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### (Paper No. 194)

## \*8886 ABORIGINAL EDUCATION YOUTH EDUCATION FOUNDATIONS FUNDING—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many sites are the following programs located in:
  - (a) Aboriginal Education Consultative Group ;
  - (b) Girls Academy;
  - (c) Clontarf Foundation?
- (2) Which sites are the following programs located in:
  - (a) Aboriginal Education Consultative Group;
  - (b) Girls Academy;
  - (c) Clontarf Foundation?
- (3) How many Government funded student places are available at each site for each of the following programs:
  - (a) Aboriginal Education Consultative Group;
  - (b) Girls Academy;
  - (c) Clontarf Foundation?
- (4) How much Government funding has been made available to each of the following programs for each financial year from 2011 to 2018 (as at 21 June 2018), and how much projected funding is allocated for the 2019 financial year:
  - (a) Aboriginal Education Consultative Group;
  - (b) Girls Academy;
  - (c) Clontarf Foundation?

Answer—

The NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) Inc. is an independent Aboriginal Community Organisation that works closely with the NSW Department of Education. It is not a program.

I'm advised that information on the Clontarf Foundation and Role Models and Leaders Australia Limited, which runs girls academies in schools, is available in these organisation's annual reports.

Information on New South Wales government funding is available in NSW Government Budget papers.

- \*8887 ESTIMATED VEHICLE MOVEMENT CALCULATIONS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
  - (1) Is there a standard calculation that is used when planning residential developments to anticipate estimated vehicle movement as a result of the development?(a) If so, can a copy or link be provided?

Answer-

I am advised:

No, there are various calculations for different situations.

- \*8888 VEHICLE OWNERS IN THE MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) How many registered vehicle owners are there in the Maitland electorate as at 23 May 2018?
    - (a) How many have claimed their Compulsory Third Party (CTP) Green Slip refund?
    - (b) How many had a refund of less than \$10?
  - (2) What was the average refund that vehicle owners received?

Answer-

- (1) This question should be directed to the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.
  - (a) As at 23 May 2018, for postcodes, 2320, 2323, 2324, 2322, 2321, 2318, 2326, 2335, 2334 and 2421, the number of individual and business claimed policies was 35,886.
  - (b) Vehicle owners will not get a refund if their refund amount is less than the minimum entitlement of \$10. The estimated number of people not getting a refund is 24,400.
- (2) For postcodes, 2320, 2323, 2324, 2322, 2321, 2318, 2326, 2335, 2334 and 2421, the average claim for individual policies is \$59.14 and for business policies is \$213.04.

\*8889 MY NDIS TOOLKIT—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

How much funding was provided to Muscular Dystrophy NSW for the establishment of the 'My NDIS Toolkit'?

Answer—

In 2017, Muscular Dystrophy NSW was provided with funding to support the development of the NDIS Participant Readiness Resources Project, now known as the "My NDIS Toolkit".

The toolkit was designed to assist people with neuromuscular conditions prepare for their NDIS planning meeting, and their regular review meetings.

\*8890 INCREASE IN MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING MACHINES—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What steps are you taking to increase magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) machines over their counterpart computed tomography (CT) scans, thereby reducing levels of radiation exposure to the residents of New South Wales?

Answer—

Clinicians are responsible for making decisions about the most appropriate diagnostic tests for patients. Both CT scanning and MRI scanning have high clinical value when used in accordance with best practice guidelines.

\*8891 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SAFETY REPORT—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Premier—

What measures has the Government taken to implement the recommendations made by the Committee on Law and Safety report from the inquiry into violence against emergency services personnel?

Answer-

The Government is strongly committed to protecting emergency services personnel from harm.

I am advised this question would be more appropriately addressed to the Minister for Emergency Services, and the Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research.

- \*8892 LOCAL COURT PENALTY NOTICE APPEALS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) How many individuals have elected to have a penalty notice they've received decided by the Local Court in each year since 2011 (as at 7 June 2018)?
    - (a) Of these hearings, how many have resulted in the applicant successfully appealing the penalty notice?
    - (b) Of these hearings, how many have resulted in the applicant unsuccessfully appealing the penalty notice?

Answer—

- (1) 2011 19,852
  2012 18,993
  2013 18,680
  2014 19,540
  2015 19,815
  2016 21,349
  2017 23,286
- 2018 11,145

(a) and (b) These questions should be directed to the Attorney General.

Notes:

• Data only includes requests where a Court Attendance Notice was issued. A court election may not result in the issue of a Court Attendance Notice for a variety of reasons (e.g. submitted outside of period permitted under the Fines Act 1996, court election withdrawn at the request of issuing authority or recipient).

- Information regarding the outcome of the court hearing would be retained on JusticeLink, the court's computer system.
- \*8893 LONG SERVICE CORPORATION GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
  - (1) Considering the information provided in the NSW Budget 2018-19, Budget Paper 3, what grants and subsidies are provided by the Long Service Corporation?
  - (2) How many individuals and entities were awarded a grant or subsidy in the 2017-18 financial year?
  - (3) How are these grants and subsidies promoted within the building and construction and contract cleaning industries?
  - (4) What has caused the significant increase in the grants and subsidies awarded between the 2016-17 and 2018-19 financial years?
  - (5) Considering the increase in the efficiency dividend to 3 per cent, has the Long Service Corporation identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year?
    - (a) If so:
      - (i) How many positions?
      - (ii) What savings is the Long Service Corporation expected to make through these terminations?

Answer-

- (1) Although the line item in the budget is identified as "Grants & Subsidies", the Long Service Corporation provides long service leave payments for workers in the Building & Construction Industry or Contract Cleaning Industry based on legislated eligibility criteria including recognised length of service. This line item covers claim payments made for a proven entitlement to long service leave and recognition of the increase to the Corporation's liability to pay claims which may be made in the future.
- (2) For the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018, a total of 11,744 claims have been paid.
- (3) Through key stakeholders Unions and Industry bodies as well as Corporation's website.
- (4) As claims are only paid based on meeting eligibility criteria, the timing of claims payments varies based on the individual entitled. Actuarial reports forecast the payments likely to be claimed in the forthcoming period.
- (5) Since I became the Minister responsible for the Long Service Corporation the efficiency dividend has not been passed on.
- \*8894 LUNA PARK RESERVE TRUST—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
  - (1) Why is it the Luna Park Reserve Trust was budgeted to make \$103,000 in investment revenue in the 2017-18 financial year, but the 2018-19 NSW Budget papers show that no revenue was made from investment revenue during that period?
  - (2) What 'goods and services' are sold by the Luna Park Reserve Trust?
  - (3) Generally, where are these 'goods and services' sold?
  - (4) What 'other operating expenses' were incurred by the Luna Park Reserve Trust in the 2017-18 financial year?
  - (5) Why is there a \$1.6 million increase in the 'other operating expenses' projected in the 2017-18 NSW Budget and the 2017-18 revised figures as outlined in NSW Budget 2018-19 Budget Paper No.3?
  - (6) Are you confident the Luna Park Reserve Trust can recover from their \$1.3 million net loss in the 2018-19 financial year?
    - (a) What assistance will you provide them to achieve an improved net result?
  - (7) Considering the increase in the efficiency dividend to 3 per cent, has the Luna Park Reserve Trust identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year?
    - (a) If so:
      - (i) How many positions?
      - (ii) What savings is the Luna Park Reserve Trust expected to make through these terminations?

Answer-

(1) Investment revenues for Luna Park Reserve Trust represent interest income from cash holdings. Investment income fluctuates year on year depending on the level of cash holdings. The cash holdings reflect the level of heritage and infrastructure works undertaken in a particular year which varies depending on the works required.

- (2) 'Goods and services' refer to rental income earned by the Trust.(a) As above.
- (3) Audit, legal and management fees, repairs and maintenance costs, and costs associated with the development of the clifftop park.
- (4) There is an increased spend forecast on heritage and infrastructure works.
- (5) The loss in 2017-18 is due to an increased amount of heritage and infrastructure works incurred in that year. These costs are funded by accumulated funds held specifically for these heritage and infrastructure works.
  - (a) The Trust is self-funded without any requirement for government funding.
- (6) Luna Park Reserve Trust does not have any employees. The trust is administered for a cost recovery fee by Property NSW.
- \*8895 BHP SITE AT NEWCASTLE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

With regard to closure of the Broken Hill Proprietary (BHP) site at Newcastle in the 1990's and efforts to stimulate the economy and create jobs:

- (1) Was a foreign trade zone created for the expiring BHP site and the Steel River on which it sits?
  - (a) If so:
    - (i) What was the extent, west along Steel River, to which the foreign trade arrangement applied?
    - (ii) Did the foreign trade zone agreement create duty exemptions for non-coal imports and exports on the BHP site, and along the Steel River, that would be value added?
      - (i) Was there a time limit applied to these duty exemptions?
      - (ii) Are the duty exemptions still in place?
- (2) Did the 98 year lease of the Port of Newcastle affect this agreement?

Answer-

I am advised that this is an issue for NSW Treasury to respond to and as such should be referred to the Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP.

\*8896 TVET AND EVET STUDENT ENROLMENTS-Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Education-

- (1) What was the total number of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) student enrolments in New South Wales in 2014 and 2015?
- (2) What was the total number of Externally Delivered Vocational Education and Training (EVET) student enrolments in New South Wales in 2014 and 2015?
- (3) What is the current number of EVET student enrolments in New South Wales (as at 23 May 2018)? Answer—

I'm advised that:

Data on VET in Schools enrolments are available from the National Centre for Vocational Education Research.

The EVET program did not exist in 2014 and 2015.

\*8897 NEWCASTLE FUNDING CLASSIFICATION—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

Is Newcastle classified as regional or metropolitan for funding purposes?

Answer-

Newcastle is classified as a metropolitan area for allocation of funds out of Restart NSW. Under the Act, 30 percent of total payments must be invested in rural and regional areas. This does not limit the Restart commitments and reservations for Newcastle Metropolitan projects which also include investments made through the Hunter Infrastructure and Investment Fund.

- \*8898 SYDNEY TRAINS DRIVER TRAINING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) Do Sydney Trains offer their train drivers nationally recognised accredited training?

(a) If not, why not?

Answer-

I am advised :

This information is publically available on the training.gov.au website.

\*8899 PORT OF NEWCASTLE CONTAINER FINES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How much money is the Government contractually committed to paying NSW Ports if a Newcastle container terminal is built and handles one million containers a year between 2023 and 2063?
- (2) What is the economic justification for imposing a fine of \$150 on containers shipped through the Port of Newcastle?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The lease arrangements for the Port of Newcastle reflect the Government's policy that Port Kembla will be the State's next container terminal when Port Botany reaches capacity. The arrangements aim to promote trade and port development in a manner consistent with Government policy.
- (2) The owners of the Port of Newcastle have entered into an agreement with the State that facilitates ongoing organic growth in container trade at Newcastle.
- \*8900 RETURN OF THE MISSING NEWCASTLE BHP PLAQUE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) Considering your department has been aware of the missing plaque from the opening of the Newcastle BHP for the past 10 months, when will the plaque be returned to the BHP Administration Building?
  - (2) Why has the plaque not been returned as at 7 August 2018?
  - (3) On what date will the plaque be returned?
  - (4) What has caused the delay in returning the plaque?
  - (5) What action will the Minister take to ensure the plaque is returned as a matter of urgency?
  - (6) Have NSW Police taken any action regarding the theft of the plaque?

Answer-

- (1) The plaque was returned to the BHP Administration Building on 16 August 2018.
- (2) An agreement was reached with the publican for the plaque to be returned in exchange for a replica plaque. Completion of the replica plaque had not been completed by 7 August 2018.
- (3) The plaque was returned on 16 August 2018.
- (4) When the replica was completed, it was installed in the Victoria Hotel Hinton. The hotel is a heritage building and as such, arrangements were made to ensure that the plaque was appropriately removed and the replica installed, consistently with the heritage requirements for that building. This occurred 15 August 2018.
- (5) Arrangement were made and implemented with proper regard for heritage aspects (methods and materials) of the hotel where the plaque was displayed and the BHP Building where it was returned and affixed again.
- (6) The matter was referred to the Police to investigate.
- \*8901 BOWRAL DISTRIBUTOR/BYPASS-Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-

Why was Wingecarribee Shire Council not required to prepare a revised cost benefit analysis for the proposed Bowral Distributor/Bypass when the Council reduced the scope of the project from a 2.1 kilometre bypass to a 900 metre realignment of the existing street?

Answer-

I am advised:

I am advised your question precedes on a false premise as the scope of the project has not been reduced from a 2.1 kilometre bypass to a 900 metre realignment.

\*8902 STATION STREET, BOWRAL UPGRADE—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for StateHas the Minister taken any steps to ensure that Wingecarribee Shire Council seek public comment on the proposed Review of Environmental Factors (REF) for the Station Street upgrade, considering that this scheme differs significantly to the Bowral Distributor/Bypass Road that Council proposed in 2013 to be partly funded by \$7.5 million from the Government?

Answer—

The Station Street Upgrade project is managed by Wingecarribee Shire Council. As such, this is a matter for Council. I note the project is funded by both Council and Infrastructure NSW.

\*8903 AMENDMENT TO TRANSPORT SUBSIDY—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

Considering that this drought is worsening and the distance from which fodder being sourced is extending as supplies diminish, would the Government consider amending the transport subsidy to extend the distance for transport subsidies beyond the 1,500 km limit, as available fodder is now being sourced from Western Australia and is deliverable by rail to drought-affected Parkes for a reasonable transport cost of approximately \$70 per tonne?

Answer-

The Transport Subsidy for Emergency Drought Relief is payable to a maximum eligible distance of 1,500 kilometres which can include rail transport. The Rural Assistance Authority is able to consider an individual farmers application for transport by rail that takes into account the number of trucks that would be needed to undertake the equivalent transport by road.

\*8904 ASSISTANCE FOR SUPPORTING FAMILY MEMBERS REQUIRED TO TRAVEL—Mr Philip Donato asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

What assistance is the Government providing to accommodate the growing numbers of drought affected farming families who are travelling long distances to Orange to support their loved ones who are inpatients at either the Dudley Hospital or the Orange Health Service for psychological treatment?

Answer-

The Government is committed to providing local access to mental health support. We are particularly mindful of additional need in times of hardship, like the drought.

For those who need to travel distances for treatment, we offer The Isolated Patient Travel and Accommodation Assistance Scheme (IPTAAS). IPTAAS provides financial assistance towards travel and accommodation costs for eligible patients (and, if required, their escorts or carers) travelling lengthy distances for specialist health treatment that is not available locally. This includes treatment provided by medical specialists such as psychiatrists.

Orange Health Service has affordable accommodation available on the Bloomfield Campus. Where there is an identified financial need a social worker can liaise with families and this accommodation provider to reduce accommodation costs.

Farming communities facing pressure in the wake of severe drought conditions will have access to 20 new 'farm gate' counsellors and frontline mental health workers as part of a \$6.3 million commitment from the Government.

\*8905 ADDITIONAL COACH CONNECTION TO LITHGOW ELECTRIC RAIL SERVICE—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will the Government consider providing an additional coach service from Parkes and Orange to Lithgow to connect passengers of the Central West with the electric train service which departs Lithgow at 11:15 am?

Answer—

I am advised :

Based on current data, there is insufficient patronage on the existing coach service to require an additional coach service from Parkes and Orange to Lithgow to connect with the 11:15 am train.

Data also demonstrates this service is rarely full and that there are other coaches available from Bathurst to Lithgow, in the morning.

NSW TrainLink will continue to monitor patronage of this coach service.

## \*8906 CHAIN OF RESPONSIBILITY AND THE CENTRAL WEST LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

Considering to the letter you were sent on 11 July 2018 by Forbes Shire Council's General Manager, Mr Steve Loane, which outlined issues concerning the Chain of Responsibility and the significant responsibility it places upon the limited resources at the Central West Livestock Exchange, will you consider providing the necessary funding for the supply and installation of a weighbridge and the support for its ongoing management?

Answer-

I am advised:

Government programs that Forbes Shire Council could pursue to seek funding include the Australian Government's Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program. Information on that program is available on the Infrastructure Investment Program website.

- \*8907 DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES BUILDING AND LEASE PAYMENTS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
  - (1) What is the date of the expected commencement of occupancy at the new Department of Primary Industries building in Orange which you recently announced?
  - (2) What date does the current lease expire for the building in which the Department of Primary Industries is currently housed in Orange?
  - (3) Will rental payments for the lease of the building in which the Department of Primary Industries in Orange is presently housed be paid to the landlord of that building for any period extending beyond the period of occupancy by the Department in that building?

Answer-

(1) The Department of Industry (including the Department of Primary Industries) will relocate to the new Prince Street Orange site from July - November 2020.

(2) The expiry date for 161 Kite Street Orange is November 2020.

(3) No payments are expected to be paid to the landlord of 161 Kite Street beyond the lease expiry of November 2020.

Please note that the lessee for properties referred to in this question is Property NSW – not the Department of Primary Industries. As such, any further questions about occupancy, leases and rental payments should be directed to the Minister for Finance, Services and Property.

\*8908 SALTBUSH NATURESTRIP DROUGHT PROJECT—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

Would the Government consider facilitating and funding the planting of saltbush, a hardy drought tolerant and low maintenance native plant, upon the nature strips of roadways, travelling stock routes and other available publics lands for the purpose of feeding stock during drought, as a longer-term project for future drought assistance and the productive use of public lands?

Answer-

Yes, the Government would consider facilitating the planting of saltbush on travelling stock reserves in future drought management planning, where the Government was the responsible land manager and where it was ecologically appropriate to do so.

\*8909 KELP HARVESTING—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

Would the Government consider facilitating and funding the harvesting of kelp and other seaweeds for the purpose of supplementing stock feed during this and future droughts?

Answer—

Advice received from the Department of Primary Industries indicates that the high iodine content of kelp limits its inclusion to only 2.5 per cent of the dietary intake for livestock. At such levels, kelp cannot provide a substantive alternative forage resource to overcome current drought induced deficiencies.

- \*8910 SOLAR PANELS FOR GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND OFFICES—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - - (a) If not, will the Government install solar panels on all government buildings?

Answer—

I am advised:

This matter should be referred to the Minister for the Environment.

- \*8911 ADDITIONAL REGIONAL HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS TO LOWER ROAD TOLL—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
  - (1) When will the additional 50 highway patrol officers for regional New South Wales to lower the road toll, as announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget, be operational?
  - (2) Will any of these additional 50 highway patrol officers be allocated to the Central West Police District?
    - (a) If so, how many?
    - (b) If so, when will they be allocated to the Central West Police District?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) Arrangements have commenced to recruit the additional Highway Patrol officers and it is expected that the majority of police will be operational within six months.
- (2) Highway Patrol officers are attached to the Traffic and Highway Patrol Command. They are not allocated to Police Area Commands or Police Districts.
- \*8912 CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL EAST-Ms Julia Finn asked the Premier-
  - (1) In relation to the Premier's announcement in April 2017 that the Government has allocated \$310 million dollars to revamp the North Parramatta precinct's historical buildings over seven to 10 years, what funding has been allocated to UrbanGrowth NSW for relocating Cumberland Hospital East Campus?
  - (2) When will the relocation be completed?

Answer-

The Government has completed more than 70 hospital and health facility developments and is committed to providing all communities with access to world-class health services.

I am advised Urban Growth is undertaking feedback on market participation and partnering, over the Cumberland Hospital East and West campuses.

- \*8913 BOARDING HOUSE DEVELOPMENTS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
  - (1) Considering Notice of Motion 2082 in the name of the Member for Drummoyne, which has now lapsed, does the Minister support:
    - (a) Commencing a review of State Environmental Planning Policies which encourage boarding house developments;
    - (b) Imposing a stringent parking code for boarding houses requiring one car spot per room?

Answer-

(1) (a) Review of State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing) 2009 (ARHSEPP), which includes boarding house provisions is ongoing.

(b) There is widespread support for the ARHSEPP and its role in facilitating boarding houses, which contribute to the diversity and affordability of housing in New South Wales and provide both transitional accommodation and longer-term housing for a diverse range of people in our local communities.

The Government has listened and responded to community concerns about the impacts of some boarding house developments. Amendments to the ARHSEPP include an amendment in 2011 to require consideration of compatibility of boarding house developments with local character and a recent amendment to increase on-site car parking provision.

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On 1 June 2018, an amendment was made to the ARHSEPP to increase car parking standards for boarding houses to 0.5 spaces per boarding room in all locations except from 0.2 parking spaces per boarding room. Existing standards will continue to apply for Social Housing Providers in recognition of their unique role in providing boarding houses for lower income earners and other groups.

The amended car parking rates have taken into account the need to reduce on-street car parking impacts for local residents and are considered reasonable .

\*8914 BOARDING HOUSE DEVELOPMENTS-Ms Julia Finn asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations-

Considering Notice of Motion 2082 in the name of the Member for Drummoyne, which has now lapsed, does the Minister support changing the rules so that commercial operations pay land tax?

Answer—

The Land Tax Management Act 1956 provides an exemption from land tax for land used and occupied primarily for low cost accommodation. Boarding houses may receive the exemption, subject to satisfying certain guidelines, including an upper limit on tariffs charged for board and lodging. The government has no plans to change this.

\*8915 ROAD SAFETY-Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research-

What is the injury threshold for vehicle accidents to be reported by NSW Health?

Answer—

I am advised:

A person may be admitted to hospital for treatment or observation following a vehicle accident. Hospital admission is a clinical decision.

Statistics on hospital admissions following injury related to motor vehicle accidents, are reported on the HealthStats NSW website.

\*8916 ROAD SAFETY-Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services-

What is the injury threshold for vehicle accidents to be reported by the NSW Police Force?

Answer-

I am advised:

A motor vehicle collision is classified as a major crash, requiring investigation by the NSW Police Force, if someone is killed or injured; if a party fails to stop and exchange particulars; or if a driver is allegedly under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a drug.

A person is regarded as injured in a crash if they are treated by a qualified medical practitioner, either in hospital or elsewhere, for a crash-related injury within 24 hours of the crash.

\*8917 LABOUR PROTECTIONS-Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property-

- (1) How does the Government ensure that contractors and services providers for New South Wales government agencies and projects meet legal industrial obligations?
- (2) How does the Government ensure these protections apply in New South Wales government procurement?
- (3) How does the Government ensure that contractors and services providers for New South Wales government agencies and projects using online business platforms meet legal industrial obligations?

Answer-

(1) The NSW Procurement Board has directed all New South Wales government agencies to ensure that their tendering processes require tenderers to:

- comply where relevant with the NSW Procurement Policy Framework, the NSW Code of Practice for Procurement and the NSW Implementation Guidelines to the Code of Practice for Procurement: Building and Construction
- provide information to the agency concerning any findings of dishonest, unfair, unconscionable, corrupt or illegal conduct against the tenderer, its directors or management.

Contractors are required to comply with all relevant legislation, industrial instruments and court or tribunal orders, and disclose any current or pending legal proceedings or findings of non-compliance.

(2) The NSW Procurement Board expects that agencies and service providers will conduct their business relationships in accordance with law and accepted standards of behaviour. These requirements are essential to business confidence in the Government's procurement regime as well as public trust more broadly in the Government's decision making processes.

Findings of dishonest, unfair, unconscionable, corrupt or illegal conduct can have a range of consequences for individual suppliers, including exclusion from future contracting opportunities with the Government.

(3) Contractors and service providers to New South Wales government agencies using online business platforms are subject to the same requirements as provided in answer to question (1).

\*8918 MACQUARIE STREET EAST PRECINCT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

What progress has been made on the proposed Sydney CBD Cultural Precinct to be considered with the Macquarie Street East Precinct since the October 2016 draft Strategic Framework?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government is developing a Cultural Infrastructure Plan to guide investment in Cultural Infrastructure in NSW to 2025 and beyond.

The Cultural Infrastructure Plan will be considered by the Government shortly and the Macquarie Street East Precinct has been considered in developing the draft Plan.

\*8919 MACQUARIE STREET EAST PRECINCT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) What progress has been made on the Government's Macquarie Street East Precinct since the October 2016 draft Strategic Framework?
- (2) What changes has the Government made to the draft framework?

Answer-

- (1) The Macquarie Street Strategic Framework was finalised and has been endorsed by the Minister for Planning. implementation is the remit of Property NSW or the individual institutions.
- (2) No changes were required to the draft Macquarie Street Strategic Framework due the extensive consultation that occurred before its release.
- \*8920 MACQUARIE STREET EAST PRECINCT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What plans does the Government have to reduce the impact of large amounts of through traffic associated with the Cahill Expressway?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Roads ,Maritime and Freight.

\*8921 WESTCONNEX SAFE BICYCLE FACILITIES—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

What safe bicycle facilities does the Government plan to include in the Westconnex motorway?

Answer-

I am advised that once constructed, WestConnex will provide over 14 kilometres of new and upgraded cycle paths that link to existing cycleways.

The Environmental Impact Statement and associated Instrument of Approval documents provide full details of the cycle access requirements of each stage of WestConnex.

- \*8922 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PYRMONT BRIDGE ROAD-Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Premier-
  - (1) What assessment has the Government made of the need for a safe pedestrian crossing over Pyrmont Bridge Road between Taylor Street and Wattle Street?
  - (2) What pedestrian counts has the Government carried out at this location?
  - (3) What consideration has the Government given to a signalised crossing midway between these roads

at:

- (a) Wentworth Park Road or;
- (b) At the end of the Glebe Foreshore walk and the Sydney Secondary College Blackwattle Bay campus?
- (4) What consideration has the Government given to a pedestrian refuge near this location?
- (5) What action will the Government take to provide safe pedestrian crossing at this location?

Answer-

The Government is committed to the transformation of The Bays Precinct.

Urban Growth will continue to work closely with Roads and Maritime Services to ensure appropriate pedestrian safety measures are implemented as part of this significant transformation.

- \*8923 SCRUBBY CREEK WINDALE—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) When will negotiations regarding land parcels in and around Scrubby Creek Windale, between the Department of Housing and Lake Macquarie Council, be finalised?
  - (2) Are the rehabilitation works for Scrubby Creek Windale on track to commence in September?
  - (3) When is the Scrubby Creek rehabilitation to be completed?

Answer—

I am advised arrangements are underway for Lake Macquarie Council to undertake rehabilitation works at Scrubby Creek. Once rehabilitation works are complete, the Department of Family and Community Services will dedicate Bahloo Reserve and Scrubby Creek land to Lake Macquarie Council.

I am advised the rehabilitation works are expected to commence in September and be completed by the end of 2018, weather permitting.

- \*8924 NEW CHARLESTOWN SOCIAL HOUSING SUPPLY—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) Where is the new supply of social housing in the Charlestown electorate, as mentioned in the 2018-19 NSW Budget at a cost of \$7.291 million located?
  - (2) Is this new supply a replacement for current out-dated social housing or is the new supply in addition to current supply in the Charlestown electorate?
  - (3) How many people will be housed in this new supply of social housing?

Answer-

I am very pleased that the 2018-19 NSW Budget delivers for the Charlestown community to ensure that new supply and upgrades will be available for social housing in the Charlestown electorate. This funding will be allocated in the 2018-19 financial year.

\*8925 FAILED E-SAFETY CHECKS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

What is the Government doing to prevent mechanics from failing e-safety checks to increase revenue?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

\*8926 DOB IN A TOSSER—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

What steps are taken to verify the reporting of litter from vehicles by a member of the public before a fine is issued?

Answer-

I am advised:

Once a report is received the Environment Protection Authority checks the vehicle registration and other vehicle identification details with Roads and Maritime Services; and cross checks 18 mandatory reporting criteria (the evidence) before issuing any fine.

See https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/litter-and-illegal-dumping/report-littering for more information.

\*8927 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL NURSE-TO-PATIENT RATIOS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

In order to avoid losing valued nurses, when will John Hunter Hospital have an increase in nurse-topatient ratios to address workload issues?

Answer-

Hunter New England Local Health District is required to staff hospital wards in accordance with the Public Health System Nurses' and Midwives' (State) Award (the Award) and John Hunter Hospital is meeting its Award staffing obligations.

From June 2012 to June 2018, the number of Hunter New England full-time equivalent nurses and midwives increased by over 600.

\*8928 2 SCHRODER AVENUE, GATESHEAD—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

How long has the Government owned the land at 2 Schroder Avenue, Gateshead?

Answer-

Information about the dating of property ownership in New South Wales is available at www.nswlrs.com.au.

\*8929 SOCIAL HOUSING MAINTENANCE REQUESTS IN THE CHARLESTOWN ELECTORATE—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

Considering the \$3.2 million allocated to social housing upgrades in the 2018-19 NSW Budget, why do social housing maintenance requests in the Charlestown electorate appear to not be addressed?

Answer-

I am advised the Department of Family and Community Services routinely carries out maintenance to keep its properties in good condition and to ensure consistent maintenance standards across the state. More information on maintenance requests is available at www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

- \*8930 FALSE DOB IN A TOSSER REPORTS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) What is the penalty for making a false report of littering from a motor vehicle?
  - (2) How many people in New South Wales have been penalised for making a false report of littering from a motor vehicle?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) This information is in the Crimes Act 1900 (NSW) https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1900/40
- (2) No penalties have been issued to date.
- \*8931 20-24 HICKORY STREET, GATESHEAD—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

How long has the Government owned the land at 20-24 Hickory Street, Gateshead?

Answer-

I am advised information about property ownership in New South Wales is available at www.nswlrs.com.au.

- \*8932 CONTROL OF PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) How is the Minister making controlling the use of per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) a priority in light of the chemicals being added to the Stockholm Convention in 2009?

(2) If the Minister is unable to ban the use of PFAS chemicals, what is being done to assist the Commonwealth Government in the ban of PFAS chemicals?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) The Government takes a precautionary approach to support the New South Wales community to reduce exposure to per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) chemicals. The NSW PFAS Expert Panel has been asked for advice on options to implement state-based regulatory measures for PFAS fire-fighting foams, until any nationwide phaseout is implemented by the Commonwealth Government.
- (2) The Government will continue to urge the Commonwealth Government to expedite ratifying the listing of perflurooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) in the Stockholm Convention.
- \*8933 CHARLESTOWN SHARE OUR SPACE PROGRAM COSTS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Education—

What was the total cost of hiring security guards at Dudley Public School, Garden Suburb Public School and Redhead Public School during the April trial of the Share our Space program?

Answer—

I'm advised that:

The Share our Space Program involves New South Wales government schools opening up their playgrounds for communities to use during the school holidays.

In the April 2018 school holidays 80 schools participated. The playgrounds were open from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, 7 days a week, from April 16 to 27.

A security guard was assigned to each school to monitor onsite security. Schools did not fund the security guards as part of the program.

\*8934 PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES CHEMICALS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

Why has the Minister said that the Government cannot ban per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) as it is a Commonwealth responsibility when South Australia and Queensland have already banned PFAS?

Answer-

I am advised:

It is falsely claimed per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) is banned in both South Australia and in Queensland. The South Australia and Queensland regulatory regimes only apply to PFAS fire-fighting foams and allows industry to seek exemptions to use PFAS fire-fighting foams.

The NSW PFAS Expert Panel has been asked for advice on options to implement state-based regulatory measures for PFAS fire-fighting foams, until any nationwide phase-out is implemented by the Commonwealth Government.

The Government's firefighting services began phasing out PFAS foams more than a decade ago and have stopped using PFAS containing firefighting foams for training purposes.

\*8935 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADES—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

Will the concept designs for the Pacific Highway intersection upgrades at Kahibah Road and Northcott Drive be ready to go on display by late 2018?

Answer-

I am advised:

This information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

- \*8936 WESTCONNEX COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS PROCESS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—
  - (1) What skills and/or expertise will the organisation tasked with undertaking the comparative analysis process of potential WestConnex ancillary facility options at Haberfield be required to have?
    - (a) What is the methodology and timeline for this comparative analysis?

(b) What community consultation will be required as part of this comparative analysis?

Answer-

I am advised that the Haberfield and Ashfield sites, described in the M4 - M5 Link Environmental Impact Statement as the 'Option B ancillary facility option', will no longer be used for tunnelling.

\*8937 WESTCONNEX CONCERNS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

How does the Minister respond to concerns raised by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) about Transurban buying a majority stake in WestConnex, particularly in relation to the ongoing cost of tolls for consumers?

Answer-

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission has cleared Sydney Transport Partners. This transaction has delivered \$9.26 billion which can be used to invest in roads, rail, schools and hospitals, something which could never have happened under the Labor Party.

- \*8939 LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION PROPERTIES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) How many properties owned by the Land and Housing Corporation and currently used by transitional or crisis housing providers have been relinquished, sold or acquired in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?
  - (2) How many additional properties have been purchased or built by Land and Housing Corporation for the express purpose of transitional or crisis housing, provided by not-for-profit or community housing providers?

Answer-

I am advised that the Department of Family and Community Services' (FACS) Land and Housing Corporation continually reviews the suitability of the properties it owns. Proceeds from the sale of assets are re-invested to upgrade social housing and build new dwellings Additionally, the Government has committed \$61 million of new funding over four years to implement the NSW Homelessness Strategy. This includes \$9.1 million for additional transitional accommodation.

- \*8940 RENTAL ACCOMMODATION IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
  - (1) What percentage of New South Wales households were living in rented accommodation in the:
    - (a) 2016-17 financial year;
    - (b) 2010-11 financial year?

Answer—

NSW Fair Trading does not capture this data.

- \*8941 HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IN GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENTS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) What is the current percentage of affordable rental housing mandated in government led urban housing projects?
  - (2) How many affordable rental housing units have been approved in government housing projects in 2018 (as at 21 June 2018)?
  - (3) How many affordable rental housing units were approved in government housing projects in 2017?
  - (4) What is the duration that affordable houses are maintained as affordable in government led rental housing developments?

Answer—

I am advised that information on the Government's measures to increase affordable housing is available at www.greater.sydney, www.communititesplus.com.au, www.facs.nsw.gov.au and http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/about/reforms/future-directions/reforms/SAHF.

\*8942 BEDS FOR THE TREATMENT OF ANOREXIA NERVOSA—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

How many beds are there available at Liverpool Hospital dedicated to the treatment of anorexia nervosa? Answer—

Patients requiring admission are allocated beds as required at Liverpool Hospital. These patients receive assessment, treatment and ongoing management with multidisciplinary input from medical, consultation liaison psychiatrist, dietetics and nursing. The South Western Sydney Local Health District (SWSLHD) Eating Disorders Coordinator is also available for consultation and support to all staff within SWSLHD who are managing patients with eating disorders. Patients may also access treatment in the community through referral to their local community mental health service.

\*8943 CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SOUTH COAST RAIL LINE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What are the contractual arrangements between the Government or government agencies and the Manildra Group in relation to the South Coast Rail line?

Answer—

I am advised :

This information is publicly available on the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal website.

\*8944 INVESTIGATIONS INTO WILLIAMS MURDER—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

What investigations are being conducted into the murder of Kristy Lee Williams on or about 21 June 2003?

Answer-

I am advised:

The murder of Ms Williams is one of a number of unsolved homicides undergoing a review process with the Unsolved Homicide Unit to identify any new opportunities for investigation.

\*8945 RESPONSE TO CORRESPONDENCE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

What is your response to the letter to you from Tom Lonsdale, Veterinary Surgeon, dated 15 June 2018? Answer—

I am advised :

The Acting Principal Registrar and Executive Director of the NSW Civil and Administrative

Tribunal responded to Mr Lonsdale on my behalf on 2 July 2018.

\*8946 ON DEMAND BUS SERVICE FOR EDMONDSON PARK—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

How many passengers used the on demand bus service aimed to link Edmondson Park residents to the Edmondson Park rail station in the period of 16 August 2017 to 29 July 2018?

Answer-

I am advised :

The On Demand Transport pilot in Edmondson Park commenced on 29 January 2018.

Between 29 January 2018 and 31 July 2018,4,761 passenger trips have been delivered on the On Demand Transport pilot in Edmondson Park.

### \*8947 STATUTORY REVIEW OF THE CORONERS ACT-Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General-

- (1) Have you received the Department of Justice's statutory review of the Coroners Act?(a) If so, when did you receive it?
- (2) Are you considering a restructure of the coronial system as proposed by ex-State Coroner Barnes in August 2017?
- (3) Have you received any suggestions for improving the performance of the coronial system from the State Coroner and/or Chief Magistrate?(a) If so, what are they?
- Answer—

I am advised:

The statutory review of the Coroners Act 2009 is currently being finalised and will make recommendations to improve the New South Wales coronial system. The report on the statutory review will be tabled in each House of Parliament in due course.

I am considering proposals put forward by stakeholders in relation to improving the performance of the coronial system.

## \*8948 DETERMINATION ON WHETHER TO PROCEED WITH PROSECUTION—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

When will the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions determine whether to proceed with a prosecution concerning the apparent murder of Lynette Dawson?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) is an independent prosecutorial body. The matter is being carefully considered by senior lawyers within the ODPP and it is not possible to say precisely when a determination will be made.

\*8949 CANCELLATION OF A CORONIAL INQUEST—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

(1) Did the State Coroner cancel an inquest that previous State Coroner Michael Barnes had listed for hearing concerning the death of a young woman at a concert?

(a) If so, why

Answer—

I am advised:

Following careful consideration of the coronial brief of evidence the State Coroner was satisfied there were no suspicious circumstances relating to the young woman's death and was aware that the family of the young woman did not wish for the matter to proceed to inquest.

Under Section 25(1) of the Coroners Act 2009, it is open to a coroner to dispense with an inquest unless an inquest is required to be held. The death did not occur in circumstances that required an inquest to be held.

\*8950 INQUEST INTO MURDERS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

When will the inquest be held into the murders of Jack and Jennifer Edwards?

Answer—

I am advised:

As NSW Police are currently preparing a coronial brief of evidence for the Coroner, no inquest date has yet been set.

\*8951 PASSENGER SERVICES LEVY-Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property-

How much revenue has been collected since the Passenger Services Levy was introduced (as at 20 June 2018)?

Answer-

\$11,561,156.80

\*8952 LISAROW CEMETERY—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

Will any graves located at the Lisarow Cemetery be disturbed as a consequence of the widening of the Pacific Highway (Stage 3B)?

Answer-

I am advised:

The known graves in Lisarow Cemetery are not impacted by the proposed widening of the Pacific Highway. Several investigations have been undertaken to establish the presence of any unmarked graves within the road reserve in which the road widening is being constructed.

\*8953 STACEY STREET AND HUME HIGHWAY OVERPASS BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

Considering the expected population growth both within and surrounding Bankstown, will the 2018-19 Budget include funding for an overpass at the intersection of Bankstown's Stacey Street and the Hume Highway, which in 2017 an Austroads report labelled as the seventh slowest road in Australia?

Answer—

I am advised:

Funds have been allocated in 2018-19 to investigate the Stacey Street and Hume Highway grade separation. This allocation is part of the \$300 million Gateway to the South Pinch Points Program.

\*8954 ESTABLISHMENT OF A SELECT COMMITTEE INTO HOMELESSNESS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) Considering the recent release of Australian Bureau of Statistics census data showed a marked increase in homelessness in New South Wales between 2011 and 2016, will you support the establishment of a Select Committee into Homelessness?
  - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised the Government has committed more than \$1 billion for homelessness services over the next four years which includes new funding of \$61 million over four years to implement the NSW Homelessness Strategy. The Strategy sets out the Government's five year plan for a comprehensive approach to prevent and improve the response to homelessness.

\*8955 CHILD PROTECTION HELPLINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

Will you intervene to address escalations in waiting times, concerns about historical child protection data collection and backlogs of cases regarding the child protection helpline?

Answer—

I am advised that call wait times to the Child Protection Helpline are influenced by a variety of factors. The Helpline actively monitors the issues that arise from a fluctuating environment and accordingly implements mitigation strategies including the recruitment of additional staff.

I am advised that information about the Helpline is available at https://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/facs-statistics/objective-1.

- \*8956 NSW BUDGET 2018-19 SLEEPING BAGS AND BABY WRAPS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) Are the sleeping bags and baby wraps to be made available to new mothers announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget made in New South Wales?
    - (a) If so, which company has been contracted to procure the sleeping bags and baby wraps?
    - (b) If not, from where have the sleeping bags and baby wraps been sourced and from which company?
  - (2) What is the total cost of this measure?
  - (3) On what date will the measure start?
  - (4) Will the sleeping bags and baby wraps contain any slogans or NSW Government branding?

Answer-

In 2018-19 the Government is investing \$7.6 million in the NSW Baby Bundle

The contents of the baby bundle will support health and development related outcomes and align to NSW Health policy. The Baby Bundle will be provided to parents from 1 January 2019.

The procurement process and design details for goods have not been finalised.

- \*8957 COST OF LIVING PROGRAMS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - (1) How many people in the Wollongong electorate are eligible for Energy rebates?
    - (a) How many people in the Wollongong electorate have claimed for their eligibility for this program?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Government does not report rebate data using electorate boundaries.
  - (a) Energy retailers do not report rebate data to the Government using electorate boundaries.
- \*8958 COST OF LIVING PROGRAMS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—
  - (1) How many people in the Wollongong electorate are eligible for Active Kids vouchers rebates?(a) How many people in the Wollongong electorate have claimed for their eligibility for this program?

Answer—

- (1) 13,522
- (2) 3,961
- \*8959 GIRAKOOL BLUES FESTIVAL FUNDING—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
  - (1) How much funding did Girakool receive from the Government for the Girakool Blues Festival in each year from 2014-15 to 2016-17?
  - (2) If they lost money, why did they get ongoing funding?

Answer—

(1) Destination NSW, the NSW Government's tourism and major events agency, did not provide funding assistance to Girrakool Blues Festival in 2014-15 and 2016-17.

Girrakool Blues Festival received \$20,000 in funding in 2017-18 through Destination NSW's Regional Flagship Events Program.

(2) The funding application submitted by the event organisers acknowledged the losses incurred in previous years and the reasons for such losses. The application outlined reasonable strategies to raise revenue and review costs for 2018 to deliver a profitable event.

- \*8960 NORTHCONNEX COST AND EXPECTED OPENING—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) When is NorthConnex due to open to vehicles?
  - (2) What was the original budget for the project?
  - (3) What is the current estimated cost for the completed project?

Answer—

I am advised :

- (1) Transurban has advised Roads and Maritime Services that the delivery timetable for NorthConnex is currently under review.
- (2) \$3 billion
- (3) \$3 billion
- \*8961 DISABILITY SERVICES PROVISION AND PRESCRIPTION GUIDELINES—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) When were the Provision and Prescription Guidelines for Seated Mobility changed?
  - (2) Which organisations and individuals were involved in the working group that coordinated the changes to the guidelines?
  - (3) Which agency was responsible for leading the working group?

Answer-

EnableNSW established a Technical Working Group in 2015 to review the Clinical Criteria for Seated Mobility.

The Working Group included representation from senior occupational therapists and other prescribers from various Local Health Districts, along with representatives from Ageing, Disability and Home Care, Northcott and Cerebral Palsy Alliance.

- \*8962 ABORIGINAL SOCIAL HOUSING FUNDING BUDGET 2018-19 ILLAWARRA AND SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) What portion of the \$33.1 million in new funding allocated in the 2018-19 NSW Budget for the Aboriginal Social Housing Strategy will be spent within:
    - (a) The Shellharbour electorate;
    - (b) The Illawarra?
  - (2) What additional services will be delivered as a result?

Answer-

I am advised that information on the 2018-19 NSW Budget is available at https://www.budget.nsw.gov.au/nsw-budget-2018-19-budget-papers.

I am also advised that information on the Aboriginal Social Housing Strategy is available from www.aho.nsw.gov.au.

- \*8963 JOB CREATION NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Anna Watson asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
  - (1) How many of the 150,000 new jobs committed to in the Government's Election Commitments 2015-19 have been delivered:
    - (a) Across New South Wales;
    - (b) In the Illawarra;
    - (c) In the Shellharbour electorate?

Answer—

At the 2015 election, the Government committed to creating 150,000 new jobs over four years. In just over three years, the Government has exceeded the target, with the number of employed people in New South Wales increasing by 311,700 (April 2015 to July 2018).

These were jobs only created because of a Liberal and National Government.

In the Illawarra region (which includes Shellharbour), the unemployment rate is now 4.5 percent which is lower than the New South Wales unemployment rate. Over the past 12 months, over 5,600 jobs were created in the Illawarra region.

- \*8964 INPATIENT AND COMMUNITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES NSW BUDGET ILLAWARRA AND SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—
  - What portion of the additional \$82.5 million allocated in the 2018-19 NSW Budget for increased inpatient and community-based mental health services across New South Wales will be spent within:

     (a) The Shellharbour electorate;
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    - (b) The Illawarra?
  - (2) What additional services will be delivered as a result within:
    - (a) The Shellharbour electorate;
    - (b) The lllawarra?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Health services are not provided on the basis of electorate.

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- \*8965 RANDWICK TAFE—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
  - (1) What discussions have taken place between yourself or the Department and the University of New South Wales in relation to a possible sell off of Randwick TAFE?
  - (2) Have there been any considerations given to a possible sell off of Randwick TAFE?
  - (3) Have there been any considerations given to a full closure or wind down of courses at Randwick

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Answer—

These question should be directed to the Assistant Minister for Skills, as the Minister with the responsibility for TAFE NSW.

- \*8966 WATER LEVELS AT CATARACT AND CORDEAUX DAMS—Mr Greg Warren asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
  - (1) What action has the Government taken to notify residents in the Macarthur region and other areas about the significant drop in water levels at Cataract and Cordeaux dams over the last 12 months (to 8 August 2018)?
  - (2) What action has the Government taken to date to address this problem?(a) What future action is planned?

Answer-

(1) and (2) Sydney's water storages have decreased from 96 per cent full in April 2017 to 66 per cent full in August 2018 due to very low rainfall across the region.

The Upper Nepean storages, including Cataract and Cordeaux, but also Avon and Nepean, provide water for both the Macarthur region through the Macarthur Water Filtration Plant and greater Sydney through the Prospect Water Treatment Plant. The volumes of water in these storages are reported on the WaterNSW website and are updated daily.

While the storages levels have decreased over the last 15 months, there is still sufficient water to meet the demand for the region for a number of years. However, due to the low rainfall, WaterNSW is targeting supply from these storages to Macarthur and Illawarra regions, while Warragamba is predominantly supplying Prospect Water Treatment Plant that services 80 per cent of Sydney's demand. WaterNSW is also working with Sydney Water to balance the demand between the different treatment plants to maintain security of supply across the region.

While the Upper Nepean storages are significantly smaller than Warragamba Dam, the average rainfall across these catchments is higher and the catchments respond more quickly to any rainfall.

While Sydney has experienced an extremely dry period, like the majority of the state, the water supply system provides an extremely high level of security. The water storages are still two thirds full. However, WaterNSW and Sydney Water are working closely together to monitor the situation and identify contingency measures if the drought continues for a number of years.

- \*8967 POLICE ATTENDANCE-Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services-
  - (1) Which respective events were NSW Police required to attend during the recent visit to Sydney by Ms Lauren Southern?
  - (2) Did Ms Southern or her promotional team pay under the 'user pays' system for NSW Police on Saturday 28 July 2018 before, during or after her event at the International Convention Centre?
    - (a) If so:
      - (i) How many police officers were deployed?
      - (ii) How long were they deployed for?
      - (iii) What was the total cost for their deployment?

Answer—

I am advised:

Police attend a wide variety of events, both proactively and reactively, to ensure community safety. There was no NSW Police Force user pays agreement in place at the International Convention Centre on 28 July 2018.

\*8968 FORMER SHOALHAVEN ANGLICAN SCHOOL SITE—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Education—

Has the Department of Education engaged with the owner of the former Shoalhaven Anglican School regarding a possible purchase of this site?

### Answer-

The Government has purchased the former Shoalhaven Anglican School site.

\*8969 PUBLIC COMMENTS MADE AS MINISTER FOR MULTICULTURALISM—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

(1) Did you make any comments regarding the recent visit to Sydney by Ms Lauren Southern?(a) If so, where can these comments be found?

Answer—

I do not give oxygen to controversial figures, whose only contribution to public debate are comments designed to cause outrage and garner greater media attention.

I am committed to ensuring social cohesion and harmony in New South Wales through initiatives such as COMPACT, with \$9.2 million in funding for community partnerships and youth engagement activities over four years.

\*8970 FATALITIES INVOLVING TRANSIT SYSTEM BUSES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) Following fatalities involving Transit System buses on or about at Fairfield Showground; what raids, audits or inspections have been conducted by:
  - (a) NSW Police;
  - (b) Roads and Maritime Services staff;
  - (c) The Joint Traffic Taskforce;
  - (d) National Heavy Vehicle Regulator;
  - (e) Any other State government agency?
- (2) Following fatalities involving Transit System buses on or about 11 June 2018 at Polding Street Bossley Park; what raids, audits or inspections have been conducted by:
  - (a) NSW Police;
  - (b) Roads and Maritime Services staff;
  - (c) The Joint Traffic Taskforce;
  - (d) National Heavy Vehicle Regulator;
  - (e) Any other State government agency?
- (3) If no such raids, audits or inspections occurred for each fatality, why not?
- (4) What policy exists to deal with the occurrence of fatalities involving privately operated buses?

Answer-

I am advised:

As this matter is still under investigation, it would be inappropriate to comment further. All fatal motor vehicle accidents are fully investigated by Police, regardless of the type of vehicle involved.

- \*8971 GLENDALE TAFE STUDENTS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
  - (1) How many students were enrolled at Glendale TAFE over the 2017-18 financial year
  - (2) How many students were enrolled at Glendale TAFE over the 2010-11 financial year?

Answer-

TAFE NSW operates in a competitive environment. Data on enrolment and resourcing are not provided by location. TAFE NSW does however provide enrolment and resourcing data as part of its annual reporting which can be found at: https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about-tafensw/annual-report.

- \*8972 HUNTER WATER CORPORATION—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - (1) Will the Government be seeking a dividend from the Hunter Water Corporation beyond 70 per cent in the 2018-19 financial year?
  - (2) Could this place at risk Hunter Water Corporation's ability to deliver on future potential flood mitigation works of Hunter Water Corporation owned assets in the Wallsend CBD?

Answer—

I am advised:

Questions relating to the payment and timing of dividends should be directed to the Treasurer, as the shareholding minister.

The payment and timing of dividends is not related to Hunter Water's pricing nor its capital works

#### program.

- \*8973 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR HUNTER WATER—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - (1) What was Hunter Water's annual budget for capital expenditure for each financial year between 2011-12 and 2017-18?
  - (2) What was Hunter Water's annual actual capital expenditure for each financial year between 2011-12 and 2017-18?
  - (3) What is Hunter Water's annual forecast capital expenditure for each financial year between 2018-19 and 2019-20?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) Hunter Water's capital expenditure allowances are set by economic regulator Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) as part of its periodic Pricing Review process. Information on Hunter Water's previous capital forecasts are available from IPART's website.
- (2) Hunter Water's actual capital expenditure is published annually in its Annual Report, which is tabled in Parliament and available on Hunter Water's website.
- (3) Hunter Water's forecast capital expenditure is published annually in its Statement of Corporate Intent, which is tabled in Parliament.

\*8974 CRASH STATISTICS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What are the crash statistics on roads between Wallsend and Hamilton on Thomas Street, Newcastle Road and Griffiths Road, since speed limits were reduced on 11 March 2018 by 10 kilometres per hour?
- (2) What was the crash data for the same roads from 11 January 2018 to 11 March 2018?

Answer—

I am advised:

Interactive crash statistics with reports on road user deaths and injuries, locations and crash types up to 2017 are available on the Centre for Road Safety's website.

Statistics for 2018 are being collated based on data from NSW Health, the State Insurance Regulatory Authority, icare and the NSW Police Force.

- \*8975 PRIMARY EDUCATION IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—
  - (1) What is the combined capacity of primary schools in the Wallsend electorate (as at 7 August 2018)?
  - (2) How many students are projected to be enrolled in primary education in the Wallsend electorate by 2023?

Answer—

I'm advised that:

Every eligible student who wishes to attend a New South Wales government school will be given a place at their local school. Accordingly, the Department of Education does not have fixed enrolment capacities at New South Wales government schools. Schools have the capacity to adapt to fluctuating enrolments through the use of a combination of temporary and permanent teaching spaces.

Primary schools in the electorate have adequate space to meet projected enrolment demand in the short to medium term, and the department is developing a strategy to manage long-term primary school enrolment demand for the electorate.

- \*8976 PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY CARE CENTRE AT THE MATER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) How many full-time equivalent nursing positions are assigned to the psychiatric emergency care centre at the Mater Hospital?
  - (2) How many full-time equivalent nursing positions are vacant at the psychiatric emergency care centre at the Mater Hospital?

Answer-

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

- \*8977 SECONDARY EDUCATION IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—
  - (1) What is the combined capacity of secondary schools in the Wallsend electorate?
  - (2) How many students are projected to be enrolled in secondary education in the Wallsend electorate by 2023?

Answer-

I'm advised that:

Every eligible student who wishes to attend a New South Wales government school will be given a place at their local school. Accordingly, the Department of Education does not have fixed enrolment capacities at New South Wales government schools. Schools have the capacity to adapt to fluctuating enrolments through the use of a combination of temporary and permanent teaching spaces.

Secondary schools in the electorate have adequate space to meet projected long-term demand. In addition, an upgrade project at Callaghan College, Jesmond Campus to provide new classrooms and a new hall is currently in the design phase.

\*8978 BUS ROUTE 12 MEREWEATHER BEACH TO WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What was the total number of passengers who tapped on with their opal card at Merewether Beach and travelled all the way to the end of bus route 12 at Wallsend from 7 January 2018 until 5 August 2018?

Answer—

I am advised:

150.

\*8979 BUS ROUTE 12 WALLSEND TO MEREWEATHER BEACH—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What was the total number of passengers who tapped on with their opal card in Wallsend and travelled all the way to the end of bus route 12 at Merewether Beach since 7 January 2018 until 5 August 2018?

Answer-

I am advised:

151.

- \*8980 CHEMICALS USED AT THE FORMER HAMILTON FIRE STATION—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
  - (1) Has the Government investigated if Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) or Perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) chemicals were used at the former Hamilton Fire Station?
    - (a) If PFOA or PFOS were used, what action has the Government taken to ensure this does not pose a health risk to neighbouring residents?
    - (b) If not, will the Government investigate if PFOA or PFOS chemicals were used at the former Hamilton Fire Station to ensure that there is not a health risk to neighbouring residents?

Answer—

I am advised:

Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) is working closely with the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) to identify, assess and where necessary manage contamination at sites across the state.

An initial assessment of the Hamilton Fire Station site has deemed it low-risk on the basis that inquiries have indicated the quantity and frequency of use of firefighting foam were small, and because there is now a concrete structure over the top. All information is being passed onto the EPA who will make the final decision about sites requiring further investigation.

FRNSW will continue to work closely with the EPA to manage the potential impacts of Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and Perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) chemicals on its training sites. Any management methods applied to the site will be part of an integrated approach guided by the EPA.

- \*8981 TESTING FOR PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - (1) On how many occasions in the past year did Sydney Water testing find per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) (to 8 August 2018)?
    - (a) Of these tests on how many occasions were results in PFAS tests above the tolerable daily intake value?
    - (b) Where are the results of Sydney Water's testing for PFAS publicly reported?
  - (2) On how many occasions in the past year did HunterWater testing find PFAS (to 8 August 2018)?
    - (a) Of these tests on how many occasions were results in PFAS tests above the tolerable daily intake value?
    - (b) Where are the results of Hunter Water's testing PFAS publicly reported?

Answer-

I am advised:

(1) Sydney Water has been working with its stakeholders to collectively understand potential per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) sources, so that they are better prepared to prevent any potential health and environmental issues occurring within the community.

NSW Health and NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) have advised that PFAS is not a risk to Sydney's drinking water supply so monitoring of Sydney's drinking water is not warranted at this time.

The EPA is currently undertaking a PFAS investigation program. Sydney Water is actively engaged with the EPA on PFAS. The results of this investigation will be made available to the public by the EPA, and will determine whether future monitoring for PFAS is required.

Additionally, Sydney Water has proactively started monitoring PFAS in trade waste, biosolids and relevant Sydney Water properties where previous firefighting activities may have occurred on or near the properties. Results will be available in due course, as risks and impacts are assessed.

Sydney Water publishes results of all testing required under its Operating Licence in the quarterly drinking water report, annual report, and the Sewage Treatment System Impact Monitoring Program.

(2) (a) In the last 12 months, Hunter Water tested 1,513 samples for PFAS, collected at 184 locations across Hunter Water's reticulated water network, in its drinking water catchments, at its water treatment works, at its wastewater treatment works and in the sewer system.

There have been no detections of PFAS above the tolerable daily intake value in the reticulated water network.

(b) Hunter Water publishes drinking water testing results on its website on a monthly basis: www.hunterwater.com.au/waterquality.

\*8982 POPULATION AND HOUSEHOLD PROJECTIONS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) Considering that the Department of Planning and Environment's population and household projections forecast growth in Cumberland from 217,450 in 2016 to 292,450 in 2036 what is the forecast increase in population in each of the following suburbs for the same period:
  - (a) Granville;
  - (b) South Granville;
  - (c) Mays Hill;
  - (d) Holroyd;
  - (e) Merrylands;
  - (f) Merrylands West;
  - (g) Guildford;
  - (h) Greystanes;
  - (i) Westmead;
  - (j) Wentworthville?

Answer-

The Department of Planning and Environment prepares population projections for New South Wales, Planning Regions and Local Government Areas. The Department does not have projections for individual suburbs.

- \*8983 WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL HOUSING AFFORDIBILITY SEPP APPLICATION—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
  - (1) Considering the Housing Affordability State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP), has the Wollongong City Council's application to be included as an eligible council to ultilise this planning instrument been received?
    - (a) If so, when will you make a determination regarding their application?

Answer—

I am advised :

Last year Wollongong Council had preliminary discussions about entering SEPP 70 with the Department of Planning and Environment.

If Council wishes to be included in the SEPP, it needs to make a formal request to me (as the Minister), and demonstrate a need for affordable housing in the subject area/s.

I understand that affordable housing is an important issue to the community in Wollongong and I would welcome the opportunity to consider including Council in SEPP 70.

- \*8984 PARKING INFRINGEMENT NOTICES ISSUED IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) How many parking infringement notices were issued in the Illawarra in the 2017-18 financial year?(a) What was the total revenue raised through these infringement notices?
  - (2) How many parking infringement notices were issued in the Illawarra in the 2016-17 financial year?(a) What was the total revenue raised through these infringement notices?

Answer-

(1) 49,693

- (a) \$8,367,289
- (2) 50,084
  - (a) \$8,059,711

Notes:

- Data may change retrospectively.
- Data includes all parking penalty notices where the offence suburb was in Illawarra region.
- The Illawarra region is defined by the electorates in the Illawarra and determined by the postcodes as listed by the NSW Electoral Commission.
- \*8985 ELECTRIFICATION OF THE SOUTH COAST RAIL LINE SOUTH OF KIAMA—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) Has Transport for NSW investigated the electrification of the South Coast Rail Line south of Kiama?(a) If so,
    - (i) What is the estimated cost?
    - (ii) What is the length of time it would take to complete this project?
    - (b) If not, why have you not yet investigated this important project?

Answer-

I am advised :

An initiative was identified in the Regional NSW Services and Infrastructure Plan to investigate the electrification of the rail network between Bomaderry/Nowra and Kiama in the next 10 to20 years,

As part of this investigation process, it has been determined that duplication of the line would provide the most benefits for customers, including increasing the frequency, consistency and reliability of services. Any additional changes to the line will be investigated as part of this process.

## \*8986 ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS REBATES IN THE GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) How many people in the Granville electorate are eligible for the Active Kids vouchers rebates?
- (2) How many people in the Granville electorate have claimed for their eligibility for this program?
- (3) How many organisations in the Granville electorate are eligible to receive the vouchers?
  - (a) How many of these organisations have been approved to date (as at 8 August 2018)?

Answer-

All children in the Granville electorate are eligible if they are:

- a New South Wales resident with a valid Australian Medicare Card
- aged between 4.5 and 18 years, and
- enrolled in school (from Kindergarten to Year 12, including those who are home-schooled or enrolled in secondary school education at TAFE NSW).
- 4,151 Active Kids vouchers have been claimed by eligible recipients as at 8 August 2018.

To find providers that accept the Active Kids voucher, you can search at www.service.nsw.qov.au/transaction/find-active-kids-provider.

- \*8987 NSW HERITAGE GRANTS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) How many applications were received in each year from 2011 to 2018 for the projects in th Granville electroate:
    - (a) Aboriginal Heritage Projects;
    - (b) Community Heritage Projects;
    - (c) Community Heritage Peak Organisations;
    - (d) Major Works;
    - (e) Heritage Reports;
    - (f) Local Government Heritage Planning Studies;
    - (g) Local Government Heritage Advisors;
    - (h) Local Heritage Places Small Heritage Grants Program?
  - (2) How many applications were successful in each year from 2011 to 2018 for projects in the Granville electorate for each of the grant programs listed in (1)?
  - (3) What is the total value of successful grants for projects in the Granville electorate in each year from 2011 to 2017 for each of the grant programs listed in (1)?

Answer-

I am advised:

(1) to (3) No grants were applied for or approved in the Granville electorate during the period 2011 to 2017 under the Aboriginal Heritage Projects, Major Works or Heritage Reports streams.

There was one unsuccessful Community Heritage Projects grant application in the Granville electorate in 2014-15.

Community Heritage - Peak Organisations projects are typically state-wide initiatives, and grantees are not required to report by electorate.

There was one successful Local Government Heritage Planning Studies grant application in the Granville electorate in 2016-17 to the value of \$10,000.

Local Government Heritage Advisors grants are funded through allocations from Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) to local councils. From 2011 to 2018 one council partially within the Granville electorate received a grant of \$59,500.

Local Heritage Places - Small Heritage Programs grants are funded through allocations from OEH to local councils. From 2011 to 2018 one council partially within the Granville electorate received a grant of \$63,000. As councils are not required to report by electorate, for the 2011-12 to 2014-15 period, data is not available on the number or value of devolved grants delivered in the Granville electorate.

However, data is available for 2015-2018 for the Local Heritage Places - Small Heritage Programs stream:

- for 2015-2016, council awarded three grants to the value \$4,850 in the Granville electorate
- for 2016-2017, council awarded two applications to the value \$3,277 in the Granville electorate
- for 2017-2018, there were no successful grant applications in the Granville electorate.
- \*8988 COMPULSORY THIRD PARTY INSURANCE GREEN SLIP REFUND PROGRAM—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) What is the total cost of administering the Compulsory Third Party insurance (CTP) refund program as at 8 August 2018?
  - (2) What is the cost of advertising the CTP refund program as at 8 August 2018?
  - (3) What is the cost of communication to individual insurance policy holders advising them of the CTP

refund program as at 8 August 2018?

(4) What is the total amount collected to date from applicants for an administration fee as at 8 August 2018?

### Answer-

A processing fee of \$7.87 applies to all Compulsory Third Party insurance (CTP) refunds to cover the cost of Service NSW delivering the transactions. The final cost of refund program is dependent on the make up of service delivery channels used by customers.

Any unclaimed refunds and any remaining unspent administration costs will be returned to vehicle owners through a reduction in the CTP Fund Levy after 30 June 2019.

An advertising campaign to encourage awareness of the new scheme and take up of the refunds was commissioned by the State Insurance Regulatory Authority. Approximately \$1.9 million has been budgeted for the campaign which is ongoing.

- \*8989 ENERGY REBATES IN THE GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - (1) How many people in the Granville electorate are eligible for energy rebates?
  - (2) How many people in the Granville electorate have claimed for their eligibility for this program?
  - (3) What is the Government doing to ensure energy customers are aware of their eligibility for relevant energy rebates?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) The Government does not report rebate data using electorate boundaries.
- (2) Energy retailers do not report rebate data to the Government using electorate boundaries.
- (3) The Government ensures customers are aware of their eligibility in a number of ways. This includes through:
  - Energy retailers, who are obligated to inform customers of the availability of energy rebates when signing them up to an energy contract. Energy retailers must also include energy rebate information on their websites.
  - Online application forms on Service NSW for people who do not have an account with a retailer, for example caravan parks and retirement villages.
  - Awareness campaigns to provide information on available rebates and to help customers identify options to reduce their bills. Information on rebates and who is eligible is provided through radio, regional press, TV and social media.
  - The Department of Planning and Environment's website, which also contains information in multiple languages.
  - The Service NSW 'Cost of Living' initiative, which enables people to contact Service NSW by phone, in-person or on line so that Service NSW can identify what rebates and programs they are eligible for, including energy rebates. It helps energy customers pay their energy bills through identifying eligibity for energy rebates and energy saving programs and comparing the best electricity and gas offers available to them so that they can switch to a better offer.

\*8990 SPEEDING INFRINGEMENTS IN THE GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many penalty notices for speeding infringements were issued in each financial year since 2011 in the Granville electorate (to 8 August 2018)?
- (2) How many penalty notices for speeding infringements were issued in each financial year since 2011 (to 8 August 2018) in each of the following suburbs:
  - (a) Granville;
  - (b) South Granville;
  - (c) Mays Hill;
  - (d) Holroyd;
  - (e) Merrylands;
  - (f) Merrylands West;
  - (g) Guildford;
  - (h) Greystanes;

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(f) Merrylands West
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2016 - 211
2017 - 303
2018 - 170
2019 - 12
(g) Guildford
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2014 - 573
2015 - 471
2016 - 682
2017 - 694
2018 - 372
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(h) Greystanes
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2016 - 846

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Notes:

- Includes penalty notices with an offence date between 1 July 2010 and 8 August 2018. Data may change retrospectively as additional notices are loaded or camera sessions processed.
- Data is only as accurate as the information provided by the issuing agency.
- Granville Electorate suburbs are as listed by the NSW Electoral Commission, however some suburbs cross electoral boundaries. As a result, figures include offences for those parts of the listed suburbs in other electorates and will tend to be inflated. Parramatta and South Wentworthville do not appear in question 2 but parts of Parramatta and South Wentworthville are in the Granville electorate and are included in question (1).
- \*8991 TRAFFIC BARRIER AT THE CHURCH STREET OFFRAMP—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
  - (1) What was the cost for the installation of the traffic barrier at the Church Street offramp on the M4 Motorway?
  - (2) What advice was received from government or external bodies suggesting the installation of the barrier at the Church Street offramp?
  - (3) How many accidents have been recorded at the Church Street offramp on the M4 Motorway since the reintroduction of the toll (as at 8 August 2018)?

Answer-

I am advised:

The installation was funded under the Stewardship Maintenance Contract for West Zone.

This safety measure was agreed in collaboration between Roads and Maritime Services, NSW Police, Transport Management Centre and the Sydney Coordination Office.

Crash statistics up to 2017 is available on the Centre for Road Safety website.

Crash data for 2018 is yet to be finalised.

- \*8992 REDUCTION OF FOOD WASTE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) What steps has the Minister put into place to halve Australia's food wastage by 2030?
  - (2) When will the Minister align community education efforts to cut food waste and to encourage residual food waste to be composted?
  - (3) What methods do the Environment Minsters intend to use to educate and inform the community on food wastages?
  - (4) When will Environment Ministers meet again to further discuss the progress delivery?

Answer—

I am advised:

- The Government has allocated \$105.5 million under Waste Less, Recycle More to tackle organic waste, including food waste, to meet the National Food Waste Strategy target to halve the amount of food waste going to landfill by 2030.
- (2) We have been delivering the Love Food Hate Waste program since 2010 and working with councils, business, community organisations and charities to provide funding , advice, information, tips and programs to help people reduce food waste in the home and at work.
- (3) The Love Food Hate Waste program works closely with partners, such as councils, community groups, businesses and charities, and also provides funding for education delivery.
- (4) The next Environment Minister's meeting is scheduled to be held in November 2018.
- \*8993 BULLI HOSITAL UPGRADES—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) Considering the upgrades to Bulli Hospital, will the word "hospital" remain in the name recognising the historical contribution the community and local miners made to the establishment of this facility?(a) If not, why not?
  - (2) What is the Government looking at doing as part of the construction to recognise the significant contribution the community and mine workers made to the establishment of a health facility at Bulli?

Answer—

The project team is considering how best to acknowledge the heritage of the hospital.

- \*8994 PARLIAMENATARY BUDGET OFFICE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
  - (1) Will the Parliamentary Budget Office be fully operational by 1 September 2018?
    - (a) If not:
      - (i) Why not;
      - (ii) When will the Office be fully operational?

Answer—

The Parliamentary Budget Officer has been appointed by the Presiding Officers.

- \*8995 PENALTIES FOR CHILD NEGLECT—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) Will legislation be introduced during this term of Parliament to impose tougher penalties for those who commit severe neglect of children in their care?
    - (a) If so, when will this take place?
    - (b) If not, why not?

Answer-

The Government is currently considering the adequacy of sentencing options in the Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998.

\*8996 NOISE RELATED OFFENCES—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How many defect notices were issued for heavy vehicles in 2016 and 2017?(a) How many of these defects were for noise related offences?
- (2) In the 2017-18 financial year, what action has the Government taken to reduce the amount of heavy vehicle noise impacting residents in:

- (a) Mount Ousley;
- (b) Keiraville;
- (c) Gwynneville?
- (3) How many fines were issued as a result of the noise camera installed on Mount Ousley (as at 7 August 2018)?
- (4) What progress has the Government made with the National Transport Commission to develop a revised national standard regarding compression brake noise since July 2016 (as at 7 August 2018)?(a) If no progress has been made, will the Government consider setting improved standards alone?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) In 2016, 90,673 defect notices were issued, and in 2017 there were 87,332. In 2016, 107 defects were issued where the defect related to vehicle standards that may result in excessive noise, and 94 were issued in 2017.
- (2) Roads and Maritime Services responds to customer complaints received through the Noise Abatement Program and offers noise treatment options to eligible houses.
- (3) Roads and Maritime does not have regulatory powers to prosecute breaches of the national engine brake noise standard. However, it conducts service checks on heavy vehicles for faulty noise emission control equipment at periodic inspections or following a complaint, and issues defect notices where warranted.
- (4) Roads and Maritime is continuing discussions at a national level about refining the revised standard and noise detection algorithm.

\*8997 CLASSROOMS IN THE KEIRA ELECTORATE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What is the total number of classrooms in public schools across the Keira electroate?
- (2) How many public school classrooms in the Keira electorate are currently air conditioned?
- (3) What is the Government doing to air-condition classrooms in the Keira electorate
- (4) What is the expected completion date?

Answer—

I'm advised that:

The Government has announced \$500 million to provide a sustainable air conditioning program for New South Wales schools.

I'm advised schools that experience a mean maximum January temperature of 30 degrees Celsius and above will receive air conditioning in classrooms and libraries.

All new schools and school upgrades yet to be delivered will have air conditioning installed in new classrooms and libraries.

Schools that experience a mean maximum January temperature below 30 degrees Celsius can apply for funding for air conditioning in classrooms and libraries.

The first round of funding applications opened on August 1, 2018 and will close on September 28.

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\*8998 TENDER FOR THE SUMMER HILL CENTRE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

Will the Government halt the tender of the Summer Hill Centre until the findings of the Legislative Council Portfolio Committee No. 2 - Health and Community Services inquiy into Implementation of the National Disability Insurance Scheme and the provision of disability services in New South Wales are tabled?

Answer—

No.

On 29 August 2018, Achieve Australia was announced as the new service provider for the Summer Hill Centre. The transfer will complete on 1 November 2018.

\*8999 YOUTH KOORI COURT-Mr Clayton Barr asked the Attorney General-

- (1) Since its inception, how many young Indigenous people have utilised the services of the Youth Koori Court (as at 9 August 2018)?
- (2) How many of these young people, at the time of their appearance before the Court, resided in:(a) Metropolitan Sydney;
  - (b) Rural and regional New South Wales?
- (3) What support is provided to young people from rural and regional New South Wales who are required to travel to Parramatta or Surry Hills to appear before the Court?
- (4) Besides Surry Hills, have other areas been identified as potential locations for the Court to be set-up?(a) Are these locations in rural and regional New South Wales?
  - (i) If so, where?

Answer-

I am advised:

As at 9 August 2018, 96 young people have been admitted into the Youth Koori Court process since it began at Parramatta Children's Court in February 2015.

The Youth Koori Court accepts cases from within the catchment area of Parramatta Children's Court. As a result, most young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people referred to the program live in Western Sydney. Casework support for young people on the program is provided by both government and non-government agencies. This may include assistance to help them to travel to court.

The Government recently announced \$2.7 million over 3 years to support the expansion of the Youth Koori Court to Surry Hills Children's Court, which will include a formal evaluation. The Government continues to consider opportunities for expansion of the Youth Koori Court, including potential locations in rural and regional New South Wales.

- \*9000 PARKING FINES ISSUED BY COUNCILS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) Which metropolitan Councils issue the most parking infringement notices across New South Wales per capita?
  - (2) Which regional Councils issue the most parking infringement notices across New South Wales per capita?
  - (3) Which rural Councils issue the most parking infringement notices across New South Wales per capita?
  - (4) Which metropolitan Councils issue the least parking infringement notices across New South Wales per capita?
  - (5) Which regional Councils issue the least parking infringement notices across New South Wales per capita?
  - (6) Which rural Councils issue the least parking infringement notices across New South Wales per capita?

Answer—

- (1) City of Sydney Council, Waverley Council, Woollahra Council, North Sydney City Council, Burwood Council.
- (2) Byron Shire Council, Newcastle City Council, Orange City Council, Liverpool City Council, Wollongong City Council.
- (3) Bellingen Shire Council, More Plains Shire Council, Hilltops Council, Cowra Shire Council, Warrumbungle Shire Council.
- (4) Ku-ring-gai Council, Georges River Council, Cumberland Council, Hunters Hill Council, Blacktown City Council.
- (5) Camden Council, Goulburn Mulwaree Council, Kempsey Shire Council, Edward River Council, Singleton Shire Council.
- (6) 33 rural councils issued 0 penalty notices.

Notes:

- Includes penalty notices with an offence date between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018. Data may change retrospectively as additional notices are loaded.
- Data is only as accurate as the information provided by the issuing Council.
- Classification of councils as Metropolitan, regional or rural is based on the ACLG (Australian Classification Local Government 2014-15).

- Data is for current councils as amalgamated.
- Where rural and regional councils have since been amalgamated, the resulting council has been classified as regional.
- Estimated population for 2018 is only an approximation, calculated as the 2016 figure plus 20 per cent of the difference between 2016 and the 2021 projection by the Department of Planning.
- Per capita penalty notice issue may be inflated due to traffic into a local government area from outside that Local Government Area..

## \*9001 INTEREST PROCEEDS FROM INVESTMENTS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) Considering the the NSW Infrastructure Future Fund referred to on page B-5 of 2018-19 NSW Budget Paper No. 1, are the interest proceeds from investments of money held in that fund returned directly to the fund, or are the interest proceeds directed to another part of the Budget?
  - (a) If they are not returned:
    - (i) Where are the interest proceeds directed to the fund;
    - (ii) In what form are the interest proceeds directed?
- (2) For the Social and Affordable Housing Fund referred to on page B-5 of 2018-19 NSW Budget Paper No. 1, are the interest proceeds from investments of money held in that fund returned directly to the fund, or are the interest proceeds directed to another part of the Budget?
  - (a) If they are not returned:
    - (i) Where are the interest proceeds directed to the fund;
    - (ii) In what form are the interest proceeds directed?

Answer-

(1) Investment returns from the NSW Infrastructure Future Fund are re-invested in the fund as required by legislation surrounding the Restart NSW Fund. The Restart NSW Fund Act 2011 Part 2, Section 7(1) (c) states "the proceeds of the investment of money in the Fund" are payable into the Fund.

Payments out of the Fund are restricted for the purposes specified in Section 8 of the Act.

(2) Investment returns from the Social and Affordable Housing Fund are re-invested in the fund as required by legislation surrounding the Fund. The Social and Affordable Housing NSW Fund Act 2016 Part 2, Section 7(1)(c) states "the proceeds of the investment of money in the Fund" are to be paid into the Fund.

Payments out of the Fund are restricted for the purposes specified in Section 8 of the Act.

- \*9002 HIGHWAY PATROL VEHICLES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
  - (1) What is the average lifespan of a highway patrol vehicle?
  - (2) How many Holden Commodore highway patrol vehicles are currently in use across New South Wales?

(a) How many of these are in the Hunter region?

- (3) How many Ford Falcon highway patrol vehicles are currently in use across New South Wales?(a) How many of these are in the Hunter region?
- (4) How many Volvo Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV) highway patrol vehicles are currently in use across New South Wales?
  - (a) How many of these are in the Hunter region?
- (5) How many BMW highway patrol vehicles will be rolled out across New South Wales over the next 6 months?

(a) How many of these will be directed to the Hunter region?

- (6) How many Chrysler sedans will be rolled out across New South Wales over the next 6 months?(a) How many of these will be directed to the Hunter region?
- (7) Upon the roll-out of the new BMW and Chrysler sedans, what will happen to the existing Holden and Ford fleet of highway patrol vehicles?
  - (a) What modifications are needed to occur to ensure these vehicles are suitable for use by members of the general public?

Answer—

I am advised:
- (1) The average lifespan of a Highway Patrol vehicle is 22 months.
- (2) There are 383 Holden Commodore Highway Patrol vehicles currently in use across New South Wales. Highway Patrol vehicles can be deployed across New South Wales inresponse to operational demand.
- (3) There are 97 Ford Falcon Highway Patrol vehicles currently in use across New South Wales. Highway Patrol vehicles can be deployed across New South Wales in response to operational demand.
- (4) There are seven Volvo XC60 SUV Highway Patrol vehicles currently in use across New South Wales. Highway Patrol vehicles can be deployed across New South Wales in response to operational demand.
- (5) The current forecast indicates that 60 Highway Patrol vehicles will be replaced with BMW sedans in the next six months.
- (6) The current forecast indicates that 49 Highway Patrol vehicles will be replaced with Chrysler sedans in the next six months.
- (7) Holden and Ford vehicles will be progressively replaced with BMWs and Chryslers as lease terms conclude. Other than the removal of specialised police equipment, there are no modifications needed to make the vehicles suitable for use by the general public.
- \*9003 PRIMARY AGE CHILDREN ON BUSES RULE-Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-
  - (1) Considering the three primary age children to two seats rule which applies to buses without seatbelts in New South Wales, does this rule apply to all bus trips or only school bus trips?
  - (2) Does this rule also apply to standing passenger allocations ie if the bus is licenced to carry 10 standing passengers, then it can take 15 primary aged children standing?
  - (3) To what areas across New South Wales do these rules:
    - (a) Apply?
    - (b) Not apply?

I am advised:

- (1) All bus trips.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) The rule applies across all of New South Wales.
- \*9004 PARAMEDICS FOR THE ILLAWARRA ZONE STATIONS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) Will 19 new paramedics allocated in the 2018-19 NSW Budget be allocated to Illawarra Zone Stations?
    - (a) If so, how many of the 19 will be allocated to the following stations:
      - (i) Helensburgh;
      - (ii) Bulli;
      - (iii) Wollongong;
      - (iv) Warrawong;
      - (v) Dapto;
      - (vi) Oak Flats;
      - (vii) Kiama;
      - (viii) Kangaroo Valley;
      - (ix) Bomaderry;
      - (x) Culburra;
      - (xi) Huskisson;
      - (xii) Sussex Inlet;
      - (xiii) Ulladulla?

#### Answer—

19 full-time equivalent (FTE) paramedics will be delivered into existing stations within the Illawarra zone in 2018-19. The station locations for these are being finalised.

\*9005 PUBLIC SECTOR JOBS IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) What further update can the Minister provide since LA Q8364 (to 9 August 2018)?
- (2) Of the 235 jobs created from the opening of the NSW State Emergency Service (NSW SES) in Wollongong in 2017, how many of those jobs already existed at the NSW SES since 2011 (to 9 August 2018)?
- (3) How many jobs were created from each project funded under the \$100 million Restart NSW Illawarra Infrastructure Fund?

For further information on the State Emergency Services please refer to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services.

For further information on the \$100 million Restart NSW Illawarra Infrastructure Fund please refer to the Treasurer.

\*9006 METRO CONVERSION AND ALLEVIATING CONGESTION—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Referring to the Sydenham to Bankstown Metro Upgrade Preferred Infrastructure Report, can evidence be provided that a metro conversion between Sydenham and Bankstown stations will alleviate congestion along the T1 North Shore, Northern & Western Line as suggested in the report?

Answer-

I am advised:

There is no statement in the Submissions and Preferred Infrastructure Report (SPIR) for the Sydenham to Bankstown metro upgrade that this component of the project will alleviate congestion on the T1 Line. The report references the fact that the planned Sydney Metro West project (as distinct from the Sydney Metro City & Southwest project) will ultimately deliver increased rail capacity to Western Sydney and will assist in relieving capacity constraints on the T1 Western Line. The operation of Sydney Metro will also provide the opportunity for more services on other lines. I remind the Member that it was the former Labor government that promised to build - and then ultimately cancelled - the construction of the Sydney Metro West project, one of the 12 railway lines promised by the former Labor government, of which only half of one was actually delivered.

The Member may be interested to know that the SPIR includes information on the overall rail network capacity benefits of the Sydney Metro City & Southwest project. This includes increasing the capacity of train services entering the Sydney CBD, from around 120 services per hour today, up to 200 services beyond 2024. This is an increase of around 60 per cent across the network and means that customers can expect a train every four minutes in the peak, increasing to every two minutes under the Sydney CBD. Much of this capacity increase will be due to the upgrade and conversion of the Bankstown Line to metro standards. This will provide additional capacity on the City Circle Line, which is currently a bottleneck on the system.

It is disappointing that the Member and the Labor party do not support the Government's investment in additional train services for the hardworking people of Sydney.

- \*9007 COST FOR DAMAGED SOCIAL HOUSING—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) Has \$16 million worth of damage been done to social housing by tenants?
    - (a) If so:
      - (i) Is this a cumulative amount?
      - (ii) From what period was this figure determined?

Answer-

I am advised that information relating to damage by public housing tenants can be found on the Department of Family and Community Services' (FACS) website at: www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

\*9008 SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN METRO UPGRADE PREFERRED INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Referring to the 'Sydenham to Bankstown Metro Upgrade Preferred Infrastructure Report', why has the Government chosen not to upgrade any of the stations between Sydenham and Bankstown, while massive works are being planned for stations along the Northwest Metro corridor?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Government prides itself on engaging with, and listening to, the community during the planning of its city-shaping infrastructure projects. The Government has been committed to ongoing engagement with the community and key stakeholders along the Sydenham to Bankstown corridor, and has been consulting with the community since 2014.

The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Sydenham to Bankstown component of Sydney Metro was on public exhibition in 2017. During the exhibition of the EIS, 563 submissions were received. During exhibition of the EIS community feedback was received regarding the need to retain heritage buildings at stations as well as the need for a reduction in rail possession periods, and a reduction in construction impacts and vegetation removal. In response to this feedback a number of changes were made to the project including refining the project scope to minimise impacts to the local community and customers.

All 11 stations between Sydenham and Bankstown will be upgraded to Sydney Metro standards providing customers using the upgraded line with more trains, faster travel times and easier access to stations. The 11 upgraded stations between Bankstown and Sydenham will all be fully accessible as part of Sydney Metro - all stations will have lifts and level access from the platform to the train; this means no more step into the train or lifting a pram into a carriage. Currently, only five of the 11 Bankstown Line stations have lifts. The Sydney Metro service is designed to be consistent for customers across the entire 66 kilometre length of the new fully-automated railway system, including the Bankstown Line.

Upgrading the 123 year old Bankstown Line to Sydney Metro standards is vital to the future of Sydney's transport network - it will boost capacity and provide a more reliable journey for customers. Sydney Metro will deliver customers on the Bankstown Line with a train every four minutes in the peak, with ultimate capacity for a train every two minutes in each direction under the city centre. As the Member is aware, the Bankstown Line currently has between four and ten trains per hour in the morning peak.

It is disappointing that NSW Labor has committed to cancelling this critical infrastructure investment if it is elected in March 2019, thereby cutting much-needed services right across the network to the hardworking people of New South Wales.

- \*9009 MISSIONBEAT VAN'S HOMELESSNESS SUPPORT SERVICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) Is the Minister aware that the Missionbeat Van has reduced its hours of operation in the Sydney CBD from 7:00 am to 11:00 pm down to 11:00 pm in providing support to the homeless?
  - (2) Will the Government provide the funds to meet the shortfall and ensure the van is operational for the full 16 hours?

Answer-

I am advised that New South Wales government funding to Missionbeat has remained unchanged.

\*9010 BUDGET FUNDING FOR BANKSTOWN-LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

Considering the expected population growth in South Western Sydney and Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital being one of the busiest hospitals in Sydney seeing about 55,000 patients a year, a record 1,857 babies born there last year and a car park that is consistently at capacity, why was only \$25 million allocated to the Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?

Answer-

This question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Health, the Hon Brad Hazzard MP.

## \*9011 PLATFORM IMPROVEMENTS AS PART OF THE SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN METRO UPGRADE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Referring to the Sydenham to Bankstown Metro Upgrade Preferred Infrastructure Report, why has the Government chosen not to straighten platforms as in the previous Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and as is the case for the Metro City and Northwest, but has instead opted for a mechanical 'gap filler' that may create avoidable problems where maintenance and safety is concerned?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Sydenham to Bankstown component of Sydney Metro

was on public exhibition in 2017. During the exhibition of the EIS, 563 submissions were received.

During exhibition of the EIS significant community feedback was received regarding the desire to retain heritage buildings at stations as well as the need for a reduction in rail possession periods, and a reduction in potential construction impacts and vegetation removal. In response to this feedback a number of changes were made to the project including refining the project scope to minimise potential impacts to the local community and customers.

Refining the project scope to reduce construction impacts has allowed the project to address community feedback about temporary closures of the Bankstown Line. Under the refined scope the project will retain the existing platforms at each station reducing impacts on the local community and customers.

The use of gap fillers avoids the need to demolish existing station platforms. This approach also avoids heritage impacts associated with straightened platforms. It also reduces construction impacts and rail possession periods. World-class technology will be used to deliver level access between platforms and trains. A rigorous design development process will assure the safety and reliability of the Bankstown Line upgrade.

The Government will not jeopardise the safety of customers.

\*9012 NORTH SHORE LINE SIGNALLING UPGRADE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Why will the North Shore Line signalling upgrade deliver 20 trains per hour (a train every three minutes) between Hornsby and North Sydney as opposed to Sydenham to Bankstown Metro only delivering 15 trains per hour (a train every four minutes)?

Answer—

I am advised:

Sydney Metro and the existing North Shore Line are different railway systems servicing different parts of Sydney.

Sydney Metro will operate at a much higher frequency than current services on the Bankstown Line. Sydney Metro will initially offer 15 trains per hour in each direction during peak periods. Currently, stations like Canterbury and Wiley Park have only four trains per hour in peak periods. Sydney Metro has an ultimate frequency of a train every two minutes.

The frequency of service across the network reflects customer demand.

\*9013 CAPITAL INVESTMENT IN SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE ALONG THE SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN RAIL CORRIDOR—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Premier—

What capital investment in social infrastructure has been planned for the Sydenham to Bankstown rail corridor, should the Government proceed with its conversion to a Metro?

Answer-

The Government continues to invest record amounts in social infrastructure across our State, including in South Western Sydney. Our capital investment in social and affordable housing, health and education is unprecedented in New South Wales.

I am disappointed that the Labor Opposition does not support this world-class metro railway project for the people of South Western Sydney.

\*9014 PROPOSED METRO PLAN FOR THE SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN METRO—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Why is the metro plan proposed in the Sydenham to Bankstown Metro, Upgrade Preferred Infrastructure Project inferior to Sydney Metro City and the Sydney Metro Northwest?

Answer—

I am advised:

The proposed plan is not inferior and reflects feedback from the local community.

Customers in the Southwest will get exactly the same world-class metro service as those in the Northwest.

It is concerning that the Labor party is against seeing the hardworking people of Sydney's southwest receiving a significant increase in services, from between four and ten trains per hour to fifteen trains per hour.

- \*9015 MANAGEMENT THE TRUEGAIN INDUSTRIAL SITE—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) Has the Government completed its selective tender for a contractor to manage the Truegain industrial site in Kyle Street Rutherford?
    - (a) If so:
      - (i) When was the successful tenderer appointed?
      - (ii) What is the term of the contract?
      - (iii) What is the scope of the work that the contractor has been requested by the Environment Protection Authority to prioritise?
  - (2) Considering the Clean-Up Notice issued by the Environment Protection Authority to the Truegain site owners:
    - (a) When was the notice issued?
    - (b) What measures where installed to prevent future overflow from the site?

I am advised:

(1) The tender has not been awarded as the site owner has engaged a contractor to install a mobile treatment plant to treat per and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contaminated wastewater on site.

(2) (a) The Clean-Up Notice was issued on 5 June 2017.

(b) The Clean-Up Notice can be accessed here:

https://apps.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeoapp/Detail.aspx?

instid=1548804&id=1548804&option=notice&searchrange=notice&range=s.91%20Clean%20Up% 20Notice&prp=no&status=lssued

- \*9016 RESPITE CARE IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
  - (1) What is the total number of people currently seeking respite care (as at 8 August 2018):
    - (a) In New South Wales;
    - (b) In the Summer Hill electorate?
  - (2) What is the total number of people currently receiving respite care (as at 8 August 2018):(a) In New South Wales;
    - (b) In the Summer Hill electorate?

Answer-

This question is a matter for the Commonwealth Government.

- \*9017 REGULATION OF THE PET FOOD INDUSTRY—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
  - (1) Will the Government establish an independent body to regulate the pet food industry?
  - (2) What steps is the Government taking to implement mandatory standards for the pet food industry?
  - (3) How many compulsory recalls have there been for pet food in the period between 2011 and 2018 (as at 8 August 2018)?
    - (a) How many of the compulsory recalls were due to goods that 'will or may cause injury to any person'?
    - (b) How many of the compulsory recalls were due to goods that failed to meet a safety standard suppliers had not taken 'satisfactory action to prevent those goods causing injury to any person'?

Answer-

This is a Commonwealth matter within the responsibility of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission. For this reason, this question should be referred to The Honourable Josh Frydenberg MP, Treasurer of Australia.

- \*9018 RETURN AND EARN CONTAINERS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) How many containers have been processed by the Return and Earn donation station located at Service NSW East Maitland between 12 February 2018 and 5 August 2018?
  - (2) What is the total amount of the donations made at that station?

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- (3) Which charities have benefitted from the generosity of those who have used the East Maitland donation station?
  - (a) How much has each charity received?
- (4) Will people be able to donate to farm relief from this donation station now?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) 2,100
- (2) Government does not have access to amounts donated to individual charities as these are subject to arrangements between the Network Operator, TOMRA Cleanaway and individual charities.
- (3) Australian Red Cross is the sole charity partner for the East Maitland donation station
- (4) See answer (2).
- (5) "Buy a Bale" have become an official donation partner on some Reverse Vending Machines from 27 August 2018.
- \*9019 HUNTER WATER WORKS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - (1) Has Hunter Water Corporation undertaken any work within the last ten years at or near the intersection of Murphy Circuit and Fergus Avenue Ashtonfield due to excess surface water flow?(a) If so:
    - (i) What was the nature of that work?
    - (ii) Was the source of the excess surface water flow identified?
    - (iii) Did it relate to any leakage from Hunter Water's water or sewerage networks?
  - (2) Has Hunter Water subsequently been requested by residents to attend to any blockages and resulting water overflow from the work carried out at or near the intersection of Murphy Circuit and Fergus Avenue Ashtonfield?
  - (3) Has Hunter Water raised the excess surface flow with the former Mine Subsidence Board or its successor Subsidence Advisory NSW?
    - (a) What was the outcome of this?

Answer-

I am advised:

(1) In 2017, Hunter Water engaged independent engineering consultancy firm Jacobs to provide a comprehensive assessment of groundwater movements at Murphy Circuit, Ashtonfield, and to provide technical advice on possible mechanisms to address seepage issues experienced.

The assessment demonstrated with a high degree of certainty that seepage was not the result of Hunter Water's works or infrastructure.

Further investigations on Hunter Water infrastructure is unlikely to result in a change to the conclusions of the report.

(2) Hunter Water records indicate contact from one current and one former resident of Murphy Circuit regarding seepage issues.

(3) Hunter Water has not had direct interactions with Subsidence Advisory NSW on this matter.

\*9020 NEW MAITLAND HOSPITAL SERVICE STATEMENT JUNE 2018—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Considering the New Maitland Hospital Service Statement June 2018, what is the current State average of acute mental health beds per 100,000 people?
- (2) What is the current average of acute mental health beds per 100,000 people in regional New South Wales?
- (3) What is the projected number of acute mental health beds per 100,000 people in the new Maitland Mental Health Unit intake area in 2026-27?
- (4) Will there be provision for Psychiatric High Dependency Unit beds or Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit beds at the new Maitland Hospital, or will this capacity be lost?
- (5) Is there capacity for the new Maitland Mental Health Unit to expand in line with population growth? Answer—

This question is a matter for the Minister for Mental Health, the Hon Tanya Davies MP.

- \*9021 NEWCASTLE 110 BUS SERVICE-Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-
  - (1) Is the Minister aware that the 110 bus service does not run to schedule and passengers regularly wait over 20 minutes for the bus?
    - (a) What action has the Minister taken to address these issues?
  - (2) Has Keolis Downer diverted resources from the 110 bus service?
  - (3) Does Keolis Downer have enough drivers to operate the 110 bus service?
  - (4) Does Keolis Downer have enough buses to operate the 110 bus service?
  - (5) Is Keolis Downer in breach of its contractual obligations by cutting the number of buses servicing this route and displaying incorrect timetables?
  - (6) Will the Minister intervene to ensure that the 110 bus service is restored so that buses arrive to meet every train, which was the commitment the Government gave when removing the Newcastle rail line?
  - (7) Considering the Minister's response to LA QON 8330, does bus stop ID 229366 have a bus shelter?
    - (a) If not, why has the Minister failed to uphold his commitment to provide a bus shelter at all 110 bus stops?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) The 110 bus loop service travels between Newcastle Interchange and Newcastle East (Customs House) at regular intervals during weekdays, with increased frequency during morning and afternoon peaks. It is scheduled to meet trains at night and during weekends. Traffic conditions may affect the frequency of the 110 bus loop service.
  - (a) A Newcastle Transport bus marshal is available at the Newcastle Interchange during morning and afternoon peak periods on weekdays to assist customers.
- (2) Newcastle Transport ensures sufficient resources are allocated to operate all bus services, including the 110 bus loop service.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) Yes.
- (5) No.
- (6) The 110 temporary shuttle bus offers a loop service during the day and meets trains in off peak periods.
- (7) Bus stop ID 229366 does not exist. The newly constructed Newcastle Interchange provides shelter for customers.
- \*9022 IMPORT DUTY ON NEWCASTLE LIGHT RAIL CARRIAGES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) Is the Government aware that local manufacturers produce light rail carriages?
  - (2) Considering the Newcastle Light Rail carriages were built in Spain when there are local manufacturers in Australia that produce suitable goods, has the Government been charged import duty on these carriages?
    - (a) If so, what was the total cost of the duty?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Inner West Light Rail rolling stock contract was awarded to CAF in 2012 following a competitive tender process, that was open to both Australian and overseas companies, ensuring the best value for the New South Wales taxpayer. Under a variation to this contract Transport for NSW exercised an option to procure the six Newcastle Light Rail vehicles at the same price as the Inner West Light Rail rolling stock.

Under the fixed price contract, CAF is responsible for paying any duties or taxes.

- \*9023 BUSES ON DEMAND TRIAL FROM WOY WOY STATION—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) What are the number of passenger to date for the trial of Buses on Demand from Woy Woy Station (to 9 August 2018)?
  - (2) What is the customer feedback received to date regarding the Buses on Demand trial from Woy Woy Station?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) Between the start of the pilot on 31 May 2018 and 31 July 2018, there have been 781 passenger trips.
- (2) One customer has provided feedback, requesting the service area to be expanded to the Bays area.
- \*9024 RESCUING OUR WATERWAYS GRANTS—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—
  - (1) When will the successful applicants for the most recent Rescuing Our Waterways grants be released?
  - (2) What is the earliest date that successful Councils will be able to access the funding to begin dredging programs?

Answer-

- (1) Councils have been advised of their successful applications under Phase Five of the Rescuing our Waterways Program and announcements will be made in the coming weeks.
- (2) Under the Rescuing our Waterways Program, eligible councils will be offered funding following formal execution of a funding agreement.
- \*9025 LGBTIQ TEACHER DISCRIMINATION-Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Education-
  - (1) What assessment has the Government made of the Western Sydney University and the NSW Teachers Federation research showing 42 per cent of teachers surveyed experienced bias-based harassment, discrimination or disadvantage?
  - (2) What protections does the Government provide to prevent this?
  - (3) What avenues of redress are available to victimised teachers?
  - (4) What education does the Government provide to prevent this?
  - (5) What further steps will the Government take to prevent discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender/transsexual, intersex and questioning (LGBTIQ) teachers?

Answer—

Discrimination in the workplace is totally unacceptable, whether based on sexual preference, gender or any other personal attribute.

I'm advised the Department routinely analyses results of the People Matter Employee Survey to guide development of strategies and actions to guard against discrimination, bias-based harassment and disadvantage.

Resources are also made available with information about creating healthy and respectful workplaces, reporting inappropriate conduct and seeking advice and assistance when needed.

- \*9026 CIRCULAR ECONOMY AND RECYCLING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) What progress has been made on a national Circular Economy and Recycling Plan?(a) What contribution has the Government made?
  - (2) What is the New South Wales policy on mandatory minimum recycled content for packaging and other products?
    - (a) How is this being implemented?
  - (3) What is the New South Wales policy on mandatory product stewardship and bans on single use plastic products?
    - (a) How is this being implemented?
  - (4) What products now have product stewardship schemes?
    - (a) Are these mandatory?
  - (5) Noting the urgency of action, what has the Government done to:
    - (a) Reduce the amount of waste produced;
    - (b) Increase local recycling capacity;
    - (c) Increase the market for recycled products;
    - (d) Increase consumer knowledge and education?
  - (6) What commitment has the Government made to supporting recycling infrastructure and facilities?
  - (7) What progress has the Government made on the agreed commitment to halve Australia's food waste
  - by 2030?(8) What targets has the Government set?
    - (a) What progress has been achieved to date (9 August 2018)?
  - (9) What further action will the Government take to significantly reduce waste and increase recycling?

I am advised:

(1) The Commonwealth Government is responsible for developing the national Circular Economy and Recycling Plan and the Government is working with them on a national plan. The Government is also developing a state circular economy policy.

(2) The Government supports a national approach to recycled content for packaging and other products.

(3) The Government supports a national approach to product stewardship actions.

(4) The Commonwealth Product Stewardship Act 2011 is the primary framework for national product stewardship schemes. National schemes can be found at http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/waste-resource-recovery/product-stewardship/projects.

(5) The Government's \$802 million Waste Less, Recycle More initiative is the largest waste and recycling program in Australian history. There are programs dedicated to waste reduction, increasing recycling capacity, increasing the market for recycled products and consumer knowledge and education. For more information see the Waste Less, Recycle More website at https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/recycling-and-reuse/wasteless-recycle-more.

(6) Under the Waste Less, Recycle More initiative, several grants are available to support recycling infrastructure and facilities, including Organics Infrastructure (Large and Small) grants program; Major Resource Recovery Infrastructure Program; Resource Recovery Facility Expansion and Enhancement Program; and Product Improvement Program.

(7) The Government has allocated \$105.5 million under Waste Less, Recycle More to tackle organic waste, including food waste, to meet the National Food Waste Strategy target to halve the amount of food waste going to landfill by 2030.

(8) The NSW Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery (WARR) Strategy 2014-21, available at https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/publications/wastestrategy/140876-warr-strategy-14-21, provides waste targets for 2021-22.

The Government has also set targets to reduce the volume of litter in New South Wales by 40 per cent by 2020 and reduce the number of illegal dumping incidents across New South Wales by 30 per cent by 2020.

(9) The Government is committed to continuing its work with councils and industry to improve and strengthen the recycling system in New South Wales.

\*9027 REGISTERED CLUBS GAMBLING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—

- (1) Does New South Wales have world record level poker machine gambling?
- (2) Based on gambling tax income, is the scale of gambling increasing?(a) If so, by what degree?
- (3) What assessment has the Government made of gambling harm in registered clubs following recent media disclosures and a death?
- (4) What measures have the Government imposed to prevent similar tragic harms from gambling?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to address the scale of gambling and gambling harm in New South Wales?

Answer—

(1) New South Wales does not maintain data on gaming machine activity and expenditure in other jurisdictions around the world.

(2) The prevalence of gambling in New South Wales was last measured in 2012 with 65 per cent of the New South Wales population participating in gambling, down from 69 per cent when it was previously measured in 2006. The Government has commenced work on a new study into gambling prevalence which will examine the impacts of all gambling including gaming machines, and identify changes in gambling behaviour and emerging trends.Results are expected in the first half of 2019.

(3) Liquor & Gaming NSW is currently investigating allegations against a small number of registered clubs in relation to conduct inconsistent with responsible gambling requirements. Liquor & Gaming NSW inquiries are ongoing.

(4) The Government recognises the majority of Australians gamble responsibly for enjoyment, relaxation and entertainment. However, for a small segment of the population, excessive gambling causes harm.

\$25 million has been allocated in 2018-19 to responsible gambling programs and initiatives to prevent and minimise gambling harm, promote a safe gambling environment in New South Wales and to support those impacted by problem gambling. This is an increase on \$7 million on the previous year.

(5) I have asked the Responsible Gambling Fund (RGF) for further advice. The Government reviewed and substantially improved the RGF, appointing seven new eminent Trustees to play a key role in supporting and advising the Government on responsible gambling.

\*9028 NSW LGBTI STRATEGY-Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Premier-

- (1) Considering the Government of the United Kingdom has released an 'LGBT Action Plan: Improving the Lives of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender People' under the direction of the Minister for Women and Equalities, what assessment has the Government made of this comprehensive plan to address inequality and discrimination?
- (2) What consideration has the Government given to appointing a Minister for Equality to champion whole of government strategies to reduce inequality, discrimination and unfair treatment?
- (3) What consideration has the Government given to developing a similar strategy to encompass whole of government measures to address inequalities and discrimination in health, education, personal safety and the workplace?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to develop such a similar LGBT Action Plan and appoint a Minister for Equality?

Answer-

The Government is strongly committed to ensuring that all members of the New South Wales community are safe, free from discrimination and treated equally. The Government has recently introduced new laws and policies to protect the LGBTI community.

- \*9029 PEDESTRIAN COUNTDOWN TIMERS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
  - (1) Where has the Government installed pedestrian countdown timers at traffic intersections since the 2015 trial (as at 9 August 2018)?
  - (2) How many of these are in the CBD or inner city high pedestrian activity zones?
  - (3) What other measures is the Government using to improve pedestrian safety at traffic intersections?
  - (4) What future plans does the Government have to install pedestrian countdown timers or similar measures likely to improve pedestrian safety?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) Pedestrian countdown timers have been installed at intersections in Albury, Ashfield, Bexley, Bondi Junction, Cessnock, Darlington, Kogarah, Liverpool, Nowra, Parramatta, Penrith, Sydney CBD, Wagga Wagga, West Gosford and Wollongong. Of these locations, around one quarter were installed in the CBD and Inner City High Pedestrian Activity Zones.

(3) and (4) In the 2018-19 Budget, the Government announced a boost of \$600 million in additional funding for dedicated road safety improvements and enhanced enforcement. The Government will be investing \$1.9 billion in road safety initiatives over the next five years, including \$180 million to increase liveability and safety in urban communities through infrastructure upgrades for pedestrians, cyclists and other road users. The Government has also committed to roll-out an additional 30 pedestrian countdown timers across Sydney.

# \*9030 OPERATOR FOR THE INTERCITY FLEET MAINTENANCE FACILITY IN KANGY ANGY—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

(1) Has an operator for the Intercity Fleet Maintenance Facility being constructed at Kangy Angy been chosen?

(a) If so, who will the operator be?

- (2) Is there a contract in place?
- (3) Will the contract between the operator of the facility and the Government's representative be made public?
- (4) Does the contract allow foreign labour to work at the facility?(a) If so, what are the terms and numbers of foreign labour allowed?
- (5) Does the contract specify the number of workers who will be engaged at the site?
- (6) Does the contract provide for any of labour on site to be a resident of the Central Coast region?

I am advised:

This information is available on the Transport for NSW website.

\*9031 STATION MASTER'S COTTAGE AT OURIMBAH RAILWAY STATION—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Will you ensure that the station master's cottage at Ourimbah Railway Station is protected from further deterioration?
- (2) When will funds be allocated to repair the cottage to the same standard as the remainder of Ourimbah Railway Station?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Station Master's Cottage at Ourimbah Railway Station will continue to be maintained so as to protect this heritage asset.

Sydney Trains will work with Transport for NSW, the Office of Environment and Heritage NSW and other stakeholders to develop a strategy and program for the future management of the cottage.

- \*9032 AMBULANCE STATIONS IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) Since 2015, what capital works have taken place at the following ambulance stations:
    - (a) Helensburgh;
    - (b) Bulli;
    - (c) Wollongong;
    - (d) Warrawong;
    - (e) Dapto;
    - (f) Oak Flats;
    - (g) Kiama?
  - (2) What has been the expenditure on capital works at each of the stations listed in (1)?
  - (3) Does the Government have any plans to upgrade any of the stations listed in (1)?
  - (4) When are the upgrades for any of the stations in (1) scheduled to take place?

Answer-

Since 2015, significant maintenance works have been completed at Illawarra Ambulance Stations.

The Government committed \$5 million to building a new Kiama Ambulance Station as a component of the Rural Ambulance Infrastructure Reconfiguration (RAIR) program. Construction is complete, fitout and commissioning by NSW Ambulance is now in progress. The Government has also committed to building additional new ambulance stations in Berry and St Georges Basin.

## \*9033 REVENUE RECEIVED FROM PAYROLL TAX—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How much revenue from payroll tax has been collected between 1 July and 30 June for each of the financial years from 2011 to 2018 from post codes in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (2) How much revenue from land tax has been collected between 1 July and 30 June for each of the financial years from 2011 to 2018 from post codes in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (3) How much revenue from fines has been collected between 1 July and 30 June for each of the financial years from 2011 to 2018 from post codes in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;

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(c) Wollongong; (d) Shellharbour; (e) Kiama? Answer-(1) Payroll Tax (a) 2011 - \$6,748,840 2012 - \$7,660,858 2013 - \$7,501,453 2014 - \$7,393,385 2015 - \$8,102,930 2016 - \$9,650,362 2017 - \$10,819,782 2018 - \$12,145,409 (b) Keira 2011 - \$28,220,007 2012 - \$30,345,190 2013 - \$30,857,122 2014 - \$31,596,739 2015 - \$28,357,091 2016 - \$28,371,903 2017 - \$31,176,026 2018 - \$39,006,011 (c) Wollongong 2011 - \$37,268,300 2012 - \$39,023,353 2013 - \$39,102,507 2014 - \$40,469,143 2015 - \$37,603,480 2016 - \$38,312,199 2017 - \$40,471,053 2018 - \$49,023,871 (d) Shellharbour 2011 - \$15,861,097 2012 - \$16,804,056 2013 - \$17,592,645 2014 - \$18,923,668 2015 - \$18,685,142 2016 - \$19,549,366 2017 - \$20,593,574 2018 - \$24,017,274 (e) Kiama 2011 - \$16,949,362 2012 - \$17,975,560 2013 - \$18,794,723

(b) Keira;

2014 - \$18,713,915 2015 - \$20,540,900 2016 - \$24,151,354 2017 - \$27,166,148 2018 - \$29,677,953 (2) Land Tax (a) Heathcote 2011 - \$19,731,556 2012 - \$20,876,444 2013 - \$20,369,671 2014 - \$20,387,475 2015 - \$21,327,118 2016 - \$21,904,761 2017 - \$24,325,636 2018 - \$27,484,218 (b) Keira 2011 - \$38,517,737 2012 - \$35,566,418 2013 - \$33,707,254 2014 - \$31,976,573 2015 - \$31,728,804 2016 - \$31,991,138 2017 - \$34,561,260 2018 - \$37,185,136 (c) Wollongong 2011 - \$50,889,590 2012 - \$47,723,231 2013 - \$45,442,065 2014 - \$43,273,521 2015 - \$41,008,382 2016 - \$41,580,720 2017 - \$42,533,141 2018 - \$45,193,140 (d) Shellharbour 2011 - \$24,664,777 2012 - \$23,781,067 2013 - \$24,805,335 2014 - \$21,153,335 2015 - \$20,204,853 2016 - \$19,099,901 2017 - \$21,242,248 2018 - \$23,688,883 (e) Kiama 2011 - \$40,143,651

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2012 - \$38,615,657 2013 - \$39,621,637 2014 - \$35,062,520 2015 - \$34,008,008 2016 - \$32,685,327 2017 - \$34,188,540 2018 - \$37,508,185 (3) Fines (a) Heathcote 2011 - \$9,453,201 2012 - \$9,652,844 2013 - \$10,259,219 2014 - \$11,119,718 2015 - \$11,229,686 2016 - \$11,491,841 2017 - \$11,954,391 2018 - \$11,944,680 (b) Keira 2011 - \$6,529,368 2012 - \$6,728,194 2013 - \$7,086,628 2014 - \$7,585,422 2015 - \$8,432,851 2016 - \$8,902,439 2017 - \$9,731,337 2018 - \$10,425,179 (c) Wollongong 2011 - \$7,385,022 2012 - \$7,834,910 2013 - \$8,202,578 2014 - \$8,782,102 2015 - \$9,886,552 2016 - \$10,536,634 2017 - \$11,395,969 2018 - \$12,222,383 (d) Shellharbour 2011 - \$4,660,896 2012 - \$5,019,419 2013 - \$5,257,156 2014 - \$5,578,737 2015 - \$6,147,745 2016 - \$6,670,433 2017 - \$6,975,924 2018 - \$7,963,356

(e) Kiama

- 2011 \$7,458,731
- 2012 \$7,662,864
- 2013 \$8,400,879
- 2014 \$8,849,624
- 2015 \$9,654,725
- 2016 \$9,960,714
- 2017 \$10,605,101
- 2018 \$11,859,392

Notes:

- Each electorate is determined by the postcodes as listed by the NSW Electoral Commission. Some postcodes appear in multiple electorates.
- Land Tax data is based on assessment year.
- Land Tax is not assessed on an individual property basis, but on the aggregate holdings of the customer. As a result, the data is the sum of the land tax returns apportioned on the basis of the percentage of holdings that a particular property represents for a given customer.
- Payroll Tax and Fines data is based on financial year.
- Fines data is based on the face value of penalty notices finalised by payment or enforcement, where the customer's address was in the postcode of the given electorate at the time of offence.
- \*9034 TRANSPORT ACCESS PROGRAM TRANCHE 3—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) What is the total cost of developing the Transport Access Program (TAP) Tranche 3?
  - (2) What is the total number of staff in Transport for NSW involved in the development of TAP Tranche 3?
  - (3) Were any consultants engaged to assist in the development of TAP Tranche 3?
    - (a) If so:
      - (i) How many consultants were engaged;
      - (ii) What was the total cost of these engagements?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Government's total investment in the Transport Access Program since 2011 exceeds \$2 billion.
- (2) Approximately 30.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) Payments to consultants are available in the Transport for NSW Annual Report.
- \*9035 PFAS CONTAMINATION IN WAGGA WAGGA—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) When was the NSW Environment Protection Authority first informed about the possibility of per and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination near:
    - (a) Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) Base, Wagga;
    - (b) Blamey Barracks, Kapooka?
  - (2) When was the NSW Environment Protection Authority first informed of elevated PFAS levels near:(a) RAAF Base Wagga;
    - (b) Blamey Barracks, Kapooka?

Answer-

(1) (a) September 2016.

(b) July 2018.

(2) (a) October 2016, the Department of Defence provided the preliminary site investigation report to the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

(b) August 2018, the Department of Defence provided the preliminary site investigation report to the EPA. The EPA is not aware of elevated per and poly-fluoroalkyl substances levels outside the barracks.

\*9036 PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES CONTAMINATION IN WAGGA WAGGA—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

Considering the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) is according to its own website investigating per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances at Royal Australian Air Force Base Wagga and Blamey Barracks, Kapooka, what specific action is the EPA taking to investigate the contamination?

Answer-

In relation to Royal Australian Air Force Base Wagga Wagga, the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has actioned the following:

- Reviewed site assessment reports.
- Issued precautionary advice to landowners where risks from per and poly-fluoroalkyl substances have been identified.
- Participated in community and stakeholder engagement sessions to listen and address community concerns.
- · Participated in monthly project control group meetings with relevant agencies.

In relation to Blarney Army Barracks, Kapooka, the EPA is reviewing the Preliminary Site Investigation Report and has participated in the first community and stakeholder engagement session held on 6 August 2018.

- \*9037 MOTHER BABY UNITS IN SYDNEY—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) Are there any plans to open a publicly-funded Mother Baby Unit in Sydney?
    - (a) If so
      - (i) Where will it be;:
      - (ii) When would it open?
    - (b) How will this information be communicated to New South Wales residents who might require these services?
  - (2) Why has there been a delay in providing such a service in New South Wales?

Answer-

This question should be directed to the Minister for Mental Health.

- \*9038 TRAINING FOR POLICE OFFICERS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
  - (1) What specific training is given to police officers regarding managing and de-escalating situations involving people with mental illness?

(a) What is the duration of this training?

(2) What ongoing training is offered to officers who have the responsibility of responding to acute situations involving people experiencing a serious mental health episode?

#### Answer-

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force (NSWPF) runs a number of mental health related courses for its officers, including an intensive mental health training course for frontline officers that has been completed by around 2,250 officers to date. In this course, police are taught to identify behaviours in the field that are indicative of mental illness and are provided with tools such as communication strategies, risk assessment, de-escalation and crisis intervention techniques.

The NSWPF also delivers a mental health intervention workshop to every new recruit class at the Police Academy. Additional operational advice and events related to mental health issues are available to officers with relevant duties.

The NSWPF also works with other agencies to improve outcomes in this area. As the Minister for Mental Health and I recently announced, senior operational commanders and managers from the NSWPF, Ambulance Service of NSW and local health districts will attend workshops across the State to ensure best practice when managing incidents involving people experiencing mental health problems.

- \*9039 EXTENSION OF THE CURTILAGE OF VARROVILLE HERITAGE STATUS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) Considering the Heritage Council's recommendation to list an extension of the curtilage of Varroville (SHR No. 00737) as "Varroville Homestead and Estate" on 28 September 2017, has a decision been made on whether or not to list the extension of the curtilage of Varroville on the State Heritage Register?
    - (a) If a decision has been made not to list the extension of the curtilage on the State Heritage Register, why not?
    - (b) If a decision is yet to be made, why has this process taken 10 months when section 34 of the Heritage Act 1977 clearly states a decision must be made within 14 days after the Heritage Council makes a recommendation for listing to the Minister?

Answer-

I am considering my decision in relation to the recommendation.

- \*9040 MACQUARIE FIELDS AMBULANCE STATION—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) How many paramedics and ambulances were assigned to the Macquarie Fields Ambulance Station in the month of July in each year from 2008 to 2018?
  - (2) What were the average emergency response times at Macquarie Fields Ambulance Station in the month of July in each year from 2008 to 2018?

Answer-

From 2008 under the former Labor government to present, full-time equivalent (FTE) paramedic positions at Macquarie Fields Ambulance Station have increased by nine FTE, and ambulance vehicles have increased from four to six.

NSW Ambulance activity and performance data is publicly available on the Bureau of Health Information website at www.bhi.nsw.gov.au.

- \*9041 SURRY HILLS LIGHT RAIL—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) How was information about the availability of compensation in the form of hotel vouchers communicated to residents of Surry Hills affected by construction noise caused by the Light Rail?
    - (a) What are the criteria for residents to receive these vouchers?
    - (b) How many of these vouchers have been given out to residents?
  - (2) How many residents of Surry Hills have attended the quarterly consultation meetings since they began?
    - (a) How many Surry Hills residents attended the meeting in February 2018?
    - (b) How are residents notified when these meetings are taking place?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) Transport for NSW works with ALTRAC Light Rail to minimise night works. When work must be done at night to minimise disruption to traffic, transport and the wider community, ALTRAC offers alternative accommodation to affected residents via letter.
  - (a) In line with planning conditions, ALTRAC offers alternative accommodation to residents who would otherwise be affected by high noise works scheduled after 1 0pm Monday to Saturday, or after 6:00 pm Sunday, for more than two consecutive nights. It also offers accommodation to residents of Surry Hills and the South-East suburbs for high noise works after midnight.
  - (b) ALTRAC Light Rail advises that 138 offers of alternative accommodation were accepted from August 2017 to June 2018.
- (2) An average of 80 residents have registered their attendance for the quarterly forums. Registering is optional for those attending.
  - (a) 15 residents registered attendance at the February 2018 meeting.
  - (b) Residents are invited to the Surry Hills forums by letterbox drops and by email.
- \*9042 BAGGAGE RACKS-Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-
  - (1) Will the Government provide suitable baggage racks on trains along the T2 Airport Line?

(a) If not, why not?

Answer-

I am advised:

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

\*9043 ADDITIONAL POLICE FOR NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Considering the recent announcement of the NSW Police Force's RISEUP mentoring program, which will require significant increase in police human resources to be effectively delivered, will the Government now meet the request from the Police Association of New South Wales for an additional 2,500 Police, delivered as boots on the ground by 30 June 2023?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Government is adding an extra 100 police officers as part of this year's record police budget, and has committed to working with Commissioner Fuller and other key stakeholders to determine any additional police numbers required, including where they could best be deployed.

The RiseUp program is operating across New South Wales in partnership with Police and Community Youth Clubs (PCYC) and registered employers to link young people with employment opportunities. The program will be facilitated by police youth case managers, PCYC youth workers and other specialist services to help young people gain the skills required to land a job.

\*9044 METRO SOUTHWEST TUNNEL ALIGNMENT—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Why is the Metro Southwest tunnel alignment located under homes in Lord Street Newtown at depths of between 14 to 20 metres when the information on average depths provided by Sydney Metro for this section are between 25 to 40 metres?
- (2) Was an alignment under Sydney Park at the chimneys and former brick pits investigated?(a) If not, why not?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) This information is available on the Sydney Metro website.
- (2) No. This would increase travel distance and travel time, and the tunnels would need to be closer to the surface to avoid conflicting with other infrastructure in or planned for the area.

\*9045 REVIEW OF BOARDING HOUSE ACT 2012—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) Has the statutory review of the Boarding House Act 2012 commenced?(a) If not, why not?
- (2) When will stakeholders be consulted on this review?
- (3) What plans have been made to include residents of Assisted Boarding Houses in the consultation process?

Answer-

I am advised that the Department of Family and Community Services and the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation are currently preparing a Discussion Paper to frame the public consultation process of the review of the Boarding Houses Act 2012.

- \*9046 ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS ON THE CENTRAL COAST—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) What existing services are being provided to address homelessness on the Central Coast?
  - (2) What new services will be provided to address homelessness on the Central Coast?

Answer-

I am advised the Government has committed more than \$1 billion on homelessness services across New South Wales over the next four years which includes new funding of \$61 million over four years to

implement the NSW Homelessness Strategy. The Strategy sets out the Government's five year plan for a comprehensive approach to prevent and improve the response to homelessness.

- \*9047 SOCIAL HOUSING SALES—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) What plans does the Government have to sell social housing properties in the inner city?
  - (2) Does the Government intend to retain all existing inner city social housing properties?
  - (3) What plans does the Government have for major upgrades, retrofitting or renovation of social housing properties over the next 12 months?
  - (4) What vacant land does the Government own in the inner city?
  - (5) What assessment has the Government made about using this land to provide social housing and what plans have been developed?
  - (6) Considering the response to LA Q3199 and LAQ158, what further progress has been made on plans for 56-66 Nicholson Street Woolloomooloo?
  - (7) What new or additional social housing will the Government provide or build in the inner city over the next:
    - (a) 12 months;
    - (b) Two years;
    - (c) Five years?

#### Answer-

I am advised that information about the Communities Plus program, including inner city sites, is available at www.communitiesplus.com.au.

# \*9048 MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF THE SERVICE AND ASSETS AT THE SUMMER HILL CENTRE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) Considering the proposed tender of services at the Summer Hill Centre, has the Department of Family and Community Services given a written commitment that they will underwrite the shortfall between the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) funding and costs for maintenance and management of the service and assets at the Centre?
  - (a) Has any form of commitment to the above been made to potential tenderers or to families and residents at the Centre?

#### Answer—

I am advised residents at the Summer Hill Centre currently have in-kind plans in place for services. Achieve Australia is currently preparing Supported Independent Living quotes.

As the Specialist Disability Accommodation provider at Summer Hill, the Department of Family and Community Services has responsibility for the ongoing maintenance of the building and its assets.

- \*9049 SHORT TERM LETTING PLANNING FRAMEWORK—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
  - (1) What consultation will occur before release of a final state-wide planning framework for short term letting in New South Wales?
  - (2) When is the planning framework expected to commence?
  - (3) Who will enforce new provisions?
  - (4) What additional enforcement provisions will be included?

Answer-

The Government announced a policy for the regulation of short-term rental accommodation in June 2018. The passing of the Fair Trading Amendment (Shortterm Rental Accommodation) Bill on 14 August 2018 provides for changes to strata scheme legislation and a mandatory Code of Conduct for hosts, guest, online platforms and agents.

My Department is working to finalise the detail of amendments to planning instruments needed to give effect to the state-wide planning framework.

The mandatory Code of Conduct will be a powerful enforcement mechanism, involving a complaints management system, powers to monitor platforms and agents, a 'two-strikes-and-you're-out' policy for hosts and guests, and significant penalties for non-compliances. Development of the Code of Conduct is being led by the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation.

\*9050 YOUTH MENTORING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the benefits of youth mentoring in high schools?
- (2) Which high schools serving the Sydney electorate provide youth mentoring and how many students are participating?
- (3) What assessment has the Government made of the outcomes of the Raise Foundation mentoring program?
- (4) What support does the Government provide to encourage and assist youth mentoring in high schools?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to expand and improve youth mentoring in high schools?

Answer-

I'm advised that:

New South Wales public schools implement a range of student mentoring initiatives as an effective strategy for student engagement and wellbeing.

In keeping with the Government's Local Schools, Local Decisions policy, public school principals are best placed to make decisions in consultation with their communities about programs to support student and community needs.

At least 1,000 students are provided youth mentoring via external partnerships and through school-based mentoring at Sydney Secondary College consisting of Balmain Campus, Leichhardt Campus and Blackwattle Bay Campus.

At Sydney Distance Education High School, all students can access wellbeing and mentoring support that is incorporated as part of the school's overall coordinated student wellbeing program. This is provided by Head Teachers or class teachers.

The Government has committed \$6.3 million to continue Youth Frontiers mentoring from 2018 to 2020. Raise Foundation is one of four organisations funded to deliver the Youth Frontiers mentoring program to students in Years 8 and 9.

The Department of Family and Community Services published a Youth Frontiers evaluation report in 2016. The report noted the Youth Frontiers model was achieving positive developmental outcomes for young people.

- \*9051 MARINE PROTECTION—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
  - (1) Considering the rezoning of 10 ocean beach and headland sites across the Cape Byron, Solitary Islands, Port Stephens-Great Lakes and Bateman's marine parks from sanctuary zones to habitat protection zone, what proportion of the state's sanctuary zones along the coastline did these sites represent?
  - (2) Is it true that they represented around half of the coastline that was once protected?
  - (3) Why didn't the Government take into account the overwhelming majority (99.4 per cent) of respondents to these changes when they were proposed who wanted the sanctuary zones to remain sanctuary?
  - (4) How will the impact on fish numbers, catches and biomass be monitored?
  - (5) What new sanctuary zones or other protections will be introduced to reduce impacts in these marine parks?
  - (6) What assessment has been made on the 31 May paper published in the Aquatic Conservation journal titled: "Rapid declines across Australian fishery stocks indicate global sustainability targets will not be achieved without an expanded network of 'no-fishing' reserves", which concludes that the only way to retain fish stocks is to provide an expanded network of fully protected marine areas?
  - (7) What action has the Government taken to address the identified gap in the state's marine park network in the Hawkesbury Shelf marine bioregion, located between Wollongong and Newcastle?

Answer-

(1) These 10 sanctuary zones were approximately 51 per cent of the previous length in kilometres of sanctuary zones along the New South Wales mainland coastline, but in total area, it represents a 0.05 per cent reduction in sanctuary zone area (from 6.49 per cent to 6.44 per cent). 20 other sanctuary zone sites were retained as a part of this project.

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- (2) See previous answer and note that the environmental, social, cultural and economic values of these 10 sites remain protected as habitat protection zones that allow only shore-based recreational line fishing, on the basis of assessing the threats and risks of this activity. Boat-based recreational fishing and spear fishing continue to be restricted in habitat protection zones.
- (3) All submissions were carefully considered and a summary of submissions report is available online at www.marine.nsw.gov.au. This report clearly states "There were very few submissions that provided information specific to the 10 sites. No new evidence has been provided that would require a reconsideration of the rezoning proposals contained in the Consultation Paper."
- (4) DPI continually monitors fish stocks, catches and biomass of fish across New South Wales, whether they live in the coastal environment or inland waters.
- (5) A new approach to marine park management planning is underway. This approach is focused on the best management to protect against the greatest threats and risks to the marine environment.
- (6) See previous answer.
- (7) An assessment of the Hawkesbury Shelf marine bioregion has been underway since 2015. We released the statewide Marine Estate Management Strategy on 16 August with \$45.7 million in additional funding to address the priority and cumulative threats to the marine estate, particularly focusing on water quality. At the same time, a spatial management proposal went out for community and stakeholder consultation. This proposal includes a network of 25 distinct spatial management sites across the bioregion to complement the Strategy and address some site-based threats and risks. Community consultation will conclude on 27 September 2018.
- \*9052 HABERFIELD DENTAL PRACTICE BREACHING INFECTION CONTROL PROCEDURES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) When did NSW Health first become aware of allegations that the dental practice of Dr James Pok-Yan in Haberfield had breached infection control procedures?
  - (2) What was the response of NSW Health?
  - (3) How many patients have contacted the hotline set up by NSW Health?
  - (4) What other actions is NSW Health taking to contact patients?
  - (5) What is the timeline for contacting all current and past patients of the practice?
  - (6) What other support is being offered to current and former patients of the practice?

Answer—

I am advised that the Ministry of Health has arranged to provide a briefing to you in relation to this topic.

- \*9053 REGISTERED NURSE AND OTHER CLINCIAL STAFF LEVELS AT THE SUMMER HILL CENTRE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
  - (1) Have residents and families at the Summer Hill Centre been promised the same level of staffing by registered nurses and other clinical staff, considering the significant medical needs of residents?
    - (a) In what way is this promise being guaranteed by the Department of Family and Community Services?
  - (2) What options will parents have to complain or hold the successful tenderer to account for this promise?

Answer-

(1) and (2) During the transfer of services from the Department of Family and Community Services (FACS) to non-government providers, our highest priority is maintaining the standard of care and ongoing support of residents and clients. This is reflected in continuity of service commitments with non-government organisation providers.

Information about complaints handling is available at www.ndis.gov.au.

\*9054 TENDER FOR SERVICES AT THE SUMMER HILL CENTRE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) In the event that the successful tenderer for services at the Summer Hill Centre opts to leave due to financial or other constraints, or in the event that the parent body opts to terminate the services of the chosen tenderer, what happens to the service?
- (2) How will the process of determining the future of these services be undertaken?

#### Answer-

(1) and (2) Service Providers must comply with all quality and safeguards specified as part of the terms of registration with the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

Residents can change their Service Provider at any time if the Service Provider becomes insolvent or is deregistered by the National Disability Insurance Agency.

The incumbent service provider and accommodation provider must work together to transition from one service provider to another.

- \*9055 OWNERSHIP OF ASSETS AND BUILDINGS AT THE SUMMER HILL CENTRE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
  - (1) Considering the proposed tender of services at the Summer Hill Centre, will the assets and buildings remain in Government ownership?
  - (2) What arrangements will be in place regarding the maintenance of the building and assets?
  - (3) Has a written commitment been made to the short-listed tenderers that the Government will manage maintenance of the building and assets?
  - (4) What are the projected ongoing costs of maintenance at the Centre?
  - (5) Considering that these costs will unlikely be covered by National Disability Insurance Scheme, how will this be budgeted for by:
    - (a) The Government;
    - (b) Family and Community Services?

Answer-

(1) The assets and buildings at the Summer Hill Centre will remain under Government ownership when the services transfer to the new provider.

(2) As the Specialist Disability Accommodation provider at Summer Hill, the Department of Family and Community Services has responsibility for the ongoing maintenance of he building and its assets.

(3) Yes.

(4) and (5) I am advised rent received for the property will be used to manage the funding of maintenance fees, which can vary from year to year.

\*9056 FUTURE TRANSPORT 2056 AND PARRAMATTA ROAD—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Is light rail on Parramatta Road being considered as part of Future Transport 2056?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information is available on the Future Transport 2056 website.

- \*9057 DISCUSSION PAPER AND STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION ON THE REVIEW OF BOARDING HOUSES ACT—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
  - (1) When will consultation occur regarding the statutory review of the Boarding Houses Act 2012?
  - (2) What provisions have been made for stakeholder consultation regarding this review?
  - (3) Are there plans to include residents of Assisted Boarding Houses in the Review?
  - (4) Will a Discussion Paper been prepared?
    - (a) If so, when will it be shared with stakeholders?

Answer—

I am advised that the Department of Family and Community Services and the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation are currently preparing a Discussion Paper to frame the public consultation process of the review of the Boarding Houses Act 2012.

I am further advised that scoping is currently underway for the timeframe of the review to ensure that consideration of new accommodation standards that apply to assisted boarding houses, which commenced on 1 July 2018, can be included in the review.

\*9058 DISABILITY INCLUSION PLANS—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

Has there been an audit of Disability Inclusion Plans of Councils or New South Wales government departments to ensure compliance and progress with implementing the plan?

Answer—

The Department of Family and Community Services has engaged an appropriate organisation to undertake a review of the Implementation of the NSW Disability Inclusion Plan. This review will report on the progress of the implementation of Disability Inclusion Action Plans.

The Disability Council NSW has a responsibility to monitor the implementation of Disability Inclusion Action Plans.

Disability Inclusion Action Plans of clusters and councils are available at www.facs.nsw.gov.au/disability-council.

\*9059 LIGHT RAIL IMPORT COST-Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-

What was the customs import charge for the light rail carriages which will be used on the Newcastle light rail network?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer you to my previous response, LA Q9022.

\*9060 SERVICE, STAFF AND SUPPORT AT THE SUMMER HILL CENTRE—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

Will guarantees be sought from the new, non-government operator of the Summer Hill Centre, that service standards, staffing levels and supports will not be reduced as a result of the privatisation, or 'transfer'?

Answer-

During the transfer of services from the Department of Family and Community Services to nongovernment providers, our highest priority is maintaining the standard of care and ongoing support of residents and clients. This is reflected in continuity of service commitments with non-government organisation providers.

- \*9061 AMBULANCE COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) Is the NSW Ambulance Community First Responders program still in operation?
    - (a) If so, how does a community nominate to be part of the NSW Ambulance Community First Responders program?
    - (b) What criteria is required to be met before a community is eligible for Community First Responder training of local NSW State Emergency Services and NSW Rural Fire Services volunteers?

Answer—

The NSW Ambulance Community First Responder (CFR) program currently operates in a variety of locations across New South Wales.

Community representatives can contact their local NSW Ambulance Manager, Volunteers & Community First Responders, to discuss their eligibility.

NSW Ambulance undertakes a comprehensive analysis, and essential suitability requirements must be met before the relevant training and assessment is provided.

- \*9062 PALLIATIVE CARE FUNDING PORT STEPHENS AND HUNTER—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) Considering your responses to LA Q8194 and LA Q8793, how much of the \$100 million palliative care program has been, or will be, spent in:
    - (a) Port Stephens;
    - (b) The Hunter?

Answer-

I refer the member to my previous responses to LA Q8194 and LA Q8793.

\*9063 UNANDERRA STATION-Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-

- (1) On what date was Unanderra Station first commissioned?
- (2) Is the current location of Unanderra Station the same as when it was first commissioned?

- (3) On what date was the Unanderra Station foot-bridge constructed?
- (4) On what date was Berkeley Road closed to construct the Unanderra Station foot-bridge?
- (5) Since 2011, what is the cost to:
  - (a) Repair the 72 steps on the Unanderra Station foot-bridge?
  - (b) Maintain the 72 steps on the Unanderra Station foot-bridge?
- (6) Since 2011, how many times have the 72 steps on the Unanderra Station foot-bridge been repaired?
- (7) Since 2011, what is the schedule of maintenance for the Unanderra Station foot-bridge?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) 9 November 1887
- (2) Yes
- (3) 1965
- (4) 1965
- (5) The cost of maintaining Unanderra station forms part of the general maintenance budget for the network. In financial year 2018-19, \$1.5 billion was allocated to rail maintenance.
- (6) Once
- (7) A safety inspection of the stairs is undertaken at least twice a year.
- \*9064 SPORTING BIDS FOR WIN STADIUM—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

Will WIN Stadium be one of the venues in a multi-venue New South Wales bid for the men's and women's Rugby World Cup, Rugby League World Cup or the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) Women's World Cup?

Answer-

The hosting requirements have not yet been released for the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023, Men's Rugby World Cup 2027 and Rugby League World Cup 2029. Therefore, I am unable to confirm which venues will be included in a New South Wales bid for these events.

It is proposed that the Women's Rugby World Cup 2021 will be hosted in the Hunter region, across three venues within close proximity. The host location was identified by Rugby Australia meeting the World Rugby hosting requirements.

- \*9065 NOMINATIONS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) How many nominations for the installation of speed cameras have Transport for NSW received for the Wollongong local government area from the 'Nominate a Speed Camera Location' on the Service NSW website?
  - (2) What are the specific locations for the nomination of speed cameras?(a) Of these, in which specific location have speed cameras been installed following nomination?

Answer-

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.

- \*9066 RETURN AND EARN IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) How much has been collected and returned on containers under the Return and Earn Scheme in the following postcodes:
    - (a) 2500;
    - (b) 2502;
    - (c) 2505;
    - (d) 2506;
    - (e) 2519;
    - (f) 2525;
    - (g) 2526;
    - (h) 2528;
    - (i) 2530?

Answer-

I am advised information is not collected based on postcode.

- \*9067 WASTE LEVY CONTRIBUTIONS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) How much did the Government collect in waste levy contributions during the 2017-18 financial year?
  - (2) What waste levy contributions did Cessnock City Council make in each financial year from 2015-16 to 2017-18?
  - (3) What percentage of waste levy contributions made by Cessnock City Council is returned to their area?
  - (4) Which Local Government Area makes the:
    - (a) Greatest waste levy contribution?
    - (b) Least waste levy contribution?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) This information can be found in the NSW 2018-19 Budget Statement.
- (2) This information is commercial-in-confidence.
- (3) This cannot be determined.
- (4) There are 42 Local Government Areas included in the two areas of New South Wales where the levy is applied. Two thirds of these Local Government Areas operate their own landfill and collect the levy.

\*9068 STATE ROAD ISSUES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How many representations have been received by Roads and Maritime Services regarding congestion at the Minmi Road-Newcastle Link Road roundabout since the opening of the Hunter Expressway?
- (2) As a result of these representations, how many site visits have been conducted by Roads and Maritime Services at the intersection during peak traffic times?
  - (a) On what dates did these site visits occur?
  - (b) What actions have been undertaken to resolve congestion issues at the roundabout as a result of these site visits?
- (3) How many representations have been received by Roads and Maritime Services regarding congestion on Main Road, Edgeworth since the opening of the Hunter Expressway?
- (4) As a result of these representations, how many site visits have been conducted by Roads and Maritime Services along Main Road during peak traffic times?
  - (a) On what dates did these site visits occur?
  - (b) What actions have been undertaken to resolve congestion issues along Main Road as a result of these site visits?
- (5) Since 2011, how many representations have been received by Roads and Maritime Services regarding congestion along Wollombi Road, Cessnock?
- (6) As a result of these representations, how many site visits have been conducted by Roads and Maritime Services along Wollombi Road during peak traffic times?
  - (a) On what dates did these site visits occur?
  - (b) What actions have been undertaken to resolve congestion issues along Wollombi Road as a result of these site visits?
- (7) How many representations have been received by Roads and Maritime Services regarding congestion along Main Road, Heddon Greta since the opening of the Hunter Expressway?
- (8) As a result of these representations, how many site visits have been conducted by Roads and Maritime Services along Main Road during peak traffic times?
  - (a) On what dates did these site visits occur?
  - (b) What actions have been undertaken to resolve congestion issues along Main Road as a result of these site visits?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) One

(2) IIntersection counts, including queues and delays, were carried out at this roundabout on 13 and 14 March 2018, and 26, 27 and 28 June 2018.

(3) None.

(4) None.

(a) and (b) Not applicable.

(5) One.

(6) Intersection counts were conducted on 9 and 10 March 2011, and 22 and 24 February 2018, at the intersections of Wollombi, Allandale and Maitland roads, and Maitland Road and Vincent Street, Cessnock. The counts were conducted during and outside of peak periods.

(7) Two.

(8) Mid-block counts were conducted on Main Road, east of Stanford Road, in August 2014. Intersection counts were conducted on 15 and 16 July 2014 at the intersection of Main Road and Young Street. Intersection counts were conducted on 3 May 2018 at a number of intersections along Main Road.

\*9069 CRASH HISTORY DATA—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Has there been any crash history data recorded with regard sleep disorders such as sleep apnea being a contributing factor to crashes?
  - (a) If yes, how long has this data been recorded?
  - (b) If no, has this type of illness been considered as being a contributing factor in relation to road accidents?

Answer—

(1) No.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Information is available in the Austroads 'Guidelines for Assessing Fitness to Drive for commercial and private vehicle drivers'.
- \*9070 CONSTRUCTION OF THE CESSNOCK POLICE STATION—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
  - (1) How will the \$1,157,000 set aside in the NSW Budget be spent on the construction of the new Cessnock Police Station in the 2018-19 financial year?
  - (2) When is construction anticipated to commence?
  - (3) Where will officers stationed in the existing Cessnock Police Station be relocated during the construction phase?
  - (4) Will a construction timeline be made publicly available?

Answer-

I am advised:

The 2018-19 allocations are for design, geotechnical and preliminary works. Construction is expected to start in 2019, subject to Council approvals. Police officers at the existing station will not need to be relocated, as the new station will be constructed on another part of the site.

- \*9071 FUNDING FOR GLENWORTH VALLEY—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
  - (1) Did the Government provide funding for the Lost Paradise Festival held at Glenworth Valley over the 2018 New Year period?

(a) If so, how much?

(2) What funding has the Government provided to Glenworth Valley in each financial year from 2013-14 to 2017-18?

Answer—

(1) The Government's tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW, did not provide funding to the Lost Paradise Festival over the 2018 New Year period.

(a) Refer to answer to question 1.

(2) Glenworth Valley Outdoor Adventures received \$500,000 in 2014-15 towards the construction of a multi-purpose function centre through the Government's Regional Visitor Economy Fund, administered by Destination NSW.

In addition, Glenworth Valley Outdoor Adventures secured \$300,000 towards a \$706,730 project to construct and install three new luxury eco-wilderness cabins under the Commonwealth Government's

2017-18 Tourism Demand-Driver Infrastructure program. The assessment of applications under this program was overseen by the NSW Department of Industry.

\*9072 OVERNIGHT VISITORS TO THE CENTRAL COAST—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

What was the total number of overnight visitors to the Central Coast in each financial year from 2013-14 to 2017-18?

Answer—

For the period 2013-14 to 2016-17 the Central Coast region received the following overnight domestic and international visitors:

- 1,337,000 in 2013-14
- 1,238,000 in 2014-15
- 1,306,000 in 2015-16
- 1,435,000 in 2016-17

Tourism Research Australia has not yet released visitation data for the full 2017-18 financial year.

\*9073 ANNUAL FUNDING FOR MARINE RESCUE NSW—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

What is the annual funding provided to Marine Rescue NSW's operations on the Brisbane Water?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government does not have annual funding agreements with individual Marine Rescue NSW bases or units. In 2017-18, Marine Rescue NSW received \$7,806,000 under an Operational Funding Agreement with the Office of Emergency Management.

- \*9074 SPECIALIST PALLIATIVE CARE DOCTORS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) How many specialist palliative care doctors are employed to service the:
    - (a) Campbelltown Hospital;
    - (b) Camden Hospital?
  - (2) What plans are there to increase the number of specialist palliative care doctors to service the:
    - (a) Campbelltown Hospital;
    - (b) Camden Hospital?

Answer-

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

- \*9075 HEADSPACE CENTRAL COAST—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—
  - (1) What services does the Government provide to Headspace Central Coast?
  - (2) How much has the Government invested in services provided to Headspace Central Coast?
  - (3) What is the total number of people who have accessed Government provided services at Headspace Central Coast?

Answer-

- (1) headspace is a federally funded project that provides mental and physical health support through general practitioners and counsellors. It also provides alcohol and drug counseling and social and vocational services for young people, regularly runs community events and professional educational workshops. headspace also promotes health and education to young people in the New South Wales juvenile justice system.
- (2) This question is a matter for the Commonwealth Government.
- (3) The branches of headspace on the Central Coast have serviced almost 15,000 young people, providing over 65,000 occasions of service.
- \*9076 TAFE CAMPUS AT GOSFORD—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

What is the proposed timeline for moving the TAFE Gosford campus? Answer—

TAFE NSW has no plans to move the TAFE Gosford Campus.

- \*9077 DRUG AND ALCOHOL REHABILITATION BEDS ON THE CENTRAL COAST—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) What is the total number of drug and alcohol detox beds available to patients on the Central Coast?(a) What is the annual cost per detox bed to maintain?
  - (2) What is the total number of drug and alcohol rehabilitation beds available to patients on the Central Coast?

(a) What is the annual cost per rehab bed to maintain?

Answer-

Central Coast Local Health District Drug and Alcohol Service operates a withdrawal management "detox" unit at Wyong Hospital. NSW Health funding also supports rehabilitation beds across three non-government organisations on the Central Coast.

These services are operated by independent non-government organisations which receive funding from multiple sources.

\*9078 CENTRAL COAST NETWORK STUDY—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

When will the Central Coast Network Study be released?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Central Coast Network Study will be an input into the draft Central Coast Regional Transport Plan identified for development in the Regional NSW Services and Infrastructure Plan, a supporting plan to Future Transport 2056. Transport for NSW is planning to prepare the Central Coast Regional Transport Plan in the coming year and will be released in due course.

- \*9079 PARKING CHANGES AS PART OF THE NEWCASTLE LIGHT RAIL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) Was a Part 5 assessment completed when changes to parking arrangements on Hunter Street, Newcastle were made?
    - (a) What was the reason for making these changes?
  - (2) Why has Transport for NSW refused to answer community enquires about parking changes as part of the Newcastle Light Rail project?
  - (3) What consultation was undertaken with Newcastle City Council regarding parking changes as part of the Newcastle Light Rail project?
  - (4) Was a signalised pedestrian crossing considered for King Street, Newcastle to connect Civic Park to the Civic Precinct as part of the intersection upgrades works?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Yes.

(a) To improve traffic flow around the city centre and allow for integration with light rail.

- (2) The Newcastle Light Rail Review of Environmental Factors and the Newcastle Light Rail Associated Road Upgrades Review of Environmental Factors were publicly exhibited and feedback was invited. During the exhibition there were information sessions, pop-up stalls, online engagement, stakeholder briefings and distribution of zone-specific construction brochures. There has also been ongoing engagement with residents and businesses.
- (3) The Newcastle City Centre Parking Strategy was prepared in consultation with Newcastle City Council.

(a) Newcastle City Council is responsible for pedestrian crossings on local roads within its area.

- \*9080 BROADMEADOW STATION LIGHTING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) Is the Minister aware that light spillage from Broadmeadow Train Station is above legal limits?

- (2) Is the Minister aware that I first raised this matter with him in August 2017?
- (3) Why has this matter not been resolved?

I am advised:

After an investigation by Transport for NSW in March 2018, the lighting at Broadmeadow Station precinct was reconfigured to reduce light intensity and spillage and is now compliant with Australian Standards and Asset Standards Authority Standards under AS 4282 Control of the obtrusive effects of outdoor lighting.

In June 2017 the lighting was also upgraded to comply with minimum lighting requirements for safety, security and comfort at the station.

\*9081 UPGRADES TO KEY INTERSECTIONS AROUND THE ADAMSTOWN STATION LEVEL CROSSING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What specific documents have found that upgrades to key intersections around the Adamstown Station level crossing would be a greater improvement to road users than upgrading the crossing itself?
- (2) Are there any plans to upgrade key intersections around the Adamstown level crossing?(a) If so, what are they?

Answer-

I am advised:

Roads and Maritime Services' Inner Newcastle Traffic Study identifies opportunities to improve intersections across the network. Improvements at some intersections are expected to result in more benefits to the overall network than improvements at the rail crossing.

Roads and Maritime notes that Newcastle Council has funding to upgrade the intersection of Glebe Road and Park Avenue to traffic lights. I am advised this work is currently underway and is expected to improve safety and reduce congestion.

- \*9082 LANDS OFFICE BUILDING AT EAST MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) What is the current status of the Lands Office building at East Maitland?
  - (2) Has the Government received any expression of interest from any Maitland community groups interested in establishing a regional museum or any other activity in the building?
  - (3) Has the Government established a process for determining the future use of the building?(a) If so, what is it?
  - (4) Does the building have State or Local Heritage significance or listing?
  - (5) What is the Government's plan for the future upkeep and maintenance of the building?

Answer-

- (1) The Lands Office building is vacant and has been declared surplus to Property NSW requirements. Property NSW has identified site restraints that need to be resolved prior to declaring the property surplus to whole of government.
- (2) Yes, Property NSW has received an unsolicited proposal from the Maitland Regional Museum and has met with representatives of the Museum to outline status of the building and the process required to declare the property surplus to the whole of government received an unsolicited proposal from the Maitland Regional Museum and has met with representatives of the Museum to outline status of the building and the process required to declare the property surplus to the whole of government.
- (3) Yes.
  - (a) Property NSW has a rigorous process to work with and identify NSW Agency Cluster accommodation requirements and has well developed regional and town accommodation strategies.
- (4) The building is listed as a local heritage item and is within the East Maitland Heritage Conservation Area, part of the Maitland Local Environment Plan (LEP) 2011.
- (5) The upkeep and maintenance of the property is managed in accord with Statutory obligations, relevant Codes and Standards by Property NSW until such time as the property future is determined. Once sold, heritage obligations will pass to the purchaser of the Property.

- \*9083 HIGH READINGS OF PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES IN RUTHERFORD—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) Has the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) yet established the reason for several high readings for per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) upstream of the Truegain industrial site, Rutherford during testing conducted on 4 May 2018 and 7 June 2018?
  - (2) When will the Stony Creek test results for the period 8 June 2018 to 3 August 2018 be published on the EPA website?
  - (3) Has the EPA conducted any testing for PFAS in Fishery Creek and Wallis Creek?
  - (4) When will the results for Fishery and Wallis creeks be published on the EPA website so residents downstream of Stony Creek can assess the level of PFAS in their waterways?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) is continuing to investigate the sources of PFAS within the Rutherford Industrial Estate.

The results of EPA's sampling in Stony, Fishery and Wallis creeks are available on the EPA website: https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/contaminated-land/pfas-investigation-program/pfas-investigation-sites/Truegain

- \*9084 COMPULSORY THIRD PARTY INSURANCE GREEN SLIP REFUNDS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) How many registered vehicle owners are there in the Maitland electorate as at 3 August 2018?
    - (a) How many have claimed their Compulsory Third Party insurance (CTP) greenslip refund?
    - (b) How many had a refund of less than \$10.00?
  - (2) What was the average refund that vehicle owners received?

Answer-

- (1) This question should be directed to the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.
  - (a) As at 3 August 2018, for postcodes 2320, 2323, 2324, 2322, 2321, 2318, 2326, 2335, 2334 and 2421 the number of individual and business claimed policies was 41,418.
  - (b) Vehicle owners will not get a refund if their refund amount is less than the minimum entitlement of \$10. The estimated number of people not getting a refund is 24,400.
- (2) The average refund for individual claimed policies was \$59.32. For business claimed policies it was \$211.63.
- \*9085 CALCULATION USED FOR VEHICLE MOVEMENTS IN PLANNING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
  - (1) Is there a standard calculation that is used when planning residential developments to anticipate estimated vehicle movement as a result of the development?
    - (a) If so, can the Minister please provide a copy or link?

Answer-

I am advised:

There are various calculations for different situations.

- \*9086 OFFICE OF STATE REVENUE IN MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) How many staff were employed at the Office of State Revenue in Maitland at 30 June 2017?
  - (2) How many staff applied to transfer to Gosford as part of the Revenue NSW Maitland office restructure?
  - (3) How many Maitland staff applied for voluntary redundancy under this restructure?
  - (4) Why, as the restructure was being finalised, were remaining staff informed by management that they didn't have to relocate to Gosford?
  - (5) How many staff remain at the Revenue NSW Maitland office as of 6 August 2018?
  - (6) How many positions from Maitland have been transferred to Gosford at the completion of the restructure?
  - (7) What assurance can the Government give that Revenue NSW jobs will remain in Maitland?
  - (8) How many staff from the Revenue NSW Lithgow office have been transferred to Gosford and have

any other Lithgow staff taken voluntary redundancy?

(9) Does Revenue NSW have any further plans to restructure regional operations? Answer—

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(3) 56.

- (4) The reallocation of Gosford numbers was not connected to the Maitland restructure.
- (5) 294.
- (6) 0. As at 24 August 2018, 11 staff have volunteered to transfer to Gosford.
- (7) Revenue NSW continues to provide services and fines processing from Maitland.
- (8) One staff member applied and was transferred to Gosford. Two staff members have taken voluntary redundancy.
- (9) There are no current plans.

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#### (Paper No. 197)

\*9087 SUPPORT TO COUNCILS FOR REDUCING FOOD WASTE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) What support is the Government providing local councils to reduce food waste?
- (2) Will the Government support the expansion of programs such as Penrith City Council's weekly organics collection to other local government areas?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Government is supporting councils to reduce food waste through a \$105.5 million investment under Waste Less, Recycle More initiative. It is supporting councils to address the problem through education, new collections to boost recycling, infrastructure to process the new supply and ensuring strong markets for the recycled produce.
- (2) The Government has been supporting the expansion of kerbside collection services for food and garden waste, like Penrith's, since 2013.
- \*9088 CLOSURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
  - (1) What deadline was provided to not-for-profit organisations in the disabilities sector to finalise arrangements and reporting with the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC) prior to the closure of the department?
  - (2) What consultation with stakeholder groups was conducted prior to setting this deadline?
  - (3) What assistance was provided by the Government to not-for-profit organisations to meet this deadline?

Answer-

(1) Non-Government Organisations with clients who were fully transitioned to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), or to Continuity of Support or alternate arrangements, were required to provide a financial acquittal report by 31 May 2018. Exceptions applied for service providers with a small number of residual clients yet to transition after that time.

(2) and (3) Arrangements and reporting requirements were identified in funding agreements from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2018. A dedicated email address and telephone hotline for queries and feedback was established. Across the NDIS transition period, National Disability Services hosted several provider forums across the state. Additionally, simplified financial acquittal processes were put in place for the 2017-18 year.

- \*9089 DIALYSIS SERVICES—Ms Yasmin Catley asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) How many patients currently access dialysis services in the 2280 and 2281 postcodes?
    - (a) How many of these patients receive home based renal therapy?
    - (b) How many of these patients travel to:

- (i) The Wansey Centre at Charlestown;
- (ii) The John Hunter Hospital at New Lambton Heights?

Hunter New England Local Health District (HNELHD) provides comprehensive treatment options for renal dialysis patients. These include in-home services, treatment at John Hunter Hospital, the Wansey Centre, Charlestown and the privately operated Fresenius Medical Care in Newcastle.

\*9090 PARKING PENALTY NOTICES ISSUED GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many Penalty Notices were issued to motorists parking in the Granville electorate in each year from 2013 to 2017?
  - (a) For each year, what were the ten most prevalent offences?
  - (b) What education or other measures is the Government taking to improve compliance with the relevant legislation of these ten offences?

Answer-

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2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
57,041	40,657	42,354	39,615	46,859

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(a)					
Offence (ranked 1 to 10)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Park without ticket being displayed	1	1	1	1	1
Park continuously for longer than permitted	2	2	2	2	3
Disobey no stopping sign	3	3	3	3	2
Park after ticket expired	4	6	6	6	5
Stop in restricted parking area	5	4	4	4	4
Stop in loading zone	6	5	5	5	6
Stand vehicle in area longer than allowed	7	7	7	8	8
Disobey no parking sign	8	8	9	7	7
Stop on path/atrip in buil-up area	Not in top 10 for year	9	8	9	9
Not park rear to kerb wheer indicated	9	10	10	10	10
Stop heavy/long vehicle longer than 1 hour	10	Not in top 10 for year	Not in top 10 for year	Not in top 10 for year	Not in top 10 for year

(b) Revenue NSW provides information and education on the penalty notice system through a range of brochures and on its website. Education about specific parking rules is the responsibility of the organisations that enforce those rules.

- \*9091 PENALTY NOTICES ISSUED GRANVILLE ELECTORATE RESIDENTS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
  - (1) How many Penalty Notices were issued to residents of the Granville electorate in each year from 2013 to 2017?

- (a) For each year, what were the ten most prevalent offences?
  - (i) What education or other measures is the Government taking to improve compliance with the relevant legislation of these ten offences?

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2013	2014	2014 2015		2016	2	017
26,652	24,897	25,5	523	25,717	2	9,531
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Offence (ranked 1 to 10)	2013	2014	2015		2016	2017
Park without current ticket displayed	1	3	3		1	2
Park continuously for longer than permitted	2	1	2		2	1
Disobey no stopping sign	3	2	1		3	3
Park after ticket expired	4	7	8		6	7
Stop in restricted parking area	5	6	7		7	6
Stop in loading zone	6	4	5		8	8
Stand vehicle in area longer than allowed	7	5	4		4	5
Disobey no parking sign	8	8	6		5	4
Stop on path/strip in built-up area	9	9	9		9	9
Not park rear to kerb where indicated	10	10	Not in to year	p 10 for	Not in top 10 for year	Not in top 10 for year
Stop heavy/long vehicle longer than 1 hour	Not in top 10 for year	Not in top 1 year	0 for 10		Not in top 10 for year	Not in top 10 for year
Not angle park as on parking control sign/road marking	Not in top 10 for year	Not in top 1 year	0 for Not in to year	p 10 for	10	10

(b) Revenue NSW provides information and education on the penalty notice system through a range of brochures and on its website. Education about specific parking rules is the responsibility of the organisations that enforce those rules.

- \*9092 SCHOOLS IN THE CANTERBURY ELECTORATE—Ms Sophie Cotsis asked the Minister for Education—
  - (1) Why is Campsie Public School, the fourth most crowded school in New South Wales, not included in the list of schools which will see upgrades and developments from the new schools funding announcement?
  - (2) If the Bankstown to Canterbury metro is developed will Campsie Public School be redeveloped to account for the increase in population density with high-rise development?
  - (3) Canterbury South Public School is earmarked for redevelopment. Will students have to be relocated

to other local primary schools for the period of the redevelopment?

- (a) If so, are any funding provisions being considered for these schools to accommodate the students from Canterbury South Public School?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to increase school capacity in the Canterbury electorate?
- (5) Are these plans available with a breakdown of school by school costing?
- (6) Considering the approximate \$7 million backlog in schools in the Canterbury electorate, what date does the Government plan for this backlog of funding to be made available?

Answer-

I'm advised that:

Major upgrade works are being delivered at Canterbury South Public School and Ashbury Public School to respond to projected student enrolment growth in the area.

The department closely monitors factors such as population growth, demographic trends and new housing development to ensure school infrastructure meets projected student enrolment growth.

I'm advised that all schools in the Canterbury electorate will receive funding for maintenance during 2018-19.

\*9093 ENHANCED FUNCTION OF THE SECRETARIAT OF THE NSW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DEATHS REVIEW TEAM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

Considering that no legislative change occurred to give a jurisdictional basis for the enhanced function of the Secretariat of the NSW Domestic Violence Deaths Review Team (NSW DVDRT) described and recommended in the 2016 Report of the Statutory Review of Chapter 9A of the Coroners Act, what is the basis for the current exercise of that enhanced function as referred in Appendix B under the paragraph titled 'Open case function' of the NSW DVDRT Report 2015 - 2017?

Answer-

I am advised :

No legislative change is required to authorise the enhanced function of the Secretariat of the NSW Domestic Violence Deaths Review Team. The report of the Statutory Review of Chapter 9A of the Coroners Act 2009 (the Review report) concluded that there is no legislative impediment to the Secretariat of the NSW Domestic Violence Death Review Team undertaking the enhanced role recommended in Recommendation 2 of the Review report.

I refer to paragraph 4.25 of the Review report which can be accessed from the Department of Justice website: www.justice.nsw.gov.au.

The Government accepted all the recommendations of the Review report.

\*9094 PRINCES HIGHWAY SOUTH OF BERRY—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Will you support the additional funding from the Commonwealth Government being allocated to the Princes Highway south of Berry?
- (2) Have you made any formal representations to the Commonwealth Minister for Infrastructure and Transport regarding this matter?
  - (a) If so, when did this take place?
  - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Government has committed over \$1 billion for projects on the Princes Highway since 2011. The Government has also committed a further \$1.5 billion to the Princes Highway over the next four years. Information about current projects is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.
- (2) On 15 December 2017 the Commonwealth Government announced a Federal Princes Highway Corridor Strategy to guide investment priorities between Sydney and Adelaide via Melbourne. The Government will continue to work with the Commonwealth Government in identifying New South Wales priorities.
- \*9095 DISTRIBUTION OF RETURN-AND-EARN SITES—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS Tuesday 18 September 2018

- (1) What is the reason for the inequitable distribution of return-and-earn sites across the Central West of New South Wales, which is highlighted by the four sites established in Bathurst yet the similarly populated city of Orange has only one established site, while the nearby township of Cowra is one quarter of the population of Orange and it also has one established site?
- (2) Considering the Government's Return-and-Earn website advises there are 662 return points and there are more opening all the time, will return-and-earn sites at Forbes and additional sites at Orange be installed?

(a) If so, when?

Answer-

- (1) The Network Operator, TOMRA Cleanaway, is responsible for establishing collection points.
- (2) A second Reverse Vending Machine in Orange is now open.

### \*9096 JOHN MADDISON TOWER-Mr Ron Hoenig asked the Attorney General-

- (1) Was a drone let loose in Court 17 A of the John Maddison Tower earlier this year?
  - (a) If so:
    - (i) Did the drone fly in the court room?
    - (ii) How did the drone get through court security?
    - (iii) What action has been taken to ensure court security has been enhanced?

Answer—

I am advised:

In July 2018, Sheriff's Officers spoke to a person after a small drone was briefly flown on level 18 at John Maddison Tower during a court adjournment. The drone was subsequently confiscated and inspected to confirm that no footage had been recorded.

While drones are not considered a weapon or prohibited item, the Sheriff's Office has directed that drones are now to be confiscated upon entry and returned to court users when they exit the building.

## \*9097 DRUG COURT AT DUBBO-Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General-

- (1) What proposals have been considered to trial a model of the Drug Court at Dubbo?
- (2) When will a Drug Court commence at Dubbo?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Department of Justice is considering the report and recommendations of the recent Parliamentary Inquiry into the Provision of drug rehabilitation services in regional, rural and remote New South Wales that was released in August 2018. I have requested that the Department of Justice provide me with advice on options for the future expansion of the Drug Court in rural and regional New South Wales.

\*9098 COMMENCEMENT OF A DRUG COURT IN DUBBO—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

When will a Drug Court commence operation in Dubbo?

Answer-

Courts are a matter for the Attorney General. I note that this question has also been asked of the Attorney General and I refer the Member to the Attorney's response.

\*9099 STATUTORY REVIEW OF THE SURROGACY ACT-Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General-

When will you table the Statutory Review of the Surrogacy Act?

Answer-

The statutory review of the Surrogacy Act 2010 was tabled on 16 August 2018.

# \*9100 COUNTER TERRORISM UNIT IN CORRECTIVE SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

(1) How many staff are in the Corrective Services NSW dedicated Counter Terrorism Unit?(a) What funds are allocated to maintain that unit?

#### Answer-

I am advised:

- There are nine staffing positions in the Corrective Services NSW Counter Terrorism Unit.
  (a) Approximately \$1.2 million has been allocated for the Unit in 2018-19.
- \*9101 REVIEW OF THE NSW JUSTICE OF THE PEACE LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

When will the Department of Justice complete its review of the NSW Justice of the Peace legislative and regulatory framework?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Department of Justice is currently conducting consultation with stakeholders on the review of the NSW Justice of the Peace legislative and regulatory framework, including peak bodies representing NSW Justices of the Peace and relevant industry and government bodies.

\*9102 SHERIFF OFFICERS AT GRIFFITH COURT HOUSE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

Will the extension of temporary sheriff officers announced in the budget allow additional sheriff officers at Griffith Court House?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer to my answer to LA Q7648.

\*9103 LOCATIONS OF THE EIGHT NEW FIREFIGHTING AERIAL APPLIANCES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

At which locations will each of the eight new firefighting aerial appliances (comprising two aerial ladder platforms and six aerial pumpers), whose proposed purchase was recently announced, be stationed?

Answer—

I am advised:

The new aerial firefighting appliances will be positioned in areas appropriate to operational requirements as determined by the Fire and Rescue NSW Commissioner.

- 9104 PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY HOUSING IN THE CANTERBURY ELECTORATE—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- \*9105 DECLARATION OR REPORT OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR PERCEIVED CONFLICT OF INTEREST—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—
  - (1) What declaration or report of a conflict of interest or perceived conflict of interest has been made to you by the Director of Public Prosecutions concerning the consideration of matters arising from the presumed murder of Lynette Dawson?
  - (2) What protools, guidelines or policies exist to regulate the disclosure by the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions of actual or perceived conflicts of interest to victims or the relatives of deceased victims?
    - (a) Where may such protocols, guidelines or policies be inspected?

Answer—

I am advised :

In August 2018 the Director of Public Prosecutions informed me that he had a conflict of interest in relation to a brief and request for advice received from the NSW Police Force relating to the suspected death of Mrs Lynette Dawson because Mrs Dawson's husband, Mr Chris Dawson, and his brother were school teachers at his high school and coached a school rugby league team he played on. He informed me that the matter had been assigned to a Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions. The conflict of interest was first declared to the former Attorney General, the Hon Greg Smith SC, in October 2011.

The Code of Conduct of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) is available on the ODPP website: https://www.odpp.nsw.gov.au.

\*9106 DROUGHT ASSISTANCE FOR PIG PRODUCERS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
Are drought-affected pig producers eligible to receive drought assistance as outlined in the Government's drought assistance package, inclusive of transport subsidies?

Answer-

The Government has committed more than \$1 billion to support the farming community during the current drought period. As long as they meet the criteria, pig producers are eligible for all drought support measures outlined on the Drought Hub website including the Emergency Drought Relief Transport Subsidies.

Pig producers will also receive a waiver on their Local Land Service rates for 2019 and may also be eligible for a rebate on the entire amount of their fixed water charges up to \$4,000 per licence.

Pig producers may be eligible for a Drought Assistance Fund loan, which would provide up to \$50,000 as an interest free loan to be repaid over seven years with the first two years repayment free.

Pig producers may also be eligible for a Farm Innovation Fund loan, which can be used for permanent on-farm infrastructure with a loan of up to \$250,000 and 20 years to repay the loan at a current low rate of 2.5 per cent.

\*9107 DROUGHT ASSISTANCE FOR ORCHARDISTS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

What assistance is your government providing to the many drought-affected orchardists, many of whom have little or no available water for their orchards?

Answer—

The Government has committed more than \$1 billion to support the farming community during the current drought period. As long as they meet the criteria, orchardists are eligible for all drought support measures outlined on the Drought Hub website.

Orchardists will receive a waiver on their Local Land Service rates for 2019.

In addition, orchardists will be eligible for a rebate on the entire amount of their fixed water charges up to \$4,000 per licence.

Orchardists may be eligible for a Drought Assistance Fund loan, which would provide up to \$50,000 as an interest free loan to be repaid over seven years with the first two years repayment free. The Drought Assistance Fund could be used for the installation or repair of water infrastructure (like de-silting a dam, or installing a tank), but orchardists should seek advice from the Rural Assistance Authority about making an application, by calling 1800 678 593.

Orchardists may also be eligible for a Farm Innovation Fund loan, which can be used for permanent onfarm infrastructure with a loan of up to \$250,000 and 20 years to repay the loan at a current low rate of 2.5 per cent.

\*9108 DUMPING OF SHOPPING TROLLEYS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Considering the response to LA Q4236, what statistics are held by the Department of Local Government concerning dumping of shopping trolleys?
- (2) What statistics have been sought by the Department from relevant external bodies such as Trolley Tracker?
- (3) What guidance or model policy has the Department provided to Councils for the management of abandoned or unattended shopping trolleys?
- (4) Will the current provisions be sufficient to deter shopping trolley dumping?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Office of Local Government does not hold statistics on shopping trolley dumping.
- (2) None.
- (3) The Office of Local Government is not required to provide guidance to councils on managing shopping trolleys.
- (4) This is a matter for councils and retailers.
- \*9109 CONTRACT FOR REGION 6 BUS SERVICES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

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- (1) What guarantees were provided in the contract with Transit Systems with the provision of Region 6 bus services with respect to:
  - (a) Driver training;
  - (b) Bus maintenance;
  - (c) Passenger safety?

Answer-

I am advised :

The contract for Region 6 bus services is available on the Transport for NSW website.

\*9110 MANAGING EXCESSIVE DUST AT THE SYDNEY METRO SITE IN MARRICKVILLE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What is being done to manage excessive dust emanating from the Sydney Metro dive site at Marrickville, particularly given the close proximity of the site to homes, businesses and local schools?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is publicly available at www.jhcpbg.com.au.

- \*9111 BENEFIT CORPORATIONS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—
  - (1) How is the Government supporting so-called benefit Corporations in New South Wales?
  - (2) Is the Government considering legislation that would allow for and encourage benefit corporations through B-certification or another means?

Answer—

These questions should be referred to the Treasurer.

- \*9112 REFURBISHMENT OF THE FORMER PETERSHAM WEST STREET TAFE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Education—
  - (1) What was the total cost of refurbishing the former Petersham West Street TAFE building for use by NSW Languages High School?
  - (2) How many staff will be present at the site each day once it is fully operational?
  - (3) How many students will be present on the site each day once it is fully operational?

Answer-

I'm advised that:

The refurbishment is part of a larger project to relocate the NSW School of Languages, formerly Open High School, to a new fit-for-purpose distance language education facility.

The NSW School of Languages opened on Day 1, Term 3, 2018, and there are at least 90 staff on site every day.

Student numbers on site vary each day depending on which language courses are holding their face-to-face lesson on any given day.

- \*9113 AMENDING THE ST ANDREWS ACT 1998-Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Education-
  - (1) Has St Andrews College at the University of Sydney contacted you or the Government about amending the St Andrews Act 1998?
  - (2) Have other University of Sydney residential colleges contacted you or the Government about amending the relevant acts pertaining to their governance?

Answer-

I'm advised that:

There has been contact from St Andrew's College concerning repeal of the College's Act.

St Paul's College has also contacted me in relation to pursuing legislative reform to the private act governing that college.

\*9114 LISTING HABERFIELD ON THE STATE HERITAGE REGISTER—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

Considering the response to LA Q6028, what efforts have been taken since than to progress the listing of

the suburb of Haberfield on the State Heritage Register?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Office of Environment and Heritage continues to discuss the potential listing of the Haberfield Conservation Area with Inner West Council.

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# (Paper No. 198)

- 9115 DROUGHT AFFECTED CROP PRODUCERS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- 9116 CRASH STATISTICS-Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight-
- \*9117 COMPLAINTS TO THE HEALTH CARE COMLAINTS COMMISSION—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) How many complaints were received by the Health Care Complaints Commission from patients at Westmead Hospital in each year from 2013 to 2017?
    - (a) In each of these years, how many of these complaints were upheld?
    - (b) In each of these years, what were the main subjects of these complaints?
  - (2) How many complaints were received by the Health Care Complaints Commission about patients at Westmead Hospital in each year from 2013 to 2017?
  - (3) How many complaints were received by the Health Care Complaints Commission about patients at Westmead Children's Hospital in each year from 2013 to 2017?
    - (a) In each of these years, how many of these complaints were upheld?
  - (4) What were the main subjects of complaints from patients at Westmead Children's Hospital, in each year from 2013 to 2017?
  - (5) How many complaints were received by the Health Care Complaints Commission from patients at Cumberland Hospital in each year from 2013 to 2017?
    - (a) In each of these years, how many of these complaints were upheld?
    - (b) In each of these years, what were the main subjects of these complaints?

Answer-

Complaint statistics at the local health district level are published in the Commission's Annual Report.

- 9118 MANAGING TYPE 1 DIABETES AFTER 21—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 9119 COST OF LIVING OFFICERS-Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property-
- 9120 NEWCASTLE RECREATION RESERVE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9121 INTERCITY FLEET—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9122 STATE OFFICE BLOCK IN WOLLONGONG—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 9123 FUNDING FOR THE WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 9124 COST OF LIVING OFFICERS IN SERVICE NSW CENTRES—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 9125 PRIMARY EDUCATION IN THE GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Education—
- 9126 DIRECT TRAIN ROUTE—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- 9127 MAINTENANCE PRACTICES—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 9128 EMERGENCY AND TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 9129 HUNTER RAIL SERVICES-Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-
- 9130 NEWCASTLE INTERCHANGE-Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-
- 9131 NEWCASTLE EDUCATION PRECINCT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Education—
- 9132 NEWCASTLE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- 9133 COMMERCIAL KANGAROO HARVESTING—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- 9134 FIXED WATER CHARGE EXEMPTION—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- 9135 WIFI IN HOSPITALS IN THE ILLAWARRA AND SHOALHAVEN LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- \*9136 FUNCTIONAL ECONOMIC REGIONS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
  - (1) Considering the release of the Government's 'A 20-year economic vision for regional New South Wales' in July 2018, how can it be credible to classify the Kiama municipality with a population of just over 22,000 as a Functional Economic Region (FER) for the Illawarra region?
  - (2) Why has the City of Shellharbour with a population of over 68,000 not been classified as an FER?
  - (3) Why has the Government now reclassified the definition of the Illawarra region to only include Kiama?

- (1) Functional Economic Regions are not based on population but rather a range of economic inputs (including commuter patterns, labour markets and other economic linkages). The size and nature of each Functional Economic Region therefore differs across the state.
- (2) A regional economic development strategy, based on the functional economic region of Shellharbour, is currently under development.
- (3) The Government has not reclassified the definition of the Illawarra region.
- 9137 NSW CLIMATE CHANGE FUND IN THE ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9138 ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS REBATES IN THE WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—
- 9139 PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Education—

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(Paper No. 199)

9140 COMPLETION OF UPGRADES ON HENRY LAWSON DRIVE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- 9141 LAND AT 10 MACQUARIE AVENUE, GATESHEAD—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 9142 SCHOOL COUNSELLORS IN PRIMARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Education—
- 9143 SAND EROSION—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9144 DREDGING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9145 ACCESS TO FIREARMS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- 9146 MAULES CREEK GROUNDWATER SOURCE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9147 INNER CITY FERRIES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9148 OPIOID TREATMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 9149 FLOOD MITIGATION WORKS IN THE NEWCASTLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9150 ABORIGINAL SOCIAL HOUSING STRATEGY IN THE ILLAWARRA—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 9151 CAPITAL WORKS AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS IN SCHOOLS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Education—
- 9152 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—
- 9153 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DISCLOSURE SCHEME—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Attorney General—
- 9154 FORMER HUNTER RIVER COMMUNITY SCHOOL SITE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—
- 9155 NOMINATIONS FOR EAST MAITLAND COURT HOUSE TO BE ON THE STATE HERITAGE REGISTER—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9156 SAFETY OF COMMUTERS ON S-SET, K-SET AND C-SET TRAINS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9157 WIDENING OF STACEY STREET—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9158 CONSULTATION FOR THE LOWER HUNTER FREIGHT RAIL CORRIDOR—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9159 TRAFFIC COUNTS FOR DELAYED VEHICLES BY CLOSURE OF THE ADAMSTOWN RAILWAY GATES—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9160 REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS FOR THE KEMBLA GRANGE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- 9161 FUTURE TRANSPORT 2056 STRATEGY—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- 9162 CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE BROADMEADOW LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT HERITAGE PRECINCT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9163 DAM STORAGE LEVELS—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- \*9164 WOOLWORTHS GRANVILLE RETURN AND EARN MACHINE—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) How many containers have been processed by the Return and Earn point located at the Woolworths Granville reverse vending machine?
    - (a) What is the total amount of the donations made at this point?
  - (2) Which charities have benefited from the generosity of those who have used the point?(a) How much has each charity received?
  - (3) How many ineligible containers dumped near the point have been:
    - (a) Recycled;
    - (b) Dumped to landfill?

I am advised:

- (1) 7,470,000 drink containers have been returned at the Granville Reverse Vending Machine as at 27 August 2018.
  - (a) Government does not have access to amounts donated to individual charities as these are subject to arrangements between the Network Operator, TOMRA Cleanaway and individual charities.
- (2) Statewide charity partners on Reverse Vending Machines are currently WIRES, Australian Red Cross and Take 3 for the Sea. At the Granville RVM Nepean Therapy Dogs is the local charity partner.
  - (a) This information cannot be released as it is subject to agreements in place between the Network Operator, TOMRA Cleanaway and the individual charities.
- (3) The Network Operator, TOMRA Cleanaway does not track this information.
- 9165 HOARDING AND SQUALOR—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 9166 ROAD DEATHS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9167 JUSTICE SYSTEM AND HISTORIC ANTI-GAY AND ANTI-TRANSGENDER VIOLENCE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General—
- 9168 PROCUREMENT RECYCLED MATERALS AND GOODS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 9169 HEALTH SERVICE SUSTAINABILITY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 9170 MODIFIED SPORTS PROGRAM—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—
- 9171 SAVING OUR SPECIES PROGRAM—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9172 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- 9173 SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 9174 PROCESS OF COMPULSORY ACQUISITION—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- 9175 NEWCASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOLS COMMUNITY GROUP—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 9176 2021 WOMEN'S RUGBY WORLD CUP-Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport-
- 9177 RETAIL TRADING ACT 2008—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 9178 PHYSIOTHERAPISTS CESSNOCK DISTRICT HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 9179 MEDICAL TREATMENT RECEIVED BY INMATES AT CESSNOCK CORRECTIONAL CENTRE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 9180 FUNDING FOR LIBRARIES IN THE LAKE MACQUARIE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 9181 SOCIAL HOUSING PROPERTIES IN THE WALLSEND ELECTROATE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 9182 IMPROVING TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT THE ADAMSTOWN LEVEL RAIL CROSSING—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9183 UPGRADE OF HENRY LAWSON DRIVE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9184 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN MOUNT HUTTON—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9185 PINCH POINT PROGRAM'S PROJECT OBJECTIVES FOR IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN THE HUME HIGHWAY AND MILLER ROAD—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9186 ADDITIONAL PEAK HOUR SERVICES ON THE BANKSTOWN LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9187 S-SET TRAINS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9188 CANCELLATIONS ON THE T3 LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9189 WARATAH TRAINS FOR THE T3 BANKSTOWN LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9190 MEDICAL MODEL DISABILITY SERVICES—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 9191 COMPULSORY ACQUIRING THE MAMBO WETLANDS—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- 9192 TOILETS AT THE MACARTHUR SERVICE NSW CENTRE—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 9193 PARKING AT CARDIFF TRAIN STATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 9194 DISABILITY ACCESS PLAN FOR TAFE NSW—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 9195 AFFORDABLE TAFE EDUCATION—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

- \*9196 SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCERS IN GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING-Mr Ryan Park asked the Premier-
  - (1) Has any government department spent money on 'social media influencers' as part of any advertising campaigns?
  - (2) If so:
    - (a) Which departments used social media influencers?
    - (b) How much money had been allocated?
    - (c) What specific campaigns were the used in?

The Government discloses advertising expenses on Department of Premier and Cabinet's website.

- 9197 RUTHERFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Education—
- 9198 GOVERNMENT FUNDING TO THE BUSINESS CENTRE—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- 9199 ASHTONFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Education—
- 9200 PROFITS RETURNED TO TAFE—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 9201 TAFE NSW GROUP 4 RESTRUCTURE—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 9202 ACCIDENTS INVOLVING B-DOUBLES IN SOMERSBY AND MANGROVE MOUNTAIN—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9203 BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CENTRES—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- 9204 ONE TAFE RESTRUCTURE—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 9205 FUNDING FOR LIBRARIES IN THE NEWCASTLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 9206 TEACHING REDUNDANCIES AT GLENDALE TAFE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 9207 REMOVAL OF TAX ON WOMEN'S SANITARY PRODUCTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 9208 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- 9209 FUNDING AND RESOURCES FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE? —Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—
- 9210 TESTING FOR PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES OUTSIDE THE WILLIAMTOWN MANAGEMENT AREA—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 9211 DESIGN AND PLANNING WORK FOR THE M1 TO RAYMOND TERRACE EXTENSION—Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- 9212 FINGAL BAY LINK ROAD-Ms Kate Washington to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight-
- 9213 EAST MAITLAND COURT HOUSE-Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Attorney General-
- 9214 BOLWARRA PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADE-Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Education-
- 9215 ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS IN THE MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—
- \*9216 POLICE CALLED OUT TO MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS AT THORNTON—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
  - (1) How many triple zero telephone calls have NSW Police received to motor vehicle collisions at the intersection of Raymond Terrace Road and Haussman Drive Thornton during the 2016-17 and 2017-18 financial year?
  - (2) How many Police Assistance Line telephone calls have NSW Police received in regard to motor vehicle collisions at the intersection of Raymond Terrace Road and Haussman Drive Thornton during the 2016-17 and 2017-18 financial year?

I am advised:

- (1) The NSW Police Force received four Triple Zero calls in relation to the nominated location between 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2018.
- (2) There were no Police Assistance Line calls received in relation to this location in either financial year.
- 9217 RELEASING WATER FROM GROUND RESERVOIRS AND DAMS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- 9218 HOME WARRANTY INSURANCE—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 9219 PLACEMENT OF RURAL FINANCIAL COUNSELLORS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- 9220 PRINCES HIGHWAY CORRIDOR STUDY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- 9221 COMPLETION OF THE M4 EAST TUNNEL—Ms Jodi McKay to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—
- 9222 TAFE NSW CONTINGENT WORKERS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

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9223 BUDGET FUNDING FOR BANKSTOWN-LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Considering the expected population growth in South Western Sydney and Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital being one of the busiest hospitals in Sydney seeing about 55,000 patients a year, a record 1,857 babies born there last year and a car park that is consistently at capacity, why was only \$25 million allocated to the Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?

- 9224 PETITION CONCERNING COMMUTER CAR PARKING IN SOUTH WEST SYDNEY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) Has the authenticity of signatures on the petition about commuter car parking in South West Sydney organised by Michael Andjelkovic been checked?

- (2) Has the registration analysis been completed of the home location of people parking at Leppington and Edmondson Park railway stations?
- (3) Has a brief been prepared and issued for the commencement of the investigation of commuter parking needs for South West Sydney and a scope determined of what needs to be investigated?
  - (a) Has a timeframe been set for the investigation?
  - (b) Will the investigation be conducted by Transport for NSW staff or by external consultants?
    - (i) If the investigation is to be by external consultants will they be chosen by tender or allocation?
  - (c) Will the results of the investigation be made publicly available or made available to Mr Andjelkovic?
- 9225 BHP SITE AT NEWCASTLE-Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations-

With regard to closure of the Broken Hill Proprietary (BHP) site at Newcastle in the 1990's and efforts to stimulate the economy and create jobs:

- (1) Was a foreign trade zone created for the expiring BHP site and the Steel River on which it sits?(a) If so:
  - (i) What was the extent, west along Steel River, to which the foreign trade arrangement applied?
  - (ii) Did the foreign trade zone agreement create duty exemptions for non-coal imports and exports on the BHP site, and along the Steel River, that would be value added?
    - (i) Was there a time limit applied to these duty exemptions?
    - (ii) Are the duty exemptions still in place?
- (2) Did the 98 year lease of the Port of Newcastle affect this agreement?
- 9226 LOCAL COURT PENALTY NOTICE APPEALS-Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General-
  - (1) Considering the individuals who have elected to have a penalty notice they've received decided by the Local Court, how many have resulted in the applicant:
    - (a) Successfully appealing the penalty notice;
    - (b) Unsuccessfully appealing the penalty notice?
- 9227 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SAFETY REPORT—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What measures has the Government taken to implement the recommendations made by the Committee on Law and Safety report from the inquiry into violence against emergency services personnel?

9228 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SAFETY REPORT—Mr Edmond Atalla to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

What measures has the Government taken to implement the recommendations made by the Committee on Law and Safety report from the inquiry into violence against emergency services personnel?

9229 VEHICLE OWNERS IN THE MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

How many registered vehicle owners are there in the Maitland electorate as at 23 May 2018?

- 9230 RANDWICK TAFE—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
  - (1) What discussions have taken place between yourself or the Department and the University of New South Wales in relation to a possible sell off of Randwick TAFE?
  - (2) Have there been any considerations given to a possible sell off of Randwick TAFE?
  - (3) Have there been any considerations given to a full closure or wind down of courses at Randwick TAFE?
- 9231 MACQUARIE STREET EAST PRECINCT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

What plans does the Government have to reduce the impact of large amounts of through traffic associated with the Cahill Expressway?

9232 RECOMMEDATIONS OF THE STATUTORY REVIEW OF THE RELATIONSHIP REGISTER ACT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—

Will you implement the recommendations of the Statutory Review of the Relationship Register Act?

9233 RESPONSE TO CORRESPONDENCE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—

What action, if any, have you taken in response to a letter to you dated 8 August 2018 from Timothy Charles Pratten concerning missing court exhibits?

9234 REPORT OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE ON THE NSW PUBLIC PURPOSE FUND RECOMMENDATIONS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—

What is the Government response to the recommendations in the Report of the Steering Committee on the NSW Public Purpose Fund?

- 9235 WOMEN KILLED IN NEW SOUTH WALES AS A RESULT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—
  - (1) How many women were killed in New South Wales in the last reportable year as a result of domestic violence?
  - (2) How many women have been killed in New South Wales in the reportable year to date as a result of domestic violence?
    - (a) What was the relationship of these victims and the offender?
- 9236 STATUTORY REVIEW OF THE CRIMES (SENTENCING PROCEDURE) AMENDMENT (FAMILY MEMBER VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENT) ACT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General—

Will you implement the recommendations of the Statutory Review of the Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Amendment (Family Member Victim Impact Statement) Act 2014?

- 9237 SERGEANT POSITION AT THE LIVERPOOL CITY POLICE AREA COMMAND—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
  - (1) Why was a sergeant position removed from Liverpool City Police Area Command?
  - (2) When will that position be restored?
  - (3) What planning has been done to establish a new police station in the growth area of South West Sydney?
- 9238 LIGHT TO LIGHT WALK PROJECT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) Considering the announcement by the Member for Bega in June 2018 that the Light to Light Walk project would receive \$8 million as part of the Government's \$1.9 billion investment to protect and improve the state's environment and heritage, is the Minister aware of a partnership in 2013 between National Parks and Wildlife Service and Auswide Projects which also involved the Eden Local Aboriginal Land Council to develop environmentally sensitive infrastructure and run guided tours from Ben Boyd Tower to Green Cape Lightstation known as the Light to Light Walk?
  - (2) Is the Minister aware of the comments by the former Chief Executice Officer of Auswide that "we (Auswide) are especially keen to educate visitors and locals about the rich Aboriginal Heritage along the Light to Light walk and we are working in close partnership with the National Parks and Wildlife Service and the Eden Local Aboriginal Land Council to ensure this becomes a reality?"
  - (3) What is the Government doing to ensure that members of the local Aboriginal community are given training and employment opportunities as they would have been under the partnership with Auswide and National Parks and Wildlife Service in 2013?
  - (4) How will the Government involve the local Aboriginal community to ensure that the Light to Light Walk will educate visitors and locals about the rich Aboriginal heritage along the walk?
- 9239 GRANVILLE INTERCHANGE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) In the 2011-12 financial year how many passengers at the Granville Interchange:
    - (a) Arrived by bus;
    - (b) Departed by bus;
    - (c) Arrived by train;
    - (d) Departed by train?
  - (2) In the 2012-13 financial year how many passengers at the Granville Interchange:

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- (a) Arrived by bus;
- (b) Departed by bus;
- (c) Arrived by train;
- (d) Departed by train?
- (3) In the 2013-14 financial year how many passengers at the Granville Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (4) In the 2014-15 financial year how many passengers at the Granville Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (5) In the 2015-16 financial year how many passengers at the Granville Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (6) In the 2016-17 financial year how many passengers at the Granville Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (7) In the 2017-18 financial year how many passengers at the Granville Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (8) In the 2018-19 financial year to date (as at 18 September 2018) how many passengers at the Granville Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- 9240 SAFE-PASSAGE AROUND CYCLISTS LAWS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
  - (1) Since the introduction of the safe-passage around cyclists laws, how many infringements have been issued to motorists in the Illawarra region for not complying with the required passing distance (as at 18 September 2018)?
  - (2) Has the Government invested in any signage in the Illawarra to remind drivers to leave the required gap when passing cyclists?
  - (3) How is the Government continuing to educate drivers across the state about safe-passing laws to protect the lives of cyclists?
- 9241 DISCOUNTED ENERGY EFFICIENT LIGHTING FOR HOUSEHOLDS PROGRAM—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - (1) How many households have received subsidised light emitting diode (LED) bulbs under the 'Discounted Energy Efficient Lighting for Households' program in the electorates of:
    - (a) Heathcote;
    - (b) Keira;
    - (c) Wollongong;
    - (d) Shellharbour;
    - (e) Kiama?
  - (2) What is the total value of the subsidy provided to households in the electorates of:

- (a) Heathcote;
- (b) Keira;
- (c) Wollongong;
- (d) Shellharbour;
- (e) Kiama?
- (3) Have any businesses applied to become approved lighting suppliers for the 'Discounted Energy Efficient Lighting for Households' program in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (4) Are any businesses which are approved lighting suppliers for the 'Discounted Energy Efficient Lighting for Households' program located in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- 9242 APPLIANCE REPLACEMENT OFFER—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
  - (1) How many households applied for the appliance replacement offer in the electorates of:
    - (a) Heathcote;
    - (b) Keira;
    - (c) Wollongong;
    - (d) Shellharbour;
    - (e) Kiama?
  - (2) How many households have received a fridge under the program in (1) in the electorates of:
    - (a) Heathcote;
    - (b) Keira;
    - (c) Wollongong;
    - (d) Shellharbour;
    - (e) Kiama?
  - (3) How many households have received a television under the program in (1) in the electorates of:
    - (a) Heathcote;
    - (b) Keira;
    - (c) Wollongong;
    - (d) Shellharbour;
    - (e) Kiama?
  - (4) What is the total expenditure under the appliance replacement offer in each of the following electorates:
    - (a) Heathcote;
    - (b) Keira;
    - (c) Wollongong;
    - (d) Shellharbour;
    - (e) Kiama?
  - (5) How have residents been notified of the existence of this program in the electorates of:
    - (a) Heathcote;
    - (b) Keira;
    - (c) Wollongong;
    - (d) Shellharbour;
    - (e) Kiama?
  - (6) What is the total cost of advertising this program to the electorates of:
    - (a) Heathcote;
    - (b) Keira;
    - (c) Wollongong;

- (d) Shellharbour;
- (e) Kiama?
- 9243 BABY BUNDLE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) How many Requests for Proposals (RFPs) were received by HealthShare NSW for the Baby Bundle following the closure of tenders on 13 August 2018?
  - (2) How many RFPs are located in:
    - (a) New South Wales;
    - (b) Interstate;
    - (c) Overseas?
  - (3) How many RFPs were received from the applicants in (2) (a) to (c) for:
    - (a) Option A;
    - (b) Option B;
    - (c) Option C?
  - (4) On what date will the procurement process and design details for the Baby Bundle be finalised?
    - (a) Will these details be publicly announced?
      - (i) If not, why not?
  - (5) Will there be one preferred tenderer for the delivery of the Baby Bundles or separate preferred tenderers for:
    - (a) Option A;
    - (b) Option B;
    - (c) Option C?
  - (6) On what date will the preferred tenderers in (5) be announced?
  - (7) Will the Baby Bundles carry any Government branding or slogans?(a) If so, for what reason?
  - (8) What items will be contained in a Baby Bundle?
  - (9) What is the cost of each Baby Bundle?
- 9244 RETROFITTING OF WI-FI ACCESS FOR SOUTH COAST TRAIN CARRIAGES—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) Considering that the new Intercity Fleet will not be used on the South Coast Line until 2021, has there been retrofitting of Wi-Fi access on carriages currently used on the South Coast Line?(a) If so:
    - (i) What is the estimated cost of the retrofit?
    - (ii) How long is it expected to take?
  - (2) Has the Government requested that improvements be made to mobile internet access along the South Coast Line to the:
    - (a) Commonwealth Government;
      - (i) If so:
        - (i) What has been the response?
        - (ii) What is the timeframe for the improvements?
    - (b) Telecommunication providers?
      - (i) If so:
        - (i) What has been the response?
        - (ii) What is the timeframe for the improvements?
- 9245 SOCIAL HOUSING ENERGY UPGRADES PROGRAM—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) How many properties have been upgraded under the social housing energy upgrades program in the electorates of:
    - (a) Heathcote;
    - (b) Keira;
    - (c) Wollongong;
    - (d) Shellharbour;
    - (e) Kiama?

- (2) How many properties have received ceiling insulation under the social housing energy upgrades program in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (3) How many properties have received draught proofing under the social housing energy upgrades program in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (4) How many properties have had solar panels installed under the social housing energy upgrades program in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (5) How many properties have had light emitting diode (LED) lighting installed under the social housing energy upgrades program in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (6) How many properties have had air conditioning installed under the social housing energy upgrades program in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (7) How many properties have had ceiling fans installed under the social housing energy upgrades program in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (8) How many properties have had hot water systems upgraded under the social housing energy upgrades program in the electorates of:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (9) What has been the total amount spent on the social housing upgrade program in each of the following electorates:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (10) How many property upgrades does the Office of Environment and Heritage plan to fund under the social housing upgrade program?

- (11) How many property upgrades does the Office of Environment and Heritage plan to fund under the social housing upgrade program in each of the following electorates:
  - (a) Heathcote;
  - (b) Keira;
  - (c) Wollongong;
  - (d) Shellharbour;
  - (e) Kiama?
- (12) How many properties have been upgraded through the social housing upgrade program in each financial year since its inception?
  - (a) How many of these properties have received:
    - (i) Ceiling insulation;
    - (ii) Draught proofing;
    - (iii) Solar panels;
    - (iv) LED lighting;
    - (v) Air conditioning;
    - (vi) Ceiling fans;
    - (vii) Hot water systems?
- (13) How are properties identified, selected and approved for upgrades under the social housing upgrade program?
- 9246 TRANSPORT ACCESS PROGRAM, TRANCHE 3—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
  - (1) Further to LA Q9034, do the 30 staff from Transport for NSW involved in the development of the Transport Access Program (TAP), Tranche 3, physically visit train stations?
    - (a) If so, on what dates did staff visit the following train stations in the development of the TAP, Tranche 3:
      - (i) Bellambi;
      - (ii) Towradgi;
      - (iii) Fairy Meadow;
      - (iv) Coniston;
      - (v) Unanderra;
      - (vi) Dapto?
  - (2) Do consultants involved in the TAP, Tranche 3, physically visit train stations?
    - (a) If so, on what dates did consultants visit the following train stations in the development of the TAP, Tranche 3:
      - (i) Bellambi;
      - (ii) Towradgi;
      - (iii) Fairy Meadow;
      - (iv) Coniston;
      - (v) Unanderra;
      - (vi) Dapto?
- 9247 3D CHALK MURALS ON THE PAVEMENTS AROUND WOLLONGONG HARBOUR—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) What was the total cost of installing the temporary 3D chalk murals on the pavements around Wollongong Harbour?
  - (2) From which program was this project funded?
  - (3) Has the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) considered the use of the murals to be successful?
  - (4) What measures were used to judge this success?
  - (5) Has the NSW EPA been approached to assist with the cost of removing the faded images from the pavement?
    - (a) If so, what is the cost?
- 9248 UNFILLED POSITIONS ACROSS THE ILLAWARRA SHOALHAVEN LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) As at 31 August 2018, how many unfilled positions were there across the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local

Health District for:

- (a) Registered nurses;
- (b) Enrolled nurses;
- (c) Midwives;
- (d) Administrative staff;
- (e) Cleaning staff;
- (f) Ancillary staff?
- (2) How many of the positions in (1) were from each of the following hospitals:
  - (a) Bulli Hospital;
  - (b) Coledale Hospital;
  - (c) David Berry Hospital;
  - (d) Kiama Hospital;
  - (e) Milton-Ulladulla Hospital;
  - (f) Port Kembla Hospital;
  - (g) Shellharbour Hospital;
  - (h) Shoalhaven Hospital;
  - (i) Wollongong Hospital?
- 9249 PUBLIC SECTOR JOBS IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
  - (1) What further update can the Minister provide since LA Q8364 (to 9 August 2018)?
  - (2) How many jobs were created from each project funded under the \$100 million Restart NSW Illawarra Infrastructure Fund?
- 9250 WOLLONGONG ECONOMY—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
  - (1) Further to LA Q9136, does the Government classify Wollongong as a functional economic region?
  - (2) Is the Government developing an economic development strategy for Wollongong, considering it is the third largest city in New South Wales?(a) If not, why not?
- 9251 PUBLIC SECTOR JOBS IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Of the 235 jobs created from the opening of the NSW State Emergency Service (NSW SES) in Wollongong in 2017, how many of those jobs already existed at the NSW SES since 2011 (to 9 August 2018)?

9252 PARRAMATTA STRATEGY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Education—

Will you provide me with a copy of the Parramatta Strategy?

- 9253 POSITRON-EMISSION TOMOGRAPHY/COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY SCANNER—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
  - (1) Was there a business case undertaken to support the installation of the Positron-Emission Tomography (PET) / Computed Tomography (CT) scanner in Dubbo?
    (a) If so, where can this be accessed?
  - (2) Has there been consideration and economic modelling for the installation of a PET/CT scanner in Orange?
  - (3) What is the differential long-term cost to the taxpayer by installing a PET/CT scanner in Orange versus Dubbo, including projected patterns of utilisation?
  - (4) Can you provide a data set listing the number of PET/CTs and for the medical indication (melanoma, lung, non-hodgkins, epilepsy etcetera) that have been performed for the population of the Western NSW Local Health District from 1 January 2010 to 31 August 2018?
- 9254 BAT NETTING PROGRAM FOR ORCHARDISTS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

Will consideration be given to continued financial support for the bat netting program for orchardists, considering that there is a reduction of food sources resulting from drought and it is reasonably expected that bats will likely remain an issue for orchardist to contend with?

9255 FLOOD PROOFING OF THE NEWELL HIGHWAY—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

Considering the Government's previous commitment to the flood-proofing of the Newell Highway, following the 2016 flood event in the Forbes district, what is the timeline for undertaking the necessary upgrades to flood-proof this highway and when can the communities expect work to be completed?

- 9256 SOLAR PANELS FOR GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND OFFICES—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
  - (1) Is the Government installing solar panels on all government buildings and offices?(a) If not, will the Government install solar panels on all government buildings?

#### 9257 MERRYLANDS INTERCHANGE—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) In the 2011-12 financial year, how many passengers at the Merrylands Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (2) In the 2012-13 financial year, how many passengers at the Merrylands Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (3) In the 2013-14 financial year, how many passengers at the Merrylands Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (4) In the 2014-15 financial year, how many passengers at the Merrylands Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (5) In the 2015-16 financial year, how many passengers at the Merrylands Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (6) In the 2016-17 financial year, how many passengers at the Merrylands Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- (7) In the 2017-18 financial year, how many passengers at the Merrylands Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
    - (b) Departed by bus;
    - (c) Arrived by train;
    - (d) Departed by train?
- (8) In the 2018-19 financial year to date (as at 18 September 2018) how many passengers at the Merrylands Interchange:
  - (a) Arrived by bus;
  - (b) Departed by bus;
  - (c) Arrived by train;
  - (d) Departed by train?
- 9258 PUBLIC TRANSPORT COMPLAINTS-Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure-
  - (1) How many complaints were received from residents of the Granville electorate in each financial year

from 2011-12 to 2018-19 (as at 18 September 2018) concerning:

- (a) Trains;
- (b) Buses;
- (c) Light Rail;
- (d) Ferries;
- (e) Opal;
- (f) Train timetables;
- (g) Bus timetables;
- (h) Bus routes?
- 9259 HUNTER WATER CORPORATION-Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations-
  - (1) Will the Government be seeking a dividend from the Hunter Water Corporation beyond 70 per cent in the 2018-19 financial year?
  - (2) Could this place at risk Hunter Water Corporation's ability to deliver on future potential flood mitigation works of Hunter Water Corporation owned assets in the Wallsend CBD?
- 9260 MOTHER BABY UNITS IN SYDNEY—Ms Jenny Leong to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—
  - (1) Are there any plans to open a publicly-funded Mother Baby Unit in Sydney?
    - (a) If so
      - (i) Where will it be;:
      - (ii) When would it open?
    - (b) How will this information be communicated to New South Wales residents who might require these services?
  - (2) Why has there been a delay in providing such a service in New South Wales?
- 9261 BENEFIT CORPORATIONS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
  - (1) How is the Government supporting so-called benefit Corporations in New South Wales?
  - (2) Is the Government considering legislation that would allow for and encourage benefit corporations through B-certification or another means?
- 9262 NEW MAITLAND HOSPITAL SERVICE STATEMENT JUNE 2018—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—
  - (1) Considering the New Maitland Hospital Service Statement June 2018, what is the current State average of acute mental health beds per 100,000 people?
  - (2) What is the current average of acute mental health beds per 100,000 people in regional New South Wales?
  - (3) What is the projected number of acute mental health beds per 100,000 people in the new Maitland Mental Health Unit intake area in 2026-27?
  - (4) Will there be provision for Psychiatric High Dependency Unit beds or Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit beds at the new Maitland Hospital, or will this capacity be lost?
  - (5) Is there capacity for the new Maitland Mental Health Unit to expand in line with population growth?

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