topless waitstaff?
 - (a) Could you please provide information regarding what planning approvals might be required for a hospitality venue, with or without a liquor licence, to utilise the services of topless waitstaff?
 - (i) If the answer references publicly available material, could you please provide the URL and page number where the relevant information is located?
 - (b) Can local council implement control, policies or any other instrument to require Council approval before a hospitality venue, with or without a liquor licence, can utilise the services of topless waitstaff?
 - (i) If the answer references publicly available material, could you please provide the URL and page number where the relevant information is located?
 - (c) Could you please provide information regarding what restrictions or rules apply to a venue which utilises the services of topless waitstaff?
 - (i) If the answer references publicly available material, could you please provide the URL and page number where the relevant information is located?

2322 SPORT—RECENT FIRST LAP VOUCHER REDEMPTIONS—The Hon. Chris Rath to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Lands and Property, Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) In relation to 'First Lap learn to swim vouchers', how many vouchers were redeemed in 2021-2022?
 - (a) How many vouchers were redeemed in 2022-2023?
 - (b) How many vouchers were redeemed in 2023-2024?

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