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- 898 LANDS AND WATER—CRANKY ROCK DAM PHASE 2 INVESTIGATIONS—Ms Sharpe to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—
- (1) What are the selection criteria for the companies tendering for the second stage of investigations into a potential new dam at Cranky Rock?
 - (2) What budget has been allocated for the investigations?
 - (3) What timetable has been set for the completion of the investigations?
 - (4) Will the results of the investigations be publicly available?
 - (5) What stakeholder engagement will be undertaken and who will undertake it?
 - (6) What geological expertise will be sought in determining the cost impact of any geological impediments to construction and safe water storage?
 - (7) Will the cost benefit analysis:
 - (a) include the cost of environmental impacts?
 - (b) examine the impacts of the current water sharing arrangements in the Lachlan Valley, including the loss of flows to water users downstream in the Lachlan River?
 - (c) examine the cost impact of geological impediments to dam construction?
 - (d) assess the financing of dam construction, operation and maintenance and how this will be funded, including private, public or private public partnership (PPP)?
- 899 ROADS, MARITIME AND FREIGHT—ELECTRIC SKATEBOARDS—Dr Faruqi to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) How many people in New South Wales use motorised skateboards?
 - (2) Does the Government currently have a policy on the use of motorised skateboards?
 - (3) Are there any restrictions on the use of motorised skateboards in New South Wales?
 - (4) What safety assessments have been completed by the Government on motorised skateboards?
- 900 TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE—TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT CENTRE—Dr Faruqi to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) What is the budget for the Sydney Trains Rail Operations Centre at Green Square for the following financial years:
 - (a) 2014-15
 - (b) 2015-16
 - (c) 2016-17
 - (d) 2017-18
 - (e) 2018-19
 - (2) What is the current completion month and year of the Sydney Trains Rail Operations Centre at Green Square?
 - (3) Will the Sydney Trains Rail Operations Centre control the Sydney Metro Northwest once services commence in 2019?
 - (a) If no, where will these services be controlled from?
 - (b) Will the Sydney Metro Northwest operator control these services from the Sydney Trains Rail Operations Centre?
- 901 ENVIRONMENT—SOMERSBY MINTBUSH—Dr Faruqi to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

- (1) What is the present estimated population count of the Somersby Mint Bush in New South Wales?
 - (2) Is there any funding allocated to resurvey the Somersby Mintbush?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) If yes, when is the study expected to be released and will it be available publicly?
 - (3) Is the estimated 70 per cent decline from the last survey report in 2009 being acknowledged in the Priorities Action Statement Amendments for the Somersby Mint Bush to be classified as critically endangered?
 - (4) Why was the Somersby Mintbush not included in the Priority Action Statement Amendments exhibited in December 2015?
 - (5) In relation to Question on Notice 0096, Answer 5b, what monitoring occurred and what was the result?
 - (a) Specifically, what monitoring occurred as a result of the Belmont North Hazard Reduction Burn in 2015?
 - (6) What action is the Government currently undertaking to protect the Somersby Mintbush?
 - (7) Does the Office of Environment and Heritage have any plans to undertake an independent study of the numbers of the Somersby Mint Bush?
- 902 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—TENDER PROCESS FOR A DEVELOPMENT IN WHISTLER STREET TOWN CENTRE SITE—Mr Primrose to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—
- (1) What specific categories of information must be made available to councillors prior to voting on whether or not to accept a tender for a development such the Whistler Street Town Centre site at Manly?
 - (2) In such circumstances, what specific categories of information must be made available to members of the public?
- 903 ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE—MANLY PARKING—Mr Primrose to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- (1) Has the Office of Environment and Heritage been consulted in relation to the proposal to build a commercial car parking station at the site of Manly Oval?
 - (2) Has the Office identified any issues in relation to the proposal, including in relation to its potential impacts on the environment and heritage in Manly?
- 904 ROADS, MARITIME AND FREIGHT—MANLY PARKING—Mr Primrose to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) Has Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) been consulted in relation to the proposal to build a commercial car parking station at the site of Manly Oval?
 - (2) Has the RMS identified any issues in relation to the proposal, including its potential road safety and traffic impacts in Manly?
 - (3) Has RMS been consulted in relation to the proposal to lease and redevelop the site of the public parking station at Whistler Street, Manly?
 - (4) Has the RMS identified any issues in relation to the proposal, including in relation to potential road safety and traffic impacts in Manly?
- 905 AGEING, DISABILITY SERVICES—SUPPORTED-DECISION MAKING—Ms Barham to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism—
- (1) Given that the evaluation of the 2013 Supported Decision Making pilot project concluded that supported decision making should be expanded, will the NSW Government make supported decision making standard practice for people with disability in New South Wales?
 - (a) If not, why not?

- (2) For how long will the following supported decision making projects be funded:
- (a) Advancing Supported Decision Making Project?
 - (b) Financial Decision Making and Financial Literacy Skills Development?
 - (c) Disability Rights Project?
 - (d) Supported Decision Making Workshops for 14-18 year olds with disability, their families and/or carers project?
 - (e) Supporting Transition and Independence in the Leaving Care Program?
 - (f) Developing and Piloting a Continuum Approach to Decision Making, at the Kanangra Centre (Morisset)?
 - (g) Boarding House Resident Capacity Building Project?

906 EDUCATION—WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE SCHOOLS—Ms Barham to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many public schools in New South Wales are completely wheelchair accessible?
- (2) How many public schools in New South Wales do not have complete wheelchair access?
 - (a) What is the Government doing to make these schools completely wheelchair accessible?

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