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*5750 TRANSPORT—FOOTPATH AND RAILWAY BRIDGE—Ms Sharpe asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

(1) What work has been undertaken by Transport for NSW or Railcorp in relation to the safety of pedestrians on the Erskineville Rail Bridge?

(2) Has consideration been given to widening the footpath on the bridge to accommodate the increasing numbers of pedestrians, cyclists and children attending Erskineville Public School, St Mary's Primary and local childcare centres?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) and (2) There are currently no plans to widen or renew the rail overbridge at Erskineville.

*5751 ROADS AND FREIGHT—FLASHING LIGHTS AND SCHOOL ZONE AROUND ERSKINEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Sharpe asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What is the timeframe for the installation of flashing lights outside Erskineville Public School?

(2) Will Roads and Maritime Services consider making the 40km school safety zone start on Erskineville Road rather than Swanston Street?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) School zone flashing lights were installed on Erskineville Road/Swanston Street adjacent to Erskineville Public School and St Mary's Catholic Primary School in March 2010.

(2) To ensure the safety of students travelling to and from school, 40 kilometres per hour school zones are installed at every school access point. The 40 kilometres per hour school zone adjacent to Erskineville Public School starts on Erskineville Road and extends onto Swanston Street. There is a school access point on Swanston Street.

*5752 ROADS AND FREIGHT—FOOTPATH AND RAILWAY BRIDGE—Ms Sharpe asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What work has been undertaken by Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) in relation to the safety of pedestrians on the Erskineville Rail Bridge?

(2) Has consideration been given to widening the footpath on the bridge to accommodate the increasing numbers of pedestrians, cyclists and children attending Erskineville Public School, St Mary's Primary and local childcare centres?

(3) Will RMS meet with residents and parents in Erskineville to examine options to improve safety, walkability and active transport paths in and around this intersection?

Answer—
I am advised:
Refer to the answer provided by the Minister for Transport to LC 5750.

*5753 ROADS AND FREIGHT—STOP SIGNS BARDWELL VALLEY—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Given that on the northern side of the intersection of John and Darely Road Bardwell Valley there is a give way sign but on the southern side there is a stop sign, who would have the right of way, the vehicle turning right from the give way sign or the vehicle turning left from the stop sign?

Answer—
*5754 ROADS AND FREIGHT—BARDWELL PARK STOP SIGNS—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Given that at the intersection of Bardwell Road and Hartill-Law Avenue Bardwell Park there is a Stop sign placed at a pedestrian crossing are motorists required to stop before the pedestrian crossing or at the stop sign?
(2) How many motorists have been booked since 2011 for failing to stop at this stop sign?
(3) How many motor vehicle accidents have been reported for this intersection?
(4) Will the government install traffic lights at this intersection?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Road users must abide by the Road Rules 2008 and the Road Users' Handbook, which are available on the NSW legislation and Roads and Maritime websites respectively.
(2) Roads and Maritime does not hold this information.
(3) Roads and Maritime data shows there have been three accidents between 2010 and 2014.
(4) Slade Road and Hartill-Law Avenue are both local roads under the care and control of Rockdale City Council. Any improvements on local roads are usually funded by the Council, including traffic signals. Roads and Maritime has advised the Council there are options to apply for funding under traffic/pedestrian related programs for 50/50 funding.

*5755 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEWELL HIGHWAY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) In the Half-Yearly Review published on 12 December 2013, when he was Treasurer, the now-Premier Mike Baird reported that the Federal Government had cut $70 million in funding for New South Wales road projects including the Newell Highway. What parts of the Newell Highway have been delayed?
(2) How will this affect the timetable for completion of the works?
(3) What will be the final completion date for the Newell Highway improvements?
(4) How much has the Government contributed towards the upgrade of the Newell Highway between 1 April 2011 and 29 May 2014?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) The NSW Liberals and Nationals Government recognises the importance of the Newell Highway to this state as a key freight route, and is committed to ensuring it is freight efficient and safe. That is why the deferral of funding noted in the Half-Yearly Review has not delayed any of the projects on the Newell Highway that are jointly funded by the NSW and Australian governments. Testament to this state Government's commitment to the Newell, the majority of work on the Highway is funded by the NSW Liberals and Nationals Government.
(3) Work on the Newell Highway is ongoing across a number of programs, including maintenance and safety work.
(4) The NSW Government has funded more than $154 million of improvements on the Newell Highway in the last three financial years.

*5756 ROADS AND FREIGHT—PADLOCKS ON PUBLIC STRUCTURES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

In light of recent reports of young couples in the inner-west following the example of their Paris and Istanbul counterparts and putting small padlocks on local bridges and other public structures after they
become engaged as a symbolic gesture, what advice has the Roads and Maritime Services provided to the Minister for Roads and Freight on this matter?

Answer—

I am advised:

There is a safety and maintenance issue with these locks that could cause damage to bridges through metal corrosion. Roads and Maritime removes padlocks from infrastructure under its care and control, as part of routine maintenance activities.

*5757 TRANSPORT—ACCESSIBLE TRAIN TRAVEL—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

(1) Noting the 2012 compliance targets of 55 percent as set in the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport for train networks and infrastructure, will the recently announced 65 new inter-city trains to be purchased at an expected cost of $2.8 billion meet all requirements of these standards?

(2) Is New South Wales on target to reach its compliance requirements of 100 percent accessibility of trains, trams and associated infrastructure by 2032?

(3) (a) As at December 2012, 23 percent of the Sydney Trains fleet of 176.5 sets were fully accessible. Are there specific interim timeframes and targets set out by Transport for NSW for increasing this number, leading up to the 100 percent compliance requirement in 2032?

(b) If so, what are they?

(4) What is the Government doing to increase whole-of-journey accessibility across the entire public transport network?

(5) Noting that up to date public transport information has been a major issue for people with disabilities, what is the Government doing to improve communication, especially infrastructure breakdowns such as faulty lifts at accessible train stations?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Yes.

(2) and (3) Already, 100% of light rail vehicles are wheelchair-accessible. The NSW Government is committed to delivering improved accessibility on all modes as soon as possible.

(4) The NSW Government is delivering accessible transport infrastructure where it is needed most across the state as part of the $770 million Transport Access Program. The program is delivering big wins for public transport customers throughout NSW, with more than 120 projects underway or complete.

In addition, the government is ordering a brand new $2.8 billion fleet of next-generation intercity trains to improve accessibility for customers travelling to the Central Coast, Newcastle, the Blue Mountains, and the Illawarra.

(5) Public transport information, including service and the status of CBD station lifts, is available on the web, on social media, via a range of third-party smartphone apps and over the phone.

*5758 AGEING, DISABILITY SERVICES—COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAM—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

(1) How are funding allocations to the new Community Support Program being assessed for those transitioning from the High Needs Pool and the Attendant Care Program whose funding entitlements were based on a fixed number of personal care hours per week?

(2) For a person with a disability entitled to 35 hours of care per week under the Attendant Care Program, what would be their new funding entitlement under the Community Support Program as a dollar figure?
(3) Is there any circumstance in which the move to the Community Support Package would leave a person not being able to cover all their requirements of personal care and administration costs that a service provider can charge?

(4)

(a) Is there a maximum price on what a disability service provider is able to charge under the new Community Support Program for basic care?

(b) If so, what is that per unit price for an hour of care?

Answer—

(1) to (4) The High Needs Pool and Attendant Care Program are being replaced by the new Community Support Program, which will be fully implemented by 1 July 2014 as part of reforms under Ready Together, as NSW prepares for the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

The Community Support Program provides participants with increased flexibility, choice and control in how their disability supports are delivered. Participants are provided with an individual budget which can be used flexibly to purchase their disability supports.

For individuals transferring from the Attendant Care Program and High Needs Pool, the individual budget is based on their current approved hours of support. Individual participant funding levels are exactly the same on the Community Support Program as they were on the Attendant Care Program and the High Needs Pool.

I am advised rates are determined by service providers.

*5759 EDUCATION—ARTS TRAINING AND THE FEDERAL BUDGET—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

Given that the 2014-15 Federal Budget indicated funding cuts for the Australia Council that will have a greater impact on individual artists in comparison to the major arts companies, what measures will the Government take to ensure there is adequate support for these artists in New South Wales, including training in innovative marketing practices and other measures that would boost their capacity for self-sufficiency?

Answer—

This question should be referred to the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts.

*5761 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—BELL MINER ASSOCIATED DIEBACK—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Assistant Minister for Tourism and Major Events—

(1) How many hectares of New South Wales forests are affected by Bell Miner Associated Dieback?

(2) How many hectares of New South Wales' forests are potentially susceptible to Bell Miner Associated Dieback?

(3)

(a) What is the role of forestry activities in Bell Miner Associated Dieback?

(b) What steps are being taken to mitigate any risks identified in (3a)?

(4) What mapping is currently being undertaken to identify the extent and severity of Bell Miner Associated Dieback in New South Wales forests?

(5) What mapping is currently being undertaken to identify the extent and severity of lantana infestations in New South Wales forests?

(6) What activities are undertaken to address lantana infestations, given their role in Bell Miner Associated Dieback?

(7) What consideration has been given to a moratorium on logging of forests affected by Bell Miner Associated Dieback, or potentially susceptible to Bell Miner Associated Dieback?

Answer—
The NSW Scientific Committee found in its determination: "Due to the complex interaction between factors that have been altered as a consequence of landscape-level disturbance, there is at present no obvious means of arresting the threat presented by [BMAD], expert opinion varies considerably as to which factors are causes of dieback and which factors are effects. Broad-scale research and adaptive management are required to understand how to best manage this threatening process, to prevent its expansion throughout forests of eastern New South Wales".

Forestry Corporation of NSW identifies Bell Miner Associated Dieback-affected stands during its planning processes and is engaged in research related to remediation of Bell Minor Associated Dieback affected stands.

Forestry Corporation of NSW and the Department of Primary Industries' Forest Health Surveillance Unit has undertaken extensive research to understand and address Bell Miner Associated Dieback. Dr Christine Stone's research indicates Bell Miners have a preference for a particular stand structure, usually located in relatively moist sclerophyll forests. Dr Stone's research also indicates it is possible to minimise the impact of Bell Miner Associated Dieback using established silvicultural and burning practices.

Bell Miner Associated Dieback occurs across land tenures and expert opinion varies considerably as to its cause.

Yes.
(6) The Forestry Corporation of NSW identifies Bell Miner Associated Dieback affected stands during its planning processes.

(7) No.

*5765 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—DONALDSON STATE FOREST—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Assistant Minister for Tourism and Major Events—

(1) What works have been undertaken in Donaldson State Forest under the 2003 Harvest and Rehabilitation Operational Management Plan for Compartments 44-49?

(2) When were those works undertaken?

(3) What notifications were given in relation to those works?

(4) What surveys were conducted prior to those works being undertaken?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Mechanical clearance of lantana and as herbicide and fire treatments were applied during 2005 and 2006.

(3) Extensive consultation was undertaken with a range of stakeholder groups during the development of the management plan.

(4) All survey requirements for flora and fauna prescribed in the Integrated Forestry Operations Approval were undertaken. Additional surveys for Bell Miner activity were conducted to inform the scope and location of the works.

*5766 EDUCATION—SCHOOL CHAPLAINS—Dr Kaye asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

How many New South Wales public schools currently employ school chaplains?

Answer—

The Department of Education and Communities does not collect data centrally on the number of New South Wales public schools employing school chaplains. The National School Chaplaincy Program is administered directly with schools by the Commonwealth Department of Education.

*5767 EDUCATION—GENER8 MINISTRIES AND NEW SOUTH WALES PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Dr Kaye asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) How many New South Wales public schools are currently employing school chaplains provided by Gener8 Ministries or one of their associate ministries Scripture Union NSW, Sydney Anglican Youthworks, Presbyterian Youth NSW and NSW & ACT Baptist Churches?

(2) How many New South Wales public schools currently run Special Religious Education provided by Gener8 Ministries or one of their associate ministries Scripture Union NSW, Sydney Anglican Youthworks, Presbyterian Youth NSW and NSW & ACT Baptist Churches?

Answer—

(1) The Department of Education and Communities does not collect data centrally on the number of New South Wales public schools employing school chaplains. The National School Chaplaincy Program is administered directly with schools by the Commonwealth Department of Education.

(2) The Department of Education and Communities does not collect data on the number of schools delivering Special Religious Education for specific religious persuasions.

*5768 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP REFERENCE GROUP—Ms Cotis asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—

In relation to the Responsible Pet Ownership Reference Group, can the Minister for Local Government advise:
(1) (a) Who are the members of the Responsible Pet Ownership Reference Group?
   (b) How were these members appointed?

(2) (a) Which members provide expert advice to the Minister on strategies to reduce the impact that
dogs and cats may have on the environment and native animals?
   (b) What is the professional background of these members that enables them to provide this expert
advice?

Answer—
Information relating to the Responsible Pet Ownership Reference Group can be found at
www.dlg.nsw.gov.au

*5769 AGEING, DISABILITY SERVICES—SOCIAL HOUSING PROPERTIES ACCESSIBILITY—Ms
Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

(1) The Annual Report of the NSW Land and Housing Corporation for 2012-13 indicates that
approximately 1300 social housing properties were disposed of by the Government in 2012-13. How
many of these properties were accessible by people with a disability?

(2) How many social housing properties owned by the NSW Land and Housing Corporation are
accessible by people with mobility difficulties?

(3) As Minister for Ageing and Disability Services, what has been your involvement in the preparation
of the following documents:
   (a) The Government's social housing policy?
   (b) The Government's long-term asset strategy for social housing?
   (c) The Government's social housing estate strategy?

Answer—
(1) to (2) This question should be directed to the Minister for Family and Community Services.

(3) I work closely with the Minister for Family and Community Services on a range of policies
relevant to the needs of people with disability, seniors, and the ageing population.

*5770 EDUCATION—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY—Ms Cotsis asked
the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the
Minister for Education—

How many people have received training through the Domestic Violence Skills Development Strategy
provided by the Department of Family and Community Services and TAFE NSW South Western Sydney
Institute?

Answer—
The skills training program commenced with a pilot group from TAFE NSW South Western Sydney
Institute.
38 people participated in the pilot group and have completed the training.

*5772 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister
for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

How many people have received training through the Domestic Violence Skills Development Strategy
provided by the Department of Family and Community Services and TAFE NSW South Western Sydney
Institute?

Answer—
I refer to the response provided under Question on Notice LC 5770 from my colleague, the Hon. Adrian
Piccoli MP, Minister for Education.
LOCAL GOVERNMENT—RATEPAYER CONCERNS—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—

(1) Is the Minister for Local Government aware of concerns raised by ratepayers of Gilgandra Shire Council in papers tabled in the Legislative Council on 6 March 2014?

(2) What is the Minister's response to these concerns?

Answer—

I refer to correspondence sent to Ms Cotsis by the former Minister for Local Government on 24 February 2014.

POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—DRUG DETECTION DOGS—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) During general drug detection operations how many searches involving a police sniffer dog found indictable quantities of illicit drug in the following periods:
   (a) 2007?
   (b) 2008?
   (c) 2009?
   (d) 2010?
   (e) 2011?
   (f) 2012?
   (g) 2013?
   (h) 22 Feb 2002- 21 Feb 2004?

(2) During general drug detection operations in 2011, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication in each of the following location types:
   (a) Public transport, including trains, buses and train stations?
   (b) Licensed premises?
   (c) Roads, streets or malls?
   (d) Dance parties or music festivals?

(3) During general drug detection operations in 2011, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication where illicit drugs were found, in each of the following location types:
   (a) Public transport, including trains, buses and train stations?
   (b) Licensed premises?
   (c) Roads, streets or malls?
   (d) Dance parties or music festivals?

(4) During general drug detection operations in 2012, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication in each of the following location types:
   (a) Public transport, including trains, buses and train stations?
   (b) Licensed premises?
   (c) Roads, streets or malls?
   (d) Dance parties or music festivals?

(5) During general drug detection operations in 2012, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication where illicit drugs were found, in each of the following location types:
   (a) Public transport, including trains, buses and train stations?
   (b) Licensed premises?
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(6) During general drug detection operations in 2013, what was the number of searches undertaken
following a sniffer dog indication in each of the following location types:
(a) Public transport, including trains, buses and train stations?
(b) Licensed premises?
(c) Roads, streets or malls?
(d) Dance parties or music festivals?

(7) During general drug detection operations in 2013, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication where illicit drugs were found, in each of the following location types:
(a) Public transport, including trains, buses and train stations?
(b) Licensed premises?
(c) Roads, streets or malls?
(d) Dance parties or music festivals?

(8) During general drug detection operations how many searches involving a police sniffer dog found trafficable quantities of illicit drug in the following periods:
(a) 2007?
(b) 2008?
(c) 2009?
(d) 2010?
(e) 2011?
(f) 2012?
(g) 2013?
(h) 22 Feb 2002- 21 Feb 2004?

(9) Of the searches identified in 3a-h, how many occurred at the following locations:
(a) Public transport, including trains, buses and train stations?
(b) Licensed premises?
(c) Roads, streets or malls?
(d) Dance parties or music festivals?

(10) During general drug detection operations how many searches involving a police sniffer dog resulted in a supply charge that was not withdrawn at court in the following periods:
(a) 2007?
(b) 2008?
(c) 2009?
(d) 2010?
(e) 2011?
(f) 2012?
(g) 2013?
(h) 22 Feb 2002- 21 Feb 2004?

(11) During general drug detection operations how many searches involving a police sniffer dog resulted in a successful prosecution for supply in the following periods:
(a) 2007?
(b) 2008?
(c) 2009/10 financial year?
(d) 2010/11 financial year?
(e) 2011/12 financial year?
(f) 2012/13 financial year?
(g) 2013/present?
(h) 22 Feb 2002- 21 Feb 2004?

(12)
(a) Have performance statistics of individual dogs been made available to police officers involved in drug detection dog operations?
(b) If not, why not?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

NB: Statistics in relation to drug detection dogs are not available prior to June 2008. Dance parties/music festivals are not recorded as separately identifiable premises types and figures are not readily available for these.

1. 
   (a) N/A  
   (b) 259 (June-December)  
   (c) 770  
   (d) 695  
   (e) 644  
   (f) 779  
   (g) 713  
   (h) N/A

2. 
   (a) 9,130  
   (b) 4,933  
   (c) 3,377  
   (d) N/A

3. 
   (a) 2,392  
   (b) 1,491  
   (c) 1,362  
   (d) N/A

4. 
   (a) 7,674  
   (b) 5,501  
   (c) 3,084  
   (d) N/A

5. 
   (a) 2,514  
   (b) 2,117  
   (c) 1,462  
   (d) N/A

6. 
   (a) 6,273  
   (b) 5,275  
   (c) 2,958  
   (d) N/A

7. 
   (a) 1,783  
   (b) 2,071  
   (c) 1,307  
   (d) N/A

8. 
   (a) N/A  
   (b) 143 (June-December)
(9) 3a-h does not exist.

(10)
(a) N/A
(b) 207 (June-December)
(c) 616
(d) 656
(e) 508
(f) 608
(g) 584
(h) N/A

(11)
(a) N/A
(b) 171 (June-December)
(c) 511
(d) 544
(e) 459
(f) 530
(g) 433
(h) N/A

(12) All drug detection dogs are assessed to a formal standard for odour recognition and remain operational while they maintain that standard.

*5775 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—DRUG DETECTION SEARCHES BY LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) During general drug detection operations in 2011, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication in each of the following Local Area Commands (LACs):

(a) Kuring Gai?
(b) Kings Cross?
(c) Flemington?
(d) Wollongong?
(e) Burwood?
(f) Blacktown?
(g) Ashfield?
(h) Rosehill?
(i) Newtown?
(j) Newcastle?
(k) Parramatta?
(l) Surry Hills?

(2) During general drug detection operations in 2011, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication where illicit drugs were found, in each of the following LACs:

(a) Kuring Gai?
(b) Kings Cross?
(3) During general drug detection operations in 2012, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication in each of the following LACs:

(a) Kuring Gai?
(b) Kings Cross?
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(d) Wollongong?
(e) Burwood?
(f) Blacktown?
(g) Ashfield?
(h) Rosehill?
(i) Newtown?
(j) Newcastle?
(k) Parramatta?
(l) Surry Hills?

(4) During general drug detection operations in 2012, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication where illicit drugs were found, in each of the following LACs:

(a) Kuring Gai?
(b) Kings Cross?
(c) Flemington?
(d) Wollongong?
(e) Burwood?
(f) Blacktown?
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(5) During general drug detection operations in 2013, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication in each of the following LACs:

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(h) Rosehill?
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(k) Parramatta?
(l) Surry Hills?

Answer—
The NSW Police Force has advised me:

(1)
(a) 169
(b) 1003
(c) 2244
(d) 64
(e) 196
(f) 506
(g) 250
(h) 341
(i) 573
(j) 199
(k) 105
(l) 1427

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   (c) Redfern?
   (d) Central?

(2) During general drug detection operations in 2011, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication where illicit drugs were found, in each of the following train stations:
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   (a) Kings Cross?
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   (a) Kings Cross?
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(5) During general drug detection operations in 2013, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication in each of the following train stations:
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(6) During general drug detection operations in 2013, what was the number of searches undertaken following a sniffer dog indication where illicit drugs were found, in each of the following train stations:
   (a) Kings Cross?
   (b) Newtown?
   (c) Redfern?
   (d) Central?

Answer—
The NSW Police Force has advised me:

(1)  
   (a) 470  
   (b) 174  
   (c) 1473
The NSW Police Force further advises the above figures may include incidents which occurred at another train station within the Local Area Command that the station was based, in cases where the specific location was not identified in the search.

*5777 ATTORNEY GENERAL, JUSTICE—NSW SUPREME COURT—Mr Searle asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

(1)

(a) Is court reporting in the NSW Supreme Court being wholly performed by court reporters employed by the Department of Justice and Attorney General?
(b) If not, what private suppliers of court reporting services are being used to report proceedings in the NSW Supreme Court?
(c) When did they commence providing any court reporting services to the State of New South Wales?
(d) Are those services for criminal law proceedings?
(e) When is the end date of the present contract or contracts?

(2)

(a) Have any of the following judicial officers had private court reporters reporting on proceedings in their court rooms:
   (i) The Chief Justice?
   (ii) The President of the Court of Appeal?
(iii) The Chief Judge at Common Law?
(iv) The Chief Judge at Equity?
(b) If so, how regularly has a private provider performed court reporting in a court presided over by any of the judicial officers referred to in (2a) in the calendar years 2011, 2012 and 2013?

(3)
(a) Will the Government continue to set the fees charged for court transcripts for the 2014-15 financial year?
(b) If not:
   (i) How will those fees for court transcripts be set?
   (ii) Who will set them?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1)
(a) No.
(b) Three private providers, Spark and Cannon, Merrill Corporation and Legal Transcripts, provide monitoring and transcription services to the Court of Appeal on an overflow basis and monitor proceedings in Registrars' courts.
(c) 2005.
(d) Yes. The contracted providers provide monitoring and transcription services to the Local Court and District Court Criminal Divisions.
(e) 31 December 2015.

(2)
(a) and (b) Spark and Cannon, Merrill Corporation and Legal Transcripts provide monitoring and transcription and therefore for the judges sitting in that jurisdiction.

(3)
(a) and (b) The Civil Procedure Regulation 2012 and Criminal Procedure Regulation 2010 will continue to authorise the collection of fees by the Department for the provision of transcripts where transcripts are provided by the Department.

*5778 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—CUSTOMER SERVICE BENCHMARKING—Ms Cotisis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On 9 April 2014 a contract award notice was published for Customer Service Benchmarking worth $1,172,040.40.

(1) Why was there no tender for this contract?
(2) What outcomes have been delivered as a result of this contract?

Answer—
I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information regarding tenders are published on the NSW Government eTenders website www.tenders.nsw.gov.au.

*5779 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES—Ms Cotisis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On 9 May 2012 a contract award notice was published for building inspection services, awarded to Greentech Industries Pty Ltd.

(1) What is the value of this contract?
(2) What outcomes have been delivered as a result of this contract?

Answer—
I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information regarding tenders

*5780 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—LAND SALE—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On 21 March 2014 a contract award notice was published for real estate services relating to the sale of land at 25-27 Dowling Street Nelson Bay worth $1,505,000. How have proceeds from this land sale been utilised?

Answer—

I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information about sales is in the NSW Land and Housing Corporation's Annual Report which is available at http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/publications

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*5781 NATURAL RESOURCES, LANDS AND WATER—WATER USE DURING WIDENING OF M2 CONSTRUCTION—Dr Kaye asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—

(1) Did Sydney Water receive payment from either the owners or construction companies of the M2 for any water consumption during the widening process?

(a) If so:

(i) How much did Sydney Water receive?
(ii) Who was it received from?
(iii) What purposes was the water used for?

(b) If not:

(i) Is Sydney Water aware of how much water the M2 widening project consumed?
(ii) Where did it come from?

Answer—

I am advised

(1)

(a) and (b) All Sydney water customers, including contractors and subcontractors, are charged for the water they use in accordance with prices set by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal. Construction of this project was carried out by Leighton Contractors and its subcontractors.

*5782 HOSPITALITY, GAMING AND RACING—KINGS CROSS LOCK-OUT EXEMPTIONS—Dr Kaye asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

(1)

(a) Since the introduction of this year's new liquor licence laws, has the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing received any exemption applications for venues within the prescribed Sydney or Kings Cross Entertainment precincts?

(b) If so:

(i) Which venues have applied for exemptions?
(ii) What did they apply for exemptions from?

Answer—

(1)
(a) Yes, I have been advised several establishments have applied for exemptions within the prescribed Sydney or Kings Cross entertainment precincts.

(b) 

(i) & (ii) The exemptions applied for include: 1.30am lookout and 3am cease service of alcohol. One applicant has withdrawn their exemption application. The names of applicants will be listed on the OLGR website if the exemption application is successful.

*5783 ROADS AND FREIGHT—WESTCONNEX DELIVERY AUTHORITY CEO APPOINTMENT—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What is the total annual remuneration package for Chief executive officer (CEO) of the WestConnex Delivery Authority announced by the Minister for Roads and Freight on 29 May 2014?

(2) When does the term of the appointment start and end?

(3) How was the CEO selected?

(4) What was the cost of the recruitment process?

(5) How many staff will the CEO oversee?

(6) What is the term of conditions of his contract, if he is terminated before the end of his term?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) this information will be included in the annual report for the 2014-2015 Financial Year.

(3) All Government service employees are selected for appointment following the merit based principles in the Government Sector Employment Rules 2014.

(4) The cost of the recruitment process was less than $60,000.

(5) This will be finalised once the organisation design of WestConnex Delivery Authority has been completed.

(6) The contract is between Transport for NSW’s Secretary and CEO, the terms of which are confidential. A Senior Service member whose employment is terminated as a result of redundancy may be entitled to compensation under the contract of employment.

*5784 ROADS AND FREIGHT—CONSUMER PRICE INDEX INCREASES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—


(1) How much additional revenue does the RMS project it will generate in the financial year from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 by increasing the fee for:

(a) Unrestricted driver licence (one year) by $2 from $52 to $54?
(b) Unrestricted driver licence (three year) by $4 from $124 to $128?
(c) Unrestricted driver licence (five year) by $4 from $166 to $170?
(d) Provisional driver licence P1 by $2 from $52 to $54?
(e) Provisional driver licence P2 by $2 from $82 to $84?
(f) Learner Driver licence by $2 from $22 to $24?
(g) Vehicle Registration by $2 from $60 to $62?
(h) Standard number plates by $1 from $41 to $42?
(i) Driver knowledge test, hazard perception test, driver qualification test by $1 from $41 to $42?
(j) Mobility Parking Scheme authority by $1 from $38 to $39?
(k) Vessel registration personal watercraft by $8 from $303 to $311?
(l) Personalised watercraft driving licence (one year) by $4 from $168 to $172?
(m) Boat driving licence (one year) by $1 from $56 to $57?
(n) Boat driving licence (three year) by $4 from $148 to $152?
(o) Boat driving licence (five year) by $5 from $233 to $238?
(p) Mooring fee for vessel up to and including seven metres in a high traffic area by $12 from $473 to $485?

Answer—
These sources of revenue are contained within Grants and Contributions in Budget Paper 3 on page 9-16.

*5785 NATURAL RESOURCES, LANDS AND WATER—LOT 490 KINGSCLIFF—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—

In light of the Tweed Shire Council resolution on April 10, 2014, where it resolved to maintain its previous position to preserve Lot 1 DP 1117599 (formerly known as Lot 490, Kingscliff) for public open space and recreation reserve while preserving its ecological values as E2 Environmental Zone under the Tweed Local Environmental Plan, does the Government still intend to sell this land?

Answer—
I am advised:

As this matter falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Finance and Service, please refer this question to the Hon Dominic Perrottet MP.

*5786 FINANCE AND SERVICES—LOT 490 KINGSCLIFF—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Finance and Services—

In light of the Tweed Shire Council resolution on April 10, 2014, where it resolved to maintain its previous position to preserve Lot 1 DP 1117599 (formerly known as Lot 490, Kingscliff) for public open space and recreation reserve while preserving its ecological values as E2 Environmental Zone under the Tweed Local Environmental Plan, does the Government still intend to sell this land?

Answer—
Any decision on the future of the former Crown land, known locally as Lot 490, has been deferred until the outcome of an Aboriginal land claim.

*5787 TREASURER—LOT 490 KINGSCLIFF—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

In light of the Tweed Shire Council resolution on April 10, 2014, where it resolved to maintain its previous position to preserve Lot 1 DP 1117599 (formerly known as Lot 490, Kingscliff) for public open space and recreation reserve while preserving its ecological values as E2 Environmental Zone under the Tweed Local Environmental Plan, does the Government still intend to sell this land?

Answer—
This answer should be re-directed to the Minister for Finance and Services.

*5788 ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE—LOT 490 KINGSCLIFF—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

In light of the Tweed Shire Council resolution on April 10, 2014, where it resolved to maintain its previous position to preserve Lot 1 DP 1117599 (formerly known as Lot 490, Kingscliff) for public open space and recreation reserve while preserving its ecological values as E2 Environmental Zone under the Tweed Local Environmental Plan, does the Government still intend to sell this land?

Answer—
I am advised as follows: This is a matter for my colleague, the Hon Dominic Perrottet, Minister for Finance and Services.

*5789 PLANNING—LOT 490 KINGSCLIFF—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
In light of the Tweed Shire Council resolution on April 10, 2014, where it resolved to maintain its previous position to preserve Lot 1 DP 1117599 (formerly known as Lot 490, Kingscliff) for public open space and recreation reserve while preserving its ecological values as E2 Environmental Zone under the Tweed Local Environmental Plan, does the Government still intend to sell this land?

Answer—

I am advised: This question is for the Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Minister for Finance and Services, as the responsible Minister.

*5790 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—EREPAIR VIDEO—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On 13 April 2014, Family and Community Services NSW published a video on YouTube titled "eRepair". In relation to this, can the Minister for Family and Community Services advise:

(1) Who produced this video?
(2) What was the cost of producing this video?
(3) Were quotes sought regarding the cost of producing this video?
(4) Was there a tender process to produce the video?
(5) Was the decision to produce a video to communicate information about eRepair made by officials in Family and Community Services, the Minister's Office, or by the Minister?

Answer—

I am advised the Department of Family and Community Services engaged a contractor consistent with NSW Government Procurement Guidelines to produce the video.

*5791 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—WOMEN AND SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Monday, 12 May 2014 the NSW Legislative Council Select Committee Inquiry into Social, public and affordable housing was informed that the Government has recently undertaken research to produce a report titled "Women and Socioeconomic Status in New South Wales".

In relation to this, can the Minister for Family and Community Services advise:

(1) Has the Government produced this report?
(2) If so:
   (a) Is the report complete?
   (b) If the report is not complete, when will it be completed?
   (c) If the report is complete, has it been made public?
   (d) If the report has not been made public, will it be made public?
   (e) If the report will be made public, when will it be made public?
   (f) If the report will not be made public, why will it not be made public?
   (g) What was the cost of producing this report?
(3) Which individuals and organisations have contributed to this report?

Answer—

I refer to the response provided under Question on Notice LC 5792 from the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women.

*5792 WOMEN—WOMEN AND SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

On Monday, 12 May 2014 the NSW Legislative Council Select Committee Inquiry into Social, public and affordable housing was informed that the Government has recently undertaken research to produce a report titled "Women and Socioeconomic Status in New South Wales".
In relation to this, can the Minister for Women advise:

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(3) Which individuals and organisations have contributed to this report?

Answer—
I am advised: The report, titled Socio-economic status of women across the life course in NSW is available on the Department of Family and Community Services website.

*5793 WOMEN—ADVISOR—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1) Is there a full time advisor in the office of the Minister for Women whose position is solely dedicated to the women's portfolio?
   (b) If so, how long has the current occupant of this position held that role?
   (c) If not, why not?

Answer—
I am advised: Information about ministerial staff arrangements can be found at www.dpc.nsw.gov.au.

*5794 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—COUNCIL RATES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) The Annual Report of the NSW Land and Housing Corporation for 2012/13 states that in 2012/13 the Land and Housing Corporation paid $112 million in council rates. Can the Minister for Family and Community Services advise the amount of council rates paid by the Land and Housing Corporation in each of the following financial years:
   (a) 2013/14?
   (b) 2010/11?
   (c) 2009/10?

Answer—
I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information on council rates is available in the Land and Housing Corporation's Annual Report which is available at http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/publications

*5795 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—WOMEN ONLY HOMELESSNESS SERVICES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise:

(1) How many women-only homelessness services were operating in New South Wales for the 2013-14 financial year?
(2) How many women-only homelessness services does the Government estimate will be operating in New South Wales in the 2014-15 financial year?
(3) How many women-only homelessness services does the Government estimate will be operating in New South Wales in the 2015-16 financial year?

(4) How many women-only homelessness services does the Government estimate will be operating in New South Wales in the 2016-17 financial year?

Answer—

*5796 WOMEN—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STUDIES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
On 14 July 2013 the Government announced that it would invest $620,000 to strengthen the evidence base to prevent domestic violence by undertaking three violence prevention studies. In relation to this, can the Minister for Women advise:
(1) Have these studies been completed?
(2)
   (a) If these studies have been completed, have these studies been made public?
   (b) If the studies have been completed and made public, how can they be accessed?
   (c) If the studies have been completed but not made public, why have they not been made public?
(3)
   (a) If these studies have not been completed, when will they be completed?
   (b) If these studies have not been completed, will they be made public once they are completed?

Answer—
I am advised: The final reports will be completed later this year.

*5797 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STUDIES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—
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Answer—
I refer to the response provided under Question on Notice LC 5796 from the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women.

*5798 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MEN'S REFERRAL SERVICES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—
On 14 July 2013 the Government announced that it would invest $2 million over three years to fund a telephone counselling and referral service for men to reduce domestic violence. In relation to this, can the Minister advise:
(1) At the time that this service was announced, how many calls did the Government anticipate would be made to this service on a daily basis?

(2) What has been the average number of calls received by this service on an average daily basis since it commenced operation?

(3) What is the average wait time for a person who calls the service to be connected with a counsellor?

(4) How many counsellors are employed at this service?

(5) In which town or city is the call centre which provides this service located?

(6) What languages are counselling services available in?

(7) Are records kept of referrals?

(8) What other organisations does the Government fund which provide domestic violence related counselling services to men in New South Wales?

(9) What organisations does the Government fund which provide domestic violence related counselling services to men in the New South Wales North Coast?

Answer—
I refer to the response provided under Question on Notice LC 5799 from the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women.

*5799 WOMEN—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MEN'S REFERRAL SERVICES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

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Answer—
I am advised:
Regrettably the previous Labor Government failed to support a dedicated telephone counselling and referral service for men to reduce domestic violence. In its first five months of operation the Men Referral Service, funded through a $2 million commitment from the NSW Liberal and Nationals Government has received approximately 50% more phone calls than the Victorian service in a comparable period, with an average waiting period of 15 seconds to be connected.

*5800 WOMEN—MEN'S BEHAVIOUR CHANGE NETWORK—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

On 9 August 2013 the Government announced that it would invest $31,700 to establish a Men's Behaviour Change Network. In relation to this, can the Minister for Women advise:

(1) Has the Network been established?
(2) When did the Network first meet?
(3) How many meetings of the Network have occurred to date?
(4) Who are the members of the Network?
(5) Will the Network be funded beyond the 12 month period announced on 9 August 2013?
Answer—
I am advised: Information about the Network is available on the FACS (Women NSW) website.

*5801 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—MEN'S BEHAVIOUR CHANGE NETWORK—Ms Cotisis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

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(4) Who are the members of the Network?
(5) Will the Network be funded beyond the 12 month period announced on 9 August 2013?
Answer—
I refer to the response provided under Question on Notice LC 5800 from the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women.

*5802 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—GOVERNMENT OWNED HOUSING PROPERTIES AND ASBESTOS—Ms Cotisis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On 5 May 2014, the Department of Family and Community Services published a fact sheet titled "Asbestos". In relation to this, can the Minister advise:
(1) How many social housing properties owned by the Government contain asbestos?
(2) For the most recent financial year that information is available:
   (a) How many reports regarding asbestos were received by Housing NSW from tenants?
   (b) How many property inspections were undertaken in response to reports of asbestos?
   (c) How many maintenance projects were undertaken in response to reports of asbestos?
   (d) What was the cost of maintenance work associated with asbestos?
(3)
   (a) Does the Government plan to progressively reduce the number of social housing properties containing asbestos?
   (b) If so, by what year does the Government estimate the Government's social housing property portfolio will not include any properties containing asbestos?
Answer—
I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that the NSW Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) ensures compliance with legislation, regulations and guidelines. For more information go to http://www.housing.nsw.gov.au/Forms%2BPolicies%2Band%2BFact%2BSheets/Policies/Manage%2BAsbestos%2BPolicy.htm

*5803 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—MID WESTERN REGIONAL COUNCIL—Ms Cotisis asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—
On 13 June 2014 the ABC reported that the Minister for Local Government had stated that the Government would "continue to monitor the situation at Mid Western Regional Council." In relation to this, can the Minister for Local Government advise:

1. Who is undertaking this monitoring?
2. When did this monitoring commence?
3. Has this monitoring concluded?
4. If the monitoring has not concluded, when will it be concluded?
5. (a) Has the Minister for Local Government received any reports from the Office of Local Government arising from this monitoring?
   (b) If reports have been received by the Minister, have these reports been made public?
   (c) If reports arising from this monitoring will not be made public, why will they not be made public?
6. What is the cost of this monitoring?
7. Have either the Minister for Local Government or the Office of Local Government received advice from the Independent Commission Against Corruption regarding Mid Western Regional Council?
8. Which individuals and organisations have taken part in this monitoring?

Answer—
The Office of Local Government and I, as Minister for Local Government, monitor the performance of all councils in NSW on an ongoing basis. From time to time, particular councils will receive more attention than others. This monitoring is to ensure that councils are acting in the best interests of the community and to uphold community confidence in local government.

*5804 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—

On 9 June 2014 the Mosman Daily reported that the Office of Local Government is monitoring the operations of North Sydney Council. In relation to this, can the Minister for Local Government advise:

1. Who is undertaking this monitoring?
2. When did this monitoring commence?
3. Has this monitoring concluded?
4. If the monitoring has not concluded, when will it be concluded?
5. (a) Has the Minister for Local Government received any reports from the Office of Local Government arising from this monitoring?
   (b) If reports have been received by the Minister, have these reports been made public?
   (c) If reports arising from this monitoring will not be made public, why will they not be made public?
6. What is the cost of this monitoring?
7. Which individuals and organisations have taken part in this monitoring?

Answer—
The Office of Local Government and I, as Minister for Local Government, monitor the performance of all councils in NSW on an ongoing basis. From time to time, particular councils will receive more attention than others. This monitoring is to ensure that councils are acting in the best interests of the community and to uphold community confidence in local government.

*5805 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—
In December 2014 the former Minister for Local Government, Don Page MP, placed Central Darling Shire Council into administration. In relation to this, can the Minister for Local Government advise:

(1) When will the period of administration end?
(2) Will the administrator provide a report to the Minister for Local Government or the Office of Local Government regarding the period of administration?
(3) If the administrator will provide a report to the Minister for Local Government or the Office of Local Government regarding the period of administration, will this report be made public?

Answer—

On 19 June 2014, I announced a Public Inquiry into Central Darling Shire Council. In accordance with section 438W of the Local Government Act 1993, I have suspended the Council pending the outcome of the Public Inquiry. The report of the interim administrator is available on the Office of Local Government's website.

*5806 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—SPECIALIST HOMELESSNESS SERVICE PROVIDERS—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise whether the Government will consider successful tender participants to be 'specialist' homelessness service providers, even if they cater to multiple client groups, such as women and children fleeing domestic violence, men and women with substance abuse issues, people with mental health issues, Indigenous people, people from culturally and linguist ally diverse backgrounds, older people and young people?

Answer—


*5807 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise whether homelessness service providers and peak bodies were required to sign confidentiality agreements in order to take part in any aspect of consultations for the Going Home Staying Home reforms?

Answer—


*5808 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—INNER CITY ROUNDTABLE—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise:

(1) Were attendees at an Inner City Roundtable held on 16 December 2013 asked to sign a confidentiality agreement?
(2) Did Government staff cease to ask attendees at this event to sign a confidentiality agreement when one person in attendance refused to sign and said they would seek legal advice?

Answer—

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND PRIVILEGED INFORMATION—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise whether the Government has received any complaints regarding conflicts of interest or access to privileged information in regard to these reforms?

Answer—

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—GOING HOME STAYING HOME REFORM TENDERS—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise:

(1) Were tenders assessed by employees of the Government?

(2) If tenders were assessed by employees of the Government:
   (a) Which Departments were involved in assessing tenders?
   (b) Did staff who assessed tenders have experience dealing with specialist homelessness service providers?

(3) Were tenders assessed by any private sector organisations, such as consultants?

(4) If tenders assessed by private sector organisations:
   (a) Which organisations assessed these tenders?
   (b) What was the cost of this?

Answer—

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—GOING HOME STAYING HOME REFORMS FUNDING SHIFT—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise:

(1) Is the Government's policy to shift funding from crisis interventions to prevention and early intervention?

(2) Will these changes make it more difficult for people who are not assisted by prevention or early intervention to access crisis interventions?

Answer—

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—GOING HOME STAYING HOME REFORMS INVITED TENDERS—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise why some organisations were invited to tender for specific packages that had been customised for those organisations, while all other organisations were required to compete for tender packages?
Answer—
Details of the Going Home Staying Home reform are available on the Housing NSW website at http:/

*5813 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—GOING HOME STAYING HOME REFORMS FUNDING ALLOCATION—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise how the changes in the allocation of funding through the Going Home Staying Home reforms affect funding provided through the National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness?

Answer—
Details of the Going Home Staying Home reform are available on the Housing NSW website at http:/

*5814 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—GOING HOME STAYING HOME SPECIALIST CRISIS BEDS—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise how many specialist crisis beds for people who are homeless due to mental illness or substance dependency will be lost?

Answer—
Details of the Going Home Staying Home reform are available on the Housing NSW website at http:/

*5815 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—GOING HOME STAYING HOME REFORM LARGER GENERALISED SERVICES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise:

(1) Why has the Government decided to move away from funding smaller, specialised homelessness service providers and toward funding larger generalised services?

(2) 
   (a) Has the Government undertaken any trials or studies that demonstrate that larger services are better able to cater for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness relative to smaller service providers?
   (b) If so:
      (i) What are the details of these trials or studies?
      (ii) What was the cost of undertaking these trial or studies?

Answer—
Details of the Going Home Staying Home reform are available on the Housing NSW website at http:/

*5816 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—SPECIALIST HOMELESSNESS SERVICE PROVIDER LOSS OF FUNDING—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this:

(1)
(a) Is the Minister aware of any instances of women or children who have tried to access a specialist homelessness service provider, but been turned away because that specialist homelessness service provider expected to lose its funding as a result of the Going Home Staying Home reforms?

(b) If so, what actions is the Minister taking to address this?

Answer—


*5817 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—SERVICE SUPPORT FUND—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister confirm that a service which receives funding from the Service Support Fund will be able to receive funding for private rental costs incurred if the service is forced to vacate their premises to accommodate a successful recipient of a Going Home Staying Home tender package?

Answer—


*5818 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—FUNDING TO THE SERVICE SUPPORT FUND—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

On Friday, 13 June 2014 the Minister for Family and Community Services announced the results of the Government's Going Home Staying Home reforms. In relation to this, can the Minister advise:

(1) How much funding is allocated to the Service Support Fund?
(2) What is the source of funds for the Service Support Fund?
(3) Who is eligible for funds from the Service Support Fund?
(4) How will funds from the Service Support Fund be allocated?

Answer—


*5819 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—SUTHERLAND SHIRE COUNCIL—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—

On 15 October 2013 the former Minister for Local Government, Don Page MP, told the Legislative Assembly that an investigation was underway in relation to certain allegations about certain councillors in Sutherland Shire Council: In relation to this, can the Minister for Local Government advise:

(1) Has this investigation been completed?
(2) If the investigation is not complete, when will it be completed?

(3) If the investigation is complete, have its findings been made public?
(b) If the findings have not been made public, will they be made public?
(c) If the findings will be made public, when will they be made public?
(d) If the findings will not be made public, why will they not be made public?
(e) Will the current Minister for Local Government honour the commitment given by the former Minister for Local Government to report the results of the investigation to the Legislative Assembly as soon as he receives them?

(4) What was the cost of this investigation?

(5) Which individuals and organisations have taken part in this investigation?

Answer—
Please refer to Legislative Assembly Question and Answer 5072.

*5820 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION COUNCIL RATES—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) In the 2012/13 financial year what was the amount of council rates paid by the Land and Housing Corporation to each of the following local government areas:


(2) What was the amount of council rates paid by the Land and Housing Corporation in the 2013/14 financial year to the following local government areas:

Port Stephens Council, Queanbeyan City Council, Randwick City Council, Richmond Valley Council, Rockdale City Council, Council of the City of Ryde, Shellharbour City Council, Shoalhaven City Council, Singleton Council, Snowy River Shire Council, Strathfield Municipal Council, Sutherland Shire, Council of the City of Sydney, Tamworth Regional Council, Temora Shire Council, Tenterfield Shire Council, Tweed Shire Council, Wagga Wagga City Council, Warringah Council, Waverley Council, Wellington Council, Willoughby City Council, Wollondilly Shire Council, Wollongong City Council, Woollahra Municipal Council, Wyong Shire Council?

Answer—
I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information on council rates is available in the Land and Housing Corporation’s Annual Report which is available at http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/publications

*5821 ARTS, HOSPITALITY, GAMING AND RACING—EMPLOYEES OF SCREEN AUSTRALIA—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

What is the current number of full-time equivalent employees for Screen NSW?

Answer—
All relevant details regarding the operations of Screen NSW can be found in their annual reports, which are published online http://www.screen.nsw.gov.au

*5822 ARTS, HOSPITALITY, GAMING AND RACING—SCREEN NSW—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

(1) What is the appropriation for Screen NSW in 2013/14?
(2) How much was allocated to Production Finance in 2013/14?

Answer—

*5823 ARTS, HOSPITALITY, GAMING AND RACING—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING FUND—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

(1) (a) How much was allocated under the 2013-2014 Budget for the Advanced Development and Marketing Fund?
(b) What is the total amount of grants that were approved?
(2) How much has been allocated in the 2014-2015 Budget for the Advanced Development and Marketing Fund?

Answer—
(1) Screen NSW allocates targeted amounts for its various funding programs at the beginning of each year. The allocations for 2013-14 are published on the Screen NSW website http://www.screen.nsw.gov.au/
(2) Amounts have not yet been allocated to 2014-15 funding programs.

*5824 ARTS, HOSPITALITY, GAMING AND RACING—EARLY STAGE DEVELOPMENT FUND—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

(1) (a) How much was allocated under the 2013-2014 Budget for the Early Stage Development Fund?
(b) What is the total amount of grants that were approved?
(2) How much has been allocated in the 2014-2015 Budget for the Early Stage Development Fund?

Answer—

(1) Screen NSW allocates targeted amounts for its various funding programs at the beginning of each year. The allocations for 2013-14 are published on the Screen NSW website http://www.screen.nsw.gov.au/

(2) Amounts have not yet been allocated to 2014-15 funding programs.

*5825 ARTS, HOSPITALITY, GAMING AND RACING—SLATE LOAN FUND—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

(1) How many loans were allocated in the 2013-2014 financial year under the Slate Loan Fund?

(2) What is the total amount of loans issued?

(3) How many of these projects have been completed?

(4) How many projects have been completed from loans allocated in the 2012-13 financial year?

Answer—

(1) All relevant details regarding the operations of Screen NSW can be found in their annual reports, which are published online http://www.screen.nsw.gov.au

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*5826 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—SYDNEY CITY SOBERING UP CENTRE—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) How many people have been admitted to the Sydney City Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?

(2) What is the cost of the fine or charges issued to individuals for being admitted to the Sydney City Sobering Up Centre?

(3) Of the fines issued for admission to the Sydney City Sobering Up Centre:
   (a) How many fine or charges have been recovered?
   (b) How many fine or charges are still outstanding?
   (c) How many non-payments have resulted in legal action?

(4) How many staff are required to run the Sydney City Sobering Up Centre on each night of operation?

(5)
   (a) What is the annual cost of operating the Sydney City Sobering Up Centre?
   (b) Of this what is the cost required for paramedics or associated health practitioners?
   (c) Of this what is the cost required for NSW Police officers?
   (d) Of this what is the cost required for security staff?

(6) How many nights did the Sydney City Sobering Up Centre operate from 1 July 2013 to date?

Answer—

The responsibility of mandatory sobering up centres fall within the portfolio administration of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services.
*5827 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—SYDNEY CITY SOBERING UP CENTRE—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) How many people have been admitted to the Sydney City Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?
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   (b) Of this what is the cost required for paramedics or associated health practitioners?
   (c) Of this what is the cost required for NSW Police officers?
   (d) Of this what is the cost required for security staff?
(6) How many nights did the Sydney City Sobering Up Centre operate from 1 July 2013 to date?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

(1) From its inception on 5 July 2013 to 16 June 2014, 381 admissions.
(2) Each detainee during the 12 month trial has been issued a cost recovery notice for $200, in addition to any other penalty notices received. The cost recovery charge can escalate up to $800 depending on the number of repeat visits.
(3) Recovery of fines is the responsibility of the State Debt Recovery Office. This question should therefore be directed to the Minister for Finance and Services.
(4) The Centre has been staffed by three police officers and two health practitioners.
(5) Police and Justice Health have met the costs of operating the Centre from within existing budgets.
(6) The Centre has opened each Friday and Saturday night (ie. 100 nights from 5 July 2013 to 14 June 2014 inclusive).

*5828 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—NON-MANDATORY SOBERING UP CENTRES—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) How many people were admitted to the Eastern Suburbs Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?
(2) How many people were admitted to the Wollongong Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?
(3) How much has it cost to operate the Eastern Suburbs Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?
(4) How much has it cost to operate the Wollongong Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?
(5) What were the costs required to establish and set up the Eastern Suburbs Sobering Up Centre?
(6) What were the costs required to establish and set up the Wollongong Sobering Up Centre?
(7) What are the estimated costs required to close the Eastern Suburbs Sobering Up Centre?
(8) What are the estimated costs required to close the Wollongong Sobering Up Centre?

Answer—

I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that a trial of three sobering up centres commenced in July 2013 as part of a broader NSW Government strategy to tackle alcohol-related violence. The Department of Family and Community Services established two non-mandatory centres
located in Wollongong and Sydney's Eastern Beaches and a mandatory centre, run by NSW Police, was established in Sydney city. Following an evaluation, the Government has announced it will extend the trial of the mandatory police centre.

*5829 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—NON-MANDATORY SOBERING UP CENTRES—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) How many people were admitted to the Eastern Suburbs Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?

(2) How many people were admitted to the Wollongong Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?

(3) How much has it cost to operate the Eastern Suburbs Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?

(4) How much has it cost to operate the Wollongong Sobering Up Centre from 1 July 2013 to date?

(5) What were the costs required to establish and set up the Eastern Suburbs Sobering Up Centre?

(6) What were the costs required to establish and set up the Wollongong Sobering Up Centre?

(7) What are the estimated costs required to close the Eastern Suburbs Sobering Up Centre?

(8) What are the estimated costs required to close the Wollongong Sobering Up Centre?

Answer—
This question should be addressed to the Minister for Family & Community Services.

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*5830 ROADS AND FREIGHT—CONTAINER TRUCK TRIPS—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) (a) Has the Government estimated, or received estimates for how many container truck trips are expected between Port Botany and Western Sydney in 2030?
(b) If so, what is this estimate?

(2) What is the current capacity of the Port Botany freight rail line to Moorebank?

(3) (a) Are there any plans to upgrade the Port Botany freight rail line to Moorebank?
(b) If so, what are these plans and what is the estimated cost?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1) (a) and (b) Yes, Volumes to Western Sydney by road are expected to be about 1,509,000 twenty foot equivalent units per year, equating to about 1800 container truck trips a day.

(2) This information is available on the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development website.

(3) (a) and (b) The Federal Government has approved funding of up to $75 million for Stage 3 of the Port Botany Rail Upgrade. Planning works to investigate capacity enhancements will start in July 2015.

The $282 million WestConnex enabling works – airport east precinct project will also deliver new twin track bridges over Wentworth Avenue extension to General Holmes Drive for the duplication of Port Botany freight line. Of this allocation $10 million is for planning the future duplication of Port Botany freight line.
**TRANSPORT—DRUMMOYNE WHARF REDEVELOPMENT**—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

(1) Does the Minister for Transport consider the proposed location of the Drummoyne Wharf redevelopment to be equitable between the residents adjoining Menzies Reserve?

(2) Why was the location of the Drummoyne Wharf redevelopment not placed at the centre line of Menzies Reserve?

(3) Why was the location of the Drummoyne Wharf redevelopment moved, as described in the 'Addendum to Review of Environmental Factors' in May 2014?

Answer—
I am advised: Information regarding this project is publically available through the Roads and Maritime website.

**ENVIRONMENT—ELTONDALE DEVELOPMENT**—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1)
(a) Does the Office of Environment and Heritage have concerns about the proposed Eltondale development near Silverdale?
(b) If so, what are those concerns?

(2)
(a) Does the Office of Environment and Heritage recommend the retention of wildlife corridors linking Bents Basin and Burragorang in the proposed Eltondale development?
(b) If so, what actions will the Office of Environment and Heritage take to preserve these wildlife corridors?

(3) Has the Office of Environment and Heritage undertaken a flora and fauna assessment of this area?

Answer—
I am advised as follows:
The Office of Environment and Heritage has raised concerns with Wollondilly Shire Council about the Eltondale development. Specifically, OEH has concerns regarding flood risk management, impacts to Gulguer Nature Reserve and Bents Basin State Conservation Area (including new Reserve additions), and the fragmentation of vegetation corridors.
The Office of Environment and Heritage recommends that the E2 Environmental Conservation zone be made continuous from east to west to allow the passage of fauna between Bents Basin State Conservation Area and Gulguer Nature Reserve, to the Burragorang State Conservation Area.
The Office of Environment and Heritage will continue to provide advice to Wollondilly Shire Council on this matter.

**ENVIRONMENT—PICTON AND WOLLONDILLY NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE OFFICE**—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1)
(a) Is the Government closing or planning to close down the Picton and Wollondilly National Parks and Wildlife Office?
(b) If so:
   (i) What is the reason for closing the office?
   (ii) Where will the public obtain information about parks services relating to the Greater Blue Mountains Heritage Area?
   (iii) How will the government assure ongoing protection of special water catchments in the region?
(c) If not:
(i) How many staff work at Picton and Wollondilly National Parks and Wildlife Office in 2013/2014?
(ii) How many staff are estimated to work at the Picton and Wollondilly National Parks and Wildlife Office in 2014/2015?

Answer—
I am advised as follows:

(1)
(a) The lease expires in February 2015.
(b) The public will obtain information on the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area from the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Mount Annan Office, the Wollondilly Visitor Centre at Picton and online from the NPWS website.
(c) There will be no operational impacts to the protection of special water catchments.

(2)
(a) There were four permanent staff employed at the Picton Office during 2013-2014.
(b) There are expected to be seven permanent staff employed at the NPWS Mount Annan Office during 2014-15.

*5834 ENVIRONMENT—CENTRAL HUNTER IRONBARK SPOTTED GUM GREY BOX OPEN FOREST—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1) How many square metres of Central Hunter Ironbark Spotted Gum Grey Box Open Forest endangered ecological community has been approved for clearing for mining operations in the Hunter Valley over the last ten years?
(2) How many square metres of Central Hunter Ironbark Spotted Gum Grey Box Open Forest endangered ecological community has been permanently protected in the Hunter Valley over the last ten years?
(3)
(a) Is there a map if all approved biodiversity offset areas in the Hunter Valley?
(b) If so, is the map publically available and where can it be found?

Answer—
I am advised as follows:

(1) These questions should be referred to the Hon Pru Goward MP, Minister for Planning, for her consideration.

*5835 ENVIRONMENT—COPPA CREEK—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1) What action is the Government taking regarding the alleged illegal clearing on the properties Strathdoon and Colorado at Croppa Creek?
(2) What resources has the Government provided the Office of Environment and Heritage for investigating alleged illegal clearing on the properties Strathdoon and Colorado at Croppa Creek?

Answer—
I am advised as follows:

(1) The Office of Environment and Heritage is investigating the allegations. The matters are now either before the Land and Environment Court or are still under investigation and it would not be appropriate to comment further.
(2) The Office of Environment and Heritage has utilised considerable resources in this inquiry including compliance and legal officers and technical experts.
*5836 CENTRAL COAST, ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE—HEATHCOTE ROAD QUARRY—Mr Primrose asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1)
(a) Is the Government aware of community concerns about the extra truck movements on Heathcote Road following the expansion of the Heathcote Road Quarry?
(b) If so:
   (i) Does the Government accept that the extra truck movements and subsequent dust are impacting on local residents and the local environment?
   (ii) What actions will the Government take to mitigate these impacts?

Answer—
I am advised as follows: This question should be directed to the Hon Pru Goward MP, Minister for Planning.

*5837 ROADS AND FREIGHT—HEATHCOTE ROAD QUARRY—Mr Primrose asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)
(a) Is the Government aware of community concerns about the extra truck movements on Heathcote Road following the expansion of the Heathcote Road Quarry?
(b) If so:
   (i) Does the Government accept that the extra truck movements and subsequent dust are impacting on local residents and the local environment?
   (ii) What actions will the Government take to mitigate the impacts effect on local safety and amenity?

Answer—
I am advised: The relevant approval process for the expansion of the Heathcote Road Quarry comes under the responsibility of the Department of Planning and Environment. This is a matter for the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning.

*5838 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—VACANT BEDROOM CHARGE—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) How many public housing tenants have Housing NSW approached regarding the options to relocate or pay a vacant bedroom charge?
(2) How many public housing tenants have chosen to relocate rather than pay the vacant bedroom charge?
(3) How many public housing tenants have chosen to pay the vacant bedroom charge rather than relocate?
(4) How many public housing tenants have successfully appealed the decision by Housing NSW to request that they either relocate or pay the vacant bedroom charge?
(5) In which suburbs has Housing NSW approached public housing tenants about relocating or paying the vacant bedroom charge?
(6) Have any officials from Housing NSW told any public housing tenants that they are being asked to relocate in order to make a property available for public housing tenants from Millers Point?

Answer—
The NSW Government is working to make the social housing system more transparent, fair and sustainable. The Vacant Bedroom Charge is applied to tenants who choose to continue to live in a property that has more bedrooms than they are entitled to when they have been offered alternative

*5839 HEALTH, MEDICAL RESEARCH—GREENWICH HOSPITAL—Revd Mr Nile asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) Is the Government aware that funding for 25 publicly-funded rehab beds at Greenwich Hospital will be transferred to the new Graythwaite Rehabilitation Centre, Ryde, at the end of September 2014?

(2) Is the Government aware 87 per cent of in-patient and out-patient clients who use the Greenwich Hospital service come from the North Shore and of these, 70 per cent do not have private health insurance?

(3) Is the Government aware Greenwich Hospital has already lost $300,000 of public funding for its hydrotherapy service?

(4) Can the Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research report on why funding has been removed from Greenwich Hospital after it has served the community with rehab services for over 40 years and make a commitment to reinstate funding for this important community service?

Answer—
I am advised by the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research:

(1) to (4) The transfer of funds to the new Graythwaite Rehabilitation Centre was a key component in the 2008 Supreme Court application to allow the sale of the old Graythwaite Property in North Sydney.

In 2012/13 there were 447 inpatient rehabilitation episodes of care, of which 64% were Lower North Shore residents. Of these, 63% were public patients.

Hydrotherapy services are provided at the new Graythwaite Rehabilitation Centre.

*5840 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—CROWN LANDS REGISTER—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Assistant Minister for Tourism and Major Events—

(1)

(a) Is there a centralised register of Crown Lands in New South Wales?

(b) If so:

(i) What information is available on this register?

(ii) Is it publicly available?

(2) If there is no centralised register of Crown Lands in New South Wales, why not?

(3) If there is no register of Crown Lands in New South Wales, how are issues relating to ownership or interest of Crown Land recorded and protected?

Answer—
This question is a matter for the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water.

*5841 ROADS AND FREIGHT—REGIONAL FREIGHT PINCH POINT AND SAFETY PROGRAM—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

In the 2014-15 Budget, the Government said there would be $200 million for a Regional Freight Pinch Point and Safety Program.

(1) What is the full list of projects?

(2) For each project:

(a) What is the financial commitment to that project?

(b) What is the expected final completion date?

Answer—
I am advised: Refer to my media release of 17 June 2014.
ROADS AND FREIGHT—WESTERN NEW SOUTH WALES FREIGHT PRODUCTIVITY PROGRAM—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

In the 2014-15 Budget, the Government said it will provide $50 million for a Western NSW Freight Productivity Program.

(1) What is the full list of projects?

(2) For each project:
   (a) What is the financial commitment to that project?
   (b) What is the expected final completion date?

Answer—
I am advised: Refer to my media release of 17 June 2014.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—$37.5 MILLION FOR FIXING COUNTRY ROADS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

In the 2014-15 Budget, the Government said it will provide $37.5 million for Fixing Country Roads.

(1) What is the full list of projects?

(2) For each project:
   (a) What is the financial commitment to that project?
   (b) What is the expected final completion date?

Answer—
I am advised: Refer to my media release of 17 June 2014.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—ROADS, MARITIME AND FREIGHT 2014-15 BUDGET—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)
   (a) In the 2014-15 Budget media release entitled: "Biggest Roads, Maritime and Freight Budget in NSW History: A record $5.5 billion" released by Roads Minister Duncan Gay on 17 June what is the breakdown of the $5.5 billion?
   (b) What is the breakdown of the $5.5 billion, in regard to Roads, Maritime Services and Freight?

Answer—
I am advised: Detailed breakdowns of capital investment are contained in the Budget Papers.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—PACIFIC HIGHWAY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

In the 2014-15 Budget media release entitled: "Biggest Roads, Maritime and Freight Budget in NSW History: A record $5.5 billion" released by Roads Minister Duncan Gay on 17 June it claimed that $44 million would go towards maintenance funding for the Pacific Highway.

(1) What is the largest single component of that $44 million expenditure on maintenance?

(2)
   (a) What are the top five areas of expenditure in that $44 million? Please list them by category.
   (b) What is the financial breakdown by category?

Answer—
I am advised: Detailed breakdowns of capital investment are contained in the Budget Papers.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—GREAT WESTERN HIGHWAY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
In the 2014-15 Budget media release entitled: "Biggest Roads, Maritime and Freight Budget in NSW History: A record $5.5 billion" released by Roads Minister Duncan Gay on 17 June it said $113 million would be spent upgrading the Great Western Highway.

(1)  
(a) What is the breakdown of the $113 million?  
(b) What is the state component?  
(c) What is the federal component?

(2)  
(a) What is the expected expenditure on the Woodford to Hazelbrook upgrade?  
(b) What is the expected expenditure in 2014-15?  
(c) What is the timetable for completion?

(3)  
(a) What is the expected expenditure on the Bullaburra to Wentworth Falls upgrade?  
(b) What is the expected expenditure in 2014-15?  
(c) What is the timetable for completion?

(4)  
(a) What is the expected expenditure on the road works at Kelso?  
(b) What is the expected expenditure in 2014-15?  
(c) What is the timetable for completion?

Answer—
I am advised: Detailed breakdowns of capital investment are contained in the Budget Papers.

*5847 ROADS AND FREIGHT—M9 EXPENDITURE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)  
(a) How much will the Government spend in 2014-15 for the M9?  
(b) What is the breakdown on that expenditure by top five categories?  
(c) How much does the Government expect to spend in 2014-15 on publicity and promotional materials relating to the M9?

(2) As of 18 June 2014, what is the expected completion date of the M9?

Answer—
I am advised: Detailed breakdowns of capital investment are contained in the Budget Papers.

*5848 ROADS AND FREIGHT—CENTRAL COAST ROADS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

In the 2014-15 Budget media release entitled: "Biggest Roads, Maritime and Freight Budget in NSW History: A record $5.5 billion" released by Roads Minister Duncan Gay on 17 June it said $70 million would be spent upgrading Central Coast roads.

(1)  
(a) What is the breakdown of the $70 million?  
(b) What is the state component?  
(c) What is the federal component?

(2)  
(a) What is the expected expenditure on the intersection of the Central Coast highway with Brisbane Water Drive and Manns Road?  
(b) What is the expected expenditure in 2014-15?  
(c) What is the timetable for completion?
(3) What is the expected expenditure on the intersection upgrades along Wyong Road and Terrigal Drive?
   (b) What is the expected expenditure in 2014-15?
   (c) What is the timetable for completion?

Answer—
I am advised: Detailed breakdowns of capital investment are contained in the Budget Papers.

*5849 ROADS AND FREIGHT—CENTRAL COAST ROADS FUNDING—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

In the 2014-15 Budget media release entitled: "Biggest Roads, Maritime and Freight Budget in NSW History: A record $5.5 billion" released by Roads Minister Duncan Gay on 17 June it said $39 million for maintenance funding for Central Coast roads

(1) What is the breakdown of the $39 million?
   (b) What is the state component?
   (c) What is the federal component?

(2) What is the breakdown of the planned maintenance works?
   (b) What is the expected expenditure in 2014-15?
   (c) What is the list of works?
   (d) What is the timetable for completion?

Answer—
I am advised: Detailed breakdowns of capital investment are contained in the Budget Papers.

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*5850 TRANSPORT—OLIVIA GARDENS—Ms Sharpe asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

Treatment of Olivia Gardens Residents in Surry Hills property acquisition as part of the CSELR Project.

(1) Why has Transport for NSW (TfNSW) gone back on its agreement to offer Olivia Gardens owner-occupiers post settlement rights of occupation for 8 weeks at nominal rental?

(2) Why have some owner-occupiers been approved to remain in their premises for 8 weeks rent at nominal rental while others have not?
   (b) Why are residents being treated differently?

(3) Why is TfNSW citing section 34 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms) Compensation Act 1991 as applying to owner-occupiers who have either signed a compensation agreement with TfNSW or concluded their sale to TfNSW, thereby concluding their compensation claims when the application of section 34 is clearly restricted to persons who have un conceded compensation entitlements following compulsory acquisition?

(4) Given the timeframe and the stress as a result of the compulsory acquisition process for residents at Olivia Gardens and the promise made by the Minister for Transport to treat the residents fairly and with compassion, why is TfNSW charging owner-occupiers market residential tenancy rent for inferior occupation rights for a short and defined period?

(5) Why is it taking TfNSW up to seven weeks to prepare and execute versions of compensation...
agreements for residents?
(b) What action is being taken to speed this process up?

(6)

(a) Is there a standard process for the assessment of solatium claims for all property acquisition program across TfNSW including Roads and Maritime Services?
(b) If not, why not?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) and (2) Eight weeks at nominal rental is available to all owners who request this time, and it may extend past the acquisition date.

Property owners may decide to issue notice to their tenants to facilitate settlement with Transport for NSW on a vacant possession basis. This is a matter between the property owner and the tenant, however Transport for NSW is amenable to tenants staying with the consent of the owners.

(3) Compensation agreements are entered into with owners under Section 30 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 (the Act), under which owners receive an advance payment of compensation. Compensation agreements made under Section 30 of the Act do not preclude provision being made for occupation under Section 34 of the Act. Section 34 of the Act provides for occupation of premises following Gazettal, notwithstanding that payment may have already been made.

(4) As for (1) – (2).

(5)

(a) Transport for NSW continues to actively negotiate with property owners and will enter into agreements as soon as practicable.

(b) All options for occupancy are now included in the documentation.

(6)

(a) and (b) Assessment of solatium is undertaken in accordance with the provisions of the Act. The Act notes solatium to mean financial compensation to a person for non-financial disadvantage resulting from the necessity of the person to relocate his or her principal place of residence as a result of the acquisition.

*5851 TRANSPORT—ELECTRIC MULTIPLE UNIT INTERCITY TRAINS—Ms Sharpe asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

Will the Electric Multiple Unit Intercity trains have fixed direction seating?

Answer—
I am advised: The new intercity trains will provide unprecedented levels of comfort. Design features for the new intercity train fleet have not been finalised.

*5852 TRANSPORT—LEURA STATION STRAWBERRY TREE AND LIGHTING—Ms Sharpe asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

(1) Will the installation of a canopy at Leura station require the removal of the nearby Strawberry Tree?

(2) Will the installation of a canopy at Leura station require the removal of the Olde Worlde lighting at the bottom of the steps?

(3) What plans are in place to protect the trees and the lighting?

Answer—
I am advised: Following consultation with the local community we are not planning to install a new canopy at Leura Station at this time.
*5853 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—GREY NURSE SHARK PROTECTION REGIME—Mr Foley asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Assistant Minister for Tourism and Major Events—

(1) What specific education work on the new fishing regulations has been carried out in the Fish Rock and Green Island area with fishers?

(2) What onsite compliance work as recorded in Fisheries log books has been carried out at Fish Rock and Green Island localities:
   (a) In the last two years?
   (b) Since the amnesty on bait fishing ended in September 2013?

(3) Is it the case that some fishers are still using bait while fishing at Fish Rock?

(4) Are some fishers using plastic lures dipped in tuna oil or attractants to imitate live bait?

Answer—

(1) New signs have been installed at boat ramps in the Fish Rock and Green Island area to reflect the new fishing regulations. Fisheries NSW also held community education and advisory workshops in South West Rocks. Fisheries officers regularly patrol the region focusing on many compliance issues and will continue to discuss and address any concerns with fishers on the Fish Rock and Green Island closures. Information pamphlets on the closures are also carried by fisheries officers to educate stakeholders and the broader community.

Aside from the local area, the maps are available on the DPI webpage, the recreational fishing saltwater guide has been updated, and there was a 12 month advisory period for fishers up to 20 September 2013. In that period formal cautions were issued for first offences.

Staff from Fisheries NSW also provided an update about the fishing rules at the Greynurse Shark Symposium held in Brisbane in September 2013. The symposium was also attended by members of the Community Action for Fish Rock group, and the Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW.

(2) Site-specific logbooks are not used for Fish Rock and Green Island as patrols of the two closures and adjacent offshore areas are undertaken in conjunction with other compliance duties that focus on nearshore and offshore fishing within the region. Patrols are also undertaken by local officers or in response to any reported illegal activity.

(3) No offences of fishers using bait have been detected while fisheries officers have patrolled the closures since the amnesty ended in September 2013.

(4) Fisheries NSW has not recorded nor been advised of such practices.

*5854 FINANCE AND SERVICES—REGIONAL RELOCATION GRANT—Mr Veitch asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Finance and Services—

With regard to the Regional Relocation Grant scheme:

(1) How many people have received assistance under the Regional Relocation Grant for the period 1 January 2014 to 31 March 2014?

(2) How much money was paid by the Government to people receiving assistance under the Regional Relocation Grant for the period 1 January 2014 to 31 March 2014?

Answer—

There have been 329 successful applicants of the Regional Relocation Grant scheme for the period 1 January 2014 to 31 March 2014. Each applicant received $7000.

*5855 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—SOCIAL HOUSING—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) The 2014-15 Budget Estimates paper indicates that the number of social housing tenancies is expected to remain constant at 140,500, despite the Infrastructure Statement indicating that construction of an additional 443 dwellings will be completed. Does this indicate that more social housing dwellings will be sold off in 2014-15?
(b) If so:
   (i) How many dwellings are expected to be sold?
   (ii) In what housing allocation zones are they located?

(2) Does the Government have a forecast for 2014/15 for the number of additional social housing dwellings that will be delivered as a result of community housing providers leveraging the transfer of public housing properties to community housing?

Answer—
I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information about sales is in the NSW Land and Housing Corporation's Annual Report which is available at http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/publications

*5856 ENVIRONMENT—COASTAL PANEL AND BELONGIL BEACH ROCKWALLS—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

Why have no documents relating to Byron Shire Council's referral of their proposal for three 'interim' rock seawalls at Belongil Beach to the Coastal Panel under the Infrastructure State Environmental Planning Policy been posted to the Coastal Panel website at:

Answer—
I am advised as follows: The consideration of this issue by the NSW Coastal Panel is detailed in the minutes of the meeting dated 25 November 2013, which are available on the webpage cited in the question.

*5857 ENVIRONMENT—COASTAL MINISTERIAL TASKFORCE—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1) Why has the Stage 1 Coastal Reform Q&As website at:
http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/coasts/stage1CoastRefQaA.htm, which lists the Coastal Ministerial Taskforce members as Ministers Parker, Stoner, Hartcher, Hazzard and Page assisted by Minister Gallagher [sic], not been updated?

(2) (a) Is there still a Coastal Ministerial Taskforce?
   (b) If so, who are its members?

Answer—
I am advised as follows: The webpage cited identifies the membership of the Coastal Ministerial Taskforce as it was constituted to oversee stage one of the coastal reforms. The text has been amended to make this clearer. Ministerial oversight for the stage two reforms is provided by relevant Ministers under established Cabinet processes.

*5858 ROADS AND FREIGHT—SPEED LIMIT INCREASES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) (a) Between 1 April 2011 and 19 June 2014, how many speed limits have been increased by the Government?
   (b) Where are they?
   (c) When did it occur?
   (d) What was the original speed limit and what was the new speed limit?

(2) (a) In 2011, how many speed limits were increased by the Government?
   (b) Where were they?
(c) When did it occur?
(d) What was the original speed limit and what was the new speed limit?

(3)
(a) In 2012, how many speed limits were increased by the Government?
(b) Where were they?
(c) When did it occur?
(d) What was the original speed limit and what was the new speed limit?

(4)
(a) In 2013, how many speed limits were increased by the Government?
(b) Where were they?
(c) When did it occur?
(d) What was the original speed limit and what was the new speed limit?

Answer—
On 21 June 2011, I announced an audit of speed zones across NSW. The community was given, and still have, the opportunity to nominate roads for review on the Safer Roads website.

Speed limits are set in line with NSW Speed Zoning Guidelines to provide appropriate and consistent speed limits and a balance between safety, mobility and amenity on public roads.

Since March 2012, Roads and Maritime Services has undertaken 769 individual speed limit reviews, resulting in 57 increases in speed limits across NSW.

Additionally, during the 100 day plan, 131 individual speed limit reviews were conducted, resulting in 17 increases.

*5859 ROADS AND FREIGHT—GREAT WESTERN HIGHWAY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Since 1 April 2011, has the Government increased the speed limit on any part of the Great Western Highway?
(a) If so:
   (i) What stretch?
   (ii) When did this occur?

Answer—
I am advised:

Yes, speed limits were increased as part of the 100 day plan.

The 80 km/h speed limit between Katoomba and Wentworth Falls was extended east by 400 metres to just west of Mitchell Street, Wentworth Falls (previously 70km/h).

The 70 km/h speed limit between Katoomba and Medlow Bath was extended by 270 metres to north of Bellevue Crescent, Medlow Bath (previously 60 km/h).

The speed limit increases were implemented on 30 July 2012.

*5860 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEWELL HIGHWAY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Since 1 April 2011, has the Government increased the speed limit on any part of the Newell Highway?
(a) If so:
   (i) What stretch?
   (ii) When did this occur?

Answer—
I am advised: Refer to my media release of 19 July 2011.
ROADS AND FREIGHT—VANDALISED CAMERAS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)  
(a) Between 1 April 2011 and 19 June 2014, how many red light-speed cameras, fixed speed cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed camera units have been vandalised?
(b) How many of those were red light-speed cameras?
   (i) What were the top five locations for that vandalism?
(c) How many of those were fixed speed cameras?
   (i) What were the top five locations for that vandalism?
(d) How many of those were mobile speed cameras?
   (i) What were the top five locations for that vandalism?
(e) How many were fixed point-to-point cameras?
   (i) What were the top five locations for that vandalism?

(2)  
(a) In 2011, how many red light-speed cameras, fixed speed cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed camera units have been vandalised?
(b) How many of those were red light-speed cameras?
(c) How many of those were fixed speed cameras?
(d) How many of those were mobile speed cameras?
(e) How many were fixed point-to-point cameras?

(3)  
(a) In 2012, how many red light-speed cameras, fixed speed cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed camera units have been vandalised?
(b) How many of those were red light-speed cameras?
(c) How many of those were fixed speed cameras?
(d) How many of those were mobile speed cameras?
(e) How many were fixed point-to-point cameras?

(4)  
(a) In 2013, how many red light-speed cameras, fixed speed cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed camera units have been vandalised?
(b) How many of those were red light-speed cameras?
(c) How many of those were fixed speed cameras?
(d) How many of those were mobile speed cameras?
(e) How many were fixed point-to-point cameras?

(5)  
(a) Between 1 January 2014 and 20 June 2014, how many red light-speed cameras, fixed speed cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed camera units have been vandalised?
(b) How many of those were red light-speed cameras?
(c) How many of those were fixed speed cameras?
(d) How many of those were mobile speed cameras?
(e) How many were fixed point-to-point cameras?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1)  
(a) 30
(b) 16
   (i) • Canley Vale, Sackville Street
       • Alexandria, McEvoy Street
(c) 15

(i) Clunes, Bangalow Road
   • Wardell, Pacific Highway
   • Woy Woy, Ocean Road
   • Burringbar, Tweed Valley Road
   • Picnic Point, Henry Lawson Drive
   and (i) None.

(e) Two.

(i) • Raglan, Great Western Highway
   • Merriwa, Golden Highway

(2)
(a) 12.
(b) Five.
(c) Seven.
(d) None.
(e) One.

(3)
(a) Nine.
(b) Five.
(c) Two.
(d) None.
(e) None.

(4)
(a) Seven.
(b) Three.
(c) Two.
(d) None.
(e) None.

(5)
(a) Six.
(b) Three.
(c) Two.
(d) None.
(e) One.

5862 ROADS AND FREIGHT—ISSUING INFRINGEMENT NOTICE TIMEFRAMES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

How many days are there between the taking of the photograph of an offence by a Road and Maritime Services camera and the issuing of the infringement notice to the offender?

Answer—

I am advised: This is matter for the State Debt Recovery Office and should be directed to the Minister for Finance and Services.
FINANCE AND SERVICES—ISSUING INFRINGEMENT NOTICE TIMEFRAMES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Finance and Services—

How many days are there between the taking of the photograph of an offence by a Road and Maritime Services camera and the issuing of the infringement notice to the offender?

Answer—

OSR endeavours to issue penalty notices within 30 days of the date of offence (being the date the photograph was taken).

On average, penalty notices are issued 6.4 days from the date a photograph is taken of a camera detected offence.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—M9 CAMDEN TO HAWKESBURY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What is the completion date of the M9 from Camden to Hawkesbury?
(2) What will be the total cost?

Answer—

I am advised:

Corridor investigations for the M9 Outer Sydney Orbital are currently underway, and are expected to go on public display next year. Expected completion dates will be announced after the planning for the preferred corridor is finished.

There is an allocation in the 2014/15 budget of $4.6 million to progress planning for this corridor.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—F6 EXTENSION—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What is the completion date of the feasibility study into the F6 extension?
(2) What is the completion date of the F6 extension from Loftus to St Peters?
(3) What will be the total cost?
(4) When will the final route be determined?
(5) What portion of the F6 will be built underground?
(6) What portion of the F6 will be built above ground?
(7) How many lanes, in both directions, will there be on the F6?
(8) How many air filtration stacks will there be on the F6?
(9) Has the Government already determined proposed air filtration stacks on the F6?
(10) How will the F6 join the proposed "link road" between President Avenue, Kogarah and Tempe?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Government has directed WestConnex Delivery Authority to prepare a business case for a southern connection by the end of the year. The business case will outline strategic estimates including all potential timeframes. Consideration of the business case is the next step of the planning process.

Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime Services are collaborating to develop a feasibility study for options to improve access from the south to the Sydney Motorway Network, including the F6 connection to Loftus.

The study is to be considered by Government towards the end of 2014, and will inform the development of further plans and decisions.

NATURAL RESOURCES, LANDS AND WATER—NEEDLE'S GAP DAM—Mr Buckingham asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—

What information or data has the Government used to inform its decision to set aside $150 million in
funding for the Needle's Gap Dam?

Answer—
I am advised: A final capital budget will be determined upon completion of appropriate scoping and feasibility studies for a new dam at the Belubula River.

*5867 EDUCATION—ADULT EDUCATION PROVIDERS—Mr Buckingham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

How many adult education providers and facilities are there in each of the Lismore, Ballina, Richmond Valley, Byron, Tweed and Kyogle Local Government Areas?

Answer—
There are four Adult and Community Education (ACE) providers delivering government funded vocational education and training in the Lismore, Ballina, Richmond Valley, Byron, Tweed and Kyogle Local Government Areas. They are:

- ACE Community College, Lismore
- Ballina Region Community College
- Byron Region Community College
- Murwillumbah Adult Education Centre

*5868 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—ENVIRONMENT DATA REPOSITORY—Mr Buckingham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

Has a whole-of-environment data repository for all state environment data been established or is one being developed or investigated?

Answer—
A whole-of-environment data repository for all state environment data is being investigated by an interagency working group led by the Division of Resources & Energy of NSW Trade & Investment.

*5869 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—MINE SUBSIDENCE COMPENSATION FUND—Mr Buckingham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

How are the rates of contribution to the Mine Subsidence Compensation Fund for each colliery holding in the Mine Subsidence Compensation Amendment (Contributions) Regulation 2013 under the Mine Subsidence Compensation Act 1961 calculated?

Answer—
The Mine Subsidence Compensation Act 1961 levy is determined annually. The necessary contribution to the Mine Subsidence Compensation fund is determined by the Mine Subsidence Board members, with due financial consideration of current and potential claim liability, the Board's operations and other sources of income.

*5870 NATURAL RESOURCES, LANDS AND WATER—NAMOI WATER USE—Mr Buckingham asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—

(1) In the Water Sharing Plan for the Upper Namoi and Lower Namoi Regulated River Water Sources:
   (a) How many of the General Security Water Access Licences held are held by mining companies?
   (b) How many share components of the General Security Water Access Licences held are held by mining companies?
   (c) How many of the High Security Water Access Licences held are held by mining companies?
   (d) How many share components of the High Security Water Access Licences held are held by mining companies?
   (e) How many of the Supplementary Water Access Licences held are held by mining companies?
(f) How many share components of the Supplementary Water Access Licences held are held by mining companies?

(g) How much water was extracted in total in each of the years 2011, 2012 and 2013?

(h) How much water was extracted in each of the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 by mining companies?

(2) In the Water Sharing Plan for the Namoi Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources:

(a) What is the total number of Water Access Licences issued?

(b) How many of these are held by mining companies?

(c) What is the total number of Groundwater Access Licences held?

(d) How many of these are held by mining companies?

(e) How much water was extracted in total in each of the years 2011, 2012 and 2013?

(f) How much water was extracted in each of the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 by mining companies?

(3) What percentage of water stored in Keepit Dam since 1 July 2012 has been used by mining companies?

(4) What percentage of water stored in Split Rock Dam since 1 July 2012 has been used by mining companies?

(5) What are the details of any modelling which has been undertaken to assess the impact on the future availability of water to other users as a result of the water requirements of projected mining expansion in the Namoi region?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1)

(a) to (h) A water access licence allows licence holders to specified shares of water within a particular water management area and to take water at specified times, rates or circumstances from specified areas or locations. A water supply work approval authorises its holder to construct and use a specified water supply work at a specified location. There are various categories of water access licence (s.57 WMA).

The Water Sharing Plan for the Upper Namoi and Lower Namoi Regulated River Water Sources 2003 sets out the share components and volume of water access licence for general security, high security and supplementary water.

The Office of Water does not hold details on the specific business interests of licence holders.

Extraction for all categories reported by water year:

- 2010-11: 149,958.6 ML
- 2011-12: 128,271.7 ML
- 2012-13: 281,246.7 ML

(2)

(a) to (f) There are 288 water access licences issued and 35 groundwater access licences issued. There was 403ML of water extracted from groundwater sources for the water year 2012-13.

(3) to (5) Modelling is undertaken to support the development of water sharing plans which ensure the security of the State's water rights. Any water requirements for any new or expanded development of any kind must be obtained from the market from willing sellers.

Since September 2012, all new State Significant Development applications for mining and petroleum projects with the potential to affect agricultural resources or industries have been required to comply with the Aquifer Interference Policy.

An available water determination is made each year based on inflows and surplus water ensuring that these allocations are within the sustainable diversion limits set by the Murray-Darling Basin Agreement.
RESOURCES AND ENERGY—ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS FOR MINING AND PETROLEUM—Mr Buckingham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) How many enforcement actions for non-compliance with the Mining Act 1992 or the Petroleum (Onshore) Act 1991 have been undertaken since 1 December 2012?

(2) For any enforcement actions in (1):
   (a) What are the titles?
   (b) What are the Local Government Areas?
   (c) Who are the titleholders?
   (d) Who are the operators
   (e) When are or were the dates of action?
   (f) What are the Legislation Offences?
   (g) (i) Can a short summary of the issues be provided?
   (ii) If so, what are they?
   (h) What are the enforcement actions?
   (i) When are the enforcement dates?
   (j) What are the outcomes?

Answer—

The answer to these questions can be found at the following website: http://www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/miners-and-explorers/compliance-and-reporting/enforcement/enforcement-outcomes

RESOURCES AND ENERGY—COAL MINING ROYALTIES—Mr Buckingham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) What was the value of royalties received by the Government from the coal mining industry per annum for the last five years?

(2) What is the current total of unpaid royalties owed by the coal mining industry?

(3) Which coal mining corporations currently owe unpaid royalties?

(4) What is the total of fines for late or unpaid royalties which have been imposed on coal mining corporations since 1 March 2011?

(5) (a) Which coal mining corporations have received fines for late or unpaid royalties?
   (b) What was the amount of unpaid royalties in each case?

(6) What is the value of concessions made to the coal mining industry in the form of deductions of mining costs per annum for the last five years?

(7) Which coal mining corporations received concessions per annum during the last five years and how much did each receive?

Answer—

Over the last five years the NSW Government has benefited from more than $5.8 billion in royalties from the development of the State's coal reserves, including more than $1.2 billion in the 2012-13 financial year alone.

Mining royalties provide a significant contribution to the state, ensuring ongoing funding for the vital construction of vital infrastructure such as roads, schools and hospitals, as well as for the provision of crucial services including police, teachers, nurses and emergency personnel.
*5873 ENVIRONMENT—BRISBANE WATERS NATIONAL PARK—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1) What is the status of acquisition of the following properties at Bambara Road, Kariong for inclusion in the Brisbane Waters National Park:
   (a) Lot 229 to the east of Bambara Road Kariong
   (b) Lot 247 to the south of Bambara Road Kariong
   (c) Lot 251 to the south of Bambara Road Kariong
   (d) Lot 2502 to the south of Bambara Road Kariong

(2) What is the timeline for the completion of acquisition of the above four properties for inclusion in the Brisbane Waters National Park?

Answer—

(1) The Office of Environment and Heritage has received updated independent valuations for the subject lots, and is in the process of revising its land purchase offers based on fair market value.

(2) The voluntary acquisition of each lot at Bambara Road, Kariong, is dependent upon reaching agreement on commercial terms acceptable to the purchaser and vendor for each lot.

*5874 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT ON HOMELESSNESS—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) Can the Minister for Family and Community Services advise on the status of negotiations for an extension or new agreement following the end of the one-year 2013-14 extension to the National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH)?

(2) Given that the 2014-15 Commonwealth funding commitment to homelessness services is $44 million less than their contribution under the 2013-14 NPAH extension, what funding and service arrangements have the Government put in place to ensure the continuity of services being delivered under NPAH until a new partnership agreement is reached?

Answer—

The NSW Government has signed the 2014-15 National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH) with the Australian Government.

*5875 ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS—ABORIGINAL LAND CLAIMS—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—

(1) Regarding land claims under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983:
   (a) What is the average number of days taken to make a decision on a land claim?
   (b) How many claims are currently being considered?
   (c) How many claims have been made since March 2011?
   (d) How many claims have been determined since March 2011?
   (e) How many of these claims were denied?
   (f) How many of these claims were approved?
   (g) How many claims have been denied due to the land being declared to not be claimable Crown land because it is needed or is likely to be needed as residential land?

Answer—

As Minister for Aboriginal Affairs I have no role in the determination of land claims. The matters forming the basis of this question should therefore be referred to my colleague, the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, the Hon Kevin Humphries MP, in the first instance.
NATURAL RESOURCES, LANDS AND WATER — ABORIGINAL LAND CLAIMS — Ms Barham asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW —

(1) Regarding land claims under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983:

(a) What is the average number of days taken to make a decision on a land claim?
(b) How many claims are currently being considered?
(c) How many claims have been made since March 2011?
(d) How many claims have been determined since March 2011?
(e) How many of these claims were denied?
(f) How many of these claims were approved?
(g) How many claims have been denied due to the land being declared to not be claimable Crown land because it is needed or is likely to be needed as residential land?

Answer —

(1)

(a) The investigation of Land Claims is exhaustive due to the statutory requirements of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act. It is not possible to provide an average number of days taken per land claim.
(b) As at 3 June 2014, there are approximately 25,800 Aboriginal Land Claims awaiting determination.
(c) There have been 1609 claims lodged since March 2011.
(d) There have been 1188 claims determined since March 2011.
(e) There have been 1012 claims refused since March 2011.
(f) There have been 176 claims granted since March 2011.
(g) This type of specific data is not recorded within Crown Lands' databases.

NORTH COAST, REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES, SMALL BUSINESS, TOURISM AND MAJOR EVENTS, TRADE AND INVESTMENT — ABORIGINAL LAND CLAIMS — Ms Barham asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Small Business, and Minister for the North Coast —

(1) Regarding land claims under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983:

(a) What is the average number of days taken to make a decision on a land claim?
(b) How many claims are currently being considered?
(c) How many claims have been made since March 2011?
(d) How many claims have been determined since March 2011?
(e) How many of these claims were denied?
(f) How many of these claims were approved?
(g) How many claims have been denied due to the land being declared to not be claimable Crown land because it is needed or is likely to be needed as residential land?

Answer —

This is a matter for the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water. I understand the Minister provided an answer under Question No LC 5876.

ASSISTING THE PREMIER ON WESTERN SYDNEY, SPORT AND RECREATION, POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES — SPORT AND RECREATION EMPLOYMENT FIGURES — Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney —

(1) What is the Full Time Equivalent (FTE) service group figure including ex Olympic venues and for Corporate Areas for the Department of Sport and Recreation for the following financial years:
(a) 2012/13?
(b) 2013/14?

(2) What is the number of FTE staff in the Department of Sport and Recreation including staff providing administrative support to the Combat Sport Authority and casuals for the following financial years:
(a) 2012/13?
(b) 2013/14?

Answer—
Information on FTE numbers is provided in the NSW Budget Papers.

*5879 ASSISTING THE PREMIER ON WESTERN SYDNEY, SPORT AND RECREATION, POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—RACING FACILITY PROPOSALS—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1)
(a) Have you meet with any members of the Greyhound Racing Industry regarding the proposal for changes to current Greyhound Racing facilities that may be used for other purposes?
(b) If so, when and for which proposals?

Answer—
No.

*5880 ASSISTING THE PREMIER ON WESTERN SYDNEY, POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, SPORT AND RECREATION—COMBAT SPORTS ACT BREACHES—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) How many breaches have there been of the Combat Sports Act since March 2011?
(2) How many prosecutions have there been for breaches since March 2011?
(3) Has any other action been taken other than prosecutions for breaches of the Combat Sports Act?

Answer—
A review of the Combat Sports Act 2008 and its administration found that elements of the 2008 Act are not in line with current standards especially the penalty regime. It found that the NSW regulatory framework for amateur combat sport contests contains no effective mechanisms for deterring breaches or for taking enforcement action in response to such breaches.

This shortcoming, along with others, was addressed through legislative amendments passed by Parliament late last year. Industry stakeholders are currently being consulted on the Regulations and once they are finalised the new Act will come into effect.

*5881 ASSISTING THE PREMIER ON WESTERN SYDNEY, POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, SPORT AND RECREATION—STAFF POSITIONS COMBAT SPORT—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) How many full time equivalent staff positions are allocated for the administration for the Combat Sport Act within the Department of Sport and Recreation for the following financial years:
(a) 2011/12?
(b) 2012/13?
(c) 2013/14?

(2) How many of these staff positions were actually filled in the following financial years:
Answer—

Information on FTE numbers is provided in the NSW Budget Papers.

*5882 ASSISTING THE PREMIER ON WESTERN SYDNEY, POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, SPORT AND RECREATION—TICKETS TO SPORTING EVENTS—Ms Voltz asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) Has the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Reaction, and the Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney received any tickets for sporting events over the past 48 months from any business or corporate entities?

(2) If so, who were they from and to which sporting events?

Answer—

As the Minister for Sport and Recreation I attend many sporting events and I comply with the Ministerial Code of Conduct.

*5883 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—PUBLIC HOUSING TENANT RELOCATION—Ms Barham asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) How many public housing tenants have relocated to smaller properties since the introduction of the Vacant Bedroom Charge policy?

(2) How many of these tenants initiated the transfer request themselves, and how many transfers were initiated by Housing NSW?

(3) How many of these tenants received assistance with relocation costs from Housing NSW?

(4) How many of these tenants had all costs associated with relocation paid by Housing NSW?

(5) What is the total amount that has been spent by Housing NSW on relocation assistance to these tenants?

Answer—

The NSW Government is working to make the social housing system more transparent, fair and sustainable. The Vacant Bedroom Charge is applied to tenants who choose to continue to live in a property that has more bedrooms than they are entitled to when they have been offered alternative accommodation. More information about the Vacant Bedroom Charge is available on the Housing NSW website at http://www.housing.nsw.gov.au/

*5884 EDUCATION—NEW PRINCIPAL CLASSIFICATION STRUCTURE—Dr Kaye asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) When will the detailed role statements for Associate Principal be released?

(2) How will current P5/P6 principals be advertised up to 2016?

(3) What action has the Minister taken to provide staff that apply for principal positions with information about the way the role may change if they are accepted after 2016?

(4) (a) Will the $1.05 million Resource Allocation Model (RAM) allocated for the P1 category be indexed?

(b) Will it change from year to year?

(5) What happens if a principal wishes to be an Associate Principal but the community does not want one?
(6) Will the Associate Principal position be permanent or up review if circumstances change or the Associate Principal resigns or retires and their replacement does not wish to be an Associate Principal?

(7) What form will community consultation take?

(8) Where will an Associate Principal sit in relation to the Professional Standards?

(9) Would the Principal of the main school within a network of schools have the ability to move staff from school to school if they wish, even if the staff do not want to move schools?

(10) Will the role of a Student Administration Management in small schools change or be downgraded when that school becomes part of a network of schools?

(11) If Associate Principals are to have only two hours release from face to face teaching time per week, equal to that received by teachers, what reduced responsibilities will they have in order to do that administrative work in that time?

(12) Will the RAM funding for each school within the network be permitted to be rolled into another school within the network?

(13) (a) Has the Minister given consideration to the impacts of the new principal classification structure for those principals teaching in schools that attract incentive transfer points and who wish to move to a new school that may not have the attract the same RAM?

(b) Will their level of pay be retained?

Answer—

(1) A consultative group which includes representatives from the NSW Primary Principals’ Association is developing material in relation to the role of Associate Principals. The intention is to enable Associate Principals to have more time in the classroom teaching students and less time dealing with administrative issues and red tape.

(2) This will be determined in consultation with the relevant local community.

(3) The principal classification paper prepared by the Department of Education and Communities that sets out the rationale for the creation of the new Associate Principal classification can be viewed on the Department’s website at www.dec.nsw.gov.au/about-the-department/our-reforms. A number of fact sheets can be found on this website.

(4) (a) and (b) Funding thresholds that determine the new principal classification structure will be adjusted annually.

(5) Consultation between school leaders and their communities will occur with the support of Directors, Public Schools NSW.

(6) When a Teaching Principal position becomes vacant, the school community will be consulted about whether to appoint a Teaching Principal or an Associate Principal. Any decision to appoint an Associate Principal to a school would only be made after thorough consultation, including with the school community.

(7) Consultation between school leaders and their communities will occur with the support of Directors, Public Schools NSW.

(8) The Associate Principal, like other principals, does not have a formal /industrial link to the Professional Standards.

(9) Schools will be staffed in accordance with the staffing procedures.

(10) There have been no decisions to alter the school administrative and support allocations to small schools.

(11) Refer to 1.

(12) Under the Resource Allocation Model (RAM) funding is provided to schools to reflect the characteristics of individual schools and their students. Each school will receive their RAM allocation.

(13) (a) The capacity for principals to use an incentive transfer will not be reduced by the new principal
classification structure.

(b) New principals or those who 'opt in' from 2016 will be paid in accordance with the Resource Allocation Model thresholds for each classification level. Principals who 'opt in' but who would be paid less based on the Resource Allocation Model thresholds than they currently receive will receive salary maintenance for a period of three years.

Existing principals who choose to remain on the current classification structure will continue to receive salary outcomes based on that structure until the end of the 2020 school year.

*5885 EDUCATION—NORTH COAST INSTITUTE OF TAFE BUDGET—Dr Kaye asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) For each of the previous three budgets, what proportion of the North Coast of Institute of TAFE budget has been allocated to marketing?

Answer—

(1) TAFE NSW - North Coast Institute has allocated 1.2% of its budget to marketing over the past three financial years.

(2) Nil.

*5886 TREASURER—PORT BOTANY, PORT KEMBLA AND PORT OF NEWCASTLE LEASES—Dr Kaye asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

(1) What is the title reference and the lease registration numbers for the following:

(a) Port Botany lease?
(b) Port Kembla lease?
(c) Port of Newcastle lease?

Answer—

A table has been provided please see the Legislative Council Procedure Office.

*5887 TREASURER—PORT BOTANY AND PORT KEMBLA LEASES—Dr Kaye asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

What is the title reference and the lease registration numbers for the Port Botany and Port Kembla lease?

Answer—

Please see answer to question 5886.

*5888 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—HOUSING BUDGET—Ms Cotsis asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Family and Community Services—

(1) On Tuesday 17 June 2014, the Minister for Family and Community Services issued a media release providing details for how the 2014-15 Budget would affect the Family and Community Services portfolio. In this media release, the Minister for Family and Community Services states that in 2014-15 the Government would spend $207 million for capital maintenance to upgrade existing housing, and that this represents a 32 per cent increase compared to the last budget. What was the amount that the Government spent on capital maintenance to upgrade existing housing in 2013-14?

(2) On Tuesday 17 June 2014, the Minister for Family and Community Services issued a media release providing details for how the 2014-15 Budget would affect the Family and Community Services portfolio. In this media release, the Minister for Family and Community Services states that in 2014-15 the Government would spend $284 million for recurrent maintenance of public housing, and that this represents a 30 per cent increase compared to the last budget. What was the amount that the Government spent on recurrent maintenance of public housing in 2013-14?
I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information on expenditure on capital and recurrent maintenance items will be published in the 2013/14 Department of Family and Community Services Annual Report later in the year. More information is available at http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/

*5889  LOCAL GOVERNMENT—TALUS RESERVE—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—

(1)  (a) Is the Minister for Local Government aware of advice circulated to Willoughby councillors and others in June 2013 from Raymond Finkelstein QC concerning the use of Talus Reserve?
(b) If so, what actions has the Minister taken pursuant to this advice?

(2) What is the position of the Minister and the Department of Local Government regarding the legalities of the current use of Talus Reserve?

Answer—
Please refer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 5662.

*5890  PLANNING—WARKWORTH MINE—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1) What sort of assistance does the Department of Planning offer companies in producing their development applications?

(2)  (a) Does the Department of Planning offer personal meetings with either proponents or consultancy organisations working for the companies?
(b) If so, how much time would the Department usually offer?

(3) How much communication has the Department had with Rio Tinto or any companies working for Rio Tinto in regard to the Warkworth mine proposal?

(4) How many meetings?

(5) Where are the Environmental Impact Statement for the Warkworth mine from 2002?

(6) How are the terms of reference for each Planning Assessment Commission decided?

Answer—
I am advised:

The Department of Planning and Environment does not offer companies assistance in producing their development applications.

If the PAC is asked to determine a development application under Ministerial delegation, it is required to determine the application in accordance with the requirements in the EP&A Act.

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*5891  ROADS AND FREIGHT—4,000 PROJECTS IN 2014-15 BUDGET—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) On 16 June in a Tweet from @DuncsOffice; on national television during 2014-15 Budget 2014-15; and in the 17 June edition of the Daily Telegraph, the Minister for Roads and Freight referred to a list of more than 4,000 road, maritime and freight projects.

(a) What is the full list of the more than 4,000 roads, maritime and freight projects?
(b) What are the expected completion dates?
(c) What is the financial cost or budget figures?
Answer—

I am advised: The project list is publically available through the Roads and Maritime website.

*5892 ROADS AND FREIGHT—APPIN ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)

(a) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, what improvements has the Government made to Appin Road?

(b) How much was spent on:

(i) Resurfacing?
(ii) Barriers?
(iii) Sidings?
(iv) Overtaking lanes?
(v) Line-marking and re-marking?
(vi) Tree clipping, removal and vegetation removal along the route?

(2)

(a) How much was spent in 2011-12?

(b) Of that, how much was spent on:

(i) Resurfacing?
(ii) Barriers?
(iii) Sidings?
(iv) Overtaking lanes?
(v) Line-marking and re-marking?
(vi) Tree clipping, removal and vegetation removal along the route?

(3)

(a) How much was spent in 2012-13?

(b) Of that, how much was spent on:

(i) Resurfacing?
(ii) Barriers?
(iii) Sidings?
(iv) Overtaking lanes?
(v) Line-marking and re-marking?
(vi) Tree clipping, removal and vegetation removal along the route?

(4)

(a) How much was spent in 2013-14?

(b) Of that, how much was spent on:

(i) Resurfacing?
(ii) Barriers?
(iii) Sidings?
(iv) Overtaking lanes?
(v) Line-marking and re-marking?
(vi) Tree clipping, removal and vegetation removal along the route?

(5)

(a) How much is budgeted from 2014-15?

(b) Of that, how much is budgeted for:

(i) Resurfacing?
(ii) Barriers?
(iii) Sidings?
(iv) Overtaking lanes?
(v) Line-marking and re-marking?
(vi) Tree clipping, removal and vegetation removal along the route?
I am advised:

(1) to (4) Refer to my previous answers LA 3074 and LA 4302.

(5) Approximately $1.7 million will be spent on road safety improvement works in 2014-15.

*5893 ROADS AND FREIGHT—SCHOOL FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) On 13 March 2014, the Centre for Road Safety reported that 1,350 schools had flashing lights and more than 1,760 schools are awaiting installation. As of 1 July 2014, how many schools now have flashing lights?

(2) What is the projected number for completion by 31 December 2014?

(3) What is the projected number for completion by 31 January 2015?

(4) How much has been spent on flashing lights at schools between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014?

(5) How much was spent in 2011-12?

(6) How much was spent in 2012-13?

(7) How much was spent in 2013-14?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) 1,364

(2) and (3) All eligible schools in NSW will have a set of school zone flashing lights by 31 December 2015. This is anticipated to be around 3,000 schools.

(4) Approximately $23.7 million.

(5) Approximately $6.3 million.

(6) Approximately $8.7 million.

(7) Approximately $5.0 million.

*5894 ROADS AND FREIGHT—LEFT TURN AT RED LIGHTS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)

(a) Has the Minister for Roads and Freight or the Centre for Road Safety conducted any investigations or analysis of the proposal to allow motorists to turn left at red lights that are deemed suitable after stopping?

(b) If so, how many intersections in New South Wales would be suitable for such a plan?

(i) How many in Sydney?

(ii) How many in western Sydney?

(iii) How many in the inner-city?

(iv) How many in the Macarthur region, comprising Wollondilly, Camden, Macquarie Fields and Campbelltown electorates?

(v) How many in the Central Business District?

(vi) How many in Wollongong/Illawarra?

(vii) How many in Newcastle/Hunter?

(viii) How many in Central Coast?

(ix) How many on the mid-North Coast?

(x) How many on the North Coast, includes electorates of Lismore, Ballina and Tweed?

(xi) How many in the New England area?

(xii) How many in the Central West?

(xiii) How many in the far Western region of New South Wales?

(xiv) How many in southern New South Wales?

(xv) How many in the Riverina?
Answer—
I am advised:

(1)

(a) Refer to my previous answer for LA 5716.
(b) Roads and Maritime Services’ guidelines for installing ‘Left Turn On Red Permitted After Stopping’ signs take into consideration all associated safety aspects for each location. There are 301 sites across NSW with ‘Left Turn On Red’ installed.

*5895 ROADS AND FREIGHT—WATER CURTAIN ON TUNNEL ENTRANCES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many water curtains have been installed in New South Wales to alert truck drivers to height restrictions on tunnels?
   (a) If any, how many were installed in 2011 to 2012?
      (i) If so, where? Please list.
      (ii) What was the total cost?
   (b) If any, how many were installed in 2012 to 2013?
      (i) If so, where? Please list.
      (ii) What was the total cost?
   (c) If any, how many were installed in 2013-14?
      (i) If so, where? Please list.
      (ii) What was the total cost?

Answer—
I am advised: There is one water curtain in NSW. It was installed in 2006 at the southbound entrance to the Sydney Harbour Tunnel at a cost of $440,000.

*5896 ROADS AND FREIGHT—REAR END SMASHES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many rear end accidents have occurred at intersections with red-light speed cameras?
   (b) How many resulted in injuries?
   (c) How many resulted in deaths?
   (d) What are the top 20 locations in New South Wales?

(2) In 2011-12, how many rear end accidents have occurred at intersections with red-light speed cameras?
   (b) What were the top 20 locations in New South Wales?

(3) In 2012-13, how many rear end accidents have occurred at intersections with red-light speed cameras?
   (b) What were the top 20 locations in New South Wales?

(4) In 2013-14, how many rear end accidents have occurred at intersections with red-light speed cameras?
   (b) What were the top 20 locations in New South Wales?

Answer—
I am advised: Records are not kept in a format compatible with extracting the specific information requested Analysis would not provide a valid indicator of red-light speed camera performance or crash
trends. Additionally, analysis of data from the final quarter of 2013 to July 2014 cannot be relied upon as road crash safety data is incomplete or not yet finalised.

*5897 ROADS AND FREIGHT—PACIFIC HIGHWAY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) As of 1 April 2011, how much of the 677 kilometre Pacific Highway, from Hexham to the Queensland border, was dual divided carriageway?

(2) As of 1 July 2011, how much of the Pacific Highway was dual divided carriageway?

(3) As of 1 July 2012, how much of the Pacific Highway was dual divided carriage way?

(4) As of 1 July 2013, how much of the Pacific Highway was dual divided carriage way?

(5) As of 1 July 2014, how much of the Pacific Highway was dual divided carriage way?

(6) As of 1 July 2014, what is the expected completion date of the Pacific Highway as dual divided carriageway?

Answer—

I am advised: The Federal and NSW governments are committed to upgrading the remaining sections of the Pacific Highway to dual divided carriageway by the end of the decade. Completion of the Sapphire to Woolgoolga upgrade this year, and the completion of the Tintenbar to Ewingsdale upgrade expected 2015, means 63 per cent of the highway upgrade will be completed.

(1) and (2) As at 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2011, 337 kilometres.

(3) 346 kilometres.

(4) 368 kilometres.

(5) 381 kilometres.

(6) About 58 per cent of the total 657 kilometres of highway is open to traffic and another 21 per cent is under construction or due to start shortly.

*5898 ROADS AND FREIGHT—PARTICULATE MATTER READINGS IN THE M5 EAST TUNNEL—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many of the particulate matter reading levels in the M5 have exceeded acceptable levels?

(2) In 2011-12, how many of the particulate matter reading levels in the M5 have exceeded acceptable levels?

(3) In 2012-13, how many of the particulate matter reading levels in the M5 have exceeded acceptable levels?

(4) In 2013-14, how many of the particulate matter reading levels in the M5 have exceeded acceptable levels?

(5) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how much has the Government spent on improving filtration and pollution levels in the tunnel?

(6) In 2011-12, how much has the Government spent on improving filtration and pollution levels in the tunnel?

(7) In 2012-13, how much has the Government spent on improving filtration and pollution levels in the tunnel?

(8) In 2013-14, how much has the Government spent on improving filtration and pollution levels in the tunnel?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Two.

(2) to (4) In accordance with the then Minister for Planning's Conditions of Consent to construct the M5 East tunnel, Roads and Maritime Services reported particulate (PM10) exceedances on 21 October 2013 and 8 November 2013. These exceedances were caused by high levels of particulates across
Sydney from bushfires. Information about M5 East out-of-tunnel air quality program and recent exceedances, is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

(5) Approximately $4.82 million.
(6) Approximately $1.57 million.
(7) Approximately $1.2 million.
(8) Approximately $1.35 million.

*5899 ROADS AND FREIGHT—YAMBA OFFICE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) (a) Since 1 January 2014, how many times has the Yamba office of the Maritime Service been closed?
(b) What are the exact dates?
(c) What were the reasons for the closures?
(2) As of 1 January 2014, how many people were employed at the office?
(3) As of 1 July 2014, how many people are employed at the office?
(4) How many licences did the Yamba office issue in 2011-12?
(5) How many licences did the Yamba office issue in 2012-13?
(6) How many licences did the Yamba office issue in 2013-14?
(7) As of 1 July 2014, if the Yamba office is closed, where is the nearest point of service?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1) (a) 31.
(b) 17/4, 24/4, 28/4, 1/5, 25, 5/5, 8/5, 9/5, 12/5, 15/5, 16/5, 19/5, 22/5, 23/5, 26/5, 29/5, 30/5, 2/6, 5/6, 6/6, 12/6, 13/6, 16/6, 19/6, 20/6, 23/6, 26/6, 27/6, 30/6, 3/7, 4/7.
(c) Yamba Maritime Office is annexed to Grafton and Maclean Registries. In April, a number of staff employed in these offices gained employment elsewhere. New staff have since been recruited.

(2) 1 part time person attached to Grafton Registry.
(3) 1 part time person attached to Grafton Registry.
(4) 1,926.
(5) 1,502.
(6) 873.

(7) Maritime counter services are available at Grafton and Maclean Registries, online, over the phone, and renewals can be paid at any Westpac branch, including the Westpac branch in Yamba.

*5900 ROADS AND FREIGHT—TRANSPORT AND ROADS JOBS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) (a) How many people were employed in Transport for NSW as of 1 April 2011?
(b) How many people were employed in Transport for NSW as of 1 July 2014?
(c) Of those staff, how many were at the senior executive level (SES) level?
(d) What is the total staff remuneration of those staff?

(2) (a) How many people were employed at Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) as of 1 April 2011?
(b) Of those staff, how many were at the SES level?
(c) What is the total staff remuneration of those staff?

(3)
(a) How many people were employed at Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) as of 1 April 2011?
(b) How many people were employed at Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) as of 1 July 2014?
(c) Of those staff, how many were at the SES level?
(d) What is the total staff remuneration of those staff?

(4)
(a) How many people were employed at RTA in its North Sydney offices as of 1 April 2011?
(b) How many people were employed at RTA in its North Sydney offices as of 1 July 2014?
(c) Of those staff, how many were at the SES level?
(d) What is the total staff remuneration of those staff?

(5)
(a) How many people were employed at RMS in its North Sydney offices as of 1 April 2011?
(b) How many people were employed at RMS in its North Sydney offices as of 1 July 2014?
(c) Of those staff, how many were at the SES level?
(d) What is the total staff remuneration of those staff?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1)
(a) There were nil people employed in Transport for NSW as of 1 April 2011. Transport for NSW was established on 1 November 2011.
(b) 3027
(c) 248
(d) $64,984,233

(2)
(a) There were nil people employed at Roads and Maritime Services as of 1 April 2011. Roads and Maritime was established on 1 November 2011.
(b) and (c) N/A

(3)
(a) 9,760
(b) Nil - Roads and Traffic Authority no longer existed as an entity
(c) to (d) N/A

(4)
(a) 956
(b) Nil - Roads and Traffic Authority no longer existed as an entity
(c) and (d) N/A

(5)
(a) There were nil people employed at Roads and Maritime Services as of 1 April 2011. Roads and Maritime was established on 1 November 2011.
(b) 663
(c) 43
(d) $11,184,073

*5901 ROADS AND FREIGHT—M9 BREAKDOWN OF EXPENDITURE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
In the 17 June 2014 edition of the Sydney Morning Herald, the Minister for Roads and Freight said a preferred corridor for the M9 would be identified by the end of the year; would go on display next year and the preferred corridor would be determined by 2016.

(a) When will actual construction begin?
(b) What is the breakdown of the $4.6 million commitment for the M9 Outer Sydney Orbital?
(c) What will it provide in regard to:
   (i) Camden?
   (ii) Hawkesbury?
   (iii) Londonderry?
   (iv) Mulgoa?
   (v) Riverstone?

Answer—
I am advised:
$4.6 million has been allocated in the 2014-15 NSW budget to identify and reserve a corridor to serve the long term multi-modal transport needs of Western Sydney.
This will include constraints mapping, scoping broad corridor options and understanding demand for different section of this corridor including both road and freight rail.
An M9 motorway in an Outer Sydney Orbital corridor would significantly improve the safety and efficiency of north-south travel in Western Sydney.

5902 ROADS AND FREIGHT—19 TRANSPORT CORRIDORS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) In the 17 June 2014 edition of the Sydney Morning Herald, the Minister for Roads and Freight referred to 19 transport corridors as part of the 2012 Long Term Transport Master Plan.
   (a) What are the 19 corridors? Please list.
   (b) Where is the beginning of the route?
   (c) Where is the end of the route?
   (d) What is the date of completion of the identified route?
   (e) What is the timetable for public display?
   (f) What is the finalised and preferred corridor?
   (g) What is the estimated date for the beginning of construction?
   (h) What is the budgeted cost for the actual construction in today's dollars?
   (i) What is the estimated cost in the actual construction in dollars at the time of construction?

Answer—
I am advised:
The Long Term Transport Master Plan identifies 19 major transport corridors that are either protected or require investigation in Greater Sydney.
A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
All works have been or will be subject to public consultation.

5903 ROADS AND FREIGHT—PARTICULATE MATTER READINGS IN THE M5 EAST TUNNEL AND THE OFFICE OF THE NSW CHIEF SCIENTIST AND ENGINEER—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Has the Office of the NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer provided any advice or reports on the air filtration scheme that is in operation in the M5 East Tunnel?
   (a) What is the full title and publication date of each report?
   (b) How much did each report cost?
   (c) What were the findings of each report?
   (d) How many recommendations were there in each report?
(c)  
(i) How many of those recommendations were accepted?  
(ii) Of those, how many were enacted?  

(f)  
(i) How many of those recommendations were rejected?  
(ii) Why were they rejected?  

Answer—  
I am advised: The NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer is currently reviewing two reports for Roads and Maritime Services, but has not provided any advice or reports on the air filtration scheme to date.

*5904 ROADS AND FREIGHT—PARTICULATE MATTER READINGS IN THE M5 EAST TUNNEL AND CLOSURE OF THE TUNNEL—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)  
(a) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many times has the M5 East Tunnel been closed due to unhealthy, unacceptable or poor air quality levels?  
(b) As a pattern, what is the worst of the four seasons for unacceptable levels in regard to air quality?  
(c) What is the highest level of particulate matter readings recorded in the M5 East Tunnel between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014?  
(d) How long was it between the reading and closure of the tunnel to motorists?  

(2) In 2011-12, how many times has the M5 East Tunnel been closed due to unhealthy, unacceptable or poor air quality levels?  

(3) In 2012-13, how many times has the M5 East Tunnel been closed due to unhealthy, unacceptable or poor air quality levels?  

(4) In 2013-14, how many times has the M5 East Tunnel been closed due to unhealthy, unacceptable or poor air quality levels?  

Answer—  
I am advised:  
The M5 East tunnel was not closed at any time between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014 due to unhealthy, unacceptable or poor air quality levels.  
The tunnel air quality has remained within acceptable levels during all seasons.  
Particulate matter for the M5 East tunnel is measured at the stack and ambient stations located in the Bardwell Valley. Records of particulate matter readings are available on an interactive map on the Roads and Maritime Services' website.

*5905 ROADS AND FREIGHT—OVERHEIGHT TRUCK DAMAGE TO ROADS AND TUNNELS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)  
(a) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many trucking companies have been forced to pay for damage to roads or tunnel infrastructure as a result of accidents caused by over height vehicles?  
(b) What were the exact dates of the incidents?  
(c) How much did each company have to pay towards this damage?  
(d) Did this cover the cost of the damage in regard to each incident?  

(2) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, what was the total amount in fines?  

(3)  
(a) If companies did not pay for the full damage bill, why not?  
(b) Which companies did not pay? Please list.
(4) How many over height trucks have had accidents in tunnels in New South Wales between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014? Please list them by location and date.

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) (a) and (b) Since my previous response, LA 4964, there has been one additional over height vehicle incident on 30 January 2014 at Eastern Distributor.
(c) and (d) RMS does not hold this information. Airport Motorways Limited, the private motorway operator of the Eastern Distributor, is pursuing the cost of repairs from the truck operator.

(2) This question should be directed to the Minister for Finance and Services.
(3) RMS does not hold this information.
(4) There were nine accidents involving over height trucks in New South Wales tunnels between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014. Details are below.

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*5906 ENVIRONMENT—HEAVY VEHICLE DANGEROUS GOODS OFFENCES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many heavy vehicles transporting dangerous goods in tunnels have received infringement notices?
(2) In 2011-12, how many heavy vehicles transporting dangerous goods in tunnels have received infringement notices?
(3) In 2012-13, how many heavy vehicles transporting dangerous goods in tunnels have received infringement notices?
(4) In 2013-14, how many heavy vehicles transporting dangerous goods in tunnels have received infringement notices?
(5) What is the maximum penalty drivers can receive for this offence?
(6) How many drivers have received this maximum penalty?
(7) (a) Can vehicles, such as fuel tankers, go into tunnels if they are not fully loaded?
(b) If so, what is the maximum percentage of their load they can carry into these tunnels?

Answer—
I am advised as follows:
The NSW Police Force, Roads and Maritime Services and the EPA monitor prohibited routes.
The highest relevant penalty notice is $2,000 for an individual and $10,000 for a corporation.

The drivers were not fined in the above cases as the companies organising the transport were determined to be responsible.

(a) No, unless they are totally free of dangerous goods.
(b) Not applicable.

*5907 ROADS AND FREIGHT—TRUCK SPEED LIMITERS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many trucks have been found to have speed limiters that were not working?

(2) In 2011-12, how many trucks have been found to have speed limiters that were not working?

(3) In 2012-13, how many trucks have been found to have speed limiters that were not working?

(4) In 2013-14, how many trucks have been found to have speed limiters that were not working?

(5) What is the maximum penalty that offending operators and drivers can receive for driving with speed limiters that are not working?

Answer—

(1)

(a) 407 were non-compliant.
(b) This information is not currently recorded.

(2) 30 were non-compliant.

(3) 143 were non-compliant.

(4) 234 were non-compliant.

(5) Section 60 of the Heavy Vehicle National Law (NSW) prescribes a maximum penalty of $6,000 for the contravention of a heavy vehicle standard relating to a speed limiter.

Under the Road Transport Act 2013, the maximum penalty for an individual is 30 penalty units, equal to $3,300. The maximum penalty for a corporation is 150 penalty units, equal to $16,500.


*5908 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NORTHCONNEX—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

As of 1 July 2014, what is the exact number of homes and businesses needed to be acquired for Northconnex?

Answer—

I am advised: It is currently determined that the NorthConnex project will require total or partial acquisition of 51 properties.

*5909 ROADS AND FREIGHT—SYDNEY AIRPORT TRAFFIC—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1) How much of the $500 million announced in the 29 June 2014 media statement regarding a traffic upgrade at Sydney Airport will come from the Government?
(2) How much from the Federal Government?
(3) How much from other sources and what are those sources?
(4) Not including consultation and feasibility studies, when will construction begin on the upgrade?
(5) When will actual construction begin on Marsh Street?
(6) When will actual construction begin on Joyce Drive?
(7) When will actual construction begin on O'Riordan Street?
(8) When will actual construction begin on General Holmes Drive?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) to (3) Refer to my media release of 29 June 2014. The remaining money will be funded by Sydney Airport Corporation.
(4) to (5) Construction is due to start on the first stage of works at Marsh Street by 2015, pending project approval.
(6) Construction on Joyce Drive is due to start in 2016.
(7) Timing for the start of construction on O'Riordan Street is yet to be determined.
(8) Construction on General Homes Drive is due to start in 2016.

*5910 ROADS AND FREIGHT—OLD REMEMBRANCE ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)
(a) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many accidents have occurred on Old Remembrance Road near Yanderra?
(b) What were the top five reasons for those accidents?
(c) How many of those resulted in injuries?
(d) How many have resulted in death?

(2) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, what steps has the Government taken to improve safety on Old Remembrance Road?

(3) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how much has the Government spent to reduce accidents on Old Remembrance Road?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) (1)
(a) There is no Old Remembrance Road near Yanderra. The Old Hume Highway turns into Remembrance Drive through Yanderra and becomes Remembrance Driveway. There were 11 crashes on Remembrance Drive in Yanderra during 1 April 2011 to 1 July 2014.
(b) The circumstances of these crashes included:
   • turning vehicles
   • loss of control or leaving the road on a bend
   • hitting an animal
   • head on
   • leaving the road on a straight.
(c) Six crashes resulted in injury only.
(d) Two crashes resulted in a death.
In 2012-13, Roads and Maritime Services provided funding to Wollondilly Shire Council to widen and improve delineation on Remembrance Driveway at Tahmoor and for improvements intersection at Remembrance Driveway and Panorama Street at Bargo.

In 2012-13, for the improvements Roads and Maritime Services provided $273,000 at Tahmoor and $67,000 at Bargo. From 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2014, Roads and Maritime Services also provided $400,000 for maintenance on Remembrance Driveway between Yanderra and Narellan, to help improve safety.

5911 ROADS AND FREIGHT—SPEED ADVISOR APP—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much did the speed advisor app cost to develop?
(2) How many people have downloaded it since it was made available to New South Wales motorists?
(3) How many complaints has the Government received about the speed advisor being inaccurate?
(4) (a) Has Transport for NSW received any legal advice on the legality of operating the device while the vehicle is in motion?
   (b) If so, what was the result of that legal advice?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) The cost of developing the trial app was $90,000.
(2) The Speed Adviser trial app has been downloaded over 52,500 times (as of 24 June 2014).
(3) There have been 19 reported possible speed zone errors from the mapped data of the entire state. Transport for NSW actively requested customers to report errors.
(4) (a) Yes.
   (b) Advice has been incorporated into the Speed Adviser's terms of use, to clearly state the conditions under which a driver's aid like Speed Adviser may be used in accordance with the NSW Road Rules.

5912 ROADS AND FREIGHT—POTHOLES AND MAINTANANCE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) In 2011-12, how much did the Government provide to local councils in New South Wales to provide maintenance and repair work for local roads?
(2) In 2012-13, how much did the Government provide to local councils in New South Wales to provide maintenance and repair work for local roads?
(3) In 2013-14, how much did the Government provide to local councils in New South Wales to provide maintenance and repair work for local roads?
(4) In 2014-15, how much is the Government going to provide to local council in New South Wales to provide maintenance and repair work for local roads?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) $162.2 million
(2) $167.4 million
(3) $171.2 million
(4) $174.3 million.

5913 ROADS AND FREIGHT—JENOPTIK AUSTRALIA CONTRACT—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1) Regarding the contract between Roads and Maritime Services and Jenoptik published on 6 November 2013 for Stage 2 mobile speed cameras for the period 15 October 2013 to 31 March 2017:
   (a) What services is Jenoptik providing for the $32.235 million?
   (b) What is the breakdown of the top five categories of service?

(2) How much has the Roads and Maritime Services asked Jenoptik to collect in speed camera notices?

(3) Has the Government set Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for Jenoptik?
   (a) If so:
      (i) What happens if it does not meet these KPIs?
      (ii) What happens if it meets these KPIs?

(4) Are there any incentives, bonuses or "rewards", if they exceed their KPIs?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1) Jenoptik is providing the following services for the duration of the contract:
   • Deployment services (development and commissioning of mobile speed camera system)
   • Vehicles and technology (including hardware and software)
   • Certification services
   • Personnel
   • Enforcement Operations (delivery of enforcement hours, and operational services)
   • Maintenance (infrastructure, vehicles, hardware and software)
   • Project requirements (administrative and reporting services)
   • Technical requirements (image and system functionality, evidence handling, network and system security)
   • Signage
   • Vehicle Decals.

(2) Nil.

(3) Yes.
   (a) (i) Deductions in contract payments apply.
       (ii) Payment is made in full for services provided.

(4) No.
Wales via mobile speed cameras?

(4)

(a) In 2013-14, how much did the Government collected from mobile speed cameras in New South Wales?

(b) What were the top 10 suburbs or locations for detecting speeding violations in New South Wales via mobile speed cameras?

Answer—
I am advised:
The Office of State Revenue website provides information on speeding infringements for speed camera programs in NSW, which includes mobile speed cameras. Since 1 May 2013, all revenue generated from mobile speed cameras has been directed into the Community Road Safety Fund.
The intention of the mobile speed camera program is to reduce road trauma, speed-related crashes and speeding across the whole road network through the use of anywhere, anytime enforcement.
Mobile speed cameras are deployed around the state based on road safety needs in each region. This is determined by specific evidence such as crash history, information about speeding and police intelligence.

*5915 ROADS AND FREIGHT—JENOPTIK MOBILE SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)

(a) Has the Government directed or issued any confidentiality measures involving Jenoptik, operator of mobile speed cameras in New South Wales, and their contact with the media, the general public or members of parliament including Opposition and Cross bench parliamentarians?

(b) If so:
(i) What are those instructions?
(ii) Who do they apply to?
(iii) Who do they contact to alert the Government about said approaches?
(iv) What happens if Jenoptik violates or breaks the confidentiality agreement?
(v) Do these restrictions apply to individual mobile speed camera operators?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1)

(a) and (b)
(i) The Agreement between the Government and Jenoptik requires Jenoptik to obtain prior approval before engaging in any communication about the services it provides to Roads and Maritime Services.
(ii) All Jenoptik staff.
(iii) The Roads and Maritime representative for the Agreement.
(iv) Jenoptik would be in breach of the Agreement. This could trigger a cause for remedy under the Agreement.
(v) Yes.

*5916 ROADS AND FREIGHT—MOBILE SPEED CAMERAS AND CRIMINAL CHECKS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)

(a) What measures or criminal checks are in place for the mobile speed camera operators, such as those recently advertised by Forsythes Recruitment?

(b) If so:
Do they need experience in operating speed cameras?
Are they former or current serving police officers?
Are they subject to any integrity testing?

Answer—
I am advised:
The Agreement between the NSW Government and Jenoptik requires all successful applicants for operator positions to undergo criminal checks and background checks.
Training is provided by Jenoptik for successful applicants. The NSW Government verifies training completion before the operator is permitted to operate the speed camera for enforcement purposes.

5917 ROADS AND FREIGHT—COMMUNITY ROAD SAFETY FUND—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
The Community Road Safety Fund commenced from 1 May 2013.
(1) How much has been collected between 1 May 2013 and 1 July 2014?
(2) How has that been dispersed?
(3) What are the top 10 categories for dispersal?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) The Community Road Safety Fund for the period 1 May 2013 to 30 June 2014 collected funding totaling $309,672,000. This comprised of fines collected totaling $150,144,000 and consolidated revenue totaling $159,528,000.
(2) Community Road Safety Funds have been dispersed to support road safety initiatives.
(3) • Enhanced Police enforcement
• Safer Roads program
• State Blackspot program
• Random drug testing
• Public education/awareness
• Road safety education
• Local government road safety program
• Speed camera enforcement
• Safety around schools, including flashing lights
• Youth road safety, including the Safer Drivers Course.

5918 ROADS AND FREIGHT—FAULTY RED LIGHT, SPEED AND MOBILE CAMERAS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1)
(a) Is there a protocol to respond to faulty red light, speed or mobile speed cameras?
   (b) If so,
      (i) What is the protocol?
      (ii) Where does one access the protocol?

(2)
(a) Between 1 April 2011 and 1 July 2014, how many speed cameras, red light cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed cameras have been found to be faulty or had issues related to accuracy or calibration?
(b) What were the sites of those cameras?
(c) How many notices were issued by those cameras?
(d) How many notices have been revoked?
(e) How many motorists have had points and fines restored?
(f) How many notices have not been revoked and left to stand without notifying motorists?
(g) How many points have not been restored and left to remain on a motorists driving record?

(3)
(a) In 2011-12, how many speed cameras, red light cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed cameras have been found to be faulty or had issues related to accuracy or calibration?
(b) What were the sites of those cameras?
(c) How many notices were issued by those cameras?
(d) How many notices have been revoked?
(e) How many motorists have had points and fines restored?
(f) How many notices have not been revoked and left to stand without notifying motorists?
(g) How many points have not been restored and left to remain on a motorists driving record?

(4)
(a) In 2012-13, how many speed cameras, red light cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed cameras have been found to be faulty or had issues related to accuracy or calibration?
(b) What were the sites of those cameras?
(c) How many notices were issued by those cameras?
(d) How many notices have been revoked?
(e) How many motorists have had points and fines restored?
(f) How many notices have not been revoked and left to stand without notifying motorists?
(g) How many points have not been restored and left to remain on a motorists driving record?

(5)
(a) In 2013-14, how many speed cameras, red light cameras, point-to-point cameras and mobile speed cameras have been found to be faulty or had issues related to accuracy or calibration?
(b) What were the sites of those cameras?
(c) How many notices were issued by those cameras?
(d) How many notices have been revoked?
(e) How many motorists have had points and fines restored?
(f) How many notices have not been revoked and left to stand without notifying motorists?
(g) How many points have not been restored and left to remain on a motorists driving record?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1) Yes. Roads and Maritime Services has an internal Quality Management System accredited by the National Association of Testing Authorities, which includes management of all 'non-conformance' associated with the operation of camera systems.

(2)
(a) Refer to my previous answer LA 4300.
(b) to (g) None.

(3) to (5) None.

*5919 ROADS AND FREIGHT—AVERAGE TIME FOR CLEARING MAJOR TRAFFIC—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Parramatta Road near Concord at around June 2011?
(2) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Parramatta Road near Concord at around June 2014?
(3) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Parramatta Road near Central Station and the University of Sydney at around June 2011?
(4) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Parramatta Road near Central Station and the University of Sydney at around June 2014?

(5) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Victoria Road at around June 2011?

(6) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Victoria Road at around June 2014?

(7) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the M4 at around June 2011?

(8) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the M4 at around June 2014?

(9) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the M1 or F3 at around June 2011?

(10) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the M1 or F3 at around June 2014?

(11) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the F6 Freeway at around June 2011?

(12) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the F6 Freeway at around June 2014?

(13) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the M5 at around June 2011?

(14) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the M5 at around June 2014?

(15) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the M7 at around June 2011?

(16) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the M7 at around June 2014?

(17) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the Camden Valley Way at around June 2011?

(18) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the Camden Valley Way at around June 2014?

(19) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Narellan Road at around June 2011?

(20) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Narellan Road at around June 2014?

(21) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the Hume Highway at around June 2011?

(22) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the Hume Highway at around June 2014?

(23) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the King Georges Road at around June 2011?

(24) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the King Georges Road at around June 2014?

(25) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the Princes Highway at around June 2011?

(26) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on the Princes Highway at around June 2014?

(27) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on General Holmes Drive at around June 2011?

(28) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on General Holmes Drive at around June 2014?

(29) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Taren Point Road at around June 2011?

(30) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Taren Point Road at around June 2014?

(31) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Rocky Point Road at around June 2011?
(32) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Rocky Point Road at around June 2014?
(33) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Acacia Road at around June 2011?
(34) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Acacia Road at around June 2014?
(35) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on River Road at around June 2011?
(36) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on River Road at around June 2014?
(37) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Heathcote Road at around June 2011?
(38) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Heathcote Road at around June 2014?
(39) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Forest Road at around June 2011?
(40) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Forest Road at around June 2014?
(41) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Stoney Creek Road at around June 2011?
(42) What was the average time for clearing major traffic incidents on Stoney Creek Road at around June 2014?

Answer—
I am advised:
Transport for NSW defines a major traffic incident as an accident or breakdown for which the total time to respond, clear and restore the site and close the incident is more than four hours. Closure of the incident may occur well after the impact on traffic has been cleared.

The average time for clearing major traffic incidents on these roads was:

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ROADS AND FREIGHT—CENTRE FOR ROAD SAFETY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How many people are employed within the Centre for Road Safety?

(2)  
(a) How many were employed as at 1 April 2011?
(b) How many were employed to do media or prepare for media activity of the Government?

(3)  
(a) How many were employed as at 1 July 2014?
(b) How many were employed to do media or prepare for media activity of the Government?

(4) What is the total budget for the Centre for Road Safety?

(5) How much of that goes on salaries?

(6) What is the salary of the general manager of the Centre for Road Safety?

(7)  
(a) Is there still a road toll response package team?
(b) If so:
   (i) How many are there on the team?
   (ii) What is their total salary package?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1) 74

(2)  
(a) 106 (includes Crashlab staff who remained at Roads and Maritime Services)
(b) 0

(3)  
(a) 74
(b) 0

(4) This information is available in the Budget Papers.

(5) 4.8 percent of the 2013-14 Community Road Safety Budget was resourcing costs.

(6) This information is detailed in Transport for NSW Annual Report.

(7) No, these functions have been absorbed across Centre for Road Safety and Roads and Maritime.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—DRIVER REVIVER PROGRAM—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What amount of funding was provided by the Government to the Driver Reviver program for the following financial years:
   (a) 2011-12?
   (b) 2012-13?
   (c) 2013-14?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1)
(a) $345,000
(b) $367,000
(c) $264,000

*5922 ROADS AND FREIGHT—PEDESTRIAN DEATHS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)
(a) How many pedestrians were killed on New South Wales roads in 2011?
(b) How many of those were in Sydney?
(c) How many of those were in Wollongong?
(d) How many of those were in Newcastle?
(e) How many of those were on the Central Coast?

(2)
(a) How many pedestrians were killed on New South Wales roads in 2012?
(b) How many of those were in Sydney?
(c) How many of those were in Wollongong?
(d) How many of those were in Newcastle?
(e) How many of those were on the Central Coast?

(3)
(a) How many pedestrians were killed on New South Wales roads in 2013?
(b) How many of those were in Sydney?
(c) How many of those were in Wollongong?
(d) How many of those were in Newcastle?
(e) How many of those were on the Central Coast?

(4)
(a) How many pedestrians were killed on New South Wales roads from 1 January 2014 to 1 July 2014?
(b) How many of those were in Sydney?
(c) How many of those were in Wollongong?
(d) How many of those were in Newcastle?
(e) How many of those were on the Central Coast?

(5) What is the Government doing to reduce the number of pedestrian related accidents and deaths in New South Wales such as education or awareness campaigns?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1)
(a) 49
(b) 25
(c) 3
(d) 0
(e) 6

(2)
(a) 55
(b) 25
(c) 2
(d) 0

*5923 ROADS AND FREIGHT—COONABARABRAN BYPASS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has the Government spent on the proposed Coonabarabran bypass?
   (b) How much of that was Federal funding?
   (c) How much of that was on route selection?
   (d) How much of the funding was spent on planning and feasibility?

(2) How much has been dedicated to the Coonabarabran bypass in the 2014-15 budget?
   (b) How much of that is Federal funding?
   (c) How much of that is for route selection?
   (d) How much of the funding is for planning and feasibility?

(3) When will construction begin?

(4) When will the Coonabarabran bypass be completed?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) Federal funding of $509,000 was spent on planning feasibility and route selection in 2003-04 and 2004-05.
(2) to (4) There is no funding allocated to construction for Coonabarabran bypass in 2014-15.

*5924 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NORTHERN BEACHES TUNNEL PROJECT—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget to the Northern Beaches Tunnel?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) Is there any funding from Federal or Commonwealth sources in this project?
   (b) If so, how much?
Answer—
I am advised:
(1) $5 million has been allocated in 2014-15 for a Northern Beaches Tunnel Feasibility Study.
(2) and (3) The $5 million in funding will be used for planning and feasibility investigations.
(4) to (6) Construction commencement, completion and actual costs are dependent on the planning phase of the project.
(7) No.

*5925 ROADS AND FREIGHT—MONA VALE ROAD, MCCARRS CREEK ROAD TO POWDER WORKS ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget to the Mona Vale Road, Mc Carrs Creek Road to Powder Works Road?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal or Commonwealth sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

*5926 ROADS AND FREIGHT—MONA VALE ROAD, MANOR ROAD TO FOLEY STREET—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget to the Mona Vale Road, Manor Road to Foley Street project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction commencement, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.

(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

5927 ROADS AND FREIGHT—PROSPECT HIGHWAY AND BLACKTOWN ROAD WIDENING, RESVOIR ROAD TO ST MARTINS CRESCENT—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget to the Prospect Highway and Blacktown Road Widening, Reservoir Road to St Martins Crescent project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
    (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

5928 ROADS AND FREIGHT—SHOWGROUND ROAD, OLD NORTHERN ROAD TO CARRINGTON ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Showground Road, Old Northern Road to Carrington Road project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
    (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction commencement, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.
ROADS AND FREIGHT—SMART MOTORWAYS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Smart Motorways project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin on the project?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) How much of the funding is from the Commonwealth?
(8) How much of the funding is from the Government?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) and (8) Planning is funded by the Federal Government on a 50:50 basis.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—BRINGELLY ROAD, KING STREET TO NORTHERN ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Bringelly Road, King Street to Northern Road project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project? 
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) Yes, the Federal contribution is 80 per cent of the total project cost.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—THE NORTHERN ROAD, PETER BROCK DRIVE TO MERSEY ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the The Northern Road, Peter Brock Drive to Mersey Road project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)  
  (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
  (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) Yes, $4 million in 2014-15.

*5932 ROADS AND FREIGHT—THE NORTHERN ROAD, CAMDEN VALLEY WAY TO PETER BROCK DRIVE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the The Northern Road, Camden Valley Way to Peter Brock Drive project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)  
  (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
  (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) Yes, $8 million for 2014-15.

*5933 ROADS AND FREIGHT—THE NORTHERN ROAD, MERSEY ROAD TO THE M4 MOTORWAY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for The Northern Road, Mersey Road to the M4 Motorway project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers. Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.

*5934 ROADS AND FREIGHT—CAMPBELLTOWN ROAD, CAMDEN VALLEY WAY TO DENHAM COURT ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Campbelltown Road, Camden Valley Way to Denham Court Road project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

*5935 ROADS AND FREIGHT—JANE STREET EXTENSION—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Jane Street Extension project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) Construction, start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) Yes, $500,000 in 2014-15.

*5936 ROADS AND FREIGHT—MEMORIAL AVENUE, OLD WINDSOR ROAD TO WINDSOR ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Memorial Avenue, Old Windsor Road to Windsor Road project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

*5937 ROADS AND FREIGHT—SCHOFIELDS ROAD STAGE 3, VERON ROAD TO RICHMOND ROAD VIA SOUTH STREET—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Schofields Road Stage 3, Veron Road to Richmond Road via South Street project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.

*5938 ROADS AND FREIGHT—GARFIELD ROAD, WINDSOR ROAD TO RICHMOND ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Garfield Road, Windsor Road to
Richmond Road project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) 
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.

*5939 ROADS AND FREIGHT—WYONG ROAD, MINGARA DRIVE TO TUMBI ROAD UPGRADE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Wyong Road, Mingara Drive to Tumbi Road upgrade project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) 
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The funding allocation is for planning and to start early works.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) Early works will start in 2015.
(5) to (6) Completion and actual costs depend on start of the planning phase of the project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

*5940 ROADS AND FREIGHT—CORMORANT ROAD, INDUSTRIAL DRIVE TO STOCKTON BRIDGE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Cormorant Road, Industrial Drive to Stockton Bridge project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)  
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.

*5941 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEWCASTLE INNER CITY BYPASS, RANKIN PARK TO JESMOND—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Newcastle Inner city Bypass, Rankin Park to Jesmond project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)  
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.

*5942 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY, BELFORD TO GOLDEN HIGHWAY DUPLICATION—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the New England Highway, Belford to Golden Highway duplication project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)  
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?
Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.

*5943 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY, SINGLETON BYPASS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the New England Highway, Singleton Bypass project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
     (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.

*5944 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY, GOWRIE GATES, WIDEN RAIL UNDERPASS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the New England Highway, Gowrie Gates, Widen Rail Underpass project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
     (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.

*5945 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY, SCONE BYPASS AND RAIL LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the New England Highway, Scone bypass and rail level crossing removal project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) 
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) 
(a) Yes.
(b) $2 million in 2014-15.

*5946 ROADS AND FREIGHT—PACIFIC HIGHWAY (M1) EXTENSION TO RAYMOND TERRACE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Pacific Highway (M1) extension to Raymond Terrace project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) 
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

*5947 ROADS AND FREIGHT—OXLEY HIGHWAY TO KEMPSEY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Oxley Highway to Kempsey project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)

(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) and (2) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) Refer to the Roads and Maritime Services project webpage.
(5) and (6) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(7)

(a) Yes.
(b) $190.5 million in 2014-15.

*5948 ROADS AND FREIGHT—WARRELL CREEK TO URANGA PACIFIC HIGHWAY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Warrell Creek to Uranga - Pacific Highway project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)

(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) Planning is being finalised.
(3) Not applicable.
(4) Please refer to the Roads and Maritime Services project webpage.
(5) and (6) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(7) Yes, all the funding is from the Federal Government in 2014-15.
ROADS AND FREIGHT—COFFS HARBOUR BYPASS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Coffs Harbour bypass project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7)
(a) Yes.
(b) None in 2014-15.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—PRINCES MOTORWAY, MOUNT OUSLEY ROAD CLIMBING LANES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Princes Motorway (Mount Ousley Road) Climbing Lanes project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Yes, $1 million in 2014-15.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—PRINCES MOTORWAY INTERCHANGE AT BASE OF MOUNT OUSLEY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Princes Motorway Interchange at Base of Mount Ousley project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
   (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
   (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

5952 ROADS AND FREIGHT—ALBION PARK RAIL BYPASS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Albion Park Rail bypass project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
   (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
   (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

5953 ROADS AND FREIGHT—FOXGROUND AND BERRY BYPASS, TOOLIJOOA ROAD TO SOUTH BERRY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Foxground and Berry Bypass, Toolijooa Road to South Berry project?
(2) Has the cost of the project increased, since it was originally proposed?
(3) Why has the cost increased?
(4) In reference to the allocation for 2014-15:
   (a) How much of that is for planning?
   (b) How much of that is for feasibility?
(c) When will actual physical construction begin?
(d) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(e) What is the estimated completion date?
(f) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(g) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) Yes.
(3) The initial $510 million cost estimated in 2012 dollars before the project went to tender and further detailed planning was carried out. The updated cost of $580 million incorporates inflation and other costs which will enable the bypass to open in 2018.

(4)
(a) Nil. Planning is complete.
(b) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(c) Physical construction will start 2015.
(d) The estimated cost is $580 million.
(e) The estimated completion date is 2018.
(f) There is no Federal funding for this project.
(g) Nil.

*5954 ROADS AND FREIGHT—BERRY TO BOMADERRY UPGRADE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for the Berry to Bomaderry Upgrade project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) No.

*5955 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NOWRA BRIDGE OVER SHOALHAVEN RIVER—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Nowra Bridge over Shoalhaven River project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
When will actual physical construction begin?
What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
What is the estimated completion date?

(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—

(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction commencement, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7)
(a) Yes.
(b) $2 million in 2014-15.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—DIGNAMS CREEK REALIGNMENT—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Dignams Creek realignment project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—

(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) Federal funding is not available for this project.

ROADS AND FREIGHT—MITCHELL HIGHWAY, GOANNA HILL REALIGNMENT—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Mitchell Highway, Goanna Hill realignment project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—

I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

*5958 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY, BOLIVIA HILL UPGRADE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for New England Highway, Bolivia Hill upgrade project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—

I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) to (6) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(7)
(a) Yes.
(b) $5 million for 2014-15.

*5959 ROADS AND FREIGHT—NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY, TENTERFIELD HEAVY VEHICLE BYPASS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for New England Highway, Tenterfield Heavy Vehicle Bypass project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7)
(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning.
(3) Feasibility is complete.
(4) Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project.
(5) Yes, $890,000 in 2014-15

*5960 ROADS AND FREIGHT—QUEANBEYAN BYPASS, ELLERTON DRIVE EXTENSION—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Queanbeyan Bypass, Ellerton Drive Extension project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) Physical construction is due to begin at the end of 2015.
(5) The estimated cost is $50 million.
(6) The project is estimated to be complete in 2017.
(7) Yes, $25 million.

*5961 ROADS AND FREIGHT—SUMMERLAND WAY, ADDITIONAL CLARENCE RIVER CROSSING—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Summerland Way, Additional Clarence River Crossing project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised: A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers. Construction start, completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of each project. For further information, refer to the project page on Roads and Maritime Service website.
*5962 ROADS AND FREIGHT—OXLEY HIGHWAY, GUNNEDAH BRIDGE OVER RAIL—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Oxley Highway, Gunnedah Bridge over Rail project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
    (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The allocation is for planning and to start early works.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) Early works will start in 2015.
(5) and (6) Completion and actual costs depend on completion of the planning phase of the project
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

*5963 ROADS AND FREIGHT—COBB HIGHWAY, NEW BRIDGE AT ECHUCA-MOAMA—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Cobb Highway, New Bridge at Echuca-Moama project?
(2) How much of that is for planning?
(3) How much of that is for feasibility?
(4) When will actual physical construction begin?
(5) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?
(6) What is the estimated completion date?
(7) (a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?
    (b) If so, how much?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) A detailed breakdown of capital investment is contained in the Budget Papers.
(2) The full allocation is for planning.
(3) Nil. Feasibility is complete.
(4) Early works will start in 2015.
(5) and (6) Completion and actual costs depend on the planning phase of the project.
(7) There is no Federal funding for this project.

*5964 ROADS AND FREIGHT—ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES LEGAL COSTS—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) (a) As of 1 July 2014, how many people are employed within Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) as lawyers, legal advisers and legal support staff?
(b) What is the total budget of the legal affairs department in RMS?

(2) How much did RMS spend on internal staff legal costs in 2011-12?

(3) How much did RMS spend on legal costs involving external consultants in 2011-12?

(4) How much did RMS spend on internal staff legal costs in 2012-13?

(5) How much did RMS spend on legal costs involving external consultants in 2012-13?

(6) How much did RMS spend on internal legal costs in 2013-14?

(7) How much did RMS spend on legal costs involving external consultants in 2013-14?

(8)  
(a) What was the largest single settlement of costs against the RMS in 2011?
(b) What was the date, other party and settlement details?

(9)  
(a) What was the largest single settlement of costs against the RMS in 2012?
(b) What was the date, other party and settlement details?

(10)  
(a) What was the largest single settlement of costs against the RMS in 2013?
(b) What was the date, other party and settlement details?

(11)  
(a) What was the largest single settlement of costs against the RMS between 1 January 2014 and 1 July 2014?
(b) What was the date, other party and settlement details?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1)  
(a) Roads and Maritime legal branch comprises:
   • 16 Full-Time Equivalent lawyers, including 15 permanently deployed by Transport for NSW under a shared services arrangement
   • 9 Full-Time Equivalent support staff, including 7 permanently deployed by Transport for NSW under a shared services arrangement.
(b) The total budget for the current year is not finally determined but is anticipated to be approximately $6,590,000.

(2) $4,340,000. This includes internal legal staff costs for the legal divisions in the former Roads and Traffic Authority and the former Maritime Authority.

(3) $19,241,575. This excludes GST and costs of $281,089 paid to the Crown Solicitor's Office.

(4) $7,070,000.

(5) $18,533,326. This excludes GST and costs of $264,785 paid to the Crown Solicitor's Office.

(6) $5,071,000.

(7) $20,022,457. This excludes GST and costs of $195,543 paid to the Crown Solicitor's Office.

(8) The largest single settlement of costs against Roads and Maritime Services in 2011 was in the matter of Inspector Jones v Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW, in the Industrial Court of NSW on 13 September 2011. The parties involved were WorkCover and Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW. The amount paid was $32,535.69.

(9) The largest single settlement of costs awarded against Roads and Maritime Services in 2012 was in the matter of Brock v Roads and Maritime Services, in the Court of Appeal, in the judgment dated 11 December 2012. The amount paid was $322,999.05.

(10) The largest single settlement of costs against Roads and Maritime Services in 2013 was in the matter of Palfrey (RMS) v South Penrith Sand and Soil Pty Ltd, in the Supreme Court, in the judgment dated 12 December 2013. The amount paid was $32,500 plus GST.
(11) The largest single settlement of costs awarded against Roads and Maritime Services in 2014 was in the matter of Willoughby City Council v Roads and Maritime Services, in the Land and Environment Court, in the judgment dated 10 February 2014. The amount paid was $400,000.

*5965 ROADS AND FREIGHT—BELLS LINE OF ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) In light of the Minister for Roads and Freight's 17 June statement in Parliament's Question time that: "We have a record $5.5 billion infrastructure budget. It is the biggest infrastructure budget ever of any State in this country. Not one dollar of it is dependent upon the leasing of poles and wires", why is the Member for Bathurst (Western Advocate, 16 June 2014 page 3) linking the upgrade of the Bells Line of Road to the sale of electricity poles and wires?

(2) How much has been allocated in the 2014-15 budget for Bells Line of Road?

(3) How much of that is for planning?

(4) How much of that is for feasibility?

(5) How much is for actual construction work?

(6) What is the estimated cost of the actual project?

(7) What is the estimated completion date?

(8)

(a) Is there any funding from Federal sources in this project?

(b) If so, how much?

Answer—

(1) On 11 June 2014, the Premier announced the NSW Government will unlock $20 billion in infrastructure funding including $6 billion for regional NSW. Rebuilding NSW will support a Regional Roads Fund. Infrastructure NSW is now working on recasting the State Infrastructure Strategy, ensuring every corner of the state benefits from Rebuilding NSW.

(2) Refer to 2014-15 Budget papers.

(3) and (4) Feasibility studies are being undertaken as part of the planning process ($5 million of the $48 million commitment).

(5) and (6) The $43 million will be spent on delivering a program of improvement works for the Bells Line of Road.

(7) The first stage of works is expected to be completed by October 2014, weather permitting. This is one of seven overtaking lanes currently proposed for the Bells Line of Road between Kurrajong Heights and Mount Tomah over the next four years.

(8) No.

*5966 ROADS AND FREIGHT—INCIDENT CLEARING TIMES—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What is the key performance indicator for the Transport Management Centre to clear an incident on the 25 identified principal transport routes in the Greater Sydney Region?

(2) What is the key performance indicator for the Transport Management Centre to clear a major traffic incident?

(3) What are the 25 identified principal transport routes and the number of incidents? Please list.

(4) What are the average clearance times for:

(a) 2011-12?

(b) 2012-13?

(c) 2013-2014?

(d) 1 January 2014 to 1 July 2014?

Answer—

I am advised:
and (2) Within Sydney, the Transport Management Centre works to achieve key performance indicators of an average 40 minutes clearance time for 98 per cent of incidents on 25 identified Principal Transport Routes, and four hours for major traffic incidents. These key performance indicators are usually achieved.

(3) The 25 identified Principal Transport Routes, together with the total number of incidents that occurred in June 2014, are:

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(4) The average clearance times for 98 per cent of incidents that occurred on the 25 Principal Transport Routes was:

(a) 2011-12: 38.37 minutes
(b) 2012-13: 38.15 minutes
(c) 2013-14: 37.56 minutes
(d) 1 January to 1 July 2014: 37.56 minutes.

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*5967 ROADS AND FREIGHT—LIVE TRAFFICE NSW APP—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—*

(1)

(a) Are there any plans to link the Live Traffic NSW website with mobile apps?
(b) If so:
   (i) When? Please provide timetable.
   (ii) How will that occur?

Answer—

I am advised:

The iPhone app which complements the Live Traffic NSW website was launched in July 2011, with iPad and Android versions launched in September 2012.

Information regarding apps is publicly available at www.livetraffic.com.
There is a link on the Live Traffic NSW website to the mobile phone apps. The Live Traffic NSW website and mobile apps provide identical information.

*5968 ROADS AND FREIGHT—TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT CENTRE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

As of 1 July 2014, how many live traffic cameras are connected or linked to the NSW Transport Management Centre? Please list them.

Answer—

I am advised:

The Transport Management Centre has access to 1613 traffic cameras located across NSW, of which 910 belong to Transport for NSW. TMC staff can view traffic using the other 703 cameras, which are owned by private motorway operators, but cannot move or manipulate them.

In addition, there are 86 web cameras that are visible on the Live Traffic NSW website for customers to view, 24 hours a day.

The full list of the 1613 camera locations is:

A table has been provided please see the Legislative Council Procedure Office.

*5969 ROADS AND FREIGHT—REPAIRS TO CANTERBURY ROAD—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) When did the work begin on repairs to Canterbury road between King Georges Road at Wiley Park and Jeffrey Street?

(2) When is it scheduled to finish?

(3) Why is the work being delayed or the deadline extended?

(4) (a) What repairs are being undertaken?

(b) What are the details of the repairs?

(5) What is the total cost of the repairs?

Answer—

(1) 1 April 2014.

(2) Late September 2104.

(3) The work deadline was extended due to the poor condition of the concrete slabs. The slabs could not be assessed before work started because the concrete was covered by asphalt. Once the asphalt was removed, the extent of concrete repairs was determined. This increased the scope and duration of the work.

(4) The repair work includes:

- Milling off the existing asphalt.
- Concrete slab repairs.
- Installing bicycle-safe drainage grates.
- Adjusting utilities. • Kerb and gutter repairs.
- Diamond grinding of concrete.
- Asphalt re-surfacing in selected locations which are not suitable for diamond grinding.
- Line marking.

(5) $3.6 million.

*5970 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—JAYWALKING IN SYDNEY—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
(1) How many people have been fined in Sydney for jaywalking in 2011-12?
(2) How many people have been fined in Sydney for jaywalking in 2012-13?
(3) How many people have been fined in Sydney for jaywalking in 2013-14?
(4) How many people have been fined in Sydney for jaywalking between 1 January 2014 and 1 July 2014?
(5) How many people have been cautioned by police in Sydney for jaywalking in 2011-12?
(6) How many people have been cautioned by police in Sydney for jaywalking in 2012-13?
(7) How many people have been cautioned by police in Sydney for jaywalking in 2013-14?
(8) How many people have been cautioned by police in Sydney for jaywalking between 1 January 2014 and 1 July 2014?
(9) What is the current penalty for jaywalking in New South Wales?

Answer—
I am advised by the NSW Police Force that ‘jaywalking’ is not a specific legal term used in the Road Rules 2008. The COPS system is an operational database not a statistical one. The NSW Police Force is unable to provide accurate data in the terms requested. The penalty for pedestrian offences is contained in Road Rules 2008.

*5971 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—JAYWALKING IN NEWCASTLE—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) How many people have been fined in Newcastle for jaywalking in 2011-12?
(2) How many people have been fined in Newcastle for jaywalking in 2012-13?
(3) How many people have been fined in Newcastle for jaywalking in 2013-14?
(4) How many people have been fined in Newcastle for jaywalking between 1 January 2014 and 1 July 2014?
(5) How many people have been cautioned by police in Newcastle for jaywalking in 2011-12?
(6) How many people have been cautioned by police in Newcastle for jaywalking in 2012-13?
(7) How many people have been cautioned by police in Newcastle for jaywalking in 2013-14?
(8) How many people have been cautioned by police in Newcastle for jaywalking between 1 January 2014 and 1 July 2014?

Answer—
I am advised by the NSW Police Force that ‘jaywalking’ is not a specific legal term used in the Road Rules 2008. The COPS system is an operational database not a statistical one. The NSW Police Force is unable to provide accurate data in the terms requested.

*5972 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—JAYWALKING IN WOLLONGONG—Mr Secord asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

(1) How many people have been fined in Wollongong for jaywalking in 2011-12?
(2) How many people have been fined in Wollongong for jaywalking in 2012-13?
(3) How many people have been fined in Wollongong for jaywalking in 2013-14?
(4) How many people have been fined in Wollongong for jaywalking between 1 January 2014 and 1 July 2014?
(5) How many people have been cautioned by police in Wollongong for jaywalking in 2011-12?
(6) How many people have been cautioned by police in Wollongong for jaywalking in 2012-13?
(7) How many people have been cautioned by police in Wollongong for jaywalking in 2013-14?
(8) How many people have been cautioned by police in Wollongong for jaywalking between 1 January 2014 and 1 July 2014?

Answer—

I am advised by the NSW Police Force that ‘jaywalking’ is not a specific legal term used in the Road Rules 2008. The COPS system is an operational database not a statistical one. The NSW Police Force is unable to provide accurate data in the terms requested.

*5973 ENVIRONMENT—SILVER GULLS IN SYDNEY HARBOUR—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

(1) What action is the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) taking to remedy the dramatic fall in the numbers of silver gull breeding pairs on the Five Islands, following its research that established there were about 30,000 breeding pairs in 1988 and the numbers have rapidly declined to 3,854 in 2012?

(2) What research is OEH undertaking to investigate the cause of this decline?

(3) What consideration has been given to the impact of programs that involve the systematic destruction of eggs and deterrents such as oiling of eggs, netting of habitat, watering and shooting of starters pistols to stop silver gulls breeding on harbour islands such as Cockatoo (Sydney Harbour Trust), Snapper and Goat Islands?

(4) Has consideration been given to the impact of the ongoing levelling, clearing and walling of the harbour foreshore on population of bird species including silver gulls?

(5) Does OEH have an overall plan for the management and protection of the silver gull population in Sydney harbour?

(6) What steps are being taken to ensure that there are sufficient juveniles that survive culls in place around Sydney Harbour?

(7) What consideration is given to the ongoing protection and viability of the silver gull in Sydney Harbour when licences to harm are considered?

(8) Does OEH have any standards in relation to the type and quality of netting to cover breeding areas of silver gulls and rocks?

(9) What, if any, supervision requirements are there over any netting installed in breeding areas to ensure birds are not trapped?

(10) Is permission required by OEH to net breeding areas of silver gulls in the Sydney Harbour region?

(11) What action has or will be taken by OEH in relation to the netting of the rock area at Glebe Island which is of a material that has caused harm to individual birds by entrapment and subsequent death?

(12) What is the procedure that is followed before the issue of a licence to harm?

(13) On determination of each licence to harm, is consideration given to the cumulative impact of multiple licences for the same species?

(14) What consideration has been given to making public information about licences to harm that have been issued to improve transparency and accountability in the process?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

The population of silver gulls in NSW, including at Sydney Harbour, Five Islands Nature Reserve and Montague Island, is monitored. The number is significant and small localised changes are not expected to affect the viability of the species.

It is sometimes necessary to deter silver gulls from nesting at certain sites. A license to harm may be issued under s121 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 to authorise deterrence activities. Before issuing a license NPWS must be satisfied that there is genuine threat to human safety, damage to property, or economic hardship.

OEH has previously investigated Mr Shoebridge MLC's concerns regarding netting at Glebe Island. As I advised Mr Shoebridge MLC earlier this year, no evidence of a risk in relation to netting has been identified.
More information on licenses to harm and native species in NSW is available at www.environment.nsw.gov.au.

*5974 PLANNING—PRE-GATEWAY REVIEW—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1) In view of the answers to Questions on Notice dated 1 July 2014, what is the status of the review into the pre-gateway review process?

(2) What are the Terms of Reference for the review?

(3) 
(a) Are public submissions being solicited as part of the review process?
(b) If so, where is this being publicised?
(c) If not, why not?

(4) When will the report from the review be released?

(5) Will the report be made public?

Answer—
Please refer to the previous answer provided to Question on Notice number 5721.

*5975 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—MID WESTERN REGIONAL COUNCIL—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—

(1) 
(a) Has the Department of Local Government provided advice to the Mid Western Regional Council as to steps it can or should take to deal with the fact that the Council has been the subject of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) search warrants?
(b) If so, has the Mid Western Regional Council followed the Department of Local Government's advice?
(c) If the Mid Western Regional Council has not followed the Department of Local Government's advice, why not?

(2) What advice has been given by the Department of Local Government to the Mid Western Regional Council as to steps it can and should take to deal with the fact that the Council has been the subject of ICAC search warrants?

(3) What action is the Minister for Local Government taking to ensure that local residents in Mid Western regional Council are being informed of the ICAC search warrants?

Answer—
It is not the role of the Office of Local Government or the Minister for Local Government to provide advice on an Independent Commission Against Corruption search warrant.

*5976 PLANNING—WARKWORTH CONTINUATION PROJECT DELEGATION—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1) What representations did the Minister for Planning receive regarding delegating the decision on the Warkworth Continuation project?

(2) 
(a) What advice did the Minister receive regarding the delegation of this decision?
(b) If advice was received, what was the substance of that advice?
(c) Who provided the advice?
(d) If no advice was sought, why not?

(3) Did the Minister speak with, or in any other way communicate with, the proponent or any agent of the proponent regarding the delegation?

(4) What consideration was given to the fact that such a delegation removes appeal rights?
(5) Is it possible for the Minister to withdraw the delegation?

Answer—
I am advised: Details of delegations are available on the Department of Planning & Environment's website at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.

*5977 PLANNING—WARKWORTH CONTINUATION PROJECT WORKING GROUPS—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1) What working groups did the Department of Planning participate in as part of the development of the final application for the mine at Warkworth?
(2) Who was on the working groups?
(3) When did they meet?
(4) Were minutes taken in these meetings?

Answer—
I am advised: The Department convened two working groups for the Warkworth Continuation Project. These working groups were with the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and the other with the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and included representatives from the Department of Planning & Environment, EPA, OEH, Rio Tinto, Cumberland Ecology, and Minter Ellison.

*5978 PLANNING—WARKWORTH CONTINUATION PROJECT - SECRETARY'S REQUIREMENTS AND REPORTS—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1) What assessment has the Department for Planning undertaken to verify claims in the technical assessments that there will be no additional dust impacts as a result of the mine development at Warkworth?
(2) When were the Secretary's requirements for the proposed development issued?
(3) When did the Secretary's requirements go to print?
(4) What impact will the proposed development have on Aboriginal cultural heritage in the area?
(5) What assessment has the Department undertaken to verify claims in the technical assessments that the noise impacts as a result of the mine development will be acceptable?

Answer—
I am advised: The assessment process has only just begun. The Secretary's requirements were issued on 22 May 2014, and put on the Department's website on 23 May 2014. The Department is currently undertaking its assessment of the project.

*5979 PLANNING—WARKWORTH CONTINUATION PROJECT - DAVID KITTO—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1) How many meetings has David Kitto from the Department of Planning had with the proponent of the development at Warkworth?
(2) What was the purpose of the meetings?
(3) When were the meetings held?
(4) Who attended the meetings?

Answer—
I am advised: Several meetings were held between representatives from the Department of Planning and Environment and various stakeholders in the project over the course of 2013 and 2014.

*5980 PLANNING—MOUNT THORLEY CONTINUATION PROJECT DELEGATION—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1) What representations did the Minister for Planning receive regarding delegating the decision on the
Mount Thorley continuation project?

(2)
(a) What advice did the Minister receive regarding the delegation of this decision?
(b) If advice was received, what was the substance of that advice?
(c) Who provided the advice?
(d) If no advice was sought, why not?

(3) Did the Minister speak with, or in any other way communicate with, the proponent or any agent of the proponent regarding the delegation?

(4) What consideration was given to the fact that such a delegation removes appeal rights?

(5) Is it possible for the Minister to withdraw the delegation?

Answer—
I am advised: Details of delegations are available on the Department of Planning & Environment's website at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.

*5981 PLANNING—MOUNT THORLEY CONTINUATION PROJECT WORKING GROUPS—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
(1) What working groups did the Department of Planning participate in as part of the development of the final application for the mine at Mount Thorley?
(2) Who was on the working groups?
(3) When did they meet?
(4) Were minutes taken in these meetings?

Answer—
I am advised: The Department convened one working group for the Mount Thorley Continuation Project. This working group was with the Environment Protection Authority (EPA), and included representatives from the Department of Planning & Environment, EPA, Rio Tinto, and EMGA.

*5982 PLANNING—MOUNT THORLEY CONTINUATION PROJECT - DAVID KITTO—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
(1) How many meetings has David Kitto from the Department of Planning had with the proponent of the development at Mount Thorley?
(2) What was the purpose of the meetings?
(3) When were the meetings held?
(4) Who attended the meetings?

Answer—
I am advised: Several meetings were held between representatives from the Department of Planning and Environment and various stakeholders in the project over the course of 2013 and 2014.

*5983 PLANNING—MOUNT THORLEY CONTINUATION PROJECT - SECRETARY'S REQUIREMENTS AND REPORTS—Mr Shoebridge asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
(1) What assessment has the Department for Planning undertaken to verify claims in the technical assessments that there will be no additional dust impacts as a result of the mine development at Mount Thorley?
(2) When were the Secretary's requirements for the proposed development issued?
(3) When did the Secretary's requirements go to print?
(4) What impact will the proposed development have on aboriginal cultural heritage in the area?
(5) What assessment has the Department undertaken to verify claims in the technical assessment that the
noise impacts as a result of the development will be acceptable?

Answer—

I am advised: The assessment process has only just begun. The Secretary's requirements were issued on 22 May 2014, and put on the Department's website on 23 May 2014. The development application will be on public exhibition until 6 August 2014. The Department is still reviewing the environmental impact statement (EIS), and carrying out its assessment work.

*5984 EDUCATION—GONSKI FUNDING—Ms Fazio asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) The Federal Government's recent budget indicates that it does not intend to fund the so called "Gonski" funding increases for schools from 2017. For each of the following public schools what is the difference in dollar terms between the amount that could have been expected had the model been implemented as proposed under the agreement between the previous Commonwealth Government and New South Wales and what is the amount that would be provided without the model for the following periods:

(a) 2017-18:

(i) Berridale Public School?
(ii) Bombala High School?
(iii) Bombala Public School?
(iv) Braidwood Central School?
(v) Bredbo Public School?
(vi) Bungendore Public School?
(vii) Captains Flat Public School?
(viii) Cooma North Public School?
(ix) Cooma Public School?
(x) Dalgety Public School?
(xi) Jerrabomberra Public School?
(xii) Jindabyne Central School?
(xiii) Queanbeyan East Public School?
(xiv) Queanbeyan High School?
(xv) Queanbeyan Public School?
(xvi) Queanbeyan South Public School?
(xvii) Queanbeyan West Public School?
(xviii) Monaro High School?
(xix) Karabar High School?
(xx) Bibbenluke Public School?
(xxi) Adaminaby Public School?
(xxii) Jerangle Public School?
(xxiii) Captains Flat Public School?
(xxiv) Delegate Public School?
(xxv) Sutton Public School?
(xxvi) Bemboka Public School?

(b) 2018-19:

(i) Berridale Public School?
(ii) Bombala High School?
(iii) Bombala Public School?
(iv) Braidwood Central School?
(v) Bredbo Public School?
(vi) Bungendore Public School?
(vii) Captains Flat Public School?
(viii) Cooma North Public School?
(ix) Cooma Public School?
(x) Dalgety Public School?
(xi) Jerrabomberra Public School?
Answer—

The Commonwealth's 'Gonski model' is not responsible for directly funding NSW government schools. The Resource Allocation Model is the needs-based mechanism that distributes funding to all NSW government schools.

*5985 ROADS AND FREIGHT—FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR THE KINGS HIGHWAY—Ms Fazio asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1)  
(a) What will be the total allocation of funds for the Kings Highway (from all programs) for the 2014-15 financial year?  
(b) What is the expected allocation for 2015-16?

(2)  
(a) In the answer to Steve Whan's previous question (no. 5654) it was indicated that information on the timetable for widening the Kings Highway in the 90km/h section of the road to the immediate west of the Clyde Mountain was "available on the Kings Highway project page at www.rms.nsw.gov.au". The web site does not include a timetable for construction of this section of road (listed as road shoulder widening and additional overtaking Lane from River Forest Road to Mongarlowe River Road and shoulder widening Mongarlowe River to Warrambucca Creek). When will the upgrading of these sections of road commence?  
(b) How long it will take?  
(c) What is the cost of the project?

(3) Is the full cost of this upgrade included in the $20 million announced funding for the Kings Highway safety package?

(4) In making the commitment to provide $25 million in funding to the Ellerton Drive extension in Queanbeyan what agreement has been made with Queanbeyan City Council regarding the use of contributions from the developers of Googong whose developer contributions were scheduled to meet the majority of the cost for the road?

(5) What assurances has the Minister for Roads and Freight sought to ensure that the developer funds will be able to be utilised for other projects to benefit the people of Queanbeyan and to ensure that State funding is not replacing developer contributions?

(6) What planning has the Roads and Maritime Services done in regard to the future capacity of the intersection of Tompsitt Drive and Lanyon Drive in Queanbeyan?

(7)  
(a) What impact will the construction of the Ellerton Drive extension have on the roundabout?  
(b) What impact will the approval of Tralee have on the roundabout?  
(c) When is it expected that the roundabout will reach capacity?

(8)
(a) What funds have been allocated for upgrading the intersection to traffic lights?
(b) When will this take place?

Answer—
I am advised:

(1)  
(a) About $15.6 million.
(b) About $9.5 million.

(2)  
(a) The upgrade of the Kings Highway between River Forest Road and Mongarlowe River is due to start in late 2014. Planning for the Kings Highway between Mongarlowe River and Warrambuca Creek will be funded as part of the package of safety works, to facilitate construction when funds become available in the future.
(b) The upgrade of the Kings Highway between River Forest Road and Mongarlowe River will take about one year to complete, subject to weather.
(c) About $8 million.

(3) Yes

(4) The developer’s contribution towards this road is detailed in a local planning agreement and in accordance with Council’s traffic modeling.

(5) The local planning agreement does not require the developer to fund their original obligation to the project if grant funds are received.

(6) Several upgrade options are being investigated. In the interim, an upgrade to provide dual left turns from Tompsitt Drive into Lanyon Drive was implemented in early 2013 as a short term measure to improve efficiency in the morning peak.

(7)  
(a) and (b) The roundabout will be impacted and will need to be upgraded to a signalised intersection in the future. Council’s traffic model details when this is required.
(c) This depends on the progress of proposed development.

(8) There is no funding allocated for upgrading the intersection to traffic lights in 2014-15.

*5986 HEALTH—EXERCISE CLASSES—Ms Fazio asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) Has there been a recent change to the provision of exercise classes or physical activity programs in Bungendore for elderly people?
(a) Have these classes recently been cancelled?
(b) If so:
   (i) Is the cancellation permanent?
   (ii) What is the reason for the cancellation?

(2) How long have these classes or programs been running in Bungendore?

(3) What level of attendance have they had over that period of time?

(4) Are there other similar services being offered in Bungendore for the people who have utilised these programs?

Answer—
I am advised by the Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research:

(1) to (4) The federally funded falls prevention classes were cancelled on 30 June 2014, at the end of the contract between Southern New South Wales Local Health District and the Medicare Local. The Medicare Local reallocated funding based on a community needs analysis for the Southern New South Wales region.
The exercise classes had been running in Bungendore for 13 years and sessions have had six to eight attendees, with some difficulties experienced in recruiting sufficient participants to warrant running the Bungendore class.

The Southern New South Wales Local Health District is offering alternate classes for Bungendore's aged community. The Stepping On program starts in August 2014 and will be the third program to be run in Bungendore. This group session will be held at the Bungendore Community Centre commencing Thursday 7 August 2014. Each program lasts for seven weeks. Further Stepping On programs will be offered by Southern New South Wales Local Health District before December 2014, if there is sufficient need and community interest.

Transport is available for Bungendore residents to undertake either Tai Chi classes on a weekly basis or access the Stepping On falls prevention classes as they become available in Queanbeyan. Tai Chi for Arthritis classes within the Palerang Local Government area are located at Braidwood, Majors Creek, Gundillian and Queanbeyan.

*5987 ROADS AND FREIGHT—ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES BARRISTER—Ms Fazio asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) In respect of the Roads and Maritime Services engagement of the barrister the Hon Adam Searle MLC during the 2012/2013 financial year, please advise:

(a) On how many matters was he briefed?

(b) For each of these matters:

(i) Was he given directions by the Roads and Maritime Services?

(ii) How many hours did he bill the Roads and Maritime Services?

(iii) On what dates did this work take place?

(iv) What was the total remuneration paid to Mr Searle by the Roads and Maritime Services?

(v) Was any consideration given by the Roads and Maritime Services to any conflict of interest that may have arisen from briefing a sitting member of Parliament to provide advice or represent them?

(vi) What is the name and job title of the person who authorised his engagement?

Answer—

I am advised the Hon Adam Searle MLC has not been engaged by Roads and Maritime Services during the 2012-2013 financial year.

*5988 ATTORNEY GENERAL, JUSTICE—CROWN SOLICITORS OFFICE BARRISTER—Ms Fazio asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

(1) In respect of the Crown Solicitors Office's engagement of the barrister the Hon Adam Searle MLC during the 2011/2012 and 2012/2013 financial years, please advise:

(a) On how many matters was he briefed?

(b) For each of these matters:

(i) Was he given directions by the Crown Solicitors Office?

(ii) How many hours did he bill the Crown Solicitors Office?

(iii) On what dates did this work take place?

(iv) What was the total remuneration paid to Mr Searle by the Crown Solicitors Office?

(v) Was any consideration given by the Crown Solicitors Office to any conflict of interest that may have arisen from briefing a sitting member of Parliament to provide advice or represent them?

(vi) What is the name and job title of the person who authorised his engagement?

Answer—

I am advised:

(a) Mr Searle was briefed in one matter in 2011/2012 and no matters in 2012/2013.

(b) In respect of the one matter in the 2011/2012 financial year:
(i) A brief with observations was delivered to Mr Searle and the solicitor with the conduct of the matter on behalf of the Crown Solicitor attended the hearing as instructing solicitor in the usual way.

(ii) 32.5 hours.

(iii) The work took place on 23, 24, 27, 28, 30 and 31 January 2012 and 1 February 2012.

(iv) The total remuneration was $10,725.00 of which the GST component was $975.00.

(v) While the solicitor with the conduct of the matter informed the client agency that the barrister was now a Member of Parliament and the client agency gave instructions that he was still to be briefed, the solicitor did not raise the constitutional considerations raised by the briefing of a current Member of Parliament.

(vi) The engagement was approved in accordance with Crown Solicitor's Office procedure for the briefing of junior counsel by the Crown Solicitor. The solicitor with the conduct of the matter recommended the selected junior counsel by making an entry on the Crown Solicitor's Office electronic Counsel Database and the Practice Group leader entered approval on that Database.

*5989 FINANCE AND SERVICES—WORKERS COMPENSATION SCHEME—Mr Primrose asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Finance and Services—

In relation to the changes to the Workers Compensation Scheme announced on by the Minister for Finance and Services in his media release on 26 June 2014 but still not gazetted:

(1) From what date will the changes apply?

(2) 
(a) Will the changes be retrospective?
(b) If so, which changes will be retrospective?
(c) What date will these be to?

(3) 
(a) For those workers who are currently undergoing capacity assessment review and have had their benefits cut, will these workers have their weekly benefits reinstated?
(b) If so, when is this likely to occur?
(c) If not, what is the reasoning behind this decision?

(4) What is the definition of the term second surgery period?

(5) 
(a) In relation to extending medical benefits for workers with 'whole person impairment' assessed between 21 per cent to 30 per cent, until retirement age, how will this assist claimants who had claims prior to 1 October 2012?
(b) Does this indicate that a work place injury that existed prior to 2012 is now recognised?

Answer—
The recently announced enhancements to the 2012 Workers Compensation Scheme will come into effect on 1 September 2014 and will apply to workers who made claims for compensation before 1 October 2012. The exact terms of the regulation are currently being developed. These enhancements will initially be made by regulation and then completed with legislation in the future.

Injured workers may contact their insurer prior to 1 September 2014 with any concerns. WorkCover will work with insurers to ensure they are well placed to manage and implement these beneficial enhancements.

*5990 NATURAL RESOURCES, LANDS AND WATER, WESTERN NSW—WATER RIGHTS—Mr Primrose asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—

(1) 
(a) Are rights to the control, use and flow of water that falls on domestic roofs in urban areas of Sydney encompassed in the 'State's water rights' in section 392 (1) of the Water Management Act 2000?
(b) If so, what residual rights are still held by:
   (i) Owners?
   (ii) Tenants of such properties?

Answer—

I am advised:

Section 392(1) of the Water Management Act 2000 (WMA 2000) states that the rights to the control, use and flow of "all water occurring naturally on or below the surface of the ground" are the State's water rights.

The Water Management (General) Regulation 2011 states that a person collecting water from rooftops for storage in a rainwater tank is exempt from the requirement to hold a water access licence.

As a practical matter, this exemption provides the owners and tenants of properties with the rights to the control, use and flow of water that falls on rooftops.

To provide additional security for persons using rainwater tanks, the Government has proposed to amend section 392 of the WMA 2000 to explicitly exclude "water that is collected from a roof (including water collected from a roof using a rainwater tank)" from the definition of State's water rights.

The proposed amendment is included within the Water Management Amendment Bill 2014, which was introduced to Parliament on 29 May 2014.

*5991 HEALTH, MEDICAL RESEARCH—RESPECTING THE DIFFERENCE—Mr Donnelly asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regards to mandatory training in "respecting the difference" for staff at Gilgandra Multipurpose Service:

(1) How long does the training take?
(2) Who conducts the training?
(3) How many staff were expected to attend?
(4) Where was this training conducted?
(5) Are staff eligible for:
   (a) Travel time?
   (b) Travel expenses?
   (c) If so, how do they claim this?
(6) Were staff paid for travel time or travel expenses?
(7) Was the option of providing the course at Gilgandra explored?
(8) What was the total cost to NSW Health?

Answer—

I am advised by the Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research:

(1) to (8) The purpose of this training is to motivate NSW Health staff to build positive and meaningful relationships with Aboriginal people who may be clients, visitors or Aboriginal staff, and to improve their confidence in establishing appropriate and sustainable connections.

The face to face training takes approximately four to six hours and is conducted by Mr Andrew Johnson, Aboriginal education and training consultant for Western NSW Local Health District. The training sessions in and around Gilgandra were each attended by 15 to 20 staff.

The training sessions were conducted in Gilgandra, Gulargambone Coonabarabran and Coonamble Multi-Purpose Services, with further sessions run in Dubbo. Staff generally travelled and attended the sessions in normal work hours. Those staff needing to travel to other venues to participate in the training used hospital vehicles.

It is difficult to place an exact dollar figure on the total cost to NSW Health as Gilgandra staff attended at multiple venues over a period of time.
*5992 HEALTH, MEDICAL RESEARCH—EXPRESSIONS OF INTERESTS AND TENDERS SUBMITTED FOR NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL WORK—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1)

(a) Which companies have submitted tenders or formally expressed an interest in contributing to the development of the Northern Beaches Hospital site and building, including all site preparation works and building works? Please list.

(b) For these companies, what aspect of the development was the subject of the expression or tender? Please list.

Answer—

I am advised by the Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research:

(1)

(a) and (b) Adventist HealthCare Ltd, Healthscope, Macquarie University Hospital Operations and Ramsay Health Care formally responded to the Expression of Interest to design, build, operate and maintain the Northern Beaches Hospital.

The State undertook to prepare the site ahead of construction in 2015. Following a procurement process, the contract for site preparation works was awarded to Donnelley Constructions.

*5993 HEALTH—MONA VALE HOSPITAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1)

(a) During the redevelopment of the Mona Vale Hospital, what steps will be taken to ensure that the hospital reduces its environmental footprint both during the construction phase and beyond?

(b) Have solar panels for the hospital roof been considered?

Answer—

I am advised by the Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research:

(1)

(a) and (b) Ecologically Sustainable Development will be considered throughout all project phases; from schematic design, design development and contract documentation, through to construction and operation.

Solar panels will be considered as part of the overall planning of the redevelopment.

*5994 HEALTH—MODELLING OF PATIENTS’ HOSPITAL ACCESS AFTER MANLY HOSPITAL CLOSURE—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1)

(a) What modelling has been conducted to analyse which hospitals will be typically accessed by local residents for different conditions once the Manly Hospital closes and the Northern Beaches Hospital opens?

(b) Did this modelling include private patients from the area as well?

Answer—

I am advised by the Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research:

(1)

(a) and (b) Planning for the Northern Beaches Hospital took into account factors such as population distribution, travel logistics and the current and estimated public and private patient activity on the Northern Beaches.
When Manly Hospital closes, following the opening of the Northern Beaches Hospital, the new level 5 acute hospital will be the primary hospital for public and private patients in the local catchment. The modelling also includes private patients.

*5995 ROADS AND FREIGHT—TRAFFIC PLANNING FOR NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) How will Roads and Maritime Service plan road and traffic works for the Northern Beaches Hospital while Warringah Council is still working out its Northern Beaches Hospital Precinct Structure Plan for the area?

(a) Will Roads and Maritime Service's plan for future road use in the area around the Northern Beaches Hospital incorporate increased road users that result from a growth in housing and businesses responding to the Hospital's presence?

(b) If so:

(i) How are these projections being calculated?

(ii) What are the details of these calculations?

Answer—

I am advised:

As part of the planning for potential road upgrades surrounding the new Northern Beaches Hospital, Roads and Maritime Services has developed traffic models to determine required upgrade and intersection configurations.

Inputs to traffic modeling have been sourced from population and employment projections from the Bureau of Transport Statistics and advice on anticipated growth from the Department of Planning and Environment.

Warringah Council's Precinct Structure Plan, which is still in the preliminary stages, is predicated on the Department of Planning and Environment growth aspirations. The forecasted growth figures are between 3500 to 4600 employees and 2000 to 2700 residents in the area including and surrounding the new hospital. Traffic modeling is based on the higher number.

Roads and Maritime, Transport for NSW and Warringah Council are working closely together to understand the constraints and opportunities associated with development options at this location.

*5996 HEALTH—CLEARING AT THE NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL SITE—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1)

(a) If the tender for the construction and management works of the Northern Beaches Hospital has not yet been awarded, how was the contract of clearing the site determined?

(b) How much money has been allocated for this step?

Answer—

I am advised by the Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research:

(1)

(a) and (b) On 23 June 2014, planning approval was granted to begin early works to prepare the hospital site ahead of construction in 2015. The State undertook to prepare the site, including site clearance and service diversions, to enable the successful hospital operator to commence work next year.

$54.1 million has been allocated to progress the Northern Beaches Health Service Redevelopment project. This includes preparing the Northern Beaches Hospital site in 2014. Following a procurement process, the contract to prepare the site was awarded to Donnelley Constructions.
Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) How many private training organisations are currently registered in New South Wales? Please list.

(2) How many private training organisations registered in New South Wales are receiving Government funding? Please list.

(3) For each organisation in 1 and 2 what is the amount of public funds the organisation received in 2013/14 or the latest year for which data is currently available?

(4) For each of the organisations in 1 and 2, how many such organisations registered in 2013, 2012 and 2011?

Answer—

(1) The information requested can be found at: http://www.myskills.gov.au/RegisteredTrainers/Search?locationId=15651&distance=25

(2) The information requested can be found at: https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/tpu/Search?Command=ShowRTOFactCriteria


(4) The Department of Education and Communities does not register training organisations. This is carried out by the national vocational education and training regulator, the Australia Skills Quality Authority.

Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) How many for profit private training organisations are currently registered in New South Wales? Please list.

(2) How many private training organisations registered in New South Wales that are also for profit organisations are receiving Government funding? Please list.

(3) For each organisation in 1 and 2, what is the amount of public funds the organisation received in 2013/14 or the latest year for which data is currently available?

(4) For each of organisations in 1 and 2, how many such organisations registered in 2013, 2012 and 2011?

Answer—

(1) to (4) The Department of Education and Communities does not hold this information.

Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) Is the $2.3 billion figure outlined in the 2014/15 state budget for vocational education and training an exact figure?

(b) If not, what is the exact figure in millions of dollars to one decimal point?

Answer—

(1) $2,310.5 million.

Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) In the 2014 Budget Estimates for the TAFE Commission and the Vocational Education and Training
service group, what were the assumptions used for the second half of the 2014-15 year, including:
(a) The amount of contestable funds awarded to TAFE under Smart and Skilled?
(b) The amount of contestable funds awarded to TAFE under other programs? Please list the progress.
(c) The amount of contestable funds awarded to non-TAFE providers under Smart and Skilled?
(d) The amount of contestable funds awarded to non-TAFE providers under other programs? Please list the progress.

(2) What was the justification for these assumptions?

Answer—

(1) Contestable funding under Smart and Skilled has not been awarded to any training provider, including the TAFE Commission. Under the staged implementation of Smart and Skilled, entitlement to government subsidised training will commence from 1 January 2015. NSW training providers have been invited to apply to deliver training under Smart and Skilled. Applications close at 5pm on Friday 8 August 2014.

(2) The Budget estimates meet the requirements under the National Partnership Agreement on Skills Reform.

*6001 EDUCATION—UNSOLICITED PROPOSALS INVOLVING USE OF TAFE NSW FACILITIES—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1)
(a) Is the Minister for Education aware of any individuals or organisations approaching anyone in the Government or TAFE NSW with unsolicited proposals involving the use of TAFE facilities or assets?
(b) If so:
   (i) Who are the individuals or organisations? Please list.
   (ii) What are the details of each proposal?

(2)
(a) Were any of the unsolicited proposals outlined in Part 2 approved?
(b) If so, what was the process by which they were approved?

Answer—

(1)
(a) No
(b) n/a


*6002 EDUCATION—TAFE NSW 2014/15 BUDGET—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Education—

(1) How will the introduction of Smart and Skilled in January 2015 impact on the TAFE NSW budget allocation of $1.862 billion for 2014/15?

(2)
(a) Will the $1.862 billion be a guaranteed quarantined allocation to TAFE NSW or will all or part of it be made contestable from January 2015?
(b) If it will be contestable, what is the breakdown of the funding allocation between guaranteed and non-guaranteed funding for TAFE NSW?

Answer—
The Smart and Skilled reforms have already been taken into account in TAFE NSW’s budget of $1.862 billion.

(2) Actual TAFE NSW expenditure may vary from the budgeted $1.862 billion. For example, the ability of TAFE NSW to generate funds from other revenue sources, like international students, may differ from budgeted estimates.

*6003 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—GORE BAY TO CLYDE OIL PIPELINE—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) Regarding the Gore Bay to Clyde oil pipeline, do any agencies under the Minister for Resources and Energy have a role in monitoring the pipeline for environmental damage and leaks?

(b) If so:
   (i) What are the roles and responsibilities?
   (ii) When was the last time the pipeline was checked or monitored?

Answer—

No.

*6004 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—MINING ROYALTIES - DATA COLLECTION AND REVIEW—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) How many data reviews related to the information that supports the collection of mining royalties have occurred since March 2011?

(2) What are the data quality assurance standards and procedures for information that supports the collection of mining royalties?

(3) Do coal mining lease holders have to supply supporting evidence or independent verification of the amount paid in royalties?

(b) If not, how does the Department of Resources and Energy assess from royalty returns if the royalty being paid is likely to be correct?

Answer—

(1) Data reviews between NSW Trade & Investment's Titles Administration System (TAS) and the Royalty Information Management System (RIMS) are conducted quarterly.

(2) NSW Trade & Investment has developed a number of internal reports to compare the information between TAS and RIMS to ensure information between the systems is correct.

(3) Yes.

(a) Not applicable.

*6005 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—COAL ROYALTIES - AUDITS—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) How many audits of coal mining lease holders were planned to be completed in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
(e) 2013-14?

(2) How many audits of coal mining lease holders were completed in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
   (e) 2013-14?

(3) What percentage of total coal royalty revenue was planned to be audited in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
   (e) 2013-14?

(4) What percentage of total coal royalty revenue was audited in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
   (e) 2013-14?

Answer—

The development of the State's coal reserves has been of significant financial benefit to NSW, with more than $1.2 billion in royalties collected in 2012-13 financial year alone.

Mining royalties provide a significant contribution to the state, ensuring ongoing funding for the construction of vital infrastructure such as roads, schools and hospitals, as well as for the provision of crucial services including police, teachers, nurses and emergency personnel.

NSW Trade & Investment currently has five officers who can undertake mining royalty audits.

From July 1, a restructure occurred regarding the collection of mining royalties. Under this new structure the Office of State Revenue, with its expertise in compliance and debt management, will collect all mineral royalties in NSW.

*6006 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—MINING ROYALITES - AUDITING STAFF—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) How many auditors of mining royalty revenue does the Department for Resources and Energy employ?

(2) Is there a documented policy for audit staff rotation across mining lease holders?

(3) Has there been an assessment or reporting on the quality, findings and effectiveness of mining royalty audits since November 2010?

Answer—

The NSW Government supports a robust mining industry and the mining royalties derived from this sector, over $1.2 billion in the last financial year alone, are significant contributors to building the schools, roads and hospitals of our State.

NSW Trade & Investment currently has five officers who can undertake mining royalty audits.

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RESOURCES AND ENERGY—MINING ROYALTIES - MONEY RECEIVED THROUGH AUDITS—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) How much money was recovered in additional mining royalties due to underpayments identified by audits in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
   (e) 2013-14?

(2) How much money was identified as overpayments of mining royalties by audits in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
   (e) 2013-14?

(3) How much money was collected in interest charged for late payments on coal royalties in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
   (e) 2013-14?

Answer—

The development of the State's coal reserves has been of significant financial benefit to NSW, with more than $1.2 billion in royalties collected in 2012-13 financial year alone.

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RESOURCES AND ENERGY—COAL MINING STATISTICS—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) How much in coal royalties was collected for the following regions in 2012⁄13 financial year:
   (a) Gloucester?
   (b) Gunnedah?
   (c) Hunter?
   (d) Southern?
   (e) Western?

(2) How many coal mining lease holders are there in New South Wales?

(3) How many coal mining leases are there in New South Wales?

(4) How many coal mining leases are active and generate royalties for New South Wales?

(5) What was the value of coal royalties received in the 2003⁄04 financial year?

(6) What was the value of coal sold from New South Wales mines in the 2003⁄04 financial year?

(7) What was the value of coal sold from New South Wales mines in the following financial years:
(a) 2009-10?
(b) 2010-11?
(c) 2011-12?
(d) 2012-13?
(e) 2013-14?

(8) What is the estimated number of times that a load of coal is resold before its final use after leaving New South Wales?

Answer—

The development of the State's coal reserves has been of significant financial benefit to NSW, with more than $1.2 billion in royalties collected in 2012-13 financial year alone.

Mining royalties provide a significant contribution to the state, ensuring ongoing funding for the construction of vital infrastructure such as roads, schools and hospitals, as well as for the provision of crucial services including police, teachers, nurses and emergency personnel.

*6009 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—MINING ROYALTIES - POLICY—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) Which foreign currency conversion rates have the Department of Resources and Energy specified that lease holders can use for export coal?

(2) How are coal loans, borrowing and swaps between lease holders accounted for in determining royalty payments in New South Wales?

(3) How are coal sales to a related company determined for the purposes of calculating royalty payments in New South Wales?

Answer—

Information relating to mining royalties is publicly available in the Ministers determination (31 December 2008) for the Mining Act 1992. This can be found on the Resources and Energy website.

*6010 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—TRANSFER PRICING—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) Are you aware of any multinational mining companies selling minerals mined in New South Wales to another part of the same multinational company in a different country at significantly less than the market price for that mineral?

(2) Are there any penalties in New South Wales for multinational mining companies selling minerals mined in New South Wales to another part of the same multinational company in a different country at significantly less than the market price for that mineral?

(3)

(a) Have there been any investigations in the past five years into multinational mining companies selling minerals mined in New South Wales to another part of the same multinational company in a different country at significantly less than the market price for that mineral?

(b) If so:

(i) How many investigations have occurred?

(ii) What were the outcomes?

(4) Has the Department of Resources and Energy made any estimates of the extent of royalty revenue lost due to multinational mining companies selling minerals mined in New South Wales to another part of the same multinational company in a different country at significantly less than the market price for that mineral?

(5) Has the Department had any discussions with representatives of the Commonwealth Government or its Departments regarding the issue of transfer pricing or the exploitation of deductions to minimise tax and royalty liabilities in Australia?

Answer—
Leaseholders are aware that they must report sales as the invoice to a third party. This is reviewed during audits of the annual coal royalty returns to ensure the State receives the correct level of royalty.

If a company provides a false and misleading statement, then penalties apply under section 378C of the Mining Act 1992.

*6011 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—COAL ROYALTIES - LATE PAYMENT—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) How many coal mining lease holders were charged for late payments of royalties at least once a year between the 2009-10 and 2013-14 financial years?

(2) How many coal mining lease holders were charged for late payments of royalties at least twice a year between the 2009-10 and 2013-14 financial years?

Answer—

Mining royalties provide a significant contribution to the state, ensuring ongoing funding for the construction of vital infrastructure such as roads, schools and hospitals, as well as for the provision of crucial services including police, teachers, nurses and emergency personnel. More than $1.2 billion in royalties were collected in 2012-13 financial year alone.

From July 1, a restructure occurred regarding the collection of mining royalties. Under this new structure the Office of State Revenue, with its expertise in compliance and debt management, will collect all mineral royalties in NSW.

*6012 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—COAL ROYALTIES - ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) What is the total value of allowable deductions subtracted from the value of the mineral recovered for coal mining royalties in the following financial years:

(a) 2009-10?
(b) 2010-11?
(c) 2011-12?
(d) 2012-13?
(e) 2013-14?

Answer—

Mining royalties provide a significant contribution to the state, ensuring ongoing funding for the construction of vital infrastructure such as roads, schools and hospitals, as well as for the provision of crucial services including police, teachers, nurses and emergency personnel. More than $1.2 billion in royalties were collected in 2012-13 financial year alone.

From July 1, a restructure occurred regarding the collection of mining royalties. Under this new structure the Office of State Revenue, with its expertise in compliance and debt management, will collect all mineral royalties in NSW.

*6013 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—GOLD MINING STATISTICS—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) How many gold mining lease holders are there in New South Wales?

(2) How many gold mining leases are there in New South Wales?

(3) How many gold mining leases are active and generate royalties for New South Wales?

(4) What is the total value of gold mining royalties received in the following financial years:

(a) 2009-10?
(b) 2010-11?
(c) 2011-12?
(d) 2012-13?
What is the total value of allowable deductions subtracted from the value of the mineral recovered for gold mining royalties in the following financial years:

(a) 2009-10?
(b) 2010-11?
(c) 2011-12?
(d) 2012-13?
(e) 2013-14?

Answer—

The gold mining industry has a significant presence in New South Wales. It is a major contributor to the state economy, with the NSW Government receiving over $41 million in gold mining royalties in financial year 2012-13 alone.

These royalties are a significant contributor to the state, ensuring ongoing funding for the construction of vital infrastructure such as roads, schools and hospitals, as well as for the provision of crucial services including police, teachers, nurses and emergency personnel.

*6014 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—ROYALTIES - GLENCORE XSTRATA—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) What is the total value of royalties paid by Glencore, Xstrata and Glencore Xstrata in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
   (e) 2013-14?

(2) What is the total value of allowable deductions subtracted from the value of the mineral recovered by Glencore, Xstrata and Glencore Xstrata in the following financial years:
   (a) 2009-10?
   (b) 2010-11?
   (c) 2011-12?
   (d) 2012-13?
   (e) 2013-14?

Answer—

As this is information obtained in connection with the administration and execution of the Mining Act 1992 and, therefore, disclosure is restricted under section 365 of the Act. While I have the power to make this disclosure, I consider the information to be commercial in confidence and by answering such a question on notice, would make it available to the public.

*6015 RESOURCES AND ENERGY—MINING ROYALTIES - RESOURCES AND ENERGY—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

Are there any plans to transfer responsibility for the administrative arrangements for collecting royalties to the Office of State Revenue, as recommended in the Auditor-General's Performance Audit of Coal Mining Royalties in November 2010?

Answer—

On Friday 30 May 2014, the Minister for Resources and Energy and the Minister for Finances and Services, the Hon Dominic Perrottet MP, announced a new structure for the NSW Government's administration of the State mineral royalties. Under this new structure the Office of State Revenue (with its expertise in compliance and debt management) will collect all mineral royalties in NSW.
RESOURCES AND ENERGY—MINING ROYALTIES—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

(1) Are all mining royalties owed being paid in full?
(2) What are the penalties for underpayment of mining royalties?
(3) What are the penalties for consistent late payments of royalties?
(4) Is the Department of Resources and Energy's information that supports the collection of mining royalties accurate and current?

Answer—
All titleholders are required to pay royalties in full. If they fail to do so, penalties apply. Information regarding penalties relating to mining royalties can be found under the Taxation Administration Act 1996.

TRANSPORT—XPT FLEET—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

(1) What is the average age of the XPT fleet?
(2) (a) Does the Government keep reliability statistics for the XPT fleet?
   (b) If so, what are the reliability statistics, including breakdowns and on-time running, for the 2013/2014 financial year?
(3) (a) Does the Government have any plans to modernise, replace or upgrade the XPT fleet?
   (b) If so, what are those plans?
(4) (a) How many passengers use XPT trains each year?
   (b) What is the breakdown over the last five financial years?

Answer—
I am advised:
(1) Around 27 years.
(2) (a) Yes.
   (b) On time running statistics are available on the NSW TrainLink website.
(3) The NSW Government is considering a range of options.
(4) Passenger statistics are available on the Transport for NSW website.

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—NSW SHARK MESHING (BATHER PROTECTIONS) PROGRAM—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Primary Industries, and Assistant Minister for Tourism and Major Events—

On what date will the next review of the NSW Shark Meshing (Bather Protection) Program begin?

Answer—
The NSW Shark Meshing (Bather Protection) Program is authorised by and managed in accordance with the Joint Management Agreements (JMA) under the Fisheries Management Act 1994 and the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995. A review of the JMAs will commence on 17 August 2014.

PLANNING—THREATENED SPECIES—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

(1)
(a) Have any species listed under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 as threatened ecological communities been the subject of offset conditions related to development approvals from March 2011 to date?

(b) If so:
   (i) What are the species?
   (ii) What are the offsets with the conditions?

Answer—
I am advised: The conditions of development approvals including offsets of many projects are available on the Department of Planning & Environment's website at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.

*6020 TREASURER—MINING ROYALTIES - TREASURY—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
Are there any plans to transfer responsibility for the administrative arrangements for collecting royalties to the Office of State Revenue, as recommended in the Auditor-General's Performance Audit of Coal Mining Royalties in November 2010?

Answer—
The collection and debt management functions for mineral royalties moved to the Office of State Revenue (OSR) on 1 July 2014.

*6021 TREASURER—ROYALTIES FORECASTING—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
How are the forward estimates for coal royalties calculated?

Answer—
This information is available in Budget Paper 2 (6-28)

*6022 TREASURER—TRANSFER PRICING—Dr Faruqi asked the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

(1) Are you aware of any multinational mining companies selling minerals mined in New South Wales to another part of the same multinational company in a different country at significantly less than the world price for that mineral in order to reduce the amount of royalties they owe in New South Wales?

(2) Are there any penalties in New South Wales for multinational mining companies selling minerals mined in New South Wales to another part of the same multinational company in a different country at significantly less than the world price for that mineral in order to reduce the amount of royalties they owe in New South Wales?

(3) Have there been any investigations in the past five years into multinational mining companies selling minerals mined in New South Wales to another part of the same multinational company in a different country at significantly less than the world price for that mineral in order to reduce the amount of royalties they owe in New South Wales?

(4) Has the Treasury made any estimates of the extent of royalty revenue lost due to multinational mining companies selling minerals mined in New South Wales to another part of the same multinational company in a different country at significantly less than the world price for that mineral in order to reduce the amount of royalties they owe in New South Wales?

(5) Has the Treasury had any discussions with representatives of the Commonwealth Government or its departments regarding the issue of transfer pricing or the exploitation of deductions to minimise tax and royalty liabilities in Australia?

Answer—
(1) to (3) This section would be more appropriately directed to the Minister for Resources and Energy, Hon Anthony Roberts MP.

(4) No.

(5) No.
FINANCE AND SERVICES—WORKERS COMPENSATION LEGISLATION—Mr Primrose to ask
the Minister for Fair Trading representing the Minister for Finance and Services—

Since the commencement of the Workers Compensation Legislation Amendment Act 2012:

(1)
(a) How much has been paid into the Scheme by employers?
(b) How much has been paid to injured workers as weekly benefits?
(c) How does this compare with the twelve months prior the introduction of this legislation?

(2)
(a) How many workers have had their weekly benefits reduced either partially or fully?
(b) Of the workers who have had their weekly benefits reduced either partially or fully:
   (i) In how many cases has this been a direct consequence of capacity decisions?
   (ii) In how many cases has this been as a result of the transitional arrangements?

(3)
(a) How much has been paid to rehabilitation providers?
(b) How much has been paid to treating doctors?
(c) How much has been paid to employers, their scheme agents, legal or medical representatives?
(d) How much has been paid to insurers as a bonus?
(e) How much has been paid to each insurer engaged as a scheme agent of the nominal insurer?
(ii) How does this compare with the twelve months prior the introduction of this legislation?

(4) How many improvement notices have been issued to employers by WorkCover Inspectors, for a
contravention of Chapter 3 of the Workplace Injury Management and Workers Compensation Act
1998?

(5) How many workers are in the workers compensation scheme compared to the 12 months prior to the
implementation of the legislation?

David Blunt
Clerk of the Parliaments

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