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*4023 BLIND RECRUITING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What research has the Government carried out about hiring bias, including unconscious bias within government agencies and other employers?
- (2) What measures does the Government have in place to ensure that potential employees are not discriminated against based on irrelevant factors such as name, gender, age and location?
- (3) What measures does the Government have in place to ensure that government agencies and private sector companies employ people fairly and based on merit?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to replicate the Victorian Government partnership with the private sector to implement this trial?
- (5) What other plans does the Government have to ensure fair recruitment in New South Wales?

Answer—

- (1) The Behavioural Insights Unit (BIU), part of the Department of Premier and Cabinet, published on 4 August 2016 a short report on some of the ways cognitive biases can affect decision making in the recruitment process and examples of evidence-based behavioural interventions that could prevent and overcome these biases.
- (2) The Government Sector Employment Act 2013 (GSE Act) establishes an ethical framework where recruitment and promotion of employees is on the basis of merit. Government sector employers are required to consider people equally, without prejudice or favour, uphold the law and recruit and promote people on merit. The sector also complies with the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- (3) In 2014, the Public Service Commission (PSC) introduced a new recruitment model for the NSW public service to strengthen the application of the principle of merit to provide a fair, rigorous and consistent approach to recruitment. A key feature of the new recruitment model is the use of multiple capability based assessments to provide a more holistic view of candidates' capabilities and increase the reliability and validity of the assessment process.
- (4) The BIU and PSC are working together to understand the feasibility of conducting some targeted trials in the NSW government sector where the effectiveness of the techniques discussed in the BIU report can be tested in the NSW context.
- (5) The PSC is working on a range of interventions to improve recruitment and selection practices in the NSW government sector over the next 12 months, including:
 - (a) a set of practical guides to help hiring managers select and administer fit-for-purpose assessment methods.
 - (b) recommended assessment strategies for roles that are common across the sector
 - (c) an online knowledge base for agencies to share best practice recruitment tools and templates.

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*4031 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL EYE CLINIC—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) What treatments are being offered at the John Hunter Hospital Eye Clinic?
- (2) Are there any services that were available before the closure of the Eye Clinic that have no longer been offered since the Clinic's reopening?

Answer—

The John Hunter Hospital Eye Clinic provides services for patients with a range of complex conditions including corneal conditions, diabetic eye disease, significant eye infections, eyelid disorders, lesions and tumours, retinal disorders, uveitis and glaucoma.

Prior to its closure, initial consultations for cataracts services were provided at the clinic, with measurements attended in private rooms.

Since the eye clinic re-opened in August 2014 it has not provided cataract services. However, when patients have had their consultation appointment with an optometrist or local bulk billing ophthalmologist they may still receive their surgery as a public patient in one of the hospitals in the Hunter New England Local Health District.

*4032 WESTCONNEX M4 WIDENING PROJECT—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Will the Minister agree to meet me and my constituents who I wrote to the Minister about on 28 July 2016 concerning the WestConnex M4 widening project?

Answer—

From 2014 the Sydney Motorway Corporation has had extensive consultation with the constituent, one on one meeting with key project team members, phone calls, notifications and written correspondence.

*4033 CAPACITY OF THE SOUTH COAST LINE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

(1) Has the Government received any advice on when the capacity of the South Coast Line will be exhausted for:

- (a) Commuter travel?
- (b) Freight handling?

(2) If so, who has provided the advice?

(3) If not, why has the Government not requested this advice?

Answer—

Transport for NSW continually monitors capacity on the rail network, including the South Coast Line, to ensure customers' needs are met.

Improvements introduced from Monday 17 October on the South Coast Line include more frequency, greater capacity and reduced journey times on services between 3.15pm and 3.45pm, reducing crowding. Additionally, four express services stopping at Austinmer Station have been permanently introduced into the timetable following a recent review.

*4034 STAFF AT WYONG HOSPITAL—Mr David Harris asked the Minister for Health—

What is the current full-time equivalent and part-time equivalent clinical and non clinical staffing at Wyong Hospital?

Answer—

Local health districts and hospitals vary staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operations needs at any point in time.

Since 2011, the Government has increased the amount of nurses and midwives by 423 in the Central Coast LHD.

*4035 SERVICE NSW STAFF IN THE LIVERPOOL ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

How many full-time equivalent and part-time staff are employed at the Service NSW Office located within the electorate of Liverpool?

Answer—

As at 20 September 2016, there was a total of 68 staff members at the Liverpool Service Centre. 33 staff members were full-time and 35 were part-time.

*4036 GREYHOUND TRANSITION TASKFORCE MEETING—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

(1) How many individuals attended the meeting of the Greyhound Transition Taskforce held at The Gardens Greyhound Racing Club on 19 August 2016?

(2) What issues were discussed?

(3) What did participants indicate would be the impact of the:

- (a) Transition timeframe;
- (b) Surrender arrangements;
- (c) Business impacts;
- (d) Possible assistance measures?

(4) Will the Greyhound Transition Taskforce publicly release the minutes of the meeting?

(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

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(1) Approximately 20 people attended.

(2) The Coordinator General of the Taskforce, Dr John Keniry AM, provided information on the proposed transition dates under consideration by the Taskforce for non-racing activities, such as breeding, training and keeping greyhounds. Dr Keniry also provided information on the assistance measures being considered by the Taskforce.

(3) Participants at the meeting raised a number of concerns, including in relation to:

- the greyhound racing closure date and the cessation of other activities, including breeding, rearing and training;
- appropriate arrangements for the care of their dogs once racing ceases;
- the ability of clubs and businesses to transition.

(4) On 11 October, the Government announced it will give the greyhound racing industry one more chance in NSW, subject to it agreeing to the strictest regulations to clamp down on animal cruelty.

The Greyhound Industry Reform Panel, chaired by former Premier Morris Iemma and with representatives from industry and the RSPCA, will determine the new regime. It will ensure that New South Wales greyhound racing has the strictest regulatory guidelines in the country and prioritises animal welfare. Subject to the Panel's recommendations, legislation will be introduced early in 2017 to repeal the ban on greyhound racing and establish the new regulatory regime.

*4037 OUTSTANDING MAINTENANCE TASKS AND PROJECTS IN THE LIVERPOOL ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Education—

(1) How long have maintenance tasks and projects been outstanding at the following schools in the Liverpool electorate:

- (a) Sadleir Public School;
- (b) Cartwright Public School;
- (c) Heckenberg Public School;
- (d) Busby Public School;
- (e) Busby West Public School;
- (f) Miller Public School;
- (g) Miller Technology High School;
- (h) Hoxton Park High School?

(2) What are the specific maintenance tasks and projects outstanding at these schools?

Answer—

The Department of Education has released individual school maintenance backlog data for every school in New South Wales.

*4038 STRATEGIES FOR PREVENTION OF GRAFFITI IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

What strategies are in place to reduce and prevent graffiti attacks in Wallsend?

Answer—

Police in the Newcastle City Local Area Command, which includes Wallsend, are tasked to conduct high visibility patrols of hotspot areas in the Command. If a spike or trend is identified, further resources may be deployed into the affected area. Police attempt to identify offenders by matching graffiti tags to previous offences recorded on police systems. If there are any leads or suspects identified, a case is created and allocated to an officer for further investigation.

*4039 PUBLIC SERVANTS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

How many public servants were employed in office spaces in the postcode 2000 in each year from 2011 to 2016 (as at 15 September 2016)?

Answer—

The employment and location of public servants is a matter for individual agencies.

*4040 GOVERNMENT RECRUITMENT EXPENDITURE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

(1) How much has the Government spent on recruitment agencies across all agencies in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2016-17 (as at 15 September 2016)?

(2) For each of the above years, what were the three highest spending agencies?

Answer—

The Department of Finance, Services and Innovation does not collect a complete record of this data.

*4041 ILLAWARRA GREVILLEA PARK—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Has consultation regarding the future extension of Memorial Drive commenced with the Illawarra Grevillea Park representatives about the future of the park?

- (a) If so, when did this commence?
(b) If not, when will this begin?

(2) Do you have any proposals regarding the future location of the park?

Answer—

Community and stakeholder consultation will commence when a proposal is identified under the Thirroul to Unanderra Network Strategy. The Strategy is currently at data-collection stage and is expected to be completed by mid to late 2017.

*4043 SPEEDING INFRINGEMENTS ISSUED ON CROUDACE STREET, LAMBTON—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

(1) How many speeding infringements were issued on Croudace Street, Lambton in each of the years from 2011 to 2015 to:

- (a) Motor vehicle drivers?
(b) Heavy vehicle drivers?

Answer—

The Traffic and Highway Patrol Command was established to remove the barrier of Local Area Command boundaries. Traffic enforcement is delivered through a single Command with 25 regional clusters that coordinate both statewide and local traffic operations.

*4044 LOCAL GOVERNMENT BRANDING AND SIGNAGE—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Local Government—

(1) How much have the forcibly amalgamated local government areas spent on branding and new signage to 20 September 2016?

- (2) What guidelines have been issued to forcibly amalgamated local government areas concerning the appropriateness of spending on branding and new signage?
(3) Does the Minister believe forcibly amalgamated local government areas should have any cap on expenditure on branding and new signage?

Answer—

The Government has invested up to \$25 million in each new council through the New Council Implementation Fund and the Stronger Communities Fund. The New Council Implementation Fund provides up to \$10 million for each new council to help cover the upfront costs of implementation, which may include integrating systems to support the operation of the new council, signage, and development and release of the website for the new council.

The amounts spent on branding and new signage are a matter for each council in accordance with the guidelines.

*4045 SMOKEFREE ENVIRONMENT PENALTY NOTICES—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

(1) How many penalty notices have been issued under the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 in each of the years 2011 and 2012 for smoking:

- (a) On railway stations;
(b) On trains;
(c) At bus stops;
(d) On buses;
(e) At transport interchanges?

(2) What is the total value of penalty notices issued above under the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000?

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- (3) Of the penalty notices issued in (1) how many were issued on the following train lines:
- (a) T1;
 - (b) T2;
 - (c) T3;
 - (d) T4;
 - (e) T5;
 - (f) T6;
 - (g) T7?
- (4) Of the penalty notices issued in (1), how many were issued in the following bus service regions:
- (a) 1;
 - (b) 2;
 - (c) 3;
 - (d) 4;
 - (e) 5;
 - (f) 6;
 - (g) 7;
 - (h) 8;
 - (i) 9;
 - (j) 10;
 - (k) 11;
 - (l) 12;
 - (m) 13?

Answer—

(1) No penalty notices were issued in 2011 and 2012 for smoking under the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 as the offence for 'smoking in a smoke-free area' was not prescribed as a penalty notice matter until 20 September 2013 by the Smoke-free Environment Amendment Regulation 2013.

(2) to (4) Refer to 1 above.

*4046 HUNTER WATER—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

- (1) Are there plans to privatise Hunter Water and its assets beyond what has already taken place to date (to 16 September 2016)?

Answer—

The Government has no plans to privatise Hunter Water.

*4047 COURT HOUSES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

How many court houses in New South Wales have been sold since 1.10.15?

Answer—

I am advised that the Government constructed and opened one new court house to replace an existing court house since 1.10.15.

*4049 GOVERNMENT PROPERTY NSW IN THE LIVERPOOL ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) (a) What are all the landholdings managed by Government Property NSW in the Liverpool electorate?
(b) What are all the lease holdings managed by Government Property NSW in the Liverpool electorate?
(c) What are the specific uses of each of these sites?

Answer—

(1) (a) Nil.

(1) (b) and (c)

Address	Use
Liverpool, 5-7 Secant Street	Community Services
Liverpool, 52 Scott Street	Community Corrections Office
Liverpool, 21 Pirie Street	Community Services Centre
Liverpool, 45/47 Scott Street	Legal Aid Office

Liverpool, Macquarie Street	Service NSW Digital Store
Liverpool, 2-20 Orange Grove Road	Service NSW Service Centre
Liverpool, 269-273 Bigge Street	Education Asset Management
Liverpool, 23-31 Moore Street	FACS Central Office, FACS Business Services, Housing NSW
Liverpool, 33 Moore Street	NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal

*4050 FIREARM PROHIBITION ORDER SEARCH POWERS RECOMMENDATIONS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

What is your response to the recommendations by the Acting Ombudsman in his review of the NSW Police Forces use of Firearm Prohibition Order search powers?

Answer—

The Government is carefully considering the information and recommendations put forward in the Ombudsman's report.

*4051 RESPONSE TO A RECOMMENDATION OF THE ACTING OMBUDSMAN—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

What is your response to recommendation no 9 by the Acting Ombudsman in his review of the NSW Police Force's use of Firearm Prohibition Order search powers?

Answer—

I am advised the government is considering the report and its recommendations.

*4053 RESPONSE TO CORRESPONDENCE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

What is your response to the letter dated 15.9.16 from Tony Kenyon, National President of the Australian Lawyers Alliance concerning Indefinite Detention of People Convicted of Terrorism Offences?

Answer—

I have written to Tony Kenyon in response to his letter dated 15 September 2016.

*4054 STATE ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Please provide a list of all the state assets and infrastructure slated to be sold in the foreseeable future?

Answer—

The Government has announced the sale of:

- Pillar Administration
- Cobbora land (approximately 44,000 hectares) for agricultural use

It is appropriate for questions relating to government agency activities to be directed to the responsible Minister.

*4055 GRAFFITI REMOVAL DAY CONTRACT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

(1) (a) What contact has Jeff Egan had with you or your office in the period 1.1.16 to 10.9.16?

b. What discussions have you or your office had with Jeff Egan concerning the three year contract to run Graffiti Removal Day?

Answer—

I am advised that in June 2016, following competitive tendering the Department of Justice awarded Graffiti Removal Australia a contract to run Graffiti Removal Day. This tendering process was in line with NSW Procurement guidelines.

*4056 CHANGES TO COMPULSORY THIRD PARTY INSURANCE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

What impact will the Government's changes to Compulsory Third Party insurance have on regional residents?

Answer—

The aim of the proposed new scheme is to provide the benefits that injured road users need, when they

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need it, rather than having to sue an insurance company and negotiate for an uncertain settlement.

Currently a person injured in a motor vehicle accident can wait between three and five years for their claim to be resolved, meaning injured people can be left without any income support or access to treatment for significant periods of time. The proposed reforms will improve health outcomes by encouraging the faster resolution of claims and providing earlier access to funds for medical treatment and income support for all injured people.

The new Scheme will also ensure that a higher proportion of premium funds go towards supporting injured people, particularly those with more serious injuries. People who are more seriously injured will still be able to claim lump sum compensation where another driver is at fault, including payment for pain and suffering and ongoing medical and attendant care costs.

Road users in regional areas will also benefit from the expansion of Scheme coverage to provide defined benefits to all people injured in motor vehicle accidents, regardless of fault. This means that motorists injured in single vehicle accidents, for example, and who are unable to prove fault on someone else's part, will receive the support they need to recover.

The reforms will simplify the claims process and significantly reduce scheme costs, including insurer expenses and profit, legal fees and administration, meaning the majority of motorists, including those in regional areas, can also expect to see a significant reduction in their Green Slip premium in the new scheme.

*4057 YASMAR ESTATE IN HABERFIELD—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

- (1) How much has the Department spent in repairing and maintaining the Yasmar Estate in Haberfield over the past five financial years (as at 20 September 2016)?
- (2) What works have been undertaken in the past five financial years to maintain and repair the Estate?
- (3) What is the Department's estimation of the total maintenance and repair backlog at the Estate?

Answer—

(1) Approximately \$290,000.

(2)

- Plumbing and broken window repairs;
- Lawn, garden and hardstand maintenance;
- Installation of fire detection equipment;
- Removal of hazardous trees;
- Security patrols;
- Other works

(3) Works include structural components of the floors, walls, columns and roof structure and the removal and replacement of the slate roof tiles and some works to the gardens.

*4058 SERVICE NSW CUSTOMERS—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many customers have been served at Service NSW Centres at Warrawong, Corrimal, Kiama and Wollongong during the period between November 2015 and 20 September 2016?
 - (a) How many of these customers reside in the following postcodes:
 - (i) 2528;
 - (ii) 2527;
 - (iii) 2529;
 - (iv) 2530?

Answer—

The approximate number of customers served between 1 November 2015 and 20 September 2016 are listed below:

- Warrawong - more than 112,600
- Corrimal – more than 51,500
- Kiama – more than 38,100
- Wollongong – more than 76,700

The number of customers served that reside in the postcode areas listed is not available.

*4059 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO REDEVELOP—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) Considering the Minister's announcement on 15 September 2016 that the Government plans to enter into public-private partnerships to redevelop five New South Wales public hospitals, including Shellharbour Hospital, what specific factors determine "value for money"?
- (2) What is the evaluation process for the proposals received for all the designated projects?
- (3) How many existing established non-government hospital operators are there in New South Wales?
- (4) On what date will the expression of interest process close for each of the designated projects?
- (5) Will the Expression of Interest assessment be made public?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (6) On what date will subsequent Requests for Proposal (RFP) close for each of the designated projects?
- (7) Will RFPs be made public?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

The evaluation process will include local health districts in assessing the operators' ability to respond appropriately to the need to deliver high quality public health services. The purpose of the Expressions of Interest (EOI) process is to test the market to ascertain which operators are suitably experienced to deliver high quality public health services.

The EOI process closed on 14 October, 2016. Following the EOI assessment process, the successful operators to progress to the Request for Proposals (RFP) stage will be announced. If there is enough interest to take the projects forward to RFP, a detailed timeline for the procurement of each individual project will then be determined.

The EOI process currently underway was publicly undertaken.

*4060 REVIEW OF CONVICTION—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

- (1) (a) Have you received a review into the conviction of Kathleen Folbigg?
- (b) Will you adopt the recommendations of the Crown Advocate in the review of the conviction of Kathleen Folbigg?
- (c) When will you make your decision concerning the review of the conviction of Kathleen Folbigg?
- (d) When will you announce your decision concerning the review of the conviction of Kathleen Folbigg?

Answer—

I am advised that a petition has been made to the Governor and it will be considered in accordance with Section 77 Crimes (Appeal and Review) Act 2001.

*4061 FUNDING FOR NATURAL DISASTERS—Mr David Mehan asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

- (1) What funding has been provided to Central Coast Council (and its predecessors) to assist in the clean and repairs associated with the following natural disasters:
 - (a) April 2015 storm;
 - (b) September 2015 Bateau Bay hail storm;
 - (c) January 2016 storm?
 - (i) When was the funding provided?
 - (ii) Is any additional funding proposed?

Answer—

(1) (a) The Central Coast Council and its predecessor councils have been given \$664,345 in joint State and Commonwealth funding under the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) for the restoration of roads and road infrastructure damaged in this natural disaster. This funding was approved on 15 June 2015.

(b) The Bateau Bay hail storm was not declared a natural disaster and no joint State and Commonwealth funding under the NDRRA was activated for this event.

(c) The Central Coast Council and its predecessor councils have been given \$588,224 in joint State and Commonwealth funding under the NDRRA for the restoration of roads and road infrastructure damaged in this natural disaster. This funding was approved on 4 July 2016.

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- (i) The funding was provided on the dates as indicated above.
- (ii) Further joint State and Commonwealth funding for Central Coast Council under the NDRRA is currently being assessed and/or finalised for recent disaster events.

*4062 MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT IN CORRECTIONAL SERVICES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) In each of the past five financial years (as at 20 September 2016), what has been the total amount budgeted for mental health treatment in:
 - (a) NSW Correctional facilities?
 - (b) NSW Juvenile Justice facilities?
- (2) In each of the past five financial years (as at 20 September 2016), what has been the total amount spent on mental health treatment in:
 - (a) NSW Correctional facilities?
 - (b) NSW Juvenile Justice facilities?

Answer—

Financial Information for the Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network is available at www.justicehealth.nsw.gov.au.

*4063 COUNCIL AMALGAMATION PROCESS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) Is the Government monitoring the number of jobs lost in local councils through its amalgamation process?
 - (a) If so, how is the monitoring being conducted?
 - (i) How many positions have been lost as a direct result of the amalgamation process?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (2) How many employees have accepted voluntary redundancies in amalgamated councils following the proclamation of new councils?
- (3) What is the Government's estimation of the total amount paid by local councils in redundancy payments since the proclamation of new councils?

Answer—

In accordance with section 254F of the Local Government Act 1993, no non-senior staff member can be forcibly made redundant within 3 years after the date of a merger. Voluntary redundancies and any associated savings for ratepayers are a matter for each new council.

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*4064 CONSULTATION PROCESS FOR CHANGES TO BUS ROUTES—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What consultation process occurs with affected commuters when changes to bus routes are adopted by Transport for NSW?

Answer—

Bus routes are changed periodically to ensure services reflect demand and meet the needs of the majority of customers. Consultation is predominantly undertaken at the strategic stage of major network changes and includes consultation with customers in advance of service changes being implemented.

*4065 BLUE MOUNTAINS LINE—Ms Trish Doyle asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Are there any plans to upgrade any section of the Blue Mountains Line (as far as Lithgow) to allow trains built to the Medium Electric loading gauge to operate passenger services?
- (2) Will the new Intercity Fleet trains be capable of reaching Lithgow station?

Answer—

- (1) The New Intercity Fleet will replace current services to the Blue Mountains. As with all new fleet procurement, some enabling works are required to accommodate the new trains.
- (2) Yes.

*4066 STRATA REFORMS INFORMATION SEMINARS—Ms Yasmin Catley asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) How many places were available at each of the strata reforms information seminars?
- (2) How many attendees at each meeting were licence and certificate holders under the Property, Stock and Business Agents Act who were allocated 6 Continuing Professional Development (CPD) points for full attendance?
- (3) How many events were full?
- (4) Will NSW Fair Trading be holding further seminars beyond November 2016?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1) As at 12 October 2016, NSW Fair Trading held 11 Strata Reform Seminars which were open to 100 attendees with the exception of the Sydney seminar which was open to 300 attendees.

(2) As at 12 October 2016, the following number of licence and certificate holders were allocated CPD points for their attendance:

- • Bondi: 11
- • Sydney: 18
- • Lane Cove: 9
- • Green Square: 9
- • Hornsby: 10
- • Burwood: 24
- • Castle Hill: 11
- • Bathurst: 5
- • Penrith: 13
- • Gosford: 19
- • Gymea: 3

Total: 132

(3) For the seminars held as at 12 October 2016, three seminars were full and another three had more than 90 attendees out of the 100 places available. (4) Seminars are scheduled through to 17 November 2016. Further seminars may be considered for 2017.

*4067 CONCESSION OPAL CARDS—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) In the 2015-16 financial year, how many concession Opal cards were issued in the following categories:
 - (a) Tertiary Student;
 - (b) Apprentice and trainee;
 - (c) Job Seeker;
 - (d) TAFE NSW tertiary student?
- (2) What was the total revenue received from concession Opal cards in the 2015-16 financial year?

Answer—

- (1) 159,695.
- (2) 0.0040 per cent of total Opal revenue.

*4068 ACCESSIBILITY AT TRAIN STATIONS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How many train stations across New South Wales are classified as easily accessible?
- (2) Please list these stations in full?
- (3) How many train stations across New South Wales are classified as not easily accessible?
- (4) Please list these stations in full?

Answer—

As at 16 September 2016, 154 out of 307 stations are wheelchair accessible. These stations cover 84 per cent of customers on the rail network. Planning for a further 20 more wheelchair accessibility upgrades at train stations is ongoing. A full list of accessible stations is available on the Sydney Trains and NSW Trains websites. A full list of train stations upgraded under the Transport Access Program is available on the Transport for NSW website.

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*4069 INTERSECTION OF FRANCIS ROAD AND WILLIS STREET, ROOTY HILL—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Will the Minister provide a safety barrier to protect the properties located at the intersection of Francis Road and Willis Street, Rooty Hill from vehicles crashing into them?

Answer—

Investigations to improve safety at the intersection of Francis Road and Willis Street, Rooty Hill are ongoing. The installation of a guardrail is one of the options being considered to improve safety at the site. A corridor investigation of Rooty Hill Road, including Francis Road, is also underway to determine future options to improve safety and travel time.

*4070 HABERFIELD AND ASHFIELD RESIDENTS EFFECTED BY WESTCONNEX—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) How many residents in Haberfield and Ashfield have been offered movie tickets on account of the noise from Westconnex construction?
- (2) How many tickets have been have accepted?
- (3) What has been the total cost of providing movie tickets?
- (4) How many residents in Haberfield and Ashfield have been offered temporary accommodation on account of the noise from Westconnex construction?
- (5) How many have accepted?
- (6) What has been the total cost of providing temporary accommodation?

Answer—

For major projects, an act of good will and/or reasonable temporary relocation may be included as part of a range of measures featured in that project's Construction Noise and Vibration Management plan.

A copy of the M4 East Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan can be found on the WestConnex website. It lists specific management and mitigation measures for noise impact.

*4071 ELECTRIC SERVICES TO LITHGOW—Ms Trish Doyle asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Does the Department or Government have proposals at any stage of development for the withdrawal of electric train services to Lithgow?

Answer—

There are no plans to withdraw services. The NSW Government recently increased capacity on services between Central and Lithgow.

*4072 CONSULTATION ON THE BAYS PRECINCT—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Planning—

Will your agency, UrbanGrowth meet with the Glebe Island Users Group as part of their consultation on the Bays Precinct?

Answer—

In partnership with Port Authority of NSW, UrbanGrowth NSW will keep Glebe Island stakeholders up to date on the Urban Transformation Program, and will meet with them upon their request.

*4073 COMMUTERS FAILING TO TAP OFF—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) For each month since December 2015 to August 2016 how many commuters (in numeral terms and as a percentage) on Sydney Buses have failed to 'tap off' at the end of their journey?
- (2) For each month since December 2015 to August 2016 how many commuters (in numeral terms and as a percentage) on Sydney Trains have failed to 'tap off' at the end of their journey?

Answer—

If a customer has not tapped-off correctly, Opal Customer Care on 13 67 25, has the discretion to adjust a fare. As customers get used to using their Opal card, the system allows up to three fare adjustments.

- (1) Between December 2015 and August 2016, an average of 2.94 per cent of adult trips were unfinished on Sydney Buses.
- (2) Between December 2015 and August 2016, an average of 1.06 per cent of adult trips were unfinished

on Sydney Trains

*4074 PARRAMATTA TO STRATHFIELD LIGHT RAIL PROJECT—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

When will you release the preferred routes for the Parramatta to Strathfield light rail project for community consultation?

Answer—

The Government's preferred network for the Parramatta Light Rail project includes a spine running from Westmead to Strathfield via Parramatta CBD, incorporating Camellia and Sydney Olympic Park. A light rail line will also branch to Carlingford, replacing the existing heavy rail shuttle.

The route will connect Parramatta's CBD to Sydney Olympic Park, Westmead Hospital, Western Sydney University and Strathfield. The project will kick-start revitalisation and jobs growth along a corridor over 20 kilometres long.

Work began on the final business case and assessment of the preferred network in 2015. This work includes planning, design and consultation with key stakeholders along the network to develop the staging of the project, the exact light rail route and stops, and the final project cost.

A detailed route, including stop locations, will be announced in early 2017.

*4075 TRANSPORT FOR NSW CONTRACTS—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

How many contracts has Deloitte Australia won with Transport for NSW in each year from 2011 to 2016 (as at 20 September 2016)?

Answer—

Information about Transport for NSW contracts is available on the NSW eTendering website.

*4076 V-SET ROLLING STOCK—Ms Trish Doyle asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Will any of the V-Set rolling stock be withdrawn from service after the introduction of the New Intercity Fleet?
- (2) For how long will any V-Set rolling stock remain in service after the introduction of the New Intercity Fleet?

Answer—

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Some V-sets will remain in service until the last of the new intercity fleet carriages are in service.

*4077 NEW INTERCITY FLEET ROLLING STOCK—Ms Trish Doyle asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What will be the width of the New Intercity Fleet rolling stock?
- (2) To which loading gauge specification will the New Intercity Fleet rolling stock be built?

Answer—

- (1) The New Intercity Fleet conforms to standard Medium Electric Rollingstock Outline Dimensions, as specified by Transport for NSW (TfNSW), which is 3050mm at its widest point.
- (2) The New Intercity Fleet will be built to the medium electric outline gauge specification, which is the same as the Tangara, Millennium, Oscar and Waratah sets.

*4078 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STAFF AT MERRYLANDS MOTOR REGISTRY—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff were employed at the former Merrylands motor registry in each of the financial years 2014-15 and 2015-16?
- (2) How many staff of the former Merrylands motor registry have been redeployed?
- (3) How many staff of the former Merrylands motor registry were made redundant?
- (4) What is the total cost of redundancy payments to staff of the former Merrylands motor registry?

Answer—

As at 30 June 2015 the former Merrylands motor registry had 10.43 FTE staff members. On 30 April 2016, it had 11.64 FTE staff members. Services at the former Merrylands motor registry relocated to the Auburn Service Centre in May 2016.

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All Roads and Maritime Services staff at the former Merrylands motor registry had the opportunity to apply for positions with Service NSW through a priority assessment process. Those who were not successful had an opportunity to apply for voluntary redundancy and this process is managed by Roads and Maritime Services.

*4079 HOUSING ASSET SALES—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

- (1) How much money has been made from Housing NSW housing sales since March 2011?
- (2) How much money has been made from Housing NSW housing sales since March 2011 in the following allocation zones:
 - (a) GW1 Parramatta;
 - (b) GBW Auburn/Granville;
 - (c) GW8 Holroyd?
- (3) What estimates have been made of how much money will be made from Housing NSW housing sales in the next four years in the following allocation zones:
 - (a) GW1 Parramatta;
 - (b) GBW Auburn/Granville;
 - (c) GW8 Holroyd?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to increase the social housing supply in the following allocation zones:
 - (a) GW1 Parramatta;
 - (b) GBW Auburn/Granville;
 - (c) GW8 Holroyd?

Answer—

(1) to (3) NSW Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) continually reviews the suitability of the properties it owns to ensure they meet the needs of the social housing system. LAHC may sell properties which have become uneconomical to maintain or repair, as well as properties which have a high market value, or properties which no longer align to the demand in the area. The money raised is used to fund the building of new homes, in highly accessible locations and which meet the needs of social housing tenants. If a property is not redeveloped for social housing purposes it is disposed of through an open market process.

(4) Details about the supply of new social housing are available on the Department of Family and Community Services website at <http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/reforms/social-housing/future-directions>.

*4080 DUCK RIVER CATCHMENT—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

- (1) For those parts of the Duck River Catchment that Sydney Water is responsible for, what regular maintenance is undertaken of concrete channels?
- (2) How often is litter removal undertaken?
- (3) How often are gross pollutant traps cleared of litter?
- (4) What assessment has been undertaken of investment to clean up the catchment?
- (5) Are there plans to install additional stormwater devices in the catchment?
- (6) Has discussion been undertaken with landowners to reduce litter entering the catchment?
- (7) Has discussion been undertaken with other agencies responsible for stormwater management in the catchment to improve the local environment?

Answer—

(1) Regular maintenance that is undertaken on Sydney Water concrete channels within the Duck Creek catchment is:

- Removal of silt
- Removal of debris when an obstruction is being caused
- Spraying and removal of vegetation from within the channels
- Minor repairs of structural damage including concrete patching and brick wall repairs

(2) Litter is removed from concrete stormwater channels when required. The typical cleaning frequency is 2-4 times per year and is focused on where blockages can occur from large debris becoming stuck in culverts.

(3) Sydney Water owns and maintains three gross pollutant traps within the Duck Creek Catchment. These are located at Elizabeth Street, Guildford; Hume Park, Silverwater and O'Neil Park, Yagoona. The

traps at Elizabeth Street and Hume Park are inspected and cleaned every three months; the trap at O'Neil Park is inspected and cleaned weekly.

The cleaning frequency is based on Sydney Water's experience of cleaning these traps and the amount of litter they capture over certain timeframes.

(4) Sydney Water is partnering with the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG) in the development of the Parramatta River Masterplan – the strategic plan to make the Parramatta River swimmable by 2025. As part of this, management scenarios for controlling water quality in the river at a level safe for swimming are being looked at.

(5) No.

(6) Education campaigns to reduce litter are typically undertaken by the EPA and local council.

(7) Yes. The Parramatta River Masterplan is an approach to managing the catchment as a whole. The project involves multiple organisations and is being led by the Parramatta River Catchment Group with significant support from Sydney Water

*4081 WESTCONNEX COMMUNITY INFORMATION KIOSK—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How many customers have been served at the Westconnex community information kiosk at Marrickville Metro Shopping Centre since it opened?

(2) What has been the total cost of operating the kiosk?

(3) Has the Government received any complaints regarding the standard of service at the community information kiosk?

(a) If so, how many?

Answer—

Community information centres provide residents and business owners with access to detailed project information and project experts.

Community consultation activities including information centres and kiosks, are , available in the Environmental Impact Statement. The WestConnex community information kiosk at Marrickville operated between September 2015 to December 2015.

All costs associated with consultation activities are included in the overall project budget costs.

One complaint has been received at the community information kiosk. Residents with enquiries or concerns can call the WestConnex Information Line on 1800 660 248 which is staffed 24 hours a day and is toll free.

*4082 SENIOR EXECUTIVES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Ryan Park asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

(1) Please provide a list of the postcodes where all members of the senior executive employed within the New South Wales Public Service reside?

(2) How many members of the senior executive live in each of the postcodes listed?

(3) What is the distribution of senior executives residing in regional and rural areas?

Answer—

Appointments to senior executive positions are based on merit and conducted in accordance with requirements under the Government Sector Employment Act 2013.

Appointments are not based on applicants' geographical or residential location.

*4083 RENTAL ARREARS IN THE MOUNT DRUITT ELECTORATE—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

(1) How many Housing NSW tenants in the Mount DrUITt electorate are currently in rental arrears?

(2) What is the total cost of these arrears?

Answer—

(1) The number of tenants in rental arrears varies.

(2) Rent arrears across the public housing portfolio in 2014/15 and 2015/16 were less than one per cent of the total amount of rent that was payable.

*4084 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL DENTAL CLINIC—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Health—

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What is the current wait time for persons eligible to receive treatment at the Mount Druitt Hospital Dental Clinic?

Answer—

NSW public dental services are provided according to criteria that prioritise emergency situations, as well as patient groups in most need and at highest risk of disease. These criteria are laid out in the Policy Directive Priority Oral Health Program and List Management Protocols (PD2008_056).

The NSW Ministry of Health regularly reports data on public dental service waiting list numbers via its website www.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/Pages/public-dental-care-waiting.aspx.

*4085 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY NETWORK—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy—

- (1) How many households in both The Entrance electorate and the entire Central Coast are connected to the electricity supply network?
- (2) How many are paying for their electricity based on the retailers 'standing offer' ?
- (3) How many are paying the retailers 'most common offer' rates for their electricity?
- (4) How many are paying the retailers 'lowest offer' rates for their electricity?

Answer—

(1) I am advised by Ausgrid, the local electricity distribution network, that there are around 148,000 households connected to the electricity network in the entire Central Coast (Wyong and Gosford local government areas).

(2), (3), and (4) As there are a number of retailers who offer electricity in this area, data on how many customers are on the standing offer, most common offer, or lowest offer is commercially sensitive. However, across NSW, approximately 73 per cent of customers were on a market offer and 27% were on a standing offer as at March 2016.

*4086 MEDICAL CARE AND INJURY SERVICES LEVY—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What percentage of the Compulsory Third Party insurance for motor vehicles is currently being charged for the Medical Care and Injury Services Levy?
- (2) Will the Government implement a rebate for pensioners?

Answer—

These questions should be directed to the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation.

*4087 HOUSING NSW TENANTS IN THE MOUNT DRUITT ELECTORATE—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

- (1) How many Housing NSW tenants in the Mount Druitt electorate have been evicted since the introduction of the Residential Tenancies and Housing Legislation Amendment (Public Housing-Anti Social Behaviour) Act 2015?
- (2) What were the reasons for these evictions?

Answer—

The Government's antisocial behaviour policy was implemented in February 2016. As at 30 September 2016, no tenant in the Mount Druitt Electorate has been evicted under that policy.

*4088 PIPELINES ALONG THE NORTH BANKS OF THE COOKS RIVER—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy—

- (1) What is the depth of each of the three pipelines along the north banks of the Cooks River?
- (2) What records exist of the easement arrangements where the pipelines run beneath crown land?
 - (a) If the records exist, can you please make these maps available to the public?
- (3) Has the Government completed a risk assessment on the pipelines in terms of the likelihood of pipes impacting the river or local communities along the river, or does the Government have access to risk assessments conducted by the pipeline owners?
 - (a) If so, can you please make risk assessments available to the public?

Answer—

(1) The Licensed Pipelines depth of cover varies along the easement however it has an approximate cover of 900mm or greater.

(2) The easements are gazetted to the Licensee at the granting of the license. All Licensed Pipelines are included in the Central Register of Restrictions (CRR), which is accessible to the public. The Resources and Energy Division maintains the information for the pipelines on the register.

(2a) Details can be accessed from the CRR.

(3) Licensed single-phase and multi-phase hydrocarbon fluid pipelines in New South Wales are required to follow the technical safety requirements of Australian Standard 2885 (AS2885). AS2885 is a risk based technical standard for the safe design, construction, operation and maintenance of the pipeline.

The Standard's fundamental principles are based on:

- a) the safety of the general public and pipeline personnel
- b) the protection of the environment
- c) security of supply.

The Licensed Pipelines are independently audited annually against AS2885 requirements and the Resources and Energy Division manage this process.

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*4089 VEHICLE REGISTRATION LABELS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) In the 12 months after the introduction of no label registration of vehicles, how many people were fined for driving an unregistered vehicle in New South Wales?
- (2) In the 12 months prior to the introduction of no label registration of vehicles, how many people were fined for driving an unregistered vehicle in New South Wales?

Answer—

This is a matter for Minister for Finance, Services and Property.

*4090 APPLICATIONS AT THE NSW CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL—Ms Julia Finn asked the Attorney General—

- (1) Between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2016, how many applications were made to the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal by residents of the:
 - (a) Former Parramatta local government area
 - (b) Former Holroyd local government area ?
- (2) Of these applications how many related to:
 - (a) Review of administrative decisions made by a government agency;
 - (b) Review of occupational licensing decisions by a government agency;
 - (c) Consumer claims complaints about a business or company;
 - (d) Motor vehicles consumer complaints;
 - (e) Home building disputes about residential building;
 - (f) Holiday parks disputes;
 - (g) Agent commissions or fees disputes;
 - (h) Agricultural tenancy disputes;
 - (i) Conveyancing costs disputes;
 - (j) Retail lease disputes;
 - (k) Pawnbrokers and second-hand dealer disputes;
 - (l) Discrimination, harassment or vilification complaints;
 - (m) Dividing fence disputes between neighbours;
 - (n) Appointment of a guardian or financial manager;
 - (o) Professional discipline of lawyers, veterinarians, architects, builders, and health professionals;
 - (p) Tenancy disputes between tenants and landlords;
 - (q) Social housing disputes;
 - (r) Residential community disputes;
 - (s) Retirement villages disputes;
 - (t) Boarding houses disputes;

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- (u) Strata disputes?
- (3) Of the orders made subsequent to applications how many requests were received to:
- Enforce a money order;
 - Renew the proceedings;
 - Request a warrant for possession?
- (4) How many applications did not proceed to a hearing?
- (5) What was the average waiting time between application and hearing?
- (6) How many applications have not been dealt with?

Answer—

I am advised that information, including some statistics, can be found at: http://www.ncat.nsw.gov.au/Pages/about_us/publications_and_resources/annual_reports.aspx

*4091 COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES IN WESTERN SYDNEY PARKLANDS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

- What commercial activities are permitted in Western Sydney Parklands?
- How many charity events were held in Western Sydney Parklands in the past twelve months (to 20 September 2016)?
- How many commercial and charitable event applications were declined in the past twelve months (to 20 September 2016)?
- What income has been generated from commercial and charitable events in the past twelve months (to 20 September 2016)?
- What is the marketing budget for the next twelve months (to 20 September 2017)?

Answer—

- A wide range of commercial activities are permitted under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Western Sydney Parklands) 2009 (SEPP). The SEPP is available at www.westernsydneyparklands.com.au/about-us/planning-the-parklands/.
- One.
- Nil.
- \$8,066.
- \$80,000 which includes marketing for WSPT events, services bookings, programs, public relations and branding.

*4092 SYDNEY CBD WI-FI—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- What development work did the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority carry out in preparation for a free Wi-Fi service across the Sydney CBD?
- What progress has been made on this project since January 2016 media reports that it had been delayed by departmental restructures?
- What action has been taken to establish free Wi-Fi in the CBD?
- What precincts are planned to have first access?
- What timeframes have been set for establishing this system?
- What plans does the Government have to provide this infrastructure across the inner city?

Answer—

(1) to (6) In late 2015 Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority commenced some preliminary scoping works for free Wi-Fi across Sydney CBD, including consulting with Destination NSW and the City of Sydney on potential opportunities for establishing Wi-Fi capability.

The Department of Finance, Services and Innovation will continue to monitor opportunities in this space including by liaising with other agencies and the City of Sydney.

*4093 WENTWORTH PARK FUTURE—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

- Does the Government remain committed to ongoing use of Wentworth Park as open public space, alternative sporting facilities or other community uses?
- What requirements does the Government have for minimum amounts of open green space at Wentworth Park?
- What discussions have been held with private corporations or individuals about development of the site?
- What discussions have been held with the City of Sydney about transfer to council for ongoing

management and sport/recreation provision?

- (5) How will the Government ensure delivery of this commitment?
- (6) When does the Government expect to provide information to the public and obtain community input about future use of Wentworth Park?
- (7) What further action is planned for determining the future of Wentworth Park?

Answer—

(1) to (7) On 29 August 2016, the Minister for Lands and Water, the Hon Niall Blair MLC, announced the appointment for up to two years of Mr Rodney Gilmour as administrator of the Wentworth Park Sporting Complex Trust. Mr Gilmour will oversee the operations of the Wentworth Park site and manage its ongoing public use.

On 11 October, the Government announced it will give the greyhound racing industry one more chance in New South Wales, subject to it agreeing to the strictest regulations to clamp down on animal cruelty.

The Greyhound Industry Reform Panel, chaired by former Premier Morris Iemma and with representatives from industry and the RSPCA, will determine the new regime. It will ensure that New South Wales greyhound racing has the strictest regulatory guidelines in the country and prioritises animal welfare.

Subject to the Panel's recommendations, legislation will be introduced early in 2017 to repeal the ban on greyhound racing and establish the new regulatory regime.

*4094 REGISTERED CARAVANS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) How many caravans are registered to owners living in the:
 - (a) Keira electorate?
 - (b) Wollongong electorate?
 - (c) Shellharbour electorate?
 - (d) Kiama electorate?
 - (e) South Coast electorate?

Answer—

Roads and Maritime Services does not separate caravan registrations from trailer registrations. Information is not held by electorate.

*4095 PARKING SIGNAGE—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) What requirements does Roads and Maritime Services have for councils in developing standardised parking signage?
- (2) What assessment has Roads and Maritime Services made of more streamlined, less cluttered and user-friendly parking signage?
- (3) What assessment has been undertaken of using painted lines rather than poles and signs to designate parking restriction such as 'No Stopping'?
- (4) What assessment has been undertaken of using 'time block' parking signage that has a distinctive layout, bold colours and fewer words?
- (5) What plans does the Government have to improve parking signage and reduce statutory signage clutter?

Answer—

(1) to (5) Councils are recommended to follow the requirements outlined in the Australian Standard 1742.11 (Parking Controls) when designing regulatory parking signs. This Standard provides guidance for road authorities across Australia about the design and layout for parking signs. This Standard recommends parking signs be limited to a maximum of four panels to minimise clutter and make road signage as user friendly and streamlined as possible.

In addition, the Australian Standard 17 42.11 (Parking Controls) details standards on yellow edge lines. Continuous yellow edge lines can already be used by road authorities to indicate full time no stopping restrictions, without using No Stopping signs. Yellow edge lines are often used at intersection corners to indicate the statutory 10 metre no stopping restriction. The use of yellow edge lines is also supported by NSW Road Rule 169 (No stopping on a road with a yellow edge line).

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In regards to improving parking signage, road authorities in New South Wales are already able to trial 'time block' parking signage. Any assessment on the success of such signs would be completed by the individual council and Roads and Maritime Services.

*4096 TRANSPORT BETWEEN WOOLLOOMOOLOO AND BALMAIN SCHOOL—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What assessment has the government made on the transport needs of Housing NSW tenants from Woolloomooloo who attend the Sydney Secondary College Balmain Campus?
- (2) What discussions have Transport for NSW officers had with Housing NSW and Kings Cross Local Area Command police about the need for more direct transport between Woolloomooloo and Sydney Secondary College Balmain Campus?
- (3) What new options will the Government provide for students from Woolloomooloo to get to the Sydney Secondary College Balmain Campus?

Answer—

Transport policy stipulates the use of route services where available in preference to providing direct school services.

Existing school specials and regular route services between Woolloomooloo and Sydney Secondary College at Balmain are considered sufficient for the demand experienced.

Transport for NSW will continue to monitor these services to ensure that there is alignment with capacity and school student travel needs.

*4097 PORT STEPHENS WILD KOALA POPULATION—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

- (1) What is the Government doing to stop the decline in Port Stephens wild koala population?
- (2) What amount of funding has the Government allocated to:
 - (a) Arresting the decline of the Port Stephens wild koala population?
 - (b) Protecting the habitat of the Port Stephens wild koala population?
 - (c) Increasing the Port Stephens wild koala population?
- (3) Has the Minister given any consideration to providing financial support for the establishment of a Koala Hospital in Port Stephens?

Answer—

(1) The Government has committed \$100 million for Saving our Species over the next five years. The koala is an iconic species under the Saving our Species program. The Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) is working with key external stakeholders to develop priority actions for the koala. As part of this process, OEH has worked with Port Stephens Council and the Hunter Koala Preservation Society to identify priority actions in Port Stephens.

(2) (a) In 2014, Port Stephens Council was successful in securing \$100,000 through the NSW Environmental Trust Restoration and Rehabilitation grants program for strategic tree planting, and creating links between existing patches of koala habitat.

(b) and (c) OEH is developing priority actions for koalas for 2016-17 under the Saving our Species program; this includes Port Stephens.

(3) OEH has discussed the proposal with Port Stephens Council and the Hunter Koala Preservation Society.

*4098 AMBULANCE RESPONSE TIMES—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) What is the recommended ambulance response time for an unconscious child?
- (2) What is the average response time for ambulances travelling to residents in Medowie?

Answer—

A call to an unconscious child would be triaged as a Priority 1 (P1) and receive an immediate response from the closest ambulance resource under lights and siren.

NSW Ambulance response times are published on the NSW Ambulance website at: www.ambulance.nsw.gov.au/our-performance/response-Times.html.

*4099 DRAYTON SOUTH COAL MINE—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Planning—

- (1) Was the Minister informed of any conflict of interest between Professor Jeffrey Bennett and Mr Robert Gillespie of Gillespie Economics when Professor Bennett was engaged to review the assessment of the proposed Drayton South coal mine?
- If so, when was the Minister informed of this conflict?
 - If so, what action did the Minister take when he became aware of this conflict?
- (2) When Professor Bennett declared this conflict of interest;
- Who was the declaration made to?
 - In what form was the declaration made?
 - If in writing, will a copy of this declaration be made public?
 - What action was taken by the Department when informed of this conflict of interest?

Answer—

(1) No.

(2) Professor Bennett was engaged to undertake an expert review of the economic assessment prepared by HoustonKemp.

Professor Bennett confirmed prior to and by responding to a Request for Quotation, that as at the engagement date he had no conflicts of interest in the provision of the required services.

Professor Bennett has also disclosed his previous professional connections with Dr Jeremy Cheesman and Mr Rod Carr of Marsden Jacobs Associates, the key economic advisors for the thoroughbred industry, as well as with Mr Robert Gillespie.

A copy of the Request for Quotation redacted to remove commercial in confidence and personal information is available on the Department of Planning and Environments disclosure log.

*4100 OPEN DISCLOSURE COORDINATORS AND ADVISORS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health—

- How many open disclosure coordinators were appointed in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2015-16?
- How many open disclosure advisors were appointed in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2015-16?

Answer—

As open disclosure coordinators and disclosure advisors are appointed by individual local health districts information on numbers is not held centrally. Local health districts and hospitals vary staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational needs at any point in time.

The Clinical Excellence Commission has advised that the CEC's Open Disclosure Handbook can be found on the CEC website via the following link: www.cec.health.nsw.gov.au/incident-management/open-disclosure

*4101 PREMIER'S INNOVATION INITIATIVE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- How many Expressions of Interest were received by the Premier's Innovation Initiative?
- How many Submissions of Detailed Proposals were received by the Premier's Innovation Initiative?
- Has the selection and negotiation phase of the project been completed?
- Have any agreements been entered into under the Initiative?

Answer—

The first round of the Premier's Innovation Initiative received a total of 298 Expressions of Interest and 22 detailed proposals.

The selection phase and negotiation phase have been completed where necessary.

Four agreements have been entered into under the Initiative.

*4102 EXPENDITURE OF THE PREMIER'S INNOVATION INITIATIVE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- What was the budgeted cost of the Premier's Innovation Initiative?
- What was the total final cost of the Premier's Innovation Initiative?

Answer—

Agencies met costs where applicable from within existing resources.

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*4103 CHILD PROTECTION HELPLINE CASEWORKERS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

- (1) How many caseworkers were employed by the Child Protection Helpline in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2015-16?

Answer—

Information on caseworker numbers is published quarterly on the Family and Community Services' (FACS) Caseworker Dashboard at www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

*4104 REPORTS TO THE CHILD PROTECTION HELPLINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

- (1) How many reports of underage marriages were made to the Child Protection Helpline in the 2014-15 and 2015-16 financial years?
(2) How many of those reports were investigated and confirmed?

Answer—

- (1) The Helpline received 73 reports about underage forced marriages from July 2014 to June 2016.
(2) The Department of Family and Community Services provides a range of services to vulnerable children and their families. The level and type of intervention will vary depending on the identified risk and the needs of the child and/or young person, including but not limited to safety and risk assessments and referrals to support services.

*4105 REPORTS OF UNDERAGE MARRIAGE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

- (1) How many children reported to the Child Protection Helpline for underage marriage were allocated a caseworker?
(2) How many face to face assessments were conducted with children reported to the Child Protection Helpline for underage marriage in each of the financial years 2014-15 and 2015-16?

Answer—

Children and young people who are the subject of a report to the Child Protection Helpline in relation to underage marriage are dealt with on a case-by-case basis. The Department of Family and Community Services does not collect aggregate data by the category of underage marriage

*4106 OFFICIAL VISITORS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) How many Official Visitors were appointed by the Minister in the financial years of 2014-15 and 2015-16?
(2) How many inspections did those Official Visitors carry out in those years?
(3) How many patients detained or on a community treatment order were assisted by Official Visitors in those years?

Answer—

I am advised that:

- 93 Official Visitors were appointed in 2015-16.
- 2,984 visits to declared mental health facilities were conducted in 2015-16.
- 4,887 inpatients in a declared mental health facility had contact with the Official Visitors in 2015-16.

*4107 CHILDREN REPORTED TO THE CHILD PROTECTION HOTLINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

How many children reported to the Child Protection Hotline as the subject of an underage marriage were removed by statutory child protection authorities in each year from 2014 to 2016 (as at 22 September 2016)?

Answer—

The Department of Family and Community Services provides a range of services to vulnerable children and their families. The level and type of intervention will vary depending on the identified risk and the needs of the child and/or young person, including but not limited to safety and risk assessments and referrals to support services.

*4108 RIOT SQUADS IN PRIVATISED GAOLS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) Do non-government run gaols:
 - (a) Have their own riot trained squads to engage in emergency situations?
 - (b) Call on Corrective Services NSW in the event a riot squad is required?
 - (c) Call on NSW Police Riot Squad in the event there is an emergency situation?
- (2) Which gaols have their own riot trained squads?

Answer—

(1) (a) Yes

(1) (b) The privately managed gaols can seek the assistance of Corrective Services NSW, if required, in managing critical incidents.

(1) (c) Critical incidents that occur at the privately managed gaols are reported to the NSW Police Force. However, should the NSW Police Force be requested to attend a privately managed centre in the event of a critical incident, its primary role would be to focus on any threat or security issue in the centre's external perimeter and the surrounding areas in the community.

(2) During their pre-service course, all correctional officers, including those employed by the privately managed gaols, are trained and assessed in the management of critical incidents, including riot control.

*4109 ICE AFFECTED PERSONS IN EMERGENCY WARDS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many individuals have presented to hospital emergency wards whilst under the influence of the drug known as ice from 1 January to date (as at 22 September 2016)?
- (2) What is the breakdown by region?

Answer—

The methods used to identify methamphetamine-related emergency department presentations and state wide data up until June 2016 are publicly available at www.healthstats.nsw.gov.au.

*4110 PERSONS DETAINED BY NSW POLICE FOR BEING IN POSSESSION ICE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

From 1 January 2016, how many times has a person been detained by NSW Police for alleged possession of the drug known as ice?

Answer—

From 1 January 2016 to 30 September 2016 there were 4,336 incidents of methamphetamine detection where the substance was classified by police as being the crystalline form of the drug, also known as ice, based on observation by the officers concerned. It should be noted that this figure may be subject to change following scientific testing of the substances involved.

*4111 PERSONS DETAINED BY NSW POLICE FOR SUSPICION OF BEING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ICE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

How many times has a person been detained by NSW Police for suspicions of being under the influence of the drug known as ice from 1 January 2016 to date (as at 22 September 2016)?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that the information requested is not available from police information systems.

*4112 COMPLIANCE AUDIT OF COAL LOADING FACILITIES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

- (1) What were the results of the compliance audits of the coal loading premises and four coal terminals in Newcastle referred to in LA Q2798?
- (2) Will the results be available to community and health groups in Newcastle?

Answer—

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1. In 2014 the EPA undertook a compliance audit program on coal-train loading and unloading facilities. A summary of the results of the compliance audit program was published on 17 December 2014 at www.epa.nsw.gov.au/resources/epa/148597-compaudit-coal-train.pdf.

2. The results of the compliance audits are available on the EPA's public register at www.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeo/index.htm.

*4113 EAST MAITLAND SERVICE NSW CENTRE—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff are employed at the East Maitland Service NSW Centre?
- (2) How many staff of the former East Maitland motor registry have been redeployed in the Service NSW Centre in East Maitland?
- (3) How many agencies are represented at the Service NSW Centre at East Maitland?

Answer—

As at 22 September 2016, the Maitland Service Centre had 17.13 FTE staff members.

All Roads and Maritime Services staff at the former Maitland motor registry had the opportunity to apply for positions with Service NSW through a priority assessment process. Those who were not successful had an opportunity to apply for voluntary redundancy and this process is managed by Roads and Maritime Services.

Customers can access over 970 transactions from over 44 agencies across government at the Maitland Service Centre.

*4114 DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOMS IN THE MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many demountable classrooms are currently located overall at schools in the Maitland electorate?
- (2) What is the total number of demountable classrooms located at:
 - (a) Ashtonfield Public School;
 - (b) Bolwarra Public School;
 - (c) Gillieston Public School;
 - (d) Largs Public School;
 - (e) Lochinvar Public School;
 - (f) Maitland East Public School;
 - (g) Maitland Public School;
 - (h) Metford Public School;
 - (i) Millers Forest Public School;
 - (j) Morpeth Public School;
 - (k) Rutherford Public School;
 - (l) Telarah Public School;
 - (m) Tenambit Public School;
 - (n) Thornton Public School;
 - (o) Woodberry Public School;
 - (p) Francis Greenway High School;
 - (q) Maitland Grossman High School;
 - (r) Maitland High School;
 - (s) Rutherford Technology High School?

Answer—

There are currently 60 demountable classrooms across 22 schools in the Maitland electorate.

*4115 SOCIAL HOUSING MAINTENANCE CALLS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

- (1) How many calls for Housing NSW maintenance were made to the call centre from the electorate of Maitland in each calendar month from October 2015 to August 2016?
 - (a) How many of these calls were acted on?
 - (b) How many of these calls have outstanding maintenance issues?
 - (c) How many of these calls have been resolved?

Answer—

The telephony system at the Housing Contact Centre does not provide statistics of this nature.

*4116 CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will there be Hunter representation on the assessment panel for the \$80M cycling infrastructure fund?

Answer—

I refer you to my response to Budget Estimates supplementary question 30.

*4117 PARAMEDIC ASSAULTS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Health—

(1) How many paramedics have reported assaults against their person from an individual who they believed was under the influence of the drug known as ice from 1 January 2016 to date (22 September 2016)?

(2) How many paramedics were unable to return to work on the same day following their injury?

Answer—

I refer you to LA Q0792.

*4118 TRAIN MANUFACTURING IN THE HUNTER—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

(1) What is the Government doing to help Hunter workers 'transition' into the new economy?

(2) What is the Government doing to support the two train manufacturing yards in the Hunter following the awarding of the tender to build the new intercity fleet of trains to South Korea?

Answer—

(1) The Jobs for the Future strategy sets out the Government's plans to support an additional 1 million jobs across NSW by 2036.

13,400 jobs were added to the Greater Hunter in the 12 months to August 2016, representing an increase of 4.6 per cent.\

(2) UGL Rail is a member of the successful joint venture.

I am advised that the Downer Rail facilities at Cardiff are used primarily as workshop and maintenance facilities, and that any staffing impacts will not be a direct result of the

tender process. The NSW Department of Industry has been in contact with both firms and re-skilling programs have been implemented for staff impacted by other factors.

Businesses in the Hunter continue to support the broader train manufacturing supply chain with employees based at Waratah, Mayfield West and Carrington.

*4119 RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS EDUCATION PROGRAM—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Education—

(1) Has the Respectful Relationships education program been rolled out to students in Years 7 to 10 as part of the PDHPE curriculum across all schools in the public and non-government sector?

(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

In New South Wales, respectful relationships education is included in the mandatory Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards' (BOSTES) Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) Years 7-10 syllabus for all students.

Both government and non-government schools offering Years 7 to 10 are required to deliver educational programs based on and taught in accordance with the BOSTES' PDHPE Years 7-10 syllabus.

*4120 NARARA TRAIN STATION—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

(1) Has any work been conducted to provide easy access lifts at the Narara Railway Station?

(2) Has any work been conducted on the site to prepare the ground for lifts?

(3) Has an estimate of costs been undertaken?

(a) What is the estimate?

(4) Is either crown land or Transport NSW land available for expansion of existing car parking spaces?

(5) Has any work been undertaken to expand car parking spaces?

(a) What is the cost?

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Answer—

In 2012, the Government announced the Transport Access Program which delivers accessible, modern, secure and integrated transport infrastructure where it is needed most. This includes station upgrades, better interchanges, ferry wharf upgrades and commuter car parks.

As part of the 2015-16 Budget, the NSW the Government announced a significant boost to the Transport Access Program with \$890 million to be invested over the next four years on station upgrades and more commuter car parks. Since the Transport Access Program launched in April 2012, more than 450 projects are underway or have been completed.

More planning and design work will now occur to see which projects will come next, centred on evidence-based criteria including: current and future patronage, the needs and demographics of customers who use the location, whether important services such as hospitals or educational facilities are nearby, and the accessibility of other nearby transport interchanges and facilities.

The provision of both an accessibility upgrade and additional commuter car parking facilities at Narara Station will be considered as part of this process.

More information about the Transport Access Program can be found on the Transport for NSW website.

*4121 NIAGARA PARK TRAIN STATION—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Has any work been conducted to provide easy access lifts at the Niagara Park Railway Station?
- (2) Has any work been conducted on the site to prepare the ground for lifts?
- (3) Has an estimate of costs been undertaken?
 - (a) What is the estimate?
- (4) Is either crown land or Transport NSW land available for expansion of existing car parking spaces?
- (5) Has any work been undertaken to expand car parking spaces?
 - (a) What is the cost?

Answer—

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The provision of both an accessibility upgrade and additional commuter car parking facilities at Niagara Park Station will be considered as part of this process.

More information about the Transport Access Program can be found on the Transport for NSW website.

*4122 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE SPENT ON WYONG HOSPITAL—Mr David Harris asked the Minister for Health—

What has been the total Government capital expenditure on Wyong Hospital since 1980?

Answer—

In March 2015, the NSW Government announced the Liberals and Nationals Government will invest \$200 million in the major redevelopment of Wyong Hospital, taking the total health infrastructure spend on the Central Coast to almost \$600 million.

*4123 REPORTED ASSAULTS ON PARAMEDICS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many paramedics have reported assaults against their person while performing their frontline duties from 1 January 2016 to date (22 September 2016)?
- (2) How many paramedics were unable to return to work on the same day following their injury?

Answer—

I refer you to LA Q0792.

*4124 SERVICE NSW CENTRES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many Service NSW Centres across the State are having their total number of opening hours reduced effective from 26 September 2016?
- (2) How many centres are having their total number of opening hours increased effective from 26 September 2016?
 - (a) Where are these centres located?
- (3) How many centres total opening hours will remain unchanged effective from 26 September 2016?

Answer—

Service centre opening hours are available at www.service.nsw.gov.au.

*4125 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROPERTIES—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many properties owned by the Department of Education are considered surplus in the Maitland electorate?
 - (a) Where are these properties located?
- (2) What properties owned by the Department of Education located in the Maitland electorate have been sold in the last 5 years (as at 22 September 2016)?

Answer—

- (1) One.
 - (a) Telarah.
- (2) Nil.

*4126 CESSNOCK SERVICE NSW CENTRE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many staff will be employed Cessnock at Service NSW Service Centre at 26 September 2016?
- (2) Prior to reducing business opening hours on 26 September 2016, was there any advertising done locally to advise customers of the change of hours from the previous Roads and Traffic Authority office to the Service NSW office?
 - (a) If yes, in what publications other than the Service NSW website were the opening hours advertised?
 - (b) If yes, what dates did the advertisements appear?

Answer—

As at 26 September 2016, there were 12 staff members (9.85 FTE) at Cessnock Service Centre.

In May 2016 and July 2016, posters were displayed at Maitland, Wallsend, Warners Bay and Singleton service centres advising customers of the opening hours of the new Cessnock Service Centre. In July 2016, email marketing also provided customers with information about the opening hours of the Cessnock Service Centre.

*4127 INTERAGENCY TASKFORCE ON AIR QUALITY—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

- (1) When will the Interagency Taskforce on Air Quality be established?
- (2) Will there be medical representation on the Taskforce?

Answer—

(1) The Taskforce includes a representative from NSW Health. Information about the Interagency Taskforce on Air Quality is available at www.epa.nsw.gov.au/air/airqualitytaskforce.htm.

(2) See the response to Question 1.

*4128 MAITLAND HOSPITAL—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) Are there any plans to sell off the current Maitland Hospital?
 - (a) If so, will it be sold when the new Lower Hunter Hospital is built?

Answer—

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Services at the existing Maitland Hospital will be relocated once the New Maitland Hospital becomes operational. No decision has yet been made regarding the future of the site once the existing hospital is closed.

*4129 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Will the Premier consider increasing the funding for Maitland Community Building Partnership applications to include the additional funding available for a disadvantaged area?

Answer—

Electorates receive a base allocation of \$200,000, with an additional \$100,000 available to 48 electorates with higher levels of unemployment as identified by Census data.

*4130 LISAROW TRAIN STATION—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Has any work been conducted to provide easy access lifts at the Lisarow Railway Station?
- (2) Has any work been conducted on the site to prepare the ground for lifts?
- (3) Has an estimate of costs been undertaken?
 - (a) What is the estimate?
- (4) Is either crown land or Transport NSW land available for expansion of existing car parking spaces?
- (5) Has any work been undertaken to expand car parking spaces?
 - (a) What is the cost?

Answer—

In 2012, the Government announced the Transport Access Program which delivers accessible, modern, secure and integrated transport infrastructure where it is needed most. This includes station upgrades, better interchanges, ferry wharf upgrades and commuter car parks.

As part of the 2015-16 Budget, the NSW the Government announced a significant boost to the Transport Access Program with \$890 million to be invested over the next four years on station upgrades and more commuter car parks. Since the Transport Access Program launched in April 2012, more than 450 projects are underway or have been completed.

More planning and design work will now occur to see which projects will come next, centred on evidence-based criteria including: current and future patronage, the needs and demographics of customers who use the location, whether important services such as hospitals or educational facilities are nearby, and the accessibility of other nearby transport interchanges and facilities.

The provision of both an accessibility upgrade and additional commuter car parking facilities at Lisarow Station will be considered as part of this process.

More information about the Transport Access Program can be found on the Transport for NSW website

*4131 TUGGERAH TRAIN STATION—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Has any work been conducted to provide easy access lifts at the Tuggerah Railway Station?
- (2) Has any work been conducted on the site to prepare the ground for lifts?
- (3) Has an estimate of costs been undertaken?
 - (a) What is the estimate?
- (4) Is either crown land or Transport NSW have land available for expansion of existing car parking spaces?
- (5) Has any work been undertaken to expand car parking spaces?
 - (a) What is the cost?

Answer—

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The provision of both an accessibility upgrade and additional commuter car parking facilities at Tuggerah Station will be considered as part of this process.

More information about the Transport Access Program can be found on the Transport for NSW website.

*4132 INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF RAIL COAL DUST EMISSIONS MANAGEMENT PRACTICES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

The NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer's second report on Rail Coal Dust Emissions Management Practices in the New South Wales Coal Chain recommends a detailed monitoring program.

- (1) Does the Minister endorse the report's recommendations?
- (2) When will the proposed monitoring begin?
- (3) What arrangements are proposed to actively involve community, health and environment groups in this monitoring program?

Answer—

(1) The Government is considering the recommendations of the NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer's Independent Review of Rail Coal Dust Emissions Management Practices in the NSW Coal Chain and will respond in due course.

The Government has already delivered numerous actions to manage and improve air quality in New South Wales and expand the evidence base for and community access to information on air quality. These include:

- developing an Upper Hunter Air Particles Action Plan
- establishing an Interagency Taskforce on Air Quality which coordinates whole of government actions on air quality including action relating to the coal chain
- completing the Upper Hunter Fine Particle Characterisation Study and undertaking the Lower Hunter Particle Characterisation Study to determine composition and sources of particle pollution (PM2.5 and PM10) in areas near the Port of Newcastle. These studies will guide future regulatory actions and priorities for the EPA.
- undertaking the Lower Hunter Dust Deposition Study to better understand the composition of coarse - dust particles in Newcastle around the rail corridor.
- completing the 14 station Upper Hunter Air Quality Monitoring Network and establishing the three station Newcastle Local Air Quality Monitoring Network. Air quality data from both networks is available in near real time on the OEH website at www.environment.nsw.gov.au/iAQMSiaqi.htm
- implementing the Dust Stop Program at coal mines. This program requires open cut coal mines, including those in the Hunter, to implement programs to reduce wheel-generated dust and dust from operations in adverse weather conditions, and monitor and report on these initiatives
- directing the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) to complete two monitoring studies on dust from coal trains. These studies and the independent reviews of the results provided the EPA, the community and industry with a better understanding of particle emissions from the Hunter rail corridor
- requiring ARTC to investigate the prevention and minimisation of coal loss from coal trains during transport in the Hunter
- working with the operators of the NSW coal shipping terminals, including those at Carrington and Kooragang Island, to develop a monitoring and reporting program on the condition of loaded coal wagons arriving at their facilities. This resulted in the completion of environmental improvement programs aimed at reducing loss of coal from coal wagons as a part of these terminals' environment protection licences
- conducting compliance audits focused on loading and unloading activities of 11 licensed coal loading premises and four coal terminals in 2014, representing all major coal fields and coal terminals in NSW including in the Hunter
- commissioning a comprehensive literature review of national and international management practices to control dust emissions from coal trains
- consulting on proposed amendments to the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 to improve the effectiveness of the framework regulating the environmental impacts of operational rail activities and rail construction. The EPA is considering the next stage of the amendment process.

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- working closely with the Newcastle Community Consultative Committee on the Environment, the Rutherford Air Quality Liaison Committee and the Upper Hunter Air Quality Advisory Committee to enable these communities to identify air quality concerns associated with nearby industrial activities, and help government and local industry better understand community concerns.
- from 2012-2015, leading the national review and adoption of updated particle standards for PM2.5 and PM10, which resulted in the national adoption of the most health protective package of particle standards and long-term targets of any country in the world.

(2) and (3) See the response to Question 1.

*4133 JUSTICE REINVESTMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) What re-assessment has the Government made of New South Wales prisons in light of the Maranguka Justice Reinvestment project?
- (2) What similar programs does the Government support?
- (3) What evaluation has been carried out of social, crime and financial impacts of this approach?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to expand this program or provide similar programs that prevent imprisonment and divert young people from prison?
- (5) What promotion or other marketing support does the Government provide for justice reinvestment programs?
- (6) What further action will the Government take to use justice reinvestment approaches?

Answer—

The question should be directed to the Minister for Family and Community Services.

*4134 NEWCASTLE BOGEY HOLE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

- (1) What will the \$491,000 announced by the Minister this week for the Newcastle Bogey Hole be spent on?
- (2) What is the timeframe for work to be completed?
- (3) When will the Bogey Hole reopen?
- (4) Why has it taken the Minister 10 months to address the safety concerns at this site?

Answer—

(1) The funding will cover costs associated with preparing documentation to support the proposed stabilisation works and to undertake the physical stabilisation works as recommended by the Cardno Geotechnical Assessment Report.

(2) to (3) I refer the Member to my public comments on this matter.

(4) The Department has been actively addressing the safety issues at the Bogey Hole and undertaking a detailed geotechnical assessment to confirm the nature and extent of the hazards and options for rectification.

*4135 INTERCITY TRAIN FLEET—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How is it that the Government has been unable to extend either the UGL contract for 65 eight car sets or the earlier Waratah contract with Downer-EDI to achieve the required increased passenger transport requirements whilst retaining a much higher local jobs component?
- (2) Have there been issues with these previous contracts and/or designs that would prevent them being substantially adopted for future supply of vehicles for carriage of passengers in New South Wales?
- (3) What would be the commercial impact of putting the recently signed contract on hold until such time as this decision is reviewed by a panel of independent experts?
- (4) What is the cost of supplying a similar quantity of trains via a 60 per cent local content contract?
- (5) What quality auditing processes are in place for the new Intercity Train Fleet?
- (6) Is there any consideration being given to a substantial auditing role to come from local engineering and manufacturing experts?

Answer—

(1) The tender process provided a level playing field for Australian manufacturers.

(2) The RailConnect consortium train is based on UGL Rail's Oscar design.

- (3) Governments should honour their commitments, including commercial arrangements entered into in good faith by both parties. The contract has been awarded and RailConnect has commenced design and supply chain work.
- (4) Benchmarking conducted prior to the release of the Request for Tender which accounted for previous NSW rollingstock procurement and international procurement, demonstrated that the winning bidder provides tremendous value for NSW taxpayers.
- (5) A stringent engineering authorisation and accreditation process is included in the contract which includes both Transport for NSW and independent audits.
- (6) Transport for NSW and independent auditors will provide audit and accreditation assurance.

*4136 SAFEWORK AND ASBESTOS CONTAMINATION—Ms Yasmin Catley asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) What is the current level of full-time equivalent (FTE) staff working at SafeWork NSW?
- (2) Has the number of FTE staff reduced over the last 12 months?
 - (a) If so, by how many?
- (3) Is the Minister aware of any asbestos contamination within the Liverpool City Local Government Area (LGA)?
- (4) Is the Minister aware of the status of Safe Work NSW's investigation into asbestos contamination in Liverpool City LGA?
- (5) Is the Minister aware that a contractor has alleged that they were threatened with the loss of their jobs if they reported asbestos contamination there to SafeWork NSW in 2015?
 - (a) What action has been taken to address this allegation?
- (6) Is the Minister aware the two Liverpool City Council employees have been diagnosed with asbestos related illnesses in the past 18 months?
- (7) Is the Minister satisfied that the response of SafeWork NSW into asbestos contamination within the Liverpool City LGA has been timely and appropriately managed?
 - (a) If so, why?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1) 491.

(2) Yes

(2) (a) Eleven, as a result of the reassignment of central policy functions with the Commerce Regulation Project.

(3) Yes.

(4) Yes.

(5) SafeWork NSW has advised that it first became aware of the concerns about asbestos contamination within the Liverpool City Local Government Area (LGA) on 16 May 2014, following receipt of a request for service by a Liverpool Council worker.

SafeWork NSW responded and determined that training and removal practices were found to be adequate. Additionally, a hygienist had been engaged to oversee the remediation works. However, the inspector did identify a possible licensing concern, which was addressed with Liverpool Council.

The worker indicated employment tensions to SafeWork in the initial request, however, it is noted that the underlying issue, being the asbestos, was addressed by the SafeWork inspector. The worker was satisfied with the outcome and did not report further concerns or threats to their employment.

(6) Yes. As a result of respiratory screening provided by Liverpool Council to its workers, regrettably, one worker was identified as having contracted a respiratory illness. SafeWork NSW was notified of the illness on 9 March 2016. SafeWork NSW is investigating this matter to determine if it has any connection to the workplace.

(7) The actions that have been taken by SafeWork since it became aware of the issues on 16 May 2014 were in accordance with the Evidence Based Decision Making Policy, the Code of Practice and the National Compliance and Enforcement Policy.

While the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) is considered the lead agency in regard to land contamination, its jurisdiction over this issue overlaps with SafeWork.

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SafeWork NSW is ensuring that a robust Asbestos Management Plan is being implemented at Liverpool Council, and by adopting a whole of case management approach in consultation with the EPA, the United Services Union and Liverpool Council, the investigation by SafeWork NSW remains active and ongoing.

*4137 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SURPLUS PROPERTIES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education—

With regard to properties owned by the Department of Education and declared surplus:

- (1) How long once the decision is made that the property is surplus to requirements before it is listed for sale?
- (2) Are the local communities advised prior to it being listed for sale?
 - (a) If yes, what is the timeframe?
- (3) Are the local communities offered the properties for community use prior to it being listed for sale on 'the open market'?

Answer—

The Department of Education manages its assets in accordance with its responsibility to provide public education to students across New South Wales.

Property that is no longer needed for educational purposes and has been declared surplus by the Minister is sold and the proceeds reinvested in capital works and maintenance projects in schools.

*4138 THE FACTS ABOUT GREYHOUND RACING CAMPAIGN—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) How much funding has been allocated to pay for 'The Facts About Greyhound Racing' advertisements on television, radio and print media?
 - (a) In what states other than New South Wales do each of these forms of advertising appear?
- (2) When did the television commercials commence being made?
- (3) When were the original bookings made for each:
 - (a) Television station?
 - (b) Radio advertisements?
 - (c) Newspaper advertisements?
- (4) Which Government department is responsible for the funding of the campaign?

Answer—

As this matter relates to the portfolio of the Minister for Racing, I have referred the question to the Hon. Troy Grant MP.

*4139 FUNDS PROVIDED FOR PRIVATISED GAOLS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) For the gaols in New South Wales which have been privatised, which Government department provides funds for the:
 - (a) Clothes worn by inmates?
 - (b) Fixtures and fittings provided within the gaols?
 - (c) Upkeep of the gaols?
 - (d) Educational needs of the inmates?
 - (e) Food provided at the gaols?

Answer—

(1) (a) to (e) The Department of Justice pays the private operator of gaols in New South Wales an Operator Service Level Fee in response to the operator meeting the contracted service requirements. The operator meets these costs.

*4140 SALARY LEVELS OF ADMINISTRATORS OF MERGED COUNCILS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) Are the salary levels of all the Administrators of councils which have been merged the same?
- (2) Has the salary been determined for the Administrator for the Wollongong-Shellharbour merged council entity?
 - (a) If so, what is it?
 - (b) If not, when will it be determined?

Answer—

Each Administrator receives a salary within a band according to whether the council is classed as a metropolitan, regional town or city, large rural, or small rural council.

The merger proposal relating to Shellharbour City and Wollongong City councils is currently pending legal proceedings. Should the merger proceed, a decision on the Administrator's appointment and remuneration will be made at that time

*4141 REMOVAL OF LEGISLATION SINCE JULY 2011—Ms Yasmin Catley asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) What New South Wales legislation has been removed since July 2011?
- (2) What are the red tape savings ascribed to each piece of legislation removed?

Answer—

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*4143 REGULATION OF SHIP EMISSIONS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

- (1) When does the Minister expect the decision to be made on the use of 0.1% sulfur fuel by cruise ships in regional New South Wales ports (LA Q2797)?
- (2) Can the Minister clarify the nature and extent of his jurisdiction over shipping fuels and emissions?

Answer—

(1) In September 2015 the Government introduced regulation requiring cruise ships in Sydney Harbour to use low sulfur fuels (0.1 per cent or less).

For cruise ships berthed in Sydney Harbour this took effect from 1 October 2015. For cruise ships operating in Sydney Harbour this was to take effect from 1 July 2016.

On 8 January 2016 the New South Wales low sulfur fuel requirements were rendered inoperative due to changes to the Commonwealth Protection of the Sea (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Act 1983. I have written to the Hon Darren Chester, the Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, and the Hon Josh Frydenberg, the Federal Minister for the Environment and Energy, asking the Commonwealth Government to amend its Act to allow for the operation of New South Wales' low sulfur fuel laws.

Members of the Cruise Lines International Association, including Carnival and Royal Caribbean, have voluntarily agreed to use low sulfur fuel whilst at berth in Sydney Harbour.

(2) Please refer to the response provided at question 1.

*4144 OURIMBAH TRAIN STATION—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Has any work been conducted to provide easy access lifts at the Ourimbah Railway Station?
- (2) Has any work been conducted on the site to prepare the ground for lifts?
- (3) Has an estimate of costs been undertaken?
 - (a) What is the estimate?
- (4) Is either crown land or Transport NSW land available for expansion of existing car parking spaces?
- (5) Has any work been undertaken to expand car parking spaces?
 - (a) What is the cost?

Answer—

In 2012, the Government announced the Transport Access Program which delivers accessible, modern, secure and integrated transport infrastructure where it is needed most. This includes station upgrades, better interchanges, ferry wharf upgrades and commuter car parks.

As part of the 2015-16 Budget, the NSW the Government announced a significant boost to the Transport Access Program with \$890 million to be invested over the next four years on station upgrades and more commuter car parks. Since the Transport Access Program launched in April 2012, more than 450 projects are underway or have been completed.

More planning and design work will now occur to see which projects will come next, centred on evidence-based criteria including: current and future patronage, the needs and demographics of customers who use the location, whether important services such as hospitals or educational facilities are nearby, and the accessibility of other nearby transport interchanges and facilities.

The provision of both an accessibility upgrade and additional commuter car parking facilities at Ourimbah Station will be considered as part of this process.

More information about the Transport Access Program can be found on the Transport for NSW website.

*4145 AIR POLLUTION MONITORING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

When will Lake Macquarie and Lithgow, two communities with large coal fire power stations, get special air quality monitors?

Answer—

The Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) operates a comprehensive air quality monitoring network including stations in Newcastle, the Central Coast, Western Sydney and Bathurst. Air quality

measured across the existing network is representative of the air quality likely to be experienced by the general population of the Lake Macquarie and Lithgow regions.

Air pollution modelling completed as part of the Lower Hunter Particle Characterisation study demonstrated that air quality in Toronto is similar to other parts of the Lower Hunter.

There are no immediate plans to establish additional stations at Lake Macquarie or Lithgow. The current review of air quality monitoring in New South Wales will assess if any additional monitoring is required in these regions.

There are rigorous environmental controls that regulate air emissions from coal-fired power stations in New South Wales including those at Lake Macquarie and Lithgow. Control measures are included in regulations and environment protection licences issued by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

The environment protection licences for the Lake Macquarie power stations require them to:

- meet specified emission limits
- continuously monitor emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides
- continuously monitor ambient levels of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides
- regularly monitor emissions of other pollutants including particulates
- report breaches of any licence conditions to the EPA
- make the monitoring data publicly available.

Lithgow has one nearby coal-fired power station operating at Mount Piper. The environment protection licence for the Mount Piper station requires it to:

- meet specified emission limits
- monitor oxides of nitrogen and sulfur dioxide quarterly during discharge
- regularly monitor emissions of other pollutants including particulates
- report breaches of any licence conditions to the EPA
- make the monitoring data publicly available.

Full details about each licence are available on the EPA's public register at www.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeo/index.htm. Recent ambient air monitoring undertaken by the power stations near the Lake Macquarie power stations indicated that ambient air quality is well within the National Environment Protection (Ambient Air Quality) Measure standards and goals.

In 2016 the EPA commissioned a review of air quality of the Lake Macquarie-Wyong region. The review found air quality was very good to fair for 99 per cent of the time during 2014 and 2015. From September 2013 to June 2016, all data was within applicable guidelines except for 10 days when particle matter and ozone levels were elevated by bushfire activity, heat wave conditions and a widespread dust storm. More information is available at www.epa.nsw.gov.au/esdsmoky/lake-mac-wyong-air-quality.htm.

Over the period 2012-16 monitoring undertaken at Blackmans Flat near the Mount Piper power station and at Wallerawang indicated the mean ambient air quality for nitrogen dioxide and sulfur dioxide were also well within the National Environment Protection (Ambient Air Quality) Measure standards and goals.

*4146 ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR NSW POLICE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

What additional resources have been provided to assist the NSW Police Force to keep frontline police officers safe while performing their duties when dealing with ice affected individuals?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that all its officers undertake general operational safety training which addresses a range of safety issues. This includes dealing with intoxicated and potentially violent persons

*4147 ICE PACKAGE ELECTION COMMITMENT—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

- (1) How much funding has been allocated towards the Government's 'Ice Package' election commitment to date (as at 22 September 2016)?
- (2) Which programs has this funding been allocated towards?
- (3) How much funding went to each program?

Answer—

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The Government's Ice Package election commitments encompass a coordinated effort across Government and with the non-government sector to address each of the pillars of our National Drug Strategy - supply reduction, demand reduction and harm reduction. These are being implemented across New South Wales.

For example, to reduce harm and get users off ice, the Government has committed to investing an additional \$7 million in new stimulant treatment services. An additional \$4 million for the non-government sector has been pledged to enhance local drug and alcohol rehabilitation services, particularly in rural and regional communities

*4148 SAFE INJECTING ROOMS IN THE LIVERPOOL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Health—

Has any funding been allocated by the Government towards the purchase, construction, lease or ongoing operational costs of a Safe Injecting Room within the Liverpool Local Government Area?

Answer—

In accordance with the provisions of the Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985 there is only one premises in New South Wales operating a Supervised Injecting Centre - the Medically Supervised Injecting Centre located at Kings Cross, established in 2001. The Centre offers a medically supervised environment where those who intend to inject their own drugs are able to do so safely with clean needles, and then dispose of those needles appropriately.

There is no funding allocated towards the purchase, construction, lease or ongoing operational costs of a Safe Injecting Room within the Liverpool Local Government Area.

*4149 FAIRFIELD AMBULANCE SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) Where will the staff and paramedic vehicles be relocated to after the closure of the Fairfield Ambulance Service?
- (2) What will the Government do to assure that the needs of residents of the Fairfield electorate will not be compromised by the closure of the Fairfield Ambulance Service?

Answer—

NSW Ambulance and Health Infrastructure continue to work together to plan all elements of the \$150 million Sydney Ambulance Metropolitan Infrastructure Strategy (SAMIS) program.

To date, nine sites which will make up the Paramedic Response Network have been announced (Penrith, Blacktown, Liverpool, Kogarah, Bankstown, Northmead, Artarmon, Caringbah and Inner West).

Fairfield station will remain operational as a Paramedic Response Point for the Bankstown response network.

*4150 LAND AND PROPERTY INFORMATION BUSINESS UNITS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What will be the total full time staff in each of the remaining business units within the Lands and Property Information after Titling and Registry Services are separated out?
 - (a) Across how many sites will these staff be employed?
- (2) What are the names of the various sites/towns/cities that these staff will be employed?
 - (a) How many full-time equivalent staff will be at each?
- (3) What will be the annual net profit/loss for each of these business units?

Answer—

(1) and (2) (a) This information will be provided in the relevant annual report.

(2) and (2) (a) Please see the DFSI website for specific location/site information.

*4151 ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICE CENTRES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) centres remain un-converted to Service NSW centres?
- (2) How many Service NSW centres remain yet to be established?
- (3) Where are the remaining RMS centres located?
- (4) Where will the yet to be established Service NSW centres be located.
- (5) What is the projected timeline for the closure of each of the remaining RMS centres?
- (6) What is the projected timeline for the opening of each of the yet to be established Service NSW centres?

centres?

Answer—

Information about the motor registry and service centre network is available at www.service.nsw.gov.au.

I am advised that Service NSW is continuing to finalise the shape of the network in rural and regional areas. In the meantime, motor registries will continue to operate and Service NSW will keep staff and local communities informed of any changes.

*4152 CESSNOCK POLICE STATION—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

- (1) Considering the questions and answers relating to LA Q3698, LA Q3459 and LA Q2937 how many additional police will be allocated and appointed to Cessnock Police Station?
 - (a) If none, is the current 157 authorised strength of Central Hunter Local Area Command considered sufficient to deal with any increase in visitor traffic to the Correctional Centre?
 - (b) If none, is the 30 kilometre distance from Maitland to Cessnock considered suitable for a satisfactory response time should police be required?
 - (c) If none, will allocation of resources be based on a reactive basis as opposed to a planned, proactive basis?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force Commissioner allocates police officers based on operational requirements.

Central Hunter Local Area Command and Cessnock Corrections Centre work together to address resource and service delivery implications to ensure issues are thoroughly assessed and strategies implemented so that matters such as prisoner transport and hospital guard duties will not impact on local policing resources.

The current tasking and deployment model provides for an efficient use of available resources.

*4153 MULTI-AGENCY RESPONSE CENTRE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

- (1) How much funding for caseworkers has been allocated to the Central Coast Multi-Agency Response Centre?
 - (a) Is this funding a new allocation?
 - (b) If not, from which service unit is the funding being drawn?

Answer—

Funding for seven caseworkers has been allocated to the Central Coast Multi-Agency Response Centre (CC MARC). This was transferred from a mix of positions from Central Coast Community Service Centres to reflect changed triage functions, which are now provided by CC MARC, and existing vacant positions from the Helpline.

*4154 GREGORY HILLS SERVICE NSW CENTRE—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

Regarding the Service NSW centre at Gregory Hills and for the period January to August 2016:

- (1) How many customers are attending the centre on a daily basis?
- (2) What is the average and median wait time for a customer to be served?
- (3) What has been the maximum time for a customer to be served?
- (4) How many full-time equivalent staff work Monday to Friday?
- (5) How many full-time equivalent staff work weekends?
- (6) With regards to transactions and inquiries how many and what percentage are related to:
 - (a) Renewal of drivers licenses;
 - (b) Renewal of motorbike licenses;
 - (c) New Car registrations;
 - (d) Car registration transfers;
 - (e) Driver Knowledge Test;
 - (f) Driving Test and Hazard Perception Test;
 - (g) Return of vehicle plates?

Answer—

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During the period 1 January 2016 to 31 August 2016, on average approximately 1000 customers attended the Macarthur Service Centre each business day. Service NSW tracks average customer wait times and during the period 1 January 2016 to 31 August 2016, the average customer wait time was approximately 5 minutes. During peak periods and higher demand for services, customer wait times can increase.

As at 31 August 2016, 40 staff members (32.55 FTE) were employed at Macarthur Service Centre. In accordance with the Service NSW (Salaries and Conditions) Employees Award 2016, all staff work a rotating roster which may include Saturdays.

Total numbers for the specified transactions including the percentage compared to the total number of transactions completed at the Macarthur Service Centre between 1 January and 31 August 2016:

- Driver and rider licence renewals – over 22,900 (11 per cent)
- New (first time) car registrations – over 6,900 (3 per cent)
- Car registration transfers – over 19,200 (9 per cent)
- Driver knowledge tests – over 5,500 (3 per cent)
- Driving and hazard perception tests – over 10,100 (5 per cent)
- Return of vehicle plates – over 9,200 (5 per cent)

*4155 HANJIN CALIFORNIA—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Was the Hanjin California moved from Botany Bay into the densely populated Glebe Island dock following a Federal Court impoundment decision?
- (2) Why is the Hanjin California not docked or moored where it does not have impacts on adjacent residential communities?
- (3) When will the Hanjin California be moved away from residential precincts?
- (4) What measures have been taken to prevent impacts from the Hanjin California and other ships in similar circumstances?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to prevent similar incidents in future?

Answer—

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The ship was moved from Port Botany so it did not impact commercial shipping arrangements. The only berth available for any length of time was Glebe Island 1.
- (3) The owners of the Hanjin California intend to make an application to the Federal Court to have the ship released shortly.
- (4) The ship is running on auxiliary engines only which are required for essential services such as air-conditioning and running water. The generators are running at minimum capacity.
- (5) This is an exceptional circumstance. Any incidents in the future will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

*4156 PRIVATE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROVIDER REGULATION—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) How many complaints about private Vocational Education and Training VET providers in New South Wales is the Government aware of?
 - (a) What is the trend in complaint numbers and types?
- (2) How many complaints have been lodged with the Government about private VET providers in New South Wales?
 - (a) What is the trend in complaints?
- (3) What self-compliance checks are private VET providers in New South Wales required to undertake and are these the same requirements as apply to TAFE NSW?
- (4) Does the Government plan to take on responsibility for regulating registered VET providers that train only domestic students and only operate in New South Wales ?
- (5) Does the Government plan to introduce requirements for trainer and assessor qualifications as does the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority?
- (6) How does the Government monitor private VET providers' compliance with the Australian Qualifications Framework as does Victoria?
 - (a) What is the trend in private VET providers' compliance?
- (7) How does the Government protect New South Wales students against fraud or misleading behaviour

from private VET providers?

- (8) How does the Government ensure that private training providers, brokers and marketers do not offer students incentives to sign up to courses that they cannot afford or complete?
(9) What plans does the Government have to ensure quality VET training in New South Wales ?

Answer—

(1) The Department has received complaints against 24 providers (52 complaints).

(1) (a) The majority of complaints received are in relation to Student Fees and subsidised courses with the number of complaints seeing a reduction from 12 complaints in February 2016 to 7 complaints in September 2016.

(2) Refer to Answer (1)

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(3) All public and private providers are required to certify to the national regulator that they meet all the Standards for Registered Training Organisations. Compliance with these Standards is also a condition of the Smart and Skilled contract for TAFE and private providers. They must also meet the expectations for training delivery outlined in the Smart and Skilled: NSW Quality Framework. The Government's Statement of Expectations clearly indicates the obligations of Smart and Skilled providers to deliver quality training and the practice of strong ethics. All public and private providers are monitored by the NSW Department of Industry.

(4) The Government referred its training provider regulatory powers to the Commonwealth under the Vocational Education and Training (Commonwealth Powers) Act 2010, which came into effect on 1 July 2011. This referral enabled the Commonwealth to establish the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011, under which the Australian Skills Quality Authority assumed responsibility for regulation of all training providers operating in New South Wales.

(5) This is a matter for the Australian Skills Quality Authority.

(6) The Australian Skills Quality Authority is responsible for ensuring ongoing compliance with the Australian Skills Quality Authority framework.

(7) Vocational Education and Training providers receiving government funding in New South Wales are the subject of quality assurance measures, including monitoring.

(8) The Smart and Skilled contract and Operating Guidelines prohibit the use of incentives or inducements for prospective students.

(9) The Smart and Skilled Quality Framework sets the benchmark for quality under Smart and Skilled. Training providers must meet the strict eligibility and assessment criteria set out in the NSW Quality Framework.

In May 2016 the Government released its Statement of Expectations for all training providers contracted to deliver Smart and Skilled training. The document outlines the obligations of these training providers to deliver quality training, practice strong ethics and be responsive and accountable if they are to continue to receive government support.

Smart and Skilled has strict contractual requirements on ethical marketing - reports of offering inappropriate inducements to students (including free laptops and spotter fees) will be investigated and tough contract penalties and sanctions may apply, including a referral to the Australian Skills Quality Authority the national regulator.

*4157 BARDIA PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Considering the response to LA Q3576 and my conversation with Mr Tony McCabe, Director of Capital of Works on 21 September 2016, was the consultation conducted by Coffey Projects?
(2) Where was the Bardia Public School community public consultation held?
(3) On each occasion, how many community members attended?

Answer—

Coffey Projects has carried out a range of community consultations including information booths, a letter drop and a parents' information night.

*4158 INNER CITY CHINESE COMMUNITY—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism—

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- (1) What support does the Government give to the diverse Chinese community in the inner city?
- (2) What financial support does the Government provide to community organisations that work with inner city Chinese-speaking residents?
- (3) Do Government agencies refer Chinese-speaking clients to Chinese community organisations for help with forms and translation?
- (4) How does the Government ensure that all its agencies provide access to Chinese-speaking citizens?
 - (a) How is this monitored?
- (5) What English programs does the Government provide to help Chinese speaking residents learn English;
- (6) How does the Government ensure Chinese community members have access to facilities and services that meet their cultural and language needs, particularly older people?
- (7) What needs assessment has been carried out to identify changing support and information needs of these residents?
- (8) What plans does the Government have to provide new or different programs and support to this community?

Answer—

Any multicultural organisation that meets the eligibility criteria can apply for a grant under Multicultural NSW's grants program.

These grants are available for initiatives that build and maintain a cohesive and harmonious multicultural society and enrich the lives of all the people in New South Wales.

The multicultural principles, as set out in the Multicultural NSW Act 2000, provide a clear policy statement about the importance of equitable and respectful NSW government services delivery to our diverse community.

Under this Act, and the Multicultural Policies and Services Program, it is the responsibility of NSW public authorities to ensure that these principles are implemented across the business of their agency, and that all programs and services are designed and delivered for residents of all backgrounds.

*4159 LIGHT RAIL STRUCTURES ON MOORE PARK—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How many square metres of grassland on Moore Park will be lost to the light rail substation planned for the corner of Robertson Road and Anzac Parade?
 - (a) How many trees will be removed as a result?
 - (b) How high will the substation be?
 - (c) What consideration will the Government give to building the substation underground?
 - (d) What consideration will the Government give to relocating the substation to reduce impacts on parkland, trees and playing fields?
- (2) How many additional trees will be removed on Moore Park for the pedestrian bridge proposed over Anzac Parade for the light rail project?
 - (a) What action is being taken to minimise its impact on the parklands?
 - (b) What consultation is being carried out with heritage experts to reduce its impacts on the parklands?
 - (c) What assessment will the Government conduct on the need for the bridge, given the recent construction of the Tibby Cotter Bridge linking Moore Park east and west over Anzac Parade with lower than expected patronage?
- (3) How many square metres of grassland on Moore Park will be lost to the Moore Park light rail stop?
 - (a) How many additional trees will be removed as a result?
 - (b) How high will the stop be?
 - (c) What consultation is being carried out with heritage experts to reduce impacts of this stop on the park?
- (4) How many square metres of grassland on Moore Park will be lost to the light rail portals?
 - (a) What consultation is being carried out with heritage experts to reduce impacts of the portals on the park?
- (5) How many square metres of Moore Park grassland will be lost as a result of the development of pedestrian pathways?
 - (a) What destinations will the pathways link?
- (6) What is the exact location of the operations control centre?
 - (a) What will be the floor space ratio of the centre?

- (b) How many metres high will the centre be?
 - (c) Will there be fencing around the centre?
 - (d) How many square metres of grassland will be removed from public use as a result?
 - (e) How many additional trees will be removed for the centre?
- (7) What is the exact location of the driver's facility structure (referenced in LA Q2642)?
- (a) What will be the floor space ratio of the structure?
 - (b) How many metres high will the structure be?
 - (c) Will there be fencing around the structure?
 - (d) How many square metres of grassland will be alienated from public use as a result?
 - (e) How many additional trees will be removed for the facility?
- (8) Will the Government work with the City of Sydney to reduce the impacts of these structures on Moore Park?

Answer—

(1) Transport for NSW is currently investigating possible locations for a substation in Moore Park. Design is progressing for this and other substations along the alignment.

In accordance with the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), during detailed design Transport for NSW will consider opportunities to incorporate substations into other uses (such as shade structures or built development), as well as opportunities to locate and/or design the substations to reduce their visual prominence and amenity impacts, in consultation with City of Sydney and Randwick City Council.

(2) The pedestrian bridge is in the detailed design phase. It is being developed in accordance with all requirements in the Conditions of Approval. The detailed design of the Anzac Parade pedestrian bridge will be referred to the Urban Domain Reference Group for the project to ensure best practice urban design principles are applied, and visual impacts reduced.

(3) to (4) The stop and tunnel portals are currently in the detailed design phase.

(4) (a) Heritage Impacts were assessed as part of the Preferred Infrastructure Report. In accordance with the Conditions of Approval, the Office of Environment and Heritage will be consulted on the detailed design of the bridge.

(5) to (7) The pathways, Operations Control Centre and Drivers' facility are currently in the detailed design phase.

(8) Yes.

*4160 CAR SHARING SERVICES ACROSS GOVERNMENT—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What specific financial savings were made in the 2015-16 and 2016-17 financial years (as at 21 September 2016) through the trial car sharing services across Government?
- (2) How many car sharing trips have been undertaken by public servants since the commencement of this trial?

Answer—

(1) The Department of Finance, Services and Innovation is due to report back to Government on Government wide savings in early 2017.

(2) During the three month trial period starting in February 2015, 352 trips were undertaken in share-cars at the participating locations. Share-car usage was highest at Sydney central business district office locations with 238 of the total trips undertaken.

The Government Travel and Transport Policy item 2.2.3 now provides for all agencies to use car sharing services.

*4161 LOCAL COURT MATTERS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Attorney General—

- (1) Between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2016, how many cases were heard in a NSW Local Court concerning residents of the:
 - (a) Former Parramatta local government area?
 - (b) Former Holroyd local government area?
- (2) Of these cases how many related to:
 - (a) Civil matters of a monetary value of up to \$100,000;
 - (b) Mental health matters;
 - (c) Family law and/or child care matters;

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- (d) Adult criminal proceedings, including summary prosecutions for summary offences;
 - (e) Adult criminal proceedings, including indictable offences;
 - (f) Licensing issues;
 - (g) Industrial matters;
 - (h) Mining matters;
 - (i) Small Claims for less than \$10,000;
 - (j) Applications for Apprehended Violence Orders;
 - (k) Matters involving minors;
 - (l) Coronial investigations?
- (3) What was the average waiting time of cases until a hearing was held?
- (4) How many of the cases are outstanding?

Answer—

(1) and (2) (d), (e), (j), (k) and (3) - This information can be found by contacting the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research.

2. (a) (b) (c) (f) (g) (h) (i) (l) and (4) - As this information is not readily available, accessing it would require an unreasonable and substantial diversion of resources.

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- 4162 LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION (PUBLIC ACCESS) ACT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4163 RESPONSE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MAGISTRATES TO THE CHILDREN'S COURT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 4164 LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4165 VACANCIES ON THE BOARD OF THE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BOARD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 4166 GREENWAY PROJECT—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4167 PENALTY NOTICES FOR FAILING TO VOTE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4168 WOMEN'S CRISIS ACCOMMODATION CENTRES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 4169 CARPENTRY POSITION IDENTIFIED IN HERITAGE SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4170 RESPONSE TO SUBMISSION FROM THE DISTRICT COURT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 4171 CAMDEN COURT HOUSE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 4172 ROLE OF ADRIAN MCKENNA—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- *4173 COURSES AT GLENDALE TAFE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
- (1) Further to the 'vision' outlined in the TAFE NSW Strategic Plan 2016-2022, does the Government plan to transfer the delivery of current courses offered at Glendale TAFE to online delivery?
 - (a) If so, which courses will be transferred?
 - (b) If so, when will the transfer occur?

Answer—

No. TAFE NSW will continue to deliver training at Glendale Campus that meets the need of students, industry and the community.

- 4174 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL EYE CLINIC—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4175 SPEED CAMERAS IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4176 IMPROVEMENTS TO SAFETY AND SERVICE ACCESS AND PROVISION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 4177 INVESTMENT INTO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4178 HUNTER INVESTMENT FUND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 4179 GREYHOUND RACING COMPENSATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4180 POSITION OF THE PRIVACY COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 4181 CAMPBELLTOWN HOSPITAL—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4182 ACCESS TO SYDNEY AIRPORT—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4183 WAITING PERIOD FOR NON URGENT REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4184 AGED CARE AND DISABILITY SECTORS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 4185 REVENUE RAISED BY FIXED AND MOBILE SPEED CAMERAS IN THE FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4186 NEWCASTLE LIGHT RAIL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4187 EXPENDITURE ON HOUSING NSW PROPERTIES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4188 PROGRAMS OF WORK TO IMPROVE ASSET REGISTERS—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4189 RECOMMENDATIONS IN OPERATIONAL AUDIT OF SYDNEY WATER—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4190 WORKS TO SEWERAGE PUMPING STATIONS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4191 WATER MAINS REPLACED BY SYDNEY WATER—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4192 CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS FOR THE INTERNAL SURCHARGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

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- 4193 SYDNEY WATER RESPONSE AND TARGET TIMES—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4194 REFUGES IN GOULBURN—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

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- *4195 TEACHING STAFF AT GLENDALE TAFE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) Further to the 'vision' outlined in the TAFE NSW Strategic Plan 2016-2022, does the Government plan to reduce teaching staff numbers at Glendale TAFE?
- (a) If so, when?
- (b) If so, how many staff will be affected?

Answer—

TAFE NSW regularly reviews and adjusts its resourcing requirements to ensure it meets the demands of students, industry and the community.

- 4196 MANAGEMENT OF HOUSING—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4197 HYDROTHERAPY POOL IN GOULBURN—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4198 ASSET SALES IN THE MACQUARIE FIELDS ELECTORATE—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4199 RECOMMENDATIONS OF A JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Planning—
- 4200 FACILITIES AT GLENFIELD RAILWAY STATION—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4201 TEACHING AND OPERATIONAL STAFF AT NEW SOUTH WALES PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4202 HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4203 RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL AND RESPONSIBLE CONDUCT OF GAMBLING COURSES—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4204 SPEECH PATHOLOGY—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4205 WAITING TIMES AT GOULBURN BASE HOSPITAL—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4206 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATORS AND INTERIM GENERAL MANAGERS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 4207 SOCIAL HOUSING IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4208 SUICIDE RATES IN INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4209 LOCAL GOVERNMENT DUPLICATION—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Local Government—

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- 4210 HOUSING COMPLEX IN MARRICKVILLE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4211 PAYROLL TAX—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4212 PLANNED ASSET SALES IN THE MANLY AND MURRAY ELECTORATES—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4213 SMALL BUSINESS TAX CUT COMMITMENTS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4214 SERVICE NSW CENTRES—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

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- 4215 MAITLAND POLICE STATION—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4216 WESTCONNEX CONSTRUCTION WORKERS PARKING—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Planning—
- 4217 HERITAGE ITEMS FROM HERITAGE HOMES ACQUIRED FOR WESTCONNEX—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 4218 TREATMENT FOR A STROKE PATIENTS AT HOSPITALS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4219 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST CURRENT OR FORMER CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4220 FIRE AND RESCUE CALL OUTS TO NEW SOUTH WALES CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4221 PROTECTIVE CLOTHING PROVIDED TO CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4222 FIRE FIGHTING TRAINING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4223 STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES UNITS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4224 WHITE BAY – GLEBE ISLAND SHIP POLLUTION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- 4225 PARKING SPACE LEVY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4226 PARRAMATTA PARK TRUST—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Major Events, and Minister for Sport—
- 4227 FERRY TRIPS—Ms Jodi McKay to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4228 CYCLING TO WORK—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4229 TREE PRUNING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy—
- 4230 389 BUS SERVICE RELIABILITY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4231 WYONG HOSPITAL LANDHOLDING—Mr David Harris to ask the Minister for Health—

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- 4233 AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVOCACY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 4234 COMMERCIAL POSTERS REGULATION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General—
- 4235 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY RESILIENCE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy—
- 4236 SECTION 31 OF THE IMPOUNDING ACT 1993—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 4237 TRIPS ON SYDNEY TRAINS—Ms Jodi McKay to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4238 TRIPS ON NSW TRAINS—Ms Jodi McKay to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
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- 4242 BUS TRIPS—Ms Jodi McKay to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4243 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AT FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4244 STRATEGIES FOR TREATING CORRECTIONS STAFF SUFFERING POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4245 STRATEGIES FOR TREATING CORRECTIONS STAFF SUFFERING DEPRESSION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4246 CELL FIRES IN NEW SOUTH WALES CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4247 CONTENT OF THE BABY BLUE BOOK HEALTH RECORD—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4248 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FUNDING—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4249 COUNCIL ISSUED INFRINGEMENT NOTICES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 4250 STAFF FROM LAND AND PROPERTY INFORMATION AND TITLE AND REGISTRY SERVICES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 4251 OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE CLASSIFICATION—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4252 SOCIO-ECONOMIC FUNDING—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4253 PRESCHOOL ENROLMENTS—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4254 MAMBO WETLAND—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

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- 4255 TARGET SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ON HILLSBOROUGH ROAD, HILLSBOROUGH—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 4256 COMMUNITY AND COURT LIAISON SERVICE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 4257 CONSULTATION WITH ARENA SPORTS CLUB—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4258 OPERATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4259 ILLEGAL CLEARING AND DUMPING—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- 4260 NEWCASTLE ATHLETICS FIELD UPGRADE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4261 APPEALING PENALTY NOTICES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4262 ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES E-TOLL ACCOUNTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 4263 ROUNDABOUT CONSTRUCTION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 4264 LOWER HUNTER HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4265 OUT OF ZONE SCHOOL ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4266 NEWCASTLE EAST END PROJECT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Planning—
- 4267 HAMILTON BUS DEPOT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4268 NEWCASTLE URBAN TRANSFORMATION AND TRANSPORT PROGRAM—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Planning—
- 4269 FORMER WICKHAM SCHOOL OF ARTS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Planning—
- 4270 POLES AND WIRES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 4271 PORT OF NEWCASTLE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 4272 MANAGEMENT OF SOCIAL HOUSING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4273 COMMUNITY COURT LIAISON CLINICAL NURSE CONSULTANT AT BANKSTOWN LOCAL COURT—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 4274 FUNDING TO THE COMMUNITY COURT LIAISON SERVICE CLINICAL NURSE CONSULTANT AT BANKSTOWN LOCAL COURT—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 4275 824 SCHOOL BUS—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

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- 4276 LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION LAND AT FISHERMAN'S BAY—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4277 START STRONG ATTENDANCE—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4278 SOCIAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 4279 COMMUNITY HOUSING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4280 POTTS PARK GREYHOUND TRACK—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4281 TRANSFER OF THE NSW PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION SERVICES GROUP—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4282 HAMILTON CRIME RATES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4283 CAPITAL MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL HOUSING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4284 ELLERTON DRIVE EXTENSION PROJECT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 4285 WATER CORPORATIONS—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4286 INDIGENOUS HEALTH—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

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- 4287 EXTENSION OF INUNDATION ZONE—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4288 RAISING THE WARRAGAMBA DAM WALL—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4289 BUSINESS CASE FOR RAISING THE WARRAGAMBA DAM WALL—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4290 GLENDALE INTERCHANGE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4291 WHEELCHAIR FRIENDLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4292 NEWCASTLE INNER CITY BYPASS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 4293 MAINTENANCE BACKLOG IN HUNTER SCHOOLS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 4294 LIFTS AT TUGGERAH RAILWAY STATION—Mr David Harris to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4295 NORAH HEAD BOAT CLUB—Mr David Harris to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4296 GREEN VALLEY LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4297 RSPCA NSW FUNDING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 4298 BEDS IN WOMEN'S CRISIS ACCOMMODATION CENTRES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 4299 FUNDING FOR EDUCATION PROJECTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4300 WIFI ACCESS AT THE CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4301 WIFI ACCESS AT THE JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4302 WARRAGAMBA DAM WALL—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4303 RELEASE OF THE BUSINESS CASE FOR THE RAISING OF THE WARRAGAMBA DAM WALL—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4304 KOORI CHILDREN'S COURT FUNDING—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4305 DRUG REHABILITATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4306 VACANT POSITIONS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 4307 COURT ATTENDANCE FOR CAMDEN AND SURROUNDING AREA RESIDENTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 4308 LEGISLATION CONCERNING UNAUTHORISED RELEASE OF INTIMATE IMAGES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- 4309 OPENING OF LIVERPOOL POLICE STATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4310 SERVICE NSW CUSTOMER ADVISORY BOARD—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4311 000 EMERGENCY CALL CENTRE—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4312 HOUSING NSW MANGED PROPERTIES IN GREATER SYDNEY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4313 CONSTRUCTION OF AN AMBULANCE FACILITY ON HOXTON PARK ROAD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4314 ACTION AGAINST A SENIOR CONSTABLE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4315 OPTIONS FOR THE INTERNAL SURCHARGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

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- 4316 INTERNAL SURCHARGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4317 DEVELOPMENT OF A BUSINESS CASE FOR THE INTERNAL SURCHARGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4318 COST OF THE INTERNAL SURCHARGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM—Mr Chris Minns to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4319 TENDER APPLICATION FOR THE OPERATION OF TITLING AND REGISTRY SERVICES—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4320 PENSIONER CONCESSION CARDS—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4321 REPLACEMENT OF TRAINS—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4322 BLACKTOWN HOSPITAL DISEASE CONTROL MEASURES—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4323 CARDIOLOGY WARDS AT BLACKTOWN AND NEPEAN HOSPITALS—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Health—
- 4324 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE COMMERCIAL FISHERS BUSINESS ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4325 INDIGENOUS HEALTH—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 4326 MANUFACTURE OF TRAIN CARRIAGES IN SOUTH KOREA—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

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- 4327 LIBRARY FUNDING—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4328 RELOCATION OF HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4329 REVITALISING NEWCASTLE ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4330 OLD NEWCASTLE COURT HOUSE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4331 COMMERCIAL FISHERS BUSINESS ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- 4332 SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN URBAN RENEWAL CORRIDOR PLAN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health—

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- 4333 RACING SPONSORSHIP AND GRANTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4334 BROADMEADOW SPORTING PRECINCT MASTERPLAN—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Major Events, and Minister for Sport—
- 4335 OLD NEWCASTLE COURTHOUSE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 4336 WRITING SKILLS IN THE BETTER PRISONS EDUCATION REFORM—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
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- 4377 OUT-OF-AREA ENROLMENTS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4378 SPECIALIST TRAUMA SERVICES IN THE SUMMER HILL ELECTORATE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
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- 4380 OVER 55'S PUBLIC HOUSING—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
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- 4382 PROJECTED SIZE OF CLASSES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 4383 NEWCASTLE POST OFFICE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 4384 COMMERCIAL FISHING REFORMS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
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- 4393 BUS STOP REMOVAL—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
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- 4397 ARTS NSW AND SCREEN NSW—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- 4398 KING EDWARD HEADLAND RESERVE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
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- 4401 BANKSTOWN OLD TOWN PLAZA—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 4402 ADVICE FROM THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSES TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4403 REVIEW OF GIRL X CASE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- 4404 GUIDELINES FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF CONDUCT AND PERFORMANCE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 4405 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STAFF AT BANKSTOWN AND PUNCHBOWL RAILWAY STATIONS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
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- 4408 BERESFIELD LAND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning—
What 'timely and coordinated' infrastructure is the Government planning on delivering in Beresfield to 'make land more attractive for business and also contribute to market demand' as outlined in the Minister's report 'Hunter Regional Plan 2036'?
- 4409 FLOOD PREVENTION WORKS IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning—
How much money did this Government spend in the last financial year (2015-2016) on flood prevention works in the Wallsend electorate?
- 4410 CHRONICALLY HOMELESS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
(1) What is the average cost of service provision to a chronically homeless person in New South Wales?
(2) Has the Minister or the Department explored a supportive housing model to reduce the cost of service provision to the chronically homeless?
- 4411 FORMER FIRE STATION SITE IN LAMBTON—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy—
(1) Does the Government own the former site of the fire station in De Vitre Street, Lambton?
(a) If so, what are the Government's plans for this land?
- 4412 PAY EQUITY FOR PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Major Events, and Minister for Sport—
What is the Government doing to promote and protect pay equity between male and female professional athletes and sportspeople in New South Wales?
- 4413 HUNTER TAFE EMPLOYEES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
(1) Are Hunter TAFE employees barred from contacting Members of Parliament during work hours?
(a) If so, why?
(2) Are Hunter TAFE employees barred from commenting negatively about the Government on private

- social media channels?
(a) If so, why?
- 4414 TICKET MACHINE AT LINDFIELD RAILWAY STATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Why was there no warning that the ticket machine at Lindfield Railway Station was to have limited payment options on 15 October 2016?
 - (2) Was there a fault with the machine on the day?
 - (a) If so, has the machine been fixed?
- 4415 GAYBY BABY TOOLKIT—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) What advice has the Department issued to schools regarding the use of the Gayby Baby Toolkit (not the documentary film Gayby Baby)?
 - (2) Are teachers still able to utilise the Gayby Baby Toolkit as an educational resource in classrooms?
- 4416 NSW CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL HEARING VENUE AT GOSFORD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- (1) Why is the designated NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT) hearing venue at the Gateway centre at Gosford being closed?
 - (2) What public consultation occurred in relation to the closure in (1) above?
 - (3) What steps will be taken to ensure that parties to proceedings will be able to attend hearings in Newcastle?
- 4417 JUSTICE REINVESTMENT SCHEME FOR COWRA—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- (1) What has been the result of your discussions about a Justice Reinvestment Scheme for Cowra?
 - (2) Will you and the Government fund a Justice Reinvestment Scheme in Cowra?
- 4418 SERVICE DELIVERY TO ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Has the Discussion Paper on service delivery to Aboriginal communities involved in the Far West Initiative that was due to be released prior to 30/6/16 actually been released?
 - (a) If so, when?
 - (b) If not, why not?
 - (c) If so, where may it be inspected?
- 4419 LOCAL SPORT GRANT PROGRAM—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Major Events, and Minister for Sport—
- (1) In the last round of funding how much money from the Department of Sport and Recreation Local Sport Grant Program was allocated to the:
 - (a) Sydney Electorate;
 - (b) Parramatta Electorate;
 - (c) Blacktown Electorate;
 - (d) Newcastle Electorate;
 - (e) Wallsend Electorate?
- 4420 LAKE MACQUARIE TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning—
- Does the Government consider the completion of stages 1 and 2 of the Lake Macquarie Transport Interchange at Glendale an infrastructure priority for the Hunter?
- 4421 LIBERTY HILL CHRISTIAN CHURCH—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- (1) Why did police from Bankstown LAC attend upon the Liberty Hill Christian Church premises in Chullora on 10/10/16?
 - (2) Who asked the police to attend the premises referred to in (1) above?
 - (3) Did police demand certain church members leave those premises at Chullora on 10/10/16 even though no previous advice or warning had been conveyed to those members?
 - (a) If so, why?

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- 4422 COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE LIBERTY HILL CHRISTIAN CHURCH—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
- (1) What steps has your Department taken in relation to complaints made about the Liberty Hill Christian Church?
 - (2) In what ways, if any, has Liberty Hill Christian Church failed to adhere to relevant financial standards or regulations?
- 4423 NEW STREET SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) What additional New Street services have been established since 1.1.15?
 - (2) Where have those new services, if any, been established?
- 4424 OPERATION PROTEA RECOMMENDATIONS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
- (1) In light of the recommendations of the Police Integrity Commission in the Report on Operation Protea, will you conduct a review of s316 of the Crimes Act?
 - (a) If so, when?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- 4425 REVIEW OF A RECOMMENDATION FROM NSW HEALTH—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) Has the recommendation of NSW Health that a combined interagency review consider whether a model similar to the Victorian scheme introduced in 2007 to identify and divert into treatment young people found to be engaging in sexually abusive behaviour been adopted?
 - (a) If so, has the review been concluded?
 - (b) If so, what was the result of the review?
- 4426 SERVICE NSW (ONE STOP ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT SERVICES) ACT 2013—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- In relation to the Service NSW (One Stop Access to Government Services) Act 2013,
- (1) What customer service functions have been delegated to Service NSW under an Act of the Commonwealth or another State or Territory or under an instrument made under any such Act?
 - (2) What, if any, agreements have been entered into by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) with an approved person for the person to act as an agent for the CEO in providing customer service functions on behalf of the CEO?
 - (3) How many cases of liability have attached to the Crown since the commencement of the Act for matters or things done or omitted by the CEO or member of staff of Service NSW?
 - (4) Will the structure of Service NSW be considered in the statutory review of the Act?
- 4427 WITHDRAWN CHARGES AGAINST WAYNE EDWARD JONES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- (1) Why were charges against Wayne Edward Jones arising from his arrest in April 2011 withdrawn later that year?
 - (2) What inquiries have been conducted into the police decision to prosecute the officer who arrested Wayne Edward Jones, Glen Roberts?
 - (a) If inquiries have been conducted, what was the result?
 - (b) If inquiries have not been conducted, why not?
- 4428 MEDICAL CARE AND INJURY SERVICES LEVY—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
- (1) What percentage of the Compulsory Third Party insurance for motor vehicles is currently being charged for the Medical Care and Injury Services Levy?
 - (2) Will the Government implement a rebate for pensioners?
- 4429 RENTAL ARREARS IN THE GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- (1) How many Housing NSW tenants in the Granville electorate are currently in rental arrears?
 - (a) What is the total cost of these arrears?
 - (2) What assistance is provided by Housing NSW to assist tenants pay their rental arrears?

- 4430 BRISBANE WATER DREDGING—Mr David Harris to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
Is there currently a plan of management for dredging in Brisbane Water on the Central Coast?
- 4431 VEHICLE REGISTRATION LABELS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- (1) In the 12 months after the introduction of no label registration of vehicles, how many people were fined for driving an unregistered vehicle in New South Wales?
 - (2) In the 12 months prior to the introduction of no label registration of vehicles, how many people were fined for driving an unregistered vehicle in New South Wales?
- 4432 NIGHT-WORKS FOR THE WESTCONNEX M4 EAST PROJECT—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) What advice has Roads and Maritime Services received from the Department of Planning regarding coordinating night-works by utility companies associated with the Westconnex M4 East project in Haberfield and Ashfield?
 - (2) What action has been taken by Roads and Maritime Services to coordinate night-works by utility companies associated with the M4 East project in Haberfield and Ashfield?
 - (a) If none, why not?
 - (3) How many complaints about night-works has Roads and Maritime Services received since planning approval was granted?
 - (4) How many complaints about night-works has Sydney Motorway Corporation received since planning approval was granted?
 - (5) How many complaints about night-works has your office received since planning approval was granted?
- 4433 SOCIAL HOUSING PLACEMENT IN THE GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- (1) How many applications for new social housing placement in the Granville electorate were outstanding as at:
 - (a) 1 July 2012?
 - (b) 1 July 2013?
 - (c) 1 July 2014?
 - (d) 1 July 2015?
 - (e) 1 July 2016?
 - (2) How many people were housed in each of the financial years from 2011-12 to 2015-16?
- 4434 JUSTICE REINVESTMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—
- (1) What re-assessment has the Government made of New South Wales prisons in light of the Maranguka Justice Reinvestment project?
 - (2) What similar programs does the Government support?
 - (3) What evaluation has been carried out of social, crime and financial impacts of this approach?
 - (4) What plans does the Government have to expand this program or provide similar programs that prevent imprisonment and divert young people from prison?
 - (5) What promotion or other marketing support does the Government provide for justice reinvestment programs?
 - (6) What further action will the Government take to use justice reinvestment approaches?
- 4435 NATIONAL CANNABIS PREVENTION AND INFORMATION CENTRE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- (1) What funding has the Government provided to the National Cannabis Prevention and Information Centre since its inception in 2007?
 - (2) How does the Government respond to reports that the Centre will close as a result of funding being ended by the Commonwealth Government?
 - (3) What is the Minister's response to news of the closure?
 - (4) How has the Government incorporated research and information from the Centre as it developed its

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- policy to trial medical marijuana?
- (5) How will the Government act to replace the services, research and information the Centre provided?

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