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Terms of reference

The Budget Estimates resolution and schedule was agreed to by the House on 12 September 2023, referring the Budget Estimates and related papers for 2023-2024 to the Portfolio Committees for inquiry and report and is reproduced, as amended on 11 October 2023 and 30 November 2023, as follows:

Initial hearings

1. That, upon tabling, the Budget Estimates and related papers for the financial year 2023-2024 presenting the amounts to be appropriated from the Consolidated Fund be referred to the Portfolio Committees for inquiry and report.
2. That, further to the resolution of the House of 10 May 2023 adopting the 2023 sitting calendar,¹ the 2023-2024 initial budget estimates hearings be scheduled as follows:

Day One: Tuesday 24 October 2023

PC 3 Education and Early Learning, Western Sydney
PC 4 Small Business, Lands and Property, Multiculturalism, Sport

Day Two: Wednesday 25 October 2023

PC 1 Premier
PC 4 Agriculture, Regional New South Wales, Western New South Wales

Day Three: Thursday 26 October 2023

PC 2 Health, Regional Health, the Illawarra and the South Coast
PC 1 Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty, Gaming and Racing, Veterans, the Central Coast, Medical Research

Day Four: Tuesday 31 October 2023

PC 1 Treasurer
PC 8 Customer Service and Digital Government, Emergency Services, Youth Justice

Day Five: Wednesday 1 November 2023

PC 2 Water, Housing, Homelessness, Mental Health, Youth, the North Coast
PC 6 Regional Transport and Roads
PC 3 Skills, TAFE and Tertiary Education

Day Six: Thursday 2 November 2023

PC 7 Climate Change, Energy, the Environment, Heritage
PC 1 Finance, Domestic Manufacturing and Government Procurement, Natural Resources

¹ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 10 May 2023, pp 64-65.

Day Seven: Friday 3 November 2023

PC 7 Planning and Public Spaces
 PC 5 Women, Seniors, Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Day Eight: Tuesday 7 November 2023

PC 1 The Legislature
 PC 6 Transport
 PC 5 Police and Counter Terrorism, the Hunter

Day Nine: Wednesday 8 November 2023

PC 1 Industrial Relations, Work Health and Safety
 PC 8 Better Regulation and Fair Trading, Industry and Trade, Innovation, Science and Technology, Building, Corrections

Day Ten: Thursday 9 November 2023

PC 6 Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism
 PC 5 Families and Communities, Disability Inclusion

Day Eleven: Friday 10 November 2023

PC 5 Attorney-General
 PC 8 Local Government

3. That the remainder of the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 hearings be held during the first half of 2024, as determined by further resolution of the House.
4. That for the purposes of the 2023-2024 initial budget estimates hearings:
 - (a) each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm and 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, and, if required, by Government members only from 10.45 am to 11.00 am, 12.45 pm to 1.00 pm, and 5.15 pm to 5.30 pm
 - (b) the portfolio of The Legislature be examined by Opposition, Crossbench and Government members from 2.00 pm until 5.30 pm.
5. That for the purposes of the 2023-2024 initial budget estimates hearings:
 - (a) the committees must hear evidence in public
 - (b) the committees may ask for explanations from ministers, parliamentary secretaries or officers of departments, statutory bodies or corporations, relating to the items of proposed expenditure
 - (c) ministers be invited to appear for the morning sessions only unless requested by committees to appear also for the afternoon session
 - (d) witnesses, including ministers, may not make an opening statement before a committee commences questions

- (e) members may lodge supplementary questions with the committee clerk by 5.00 pm within two business days following the receipt of the hearing transcript
 - (f) answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions are to be published, except those answers for which confidentiality is requested, after they have been circulated to committee members.
6. That the committees report by 28 June 2024.²

Supplementary hearing

1. That, further to the resolution of the House of 12 September 2023 referring Budget Estimates 2023- 2024 to the Portfolio Committees for inquiry and report, as amended 11 October 2023, and the resolution of the House of 10 May 2023 adopting the 2023 sitting calendar, Portfolio Committee No. 4 - Regional NSW hold a supplementary hearing in 2023 to examine the portfolios of Agriculture, Regional New South Wales, Western New South Wales.
2. That for the purposes of the 2023-2024 supplementary budget estimates hearing:
 - (a) each portfolio be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, and from 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, then from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm, and from 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, with 15 minutes reserved for Government questions at 10.45 am, 12.45 pm and 5.15 pm, if required
 - (b) the committee must hear evidence in public
 - (c) the committee may ask for explanations from the minister, parliamentary secretaries or officers of departments, statutory bodies or corporations, relating to the items of proposed expenditure
 - (d) the minister be invited to appear for the morning session only unless requested by the committee to appear also for the afternoon session
 - (e) witnesses, including the minister, may not make an opening statement before a committee commences questions
 - (f) members may lodge supplementary questions with the committee clerk by 5.00 pm within two business days following the receipt of the hearing transcript
 - (g) answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions are to be published, except those answers for which confidentiality is requested, after they have been circulated to committee members.³

² *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 12 September 2023, pp 446-450; amended, *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 11 October 2023, p 558.

³ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 22 November 2023, pp 692-693.

Additional hearings

1. That, further to the resolution of the House of 12 September 2023 referring Budget Estimates 2023-2024 to the Portfolio Committees for inquiry and report, as amended 11 October 2023, and the resolution of the House of 21 November 2023 adopting the 2024 sitting calendar,⁴ the 2023-2024 additional budget estimates hearings be scheduled as follows:

Day One: Tuesday 20 February 2024

PC 3 Education and Early Learning, Western Sydney
 PC 4 Small Business, Lands and Property, Multiculturalism, Sport

Day Two: Wednesday 21 February 2024

PC 1 Premier
 PC 4 Agriculture, Regional New South Wales, Western New South Wales

Day Three: Thursday 22 February 2024

PC 2 Health, Regional Health, the Illawarra and the South Coast
 PC 1 Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty, Gaming and Racing, Veterans, the Central Coast, Medical Research

Day Four: Friday 23 February 2024

PC 6 Transport
 PC 5 Police and Counter Terrorism, the Hunter

Day Five: Tuesday 27 February 2024

PC 7 Planning and Public Spaces
 PC 5 Women, Seniors, Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Day Six: Wednesday 28 February 2024

PC 2 Water, Housing, Homelessness, Mental Health, Youth, the North Coast
 PC 8 Customer Service and Digital Government, Emergency Services, Youth Justice

Day Seven: Thursday 29 February 2024

PC 1 Industrial Relations, Work Health and Safety
 PC 6 Regional Transport and Roads

Day Eight: Friday 1 March 2024

PC 1 Treasurer
 PC 8 Better Regulation and Fair Trading, Industry and Trade, Innovation, Science and Technology, Building, Corrections

Day Nine: Monday 4 March 2024

PC 5 Families and Communities, Disability Inclusion
 PC 1 The Legislature

⁴ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 21 November 2023, pp 666-667.

Day Ten: Tuesday 5 March 2024

PC 6 Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy,
Jobs and Tourism
PC 3 Skills, TAFE, Tertiary Education

Day Eleven: Wednesday 6 March 2024

PC 5 Attorney-General
PC 8 Local Government

Day Twelve: Thursday 7 March 2024

PC 7 Climate Change, Energy, the Environment, Heritage
PC 1 Finance, Domestic Manufacturing and Government Procurement, Natural
Resources

2. That for the purposes of the 2023-2024 additional budget estimates hearings:
 - (a) each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, and from 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, then from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm, and from 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, with 15 minutes reserved for Government questions at 10.45 am, 12.45 pm and 5.15 pm, if required
 - (b) the portfolio of The Legislature be examined by Opposition, Crossbench and Government members from 9.15 am to 11.00 am, and from 11.15 am to 1.00 pm.
3. That for the purposes of the 2023-2024 additional budget estimates hearings:
 - (a) the committees must hear evidence in public
 - (b) the committees may ask for explanations from ministers, parliamentary secretaries or officers of departments, statutory bodies or corporations, relating to the items of proposed expenditure
 - (c) ministers be invited to appear for the morning sessions only unless requested by committees to appear also for the afternoon session
 - (d) witnesses, including ministers, may not make an opening statement before a committee commences questions
 - (e) members may lodge supplementary questions with the committee clerk by 5.00 pm within two business days following the receipt of the hearing transcript
 - (f) answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions are to be published, except those answers for which confidentiality is requested, after they have been circulated to committee members.⁵

⁵ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 30 November 2023, pp 787-788.

Committee details

Committee members

Ms Cate Faehrmann MLC	The Greens	<i>Chair</i>
Hon Sam Farroway MLC	The Nationals	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Hon Mark Banasiak MLC	Shooters, Fishers and Farmers Party	
Hon Anthony D'Adam MLC	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Dr Sarah Kaine MLC	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Bob Nanva MLC	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Natalie Ward MLC	Liberal Party	

Non-substantive members who attended the hearings

Ms Abigail Boyd MLC	The Greens
Hon Susan Carter MLC	Liberal Party
Hon Greg Donnelly MLC	Australian Labor Party
Hon Mark Latham MLC	Independent
Hon Stephen Lawrence MLC	Australian Labor Party
Hon Sarah Mitchell MLC	The Nationals
Hon Jacqui Munro MLC	Liberal Party
Hon Cameron Murphy MLC	Australian Labor Party
Hon Peter Primrose MLC	Australian Labor Party
Hon Rod Roberts MLC	Independent
Hon Emily Suvaal MLC	Australian Labor Party
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Chair's foreword

I am pleased to present this report on the inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024. The annual inquiry into the Budget Estimates ensures parliamentary oversight of the Budget, and provides an important mechanism for the accountability of the executive government to the Legislative Council.

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts is responsible for the scrutiny of the following portfolio area:

- Transport
- Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism
- Regional Transport and Roads.

The primary evidence gathering mechanism of this inquiry is through the conduct of public hearings. This report lists the key issues raised during the hearings. Transcripts, tabled documents and additional answers provided after the hearings are published on the [inquiry's webpage](#).

On behalf of the committee, I would like to thank the ministers and their officers who assisted the committee during this important inquiry. I am grateful to my fellow committee members and the secretariat staff for their contributions to the inquiry process.

Ms Cate Faehrmann MLC
Committee Chair

Chapter 1 Introduction

The inquiry into Budget Estimates is one of the key mechanisms for parliamentary committees to scrutinise government expenditure, performance and effectiveness. It holds ministers and government officials to account and provides a greater level of transparency to the public.

The inquiry is conducted annually by the Legislative Council's Portfolio Committees. Each committee examines the budget estimates of its responsible portfolios, with ministers and senior public servants as the primary witnesses. The evidence taking process of the inquiry consists of answers provided during public hearings, including answers to questions on notice, and answers to post-hearing written questions (known as supplementary questions). There is no provision for written submissions.

Budget Estimates 2023-2024

- 1.1 On 12 September 2023, the Legislative Council referred the Budget Estimates for the 2023-2024 financial year to the portfolio committees for inquiry and report.⁶
- 1.2 On 10 May 2023, the Legislative Council resolved that initial hearings for Budget Estimates 2023-2024 be held over 12 days from 24 October to 26 October and 31 October to 10 November 2023.⁷ The hearing schedule was amended by the House on 12 September 2023 to provide that initial hearings for Budget Estimates 2023-2024 be held over 11 days from 24 October to 26 October, 31 October to 3 November, and 7 November to 10 November 2023.⁸ The hearing schedule was further amended by the House on 11 October 2023 to add an additional hearing and make consequential amendments.⁹
- 1.3 On 22 November 2023, the Legislative Council resolved to hold a supplementary hearing for the portfolios of Agriculture, Regional New South Wales, and Western New South Wales in 2023.¹⁰
- 1.4 On 30 November 2023, the Legislative Council resolved that additional hearings for Budget Estimates 2023-2024 be held over 12 days from 20 February to 23 February, 27 February to 1 March, and 4 March to 7 March 2024.¹¹
- 1.5 The Budget Estimates resolution establishing the inquiry, which sets out the rules for the inquiry, is reproduced on pages iv-viii.

⁶ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 12 September 2023, pp 448-450.

⁷ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 10 May 2023, p 64.

⁸ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 12 September 2023, p 449.

⁹ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 11 October 2023, p 558.

¹⁰ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 22 November 2023, pp 692-693.

¹¹ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 30 November 2023, pp 787-788.

Hearings

1.6 The committee held six public hearings as follows:

- Wednesday 1 November 2023 and Thursday 29 February 2024: Regional Transport and Roads
- Tuesday 7 November 2023 and Friday 23 February 2024: Transport
- Thursday 9 November 2023 and Tuesday 5 March 2024: Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism.

Transcripts, questions on notice and supplementary questions

1.7 Transcripts of the hearings, questions taken on notice, supplementary questions and answers to these questions are available on the Budget Estimates webpage at: www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/budgetestimates.

Chapter 2 Issues raised during hearings

This chapter provides a brief summary of key issues raised during the hearings.

Regional Transport and Roads

2.1 A hearing examining the portfolio of Regional Transport and Roads was held on Wednesday 1 November 2023. The following issues were raised during the committee's examination of this portfolio:

- bus services in regional New South Wales and disclosure of conflicts of interest with bus contractors
- wheelchair accessible taxis in regional New South Wales
- regional rail improvements, and modern passenger rail service – Rail, Train, Bus Union feedback on train to be commissioned
- timber truss bridge maintenance, expenditure and funding
- freight transport and heavy vehicle rest stop upgrades
- road safety - seatbelt legislation, repairs of damaged roads, measures to reduce increased road trauma, and funding allocation for Community Road Safety Fund
- regional seniors travel card and apprentice travel card – fraudulent use of travel cards
- cyclists using trains without having to box up bicycle
- country road roundabout in Tamworth and roundabout guidelines
- Coffs Harbour bypass project and noise wall
- reclassification of roads – transfer of roads from local government to state government responsibility
- Great Western Highway 80/20 funding model – Great Western Highway Corridor
- Net Zero Emission and Climate Change Policy – goal of net zero on transport's fleet by 2035
- incentives for heavy road vehicles to go electric
- speed cameras.

2.2 An additional hearing examining the portfolio of Regional Transport and Roads was held on Thursday 29 February 2024. The following issues were raised during the committee's examination of this portfolio:

- Coffs Harbour bypass project – inappropriate workplace conduct and behaviour of contractors and Transport for NSW response
- timber truss bridge maintenance, expenditure, and funding
- regional transport improvements, funding and services – rail, bus and new passenger train services

- reclassification of roads – transfer of roads from local government to state government responsibility
- bypass projects at Muswellbrook, Milton/Ulladulla, Tripoli Way Extension Project and East Nowra Sub Arterial Road Project
- bike storage on trains
- road safety, speed limits, low speed zones and fatalities in urban regional areas.

Transport

2.3 A hearing examining the portfolio of Transport was held on Tuesday 7 November 2023. The following issues were raised during the committee's examination of this portfolio:

- staffing in the Minister's Office, specifically the role and responsibilities of departmental staff and Departmental Liaison Officers
- establishment and staffing of the transition office within Transport for NSW
- government's commitment to reduce senior executives in the public service and how Transport for NSW plans to meet this commitment
- Sydney Metro – the use of contractors and consultants
- decision to appeal the class action Sydney light rail court case
- review of current/future infrastructure projects, specifically Kamay ferry wharf/s and the Glebe Bridge Road cycle way
- maritime – staffing (requirements and vacancies) and budget (funding and expenditure), specifically the management of the Waterways Fund and the Boating Now Program and disability access/inclusion within maritime
- Transport Access Program – merging this program with the Commuter Car Park Program, introduction of an independent body to monitor accessibility standards and specifically consideration of people with an intellectual disability
- buses – U-Go Mobility contract
- pollution targets and the role of Transport for NSW
- taxi industry in the regions and taxi access for people with disability.

2.4 An additional hearing examining the portfolio of Transport was held on Friday 23 February 2024. The following issues were raised during the committee's examination of this portfolio:

- executive numbers and pay levels in Transport for NSW including reduction targets
- unsolicited proposal for redevelopment of Rosehill Racecourse
- bus shelters in western Sydney
- rules regarding conduct of Department Liaison Officers
- access fees for Sydney Airport and Western Sydney Airport

- Parramatta Light Rail project
- investigation of alleged misconduct by staff in Sydney Metro
- train derailment in the Bylong Valley in December 2023
- conversion of the Transport Asset Holding Entity from a state-owned corporation to a non-commercial public non-financial corporation
- Safe Accessible Transport program.

Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism

2.5 A hearing examining the portfolios of Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism was held on Thursday 9 November 2023. The following issues were raised during the committee's examination of these portfolios:

- grants under the Local Small Commitments Allocation
- establishment and staffing of the transition office within Transport for NSW
- funding for Art Gallery of NSW, including Sydney Modern
- Heathcote Road Widening Project and koalas
- acquired properties on Lilyfield Road as part of the Rozelle Interchange
- Western Distributor Improvement Project
- proposed truck stops in the Hartley Valley
- Urban Roads Fund
- Mona Vale Road
- toll review
- staff, funding and responsibilities of 24-Hour Economy Commission, including Data After Dark project, Uptown Grant Program and bill to expand responsibility into certain regions
- Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority and subject music festivals, including Safety Management Plans, police approvals, appeals process
- Arts and Cultural Funding Program
- Rozelle Interchange.

2.6 An additional hearing examining the portfolios of Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism was held on Tuesday 5 March 2024. The following issues were raised during the committee's examination of these portfolios:

- road safety, including the demerit point scheme, outcome of road safety summit, road safety assessment policy, seatbelt enforcement cameras, and drug and alcohol testing

- traffic management and road investments, including Rozelle Interchange; WestConnex tunnel; Tolling Review Interim Report; investment in Aerotropolis Roads, Elizabeth Drive and Fifteenth Ave; M7-M12 Interchange project; Western Harbour Tunnel project; drone program for traffic monitoring; Northern Beaches Road Network; Mona Vale Road West Project; Heathcote Road widening commitment; Urban Road Fund Project; Warringah freeway upgrade; and Berrys Bay project
- koala protection measures including speed limit reductions, signage, and effective underpass
- St Peters interchange parkland development project – NSW Environment Protection Authority investigation into the landfill sites and potential contamination
- Powerhouse Museum closure and relocation, maintenance expenditure, revitalisation planning, and redevelopment budget
- Art Gallery of NSW operational costs, ticket prices, funding cuts, and the impact on programs and staff
- music festivals – financial challenges, increased costs specifically related to policing, cancelation of Groovin' the Moo Festival, ongoing viability of music festivals, and Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority's role in music festival regulation
- cultural events and late-night economy, including special event trading and live music extended trading hours, identification requirements for entry into venues, Live Performance Venue Accelerator workshops, AI impact on creative arts and issues of intellectual property protection, and funding for NRL grand final and Sydney's New Year's test cricket match
- Independent Commission Against Corruption Amendment (Validation) Act 2015.

Appendix 1 Witnesses at hearings

Date	Name	Position and Organisation
Wednesday 1 November 2023 Preston Stanley Room Parliament House, Sydney	Hon Jenny Aitchison MP	Minister for Regional Transport and Roads
	Mr Josh Murray	Secretary, Transport for NSW
	Ms Brenda Hoang	Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
	Mr Matt Fuller	Deputy Secretary, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
	Ms Sally Webb	A/Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment & Regulation, Transport for NSW
	Mr Bernard Carlon	Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
	Ms Camilla Drover	Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
	Mr Dale Merrick	A/Chief Executive, NSW Trains, Transport for NSW
	Mr Roger Weeks	A/Chief Customer Officer, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
	Mr Anthony Hayes	Executive Director, Community and Place, Transport for NSW
	Ms Cynthia Heydon	Executive Director, Planning & Programs, Transport for NSW
	Mr Richard Host	A/Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
	Ms Sam Knight	Director - South, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
Ms Anna Zycki	Director – North, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW	

Date	Name	Position and Organisation
	Mr Tom Grosskopf	Executive Director Network & Assets, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
	Ms Holly Taylor	A/Executive Director, Transport Partnerships, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
	Mr Ed Debenham	Executive Director, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
	Mr Lewis Clark	Executive Director, Customer Systems and Operations, Transport for NSW
Tuesday 7 November 2023 Macquarie Room Parliament House, Sydney	Hon Jo Haylen MP	Minister for Transport
	Mr Howard Collins	Coordinator General, Transport for NSW
	Ms Trudi Mares	Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW
	Mr Peter Regan	Chief Executive, Sydney Metro
	Mr Matt Longland	Chief Executive, Sydney Trains
	Ms Benedicte Colin	CEO, Transport Asset Holding Entity
	Ms Susan Carroll	Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW
	Mr Josh Murray	Secretary, Transport for NSW
	Ms Brenda Hoang	Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
	Mr Anthony Wing	Commissioner, NSW Point to Point Commission
	Ms Camilla Drover	Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
	Mr Richard Host	A/Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW

Date	Name	Position and Organisation
	Ms Sally Webb	A/Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment & Regulation, Transport for NSW
Thursday 9 November 2023 Macquarie Room Parliament House, Sydney	Hon John Graham MLC	Special Minister of State, Roads, the Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism
	Mr Michael Rodrigues	24-Hour Economy Commissioner
	Ms Elizabeth Mildwater	Secretary, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade
	Ms Annette Pitman	Chief Executive, Create NSW
	Mr Steve Cox	Chief Executive Officer, Destination NSW
	Ms Kate Boyd	Deputy Secretary and General Counsel, The Cabinet Office
	Mr Tarek Barakat	A/CEO, Hospitality and Racing, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade
	Ms Caroline Lamb	Chair, Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority
	Mr Josh Murray	Secretary, Transport for NSW
	Ms Trudi Mares	Acting Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW
	Ms Camilla Drover	Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
	Ms Brenda Hoang	Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
	Mr Howard Collins	Coordinator General, Transport for NSW
	Dr Michael Brand	Director, Art Gallery of NSW
	Ms Lisa Havilah	CEO, MAAS Trust
	Ms Mary Darwell	Interim CEO, Museums of History NSW

Date	Name	Position and Organisation
	Ms Emily Collins	Interim Head, Sound NSW
	Ms Susan Carroll	Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW
	Mr Bernard Carlon	Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
	Ms Sally Webb	Acting Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment, Transport for NSW
Friday 23 February 2024 Macquarie Room Parliament House, Sydney	Hon Jo Haylen MP	Minister for Transport
	Mr Howard Collins	Coordinator General, Transport for NSW
	Mr David Britton	Chief Legal Officer, Transport for NSW
	Ms Lyndal Punch	Acting Chief Executive, Transport Asset Holding Entity
	Ms Tracey Taylor	Chief People Officer, Transport for NSW
	Ms Trudi Mares	A/Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW
	Mr Peter Regan	Chief Executive, Sydney Metro
	Mr Matt Longland	Chief Executive, Sydney Trains
	Ms Susan Carroll	Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW
	Mr Josh Murray	Secretary, Transport for NSW
	Ms Brenda Hoang	Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
	Mr Anthony Wing	Commissioner, NSW Point to Point Commission
	Ms Camilla Drover	Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
	Mr Richard Host	A/Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW

Date	Name	Position and Organisation
	Mr Jim Modrouvanos	Acting Chief Investigator, Office of Transport Safety Investigations
Thursday 29 February 2024 Preston Stanley Room Parliament House, Sydney	Hon Jenny Aitchison MP	Minister for Regional Transport and Roads
	Mr Josh Murray	Secretary, Transport for NSW
	Ms Brenda Hoang	Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
	Mr Matt Fuller	Deputy Secretary, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
	Mr Bernard Carlon	Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
	Ms Camilla Drover	Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
	Mr Dale Merrick	A/Chief Executive, NSW Trains, Transport for NSW
	Mr Roger Weeks	A/Chief Customer Officer, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
	Mr Anthony Hayes	Executive Director, Community and Place, Transport for NSW
	Ms Cynthia Heydon	Executive Director, Planning & Programs, Transport for NSW
	Mr Richard Host	A/Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
	Mr Tom Grosskopf	Executive Director Network & Assets, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
	Ms Holly Taylor	A/Executive Director, Transport Partnerships, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW

Date	Name	Position and Organisation
	Mr Ed Debenham	Executive Director, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
	Mr Lewis Clark	Executive Director, Customer Systems and Operations, Transport for NSW
Tuesday 5 March 2024 Macquarie Room Parliament House, Sydney	Hon John Graham MLC	Special Minister of State, Roads, the Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism
	Mr Josh Murray	Secretary, Transport for NSW
	Ms Trudi Mares	Acting Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW
	Ms Camilla Drover	Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
	Ms Brenda Hoang	Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
	Mr Michael Rodrigues	24-Hour Economy Commissioner
	Mr Howard Collins	Coordinator General, Transport for NSW
	Ms Elizabeth Mildwater	Secretary, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade
	Ms Annette Pitman	Chief Executive, Create NSW
	Mr Steve Cox	Chief Executive Officer, Destination NSW
	Mr Tarek Barakat	A/CEO, Hospitality and Racing, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade
	Ms Caroline Lamb	Chair, Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority
	Ms Susan Carroll	Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW
	Dr Michael Brand	Director, Art Gallery of NSW
	Ms Lisa Havilah	CEO, MAAS Trust

Date	Name	Position and Organisation
	Ms Mary Darwell	Interim CEO, Museums of History NSW
	Ms Emily Collins	Interim Head, Sound NSW
	Ms Sally Webb	Acting Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment & Regulation, Transport for NSW
	Mr Bernard Carlon	Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW

Appendix 2 Minutes

Minutes no. 3

Thursday 21 September 2023

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Room 1136, Parliament House, Sydney at 1.02 pm

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair*

Mr Farraway, *Deputy Chair*

Mr Banasiak

Mr Buttigieg (substituting for Mr D'Adam)

Dr Kaine

Mr Nanva

Mrs Ward

2. Previous minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Banasiak: That draft minutes no. 2 be confirmed.

3. Inquiry into current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney

3.1 Request for documents: Report of the expert panel into Western Sydney's transport infrastructure needs

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Banasiak: That the committee write separately to:

- the Minister for Transport
 - the Australian Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government
- to request that they provide the following document in their possession, custody or control by 5.00 pm, Thursday 28 September 2023: A copy of the final report of the expert panel commissioned by the Australian Government into Western Sydney's transport infrastructure needs that is in the possession of the NSW Government, as reported in the Sydney Morning Herald article 'Secret western Sydney infrastructure review ignored in federal budget', dated 2 September 2023.

4. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024 – procedural resolutions

The committee noted that the Budget Estimates timetable for 2023-2024 was agreed to by the House, with hearings generally commencing at 9.15 am and concluding by 5.30 pm. Below is a table of Portfolio Committee No. 6 hearings:

Date	Portfolio
Wednesday 1 November 2023	Regional Transport and Roads
Tuesday 7 November 2023	Transport
Thursday 9 November 2023	Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism

4.1 Allocation of question time and total hearing time

The committee noted that under the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 resolution each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only from 9.15 am to 10.45

am, 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm and 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, and, if required, by Government members only from 10.45 am to 11.00 am, 12.45 pm to 1.00 pm, and 5.15 pm to 5.30 pm.

4.2 Witness requests

Resolved, on the motion of Mrs Ward: That:

- the secretariat write to the ministers of the relevant portfolios being examined by the committee to request that they:
 - nominate witnesses to appear at each hearing, for the committee's consideration, and
 - provide the committee with a list and/or organisation chart of all departmental staff at the level of Executive Director / Regional Director and above
- upon receipt, the nominated witnesses be circulated to the committee
- members be given two days from when the nominated witnesses are circulated to make amendments or nominate additional witnesses
- the committee agree to the witness list by email, unless a meeting of the committee is required to resolve any disagreement.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Farraway: That the committee defer consideration of whether to invite the parliamentary secretaries to appear as witnesses at the hearings.

4.3 Witness appearance time

The committee noted that under the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 resolution Ministers are invited to appear for the morning sessions only, 9.15 am to 1.00 pm, unless requested by the committee to appear also for the afternoon session.

5. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 1.18 pm until Thursday 5 October 2023, Macquarie Room, Parliament House (public hearing – inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in New South Wales).

Arizona Hart

Committee Clerk

Minutes no. 6

Wednesday 18 October 2023

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Room 1136, Parliament House, Sydney at 1.31 pm

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair*

Mr Farraway, *Deputy Chair*

Mr D'Adam

Mr Donnelly (substituting for Mr Nanva)

Dr Kaine

Mrs Ward

2. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024

2.1 Witnesses for Regional Transport and Roads hearing

Mr Farraway moved: That the committee invite the following witnesses to the Regional Transport and Roads hearing (1 November):

- Mr Richard Host, A/Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
- Mr Alistair Lunn, Director West, Community and Place – West Region, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)

- Ms Sam Knight, Director South, Community and Place – South Region, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Ms Anna Zycki, Director – North, Community and Place – North Region, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Mr Tom Grosskopf, Executive Director Network & Assets, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Ms Andrea Mears, Director Program Management, Regional and Outer Metropolitan Division, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Ms Barbara Wise, Executive Director, Transport Partnerships, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Mr Ed Debenham, Executive Director, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Mr Lewis Clark, Executive Director, Customer Systems and Operations, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only).

Question put.

The committee divided.

Ayes: Ms Faehrmann, Mr Farraway, Mrs Ward.

Noes: Mr D'Adam, Mr Donnelly, Dr Kaine.

Question resolved in the affirmative on the casting vote of the Chair.

2.2 Witnesses for Transport hearing

Resolved, on the motion of Mrs Ward: That, for the Transport hearing (7 November), the committee:

- invite Ms Susan Carroll, Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW
- advise the Minister that the following witnesses are only required to appear from 2.00 to 5.30 pm:
 - Ms Camilla Drover, Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
 - Mr Richard Host, A/Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
 - Ms Sally Webb, A/Dep Secretary, Safety Environment & Regulation, Transport for NSW
 - Mr Anthony Wing, Commissioner, NSW Point to Point Commission
- advise the Minister that Dr Caroline Butler-Bowdon, A/Deputy Secretary, Cities and Active Transport, Transport for NSW is not required to attend.

Dr Kaine moved: That the committee accept the Minister's nomination of Ms Brenda Hoang, Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW and Ms Trudi Mares, A/Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW, to appear as witnesses at the Transport hearing (7 November).

Question put.

The committee divided.

Ayes: Mr D'Adam, Mr Donnelly, Ms Faehrmann, Dr Kaine.

Noes: Mr Farraway, Mrs Ward.

Question resolved in the affirmative.

2.3 Witnesses for Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Ward: That, for the Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing (9 November), the committee:

- invite the following witnesses:
 - Mr Anthony Keon, CEO of Hospitality and Racing

- Mr Chris Roach, Director of the Office of ILGA
- Ms Susan Carroll, Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Dr Michael Brand, Director, Art Gallery of NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Dr John Vallance, FAHA State Librarian (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Ms Lisa Havilah, CEO, MAAS Trust (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Ms Mary Darwell, Interim CEO, Museums of History NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- Ms Emily Collins, Interim Head, Sound NSW (from 2.00 to 5.30 pm only)
- advise the Minister that the following witnesses are only required to appear from 2.00 to 5.30 pm:
 - Ms Sally Webb, Acting Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment & Regulation, Transport for NSW
 - Mr Bernard Collin, Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
 - Group Deputy Secretary for Arts and Tourism, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade (with clarification to be sought as to who currently occupies this position)
- advise the Minister that Mr Matt Fuller, Deputy Secretary, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW is not required to attend.

Dr Kaine moved: That the committee accept the Minister's nomination of Ms Brenda Hoang, Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW to appear as a witness at the Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing (9 November).

Question put.

The committee divided.

Ayes: Mr D'Adam, Mr Donnelly, Ms Faehrmann, Dr Kaine.

Noes: Mr Farraway, Mrs Ward.

Question resolved in the affirmative.

2.4 Organisation chart – Transport for NSW

Resolved, on the motion of Mrs Ward: That the committee write to the Minister for Transport to request an organisation chart and/or list of all Executive Directors and Regional Directors in Transport for NSW, including their names.

3. Inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in New South Wales

3.1 Site visit to Dubbo

Resolved, on the motion of Dr Kaine: That the committee not go ahead with the site visit to Dubbo on Tuesday 14 November 2023.

4. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 1.53 pm until Wednesday 1 November 2023, 9.00 am, Preston Stanley Room, Parliament House (public hearing – Budget Estimates 2023-2024).

Arizona Hart

Committee Clerk

Minutes no. 7

Wednesday 1 November 2023

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Preston Stanley Room, Parliament House, Sydney at 9.02 am

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair* (until 10.21 am, from 10.38 am until 12.10 pm, and from 12:42pm)

Mr Farraway, *Deputy Chair*

Mr Banasiak, *Acting Deputy Chair* (until 10.40 am, and from 11.21 am until 12:43pm)

Mrs Carter (substituting for Mrs Ward from 12.41 pm until 3.03 pm)

Mr D'Adam

Dr Kaine

Mr Nanva

Mrs Ward (until 12.41pm, then from 3.19 pm)

Ms Munro (substituting for Mrs Ward from 3.03 pm until 3.19 pm)

2. **Previous minutes**

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Banasiak: That draft minutes nos. 3 and 6 be confirmed.

3. **Election of Acting Deputy Chair**

The Chair called for nominations for Acting Deputy Chair, on the occasion of the Chair's absence during the meeting.

Mrs Ward moved: That Mr Banasiak be elected Acting Deputy Chair of the committee for the purpose of the meeting.

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared Mr Banasiak elected Acting Deputy Chair for the purpose of the meeting.

The Chair called for nominations for Acting Deputy Chair, on the occasion of Mr Banasiak's absence during the meeting.

Mr Banasiak moved: The Mrs Ward be elected Acting Deputy Chair, on the occasion of Mr Banasiak's absence during the meeting .

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared Mrs Ward elected Acting Deputy Chair, on the occasion of Mr Banasiak's absence during the meeting.

4. **Correspondence**

The committee noted the following items of correspondence:

Received

- 4 October 2023 – Email from Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism to Budget Estimates secretariat, providing witness list for hearing on 9 November 2023
- 5 October 2023 – Email from Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport to Budget Estimates secretariat, providing witness list for hearing on 7 November 2023
- 5 October 2023 – Email from Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport to Budget Estimates secretariat, providing Transport for NSW organisational chart
- 6 October 2023 – Email from Ms Christine Boyd, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads to Budget Estimates secretariat, providing witness list for hearing on 1 November 2023
- 18 October 2023 – Email from Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport to Budget Estimates secretariat, providing a list of Transport for NSW Executive Directors
- 19 October 2023 – Email from Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, providing responses regarding additional requested witnesses for hearing on 9 November 2023
- 23 October 2023 – Email from Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads to Budget Estimates secretariat, confirming additional requested witnesses can attend hearing on 1 November 2023
- 24 October 2023 - Email from Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and

Minister for Jobs and Tourism, providing clarification regarding additional requested witnesses for hearing on 9 November 2023

- 25 October 2023 – Email from Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads to Budget Estimates secretariat, advising two additional requested witnesses cannot attend hearing on 1 November 2023
- 25 October 2023 – Email from Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport to Budget Estimates secretariat, providing list of executive directors within Transport for NSW
- 26 October 2023 – Email from Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads to Budget Estimates secretariat, advising the committee has already called all Regional Directors within Transport for NSW
- 27 October 2023 – Email from Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, confirming Mr Michael Rodrigues, 24-Hour Economy Commissioner, will appear at hearing on 9 November 2023.

Sent

- 21 September 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, issuing request to nominate witnesses for hearing on 1 November 2023
- 21 September 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, issuing request to nominate witnesses for hearing on 7 November 2023
- 21 September 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, issuing request to nominate witnesses for hearing on 9 November 2023
- 11 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, requesting list of Executive Directors within Transport for NSW
- 19 October 2023 - Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, requesting list of Executive Directors and Regional Directors within Transport for NSW, including names
- 19 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, requesting additional witnesses to appear at hearing on 1 November 2023
- 19 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, requesting additional witnesses to appear at hearing on 7 November 2023
- 19 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, requesting additional witnesses to appear at hearing on 9 November 2023
- 24 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, confirming witness list for hearing on 7 November 2023
- 24 October 2023 - Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, confirming witness list for hearing on 1 November 2023
- 24 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, seeking clarification regarding additional requested witnesses for hearing on 9 November 2023
- 26 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, requesting list of Regional Directors within Transport for NSW, including names

- 27 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, accepting unavailability of two witnesses and providing updated confirmed witness list for hearing on 1 November 2023
- 27 October 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, accepting advice regarding witness availability and issuing invitation to Mr Michael Rodrigues, 24-Hour Economy Commissioner, to appear at hearing on 9 November 2023.

5. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024

5.1 Parliamentary secretaries

Resolved, on the motion of Mrs Ward: That the committee not invite parliamentary secretaries to appear as witnesses at the hearings.

5.2 Order for examination of portfolios

The committee noted that under the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 resolution each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm and 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, and, if required, by Government members only from 10.45 am to 11.00 am, 12.45 pm to 1.00 pm, and 5.15 pm to 5.30 pm.

5.3 Public hearing

Witnesses, the public and the media were admitted.

The Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads was admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding parliamentary privilege and other matters.

The Chair noted that Members of Parliament swear an oath to their office, and therefore do not need to be sworn prior to giving evidence before a committee.

The following witnesses were sworn:

- Mr Josh Murray, Secretary, Transport for NSW
- Ms Brenda Hoang, Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
- Mr Matt Fuller, Deputy Secretary, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Ms Sally Webb, A/ Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment & Regulation, Transport for NSW
- Mr Bernard Carlon, Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
- Ms Camilla Drover, Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
- Mr Dale Merrick, A/ Chief Executive, NSW Trains, Transport for NSW
- Mr Roger Weeks, A/ Chief Customer Officer, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Mr Anthony Hayes, Executive Director, Community and Place, Transport for NSW
- Ms Cynthia Heydon, Executive Director, Planning & Programs, Transport for NSW
- Mr Richard Host, A/ Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW.

The Chair declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Regional Transport and Roads open for examination.

Mr Farraway tendered the following documents:

- Article, Western Advocate article 'Eyes on bus services under new regional transport minister' by Rachel Chamberlain, dated 30 October 2023
- Article, CDC NSW 'CDC NSW offering more services and more jobs thanks to 16 Regional Cities boost', dated 29 September 2023
- Media Release, Jenny Aitchison, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, 'Dubbo bus services to be boosted by 87% in major overhaul', dated 26 September 2023

- Electoral commission webpage extract, 'Section 6C: Reportable political donations received at fundraising function(s) or venture(s)'
- Media Release, Jenny Aitchison Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, Tim Crakanthorp Minister for the Hunter, '506 extra weekly bus services for the Hunter', dated 25 June 2023
- House Business Papers, '497 – Regional Transport and Roads – Regional Seniors Travel Card', Questions asked on 15 June 2023 (session 58-1) and published in Questions & Answers Paper No 27, Answer received on 6 July 2023 and published in Questions & Answers Papers No 42
- SO52, 'LC497 – Regional Seniors Travel Card, responses to questions asked by Mr Farraway to the Minister for- Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads'
- Article, 'NSW Minister suspends regional seniors travel card amid cigarette loophole' by James O'Doherty, dated 27 June 2023.

Mrs Ward tendered the following document:

- Media Release, 'Wrong Priorities for Road Safety' Natalie Ward, Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Roads, dated 4 October 2023, tendered by Mrs Ward.

The Minister withdrew at 12.47pm.

The following witnesses were sworn:

- Ms Sam Knight, Director South, Community and Place – South Region, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Ms Anna Zycki, Director – North, Community and Place – North Region, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Mr Tom Grosskopf, Executive Director Network & Assets, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Ms Holly Taylor, A/Executive Director, Transport Partnerships, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Mr Ed Debenham, Executive Director, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
- Mr Lewis Clark, Executive Director, Customer Systems and Operations, Transport for NSW.

Mrs Ward tendered the following document:

- Premier's social media post on speed cameras (to be provided to the Budget Estimates secretariat after the hearing).

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 5.15 pm. The public and the media withdrew.

6. **Tendered documents**

Resolved on the motion of Mrs Ward: That the committee accept and publish the following documents:

- Article, Western Advocate article 'Eyes on bus services under new regional transport minister' by Rachel Chamberlain, dated 30 October 2023, tendered by Mr Farraway
- Article, CDC NSW 'CDC NSW offering more services and more jobs thanks to 16 Regional Cities boost', dated 29 September 2023, tendered by Mr Farraway
- Media Release, Jenny Aitchison, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, 'Dubbo bus services to be boosted by 87% in major overhaul', dated 26 September 2023, tendered by Mr Farraway
- Electoral commission webpage extract, 'Section 6C: Reportable political donations received at fundraising function(s) or venture(s)', tendered by Mr Farraway

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- SO52, 'LC497 – Regional Seniors Travel Card, responses to questions asked by Mr Farraway to the Minister for- Jobs and Tourism, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Music and Night-time Economy representing the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads', tendered by Mr Farraway
- Article, 'NSW Minister suspends regional seniors travel card amid cigarette loophole' by James O'Doherty, dated 27 June 2023, tendered by Mr Farraway
- Media Release, 'Wrong Priorities for Road Safety' Natalie Ward, Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Roads, dated 4 October 2023, tendered by Mrs Ward
- Premier's social media post on speed cameras (to be provided to the Budget Estimates secretariat after the hearing), tendered by Mrs Ward.

Resolved on the motion of Mr Farraway: That the committee accept the social media post referred to by Mrs Ward, to be provided to the Budget Estimates secretariat after the hearing, as a document.

7. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 5.17 pm until Tuesday 7 November 2023, 9.00 am, Macquarie Room, Parliament House (public hearing - Budget Estimates 2023-2024).

Jessie Halligan and Merrin Thompson
Committee Clerks

Minutes no. 8

Tuesday 7 November 2023

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Macquarie Room, Parliament House, Sydney at 9.01 am

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair* (until 3.59 pm, and from 4.19 pm)

Mr Farraway, *Deputy Chair* (until 2.52 pm, and from 3.45 pm)

Mr Banasiak, *Acting Deputy Chair*

Ms Boyd (participating from 11.55 am until 12.45 pm, and from 3.58 pm until 4.20 pm)

Mr D'Adam

Dr Kaine

Mr Murphy (substituting for Mr Nanva)

Mr Tudehope (participating from 9.15 am until 12.45 pm)

Mrs Ward

2. Previous minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Farraway: That draft minutes no. 7 be confirmed.

3. Election of Acting Deputy Chair

The Chair called for nominations for Acting Deputy Chair, on the occasion of the Chair's absence during the meeting.

Mrs Ward moved: That Mr Banasiak be elected Acting Deputy Chair of the committee for the purpose of the meeting.

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared Mr Banasiak elected Acting Deputy Chair for the purpose of the meeting.

4. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024

4.1 Order for examination of portfolios

The committee noted that under the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 resolution each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm and 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, and, if required, by Government members only from 10.45 am to 11.00 am, 12.45 pm to 1.00 pm, and 5.15 pm to 5.30 pm.

4.2 Public hearing – Transport

Witnesses, the public and the media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding parliamentary privilege and other matters.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr Howard Collins, Coordinator General, Transport for NSW
- Ms Trudi Mares, A/Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW
- Mr Peter Regan, Chief Executive, Sydney Metro
- Mr Matt Longland, Chief Executive, Sydney Trains.
- Ms Benedicte Colin, CEO, Transport Asset Holding Entity
- Ms Susan Carroll, Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW.

The following witnesses were examined on their former oath:

- Mr Josh Murray, Secretary, Transport for NSW
- Ms Brenda Hoang, Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW

The Chair noted that Members of Parliament swear an oath to their office, and therefore do not need to be sworn prior to giving evidence before a committee.

The Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport was admitted and examined.

The Chair declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolio of Transport open for examination.

The Minister withdrew at 12.45 pm.

The following witness was sworn and examined:

- Mr Anthony Wing, Commissioner, NSW Point to Point Commission.

The following witnesses were examined on their former oath:

- Ms Camilla Drover, Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
- Mr Richard Host, A/ Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
- Ms Sally Webb, A/ Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment & Regulation, Transport for NSW.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 5.19 pm. The public and the media withdrew.

5. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 5.19 pm until Thursday 9 November 2023, 9.00 am, Macquarie Room, Parliament House (public hearing – inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024).

Shaza Barbar and Amanda Assoum
Committee Clerks

Minutes no. 9

Thursday 9 November 2023
Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts
Macquarie Room, Parliament House, Sydney at 9.01 am

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair* (until 3.30 pm, from 4.01 pm to 4.37 pm, and from 4.50 pm)
Mrs Carter (substituting for Mr Farraway)
Mr Banasiak (from 9.03 am to 2.08 pm)
Ms Boyd (participating from 11.31 am to 12.46 pm)
Mr D'Adam
Dr Kaine
Mrs Mitchell (participating from 9.01 am to 12.46 pm)
Mr Nanva
Mr Tudehope (participating from 11.15 am to 12.46 pm)
Mrs Ward (until 3.10 pm, and from 3.57 pm)

2. Election of Deputy Chair

The Chair called for nominations for the Deputy Chair for the duration of the meeting.

Mrs Ward moved: That Mrs Carter be elected Deputy Chair for the duration of the meeting.

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared Mrs Carter elected Deputy Chair for the duration of the meeting.

3. Declaration of interests

Mrs Carter declared that she is a member of the Art Gallery of New South Wales.

4. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024**4.1 Order for examination of portfolios**

The committee noted that under the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 resolution each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm and 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, and, if required, by Government members only from 10.45 am to 11.00 am, 12.45 pm to 1.00 pm, and 5.15 pm to 5.30 pm.

4.2 Public hearing – Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism

Witnesses, the public and the media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding parliamentary privilege and other matters.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr Michael Rodrigues, 24-Hour Economy Commissioner
- Ms Elizabeth Mildwater, Secretary, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade
- Ms Annette Pitman, Chief Executive, Create NSW
- Mr Steve Cox, Chief Executive Officer, Destination NSW
- Ms Kate Boyd, Deputy Secretary and General Counsel, The Cabinet Office
- Mr Tarek Barakat, A/CEO, Hospitality and Racing, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade
- Ms Caroline Lamb, Chair, Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority.

The following witnesses were examined on their former oath:

- Mr Josh Murray, Secretary, Transport for NSW
- Ms Trudi Mares, Acting Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW
- Ms Camilla Drover, Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
- Ms Brenda Hoang, Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
- Mr Howard Collins, Coordinator General, Transport for NSW.

The Chair noted that Members of Parliament swear an oath to their office, and therefore do not need to be sworn prior to giving evidence before a committee.

The Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism was admitted and examined.

The Chair declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-Time Economy, Jobs and Tourism open for examination.

Mr Banasiak tabled the following document:

- Photographs from recent exhibition at the Powerhouse Museum.

The Minister withdrew at 12.46 pm.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Dr Michael Brand, Director, Art Gallery of NSW
- Ms Lisa Havilah, CEO, MAAS Trust
- Ms Mary Darwell, Interim CEO, Museums of History NSW
- Ms Emily Collins, Interim Head, Sound NSW.

The following witnesses were examined on their former oath:

- Ms Susan Carroll, Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW
- Mr Bernard Carlon, Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
- Ms Sally Webb, Acting Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment, Transport for NSW

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 5.19 pm. The public and the media withdrew.

4.3 Tendered documents

Resolved, on the motion of Mrs Carter: That the committee accept and publish the following document tabled during the public hearing:

- Photographs from recent exhibition at the Powerhouse Museum, tabled by Mr Banasiak.

5. Timeframe for responses to questions on notice and supplementary questions - Regional Transport and Roads

Mr Nanva moved: That the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads be required to return answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions from the hearing on 1 November 2023 within 45 calendar days of the date on which questions were forwarded to the Minister.

Question put.

The committee divided.

Ayes: Mr D'Adam, Ms Faehrmann, Dr Kaine, Mr Nanva.

Noes: Mrs Carter, Mrs Ward.

Question resolved in the affirmative.

6. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 5.29 pm, *sine die*.

Tina Higgins and Kate Mihaljek
Committee Clerks

Minutes no. 10

Monday 4 December 2023

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Macquarie Room, Parliament House at 8.48 am

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair*

Mr D'Adam (via Webex)

Ms Merton (substituting for Mr Farraway)

Mr Nanva (via Webex) (from 8.48 am to 9 am), in-person from 1.40 pm

Dr Kaine (from 8.48 am to 2.15 pm) (from 4.04 pm)

Mrs Ward (via Webex)

2. Apologies

Mr Banasiak

3. Previous minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Mrs Ward: That draft minutes nos. 4, 5, 8 and 9 be confirmed.

4. Correspondence

The committee noted the following items of correspondence:

Received

- 6 October 2023 – Correspondence from Mr Brian Turpie, Individual truck driver, to the secretariat providing additional information for the committee in lieu of his appearance at the hearing on 5 October 2023 for the inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in NSW.
- 24 October 2023 – Correspondence from Mr Peter Woodford, Engineering Director/CEO, LSM Technologies Pty Ltd, to the Chair providing information for the committee's consideration in relation to the inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in NSW.
- 2 November 2023 – Correspondence from Mr Rod Hannifey, President, National road Freighters Association Inc, to the secretariat providing additional information post-hearing for the committee's consideration in relation to the inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in NSW.
- 3 November 2023 – Correspondence from Mr Trevor Warner, Individual truck driver, to the secretariat providing additional information post-hearing for the committee's consideration in relation to the inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in NSW.
- 6 November 2023 – Correspondence from the Hon. Catherine King MP, Australian Minister for Transport Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government to the Chair responding to the written request, sent on 25 September 2023, for a copy of the final report of the expert panel commissioned by the Australian Government into Western Sydney's transport infrastructure needs for the inquiry into the current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney.
- 10 November 2023 – Letter from Ms Kate Boyd PSM, Deputy Secretary, General Counsel, The Cabinet Office to Clerk, enclosing documents requested by committee at the Budget Estimates hearing with Minister Graham on 9 November 2023.
- 21 November 2023 – Email from Mr Stephen Fenn, Head of Policy, Planning and Research Urban Taskforce Australia, to the committee declining invitation to give evidence at the hearing on 4 December for the inquiry into the current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney.

- 21 November 2023 – Email from Mr Glenn Moore, Ministerial and Government Liaison, Venues NSW, to the committee declining invitation to give evidence at the hearing on 4 December 2023 for the inquiry into the current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney.
- 23 November 2023 – Email from Andrew Smithwick, Manager City Plan and Transformation, Canterbury Bankstown Council to the committee declining invitation to give evidence at the hearing on 4 December 2023 for the inquiry into the current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney.
- 27 November 2023 – Email from Opposition Whip to the secretariat, advising the Hon. Sarah Merton will be substituting for the Hon. Sam Farrow at the hearing on 4 December 2023 for the inquiry into the current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney.
- 4 December 2023 – Email from the Hon. Mark Banasiak to the secretariat, advising that he will be apology at the hearing on 4 December 2023 for the inquiry into the current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney.
- 4 December 2023 – Email from Ms Naomi Wood, Acting Senior Executive Assistant, Blacktown City Council to the secretariat, advising that due to illness Mayor Anthony Bleasdale OAM, Blacktown City Council is no longer able attend the hearing on 4 December for the inquiry into the current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney.

The committee noted that it agreed via email to publish the following correspondence:

- 11 October 2023 – Correspondence dated 6 October 2023 from Mr Brian Turpie, Individual truck driver, to the secretariat providing additional information for the committee in lieu of his appearance at the hearing on 5 October 2023 for the inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in NSW.
- 13 November 2023 – Correspondence dated 2 November 2023 from Mr Rod Hannifey, President, National Road Freighters Association Inc, to the secretariat providing additional information post-hearing for the committee's consideration in relation to the inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in NSW.
- 13 November 2023 – Correspondence dated 3 November 2023 from Mr Trevor Warner, Individual truck driver, to the secretariat providing additional information post-hearing for the committee's consideration in relation to the inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in NSW.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr D'Adam: That the committee authorise the publication of correspondence from Ms Kate Boyd PSM, Deputy Secretary, General Counsel, The Cabinet Office regarding documents requested by committee at the Budget Estimates hearing with Minister Graham on 9 November 2023, dated 10 November 2023.

5. Inquiry into pressures on heavy vehicle drivers and their impact in New South Wales

5.1 Answers to questions on notice, supplementary questions and additional information

The following answers to questions on notice, supplementary questions and additional information was published by the committee clerk under the authorisation of the resolution appointing the committee:

- Answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions, Mr Steve Smith, Manager Intergovernmental Relations, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR), received on 24 October 2023.
- Answers to questions on notice and additional information, Mr Daniel Peric, Research & Policy Official, Transport Workers' Union of NSW, received on 31 October 2023.
- Answers to supplementary questions, Mr Simon Earle, Chief Executive Officer, Transport Education Audit Compliance Health Organisation (TEACHO), received on 1 November 2023.
- Answers to questions on notice, Mr Mitch Dudley, Manager, Parliamentary Services, Office of the Secretary, Transport for NSW, received on 3 November 2023.

5.2 Transcript clarification

Resolved on the motion of Mrs Ward: That the committee authorise:

- the publication of correspondence from Mr Steve Smith, Manager Intergovernmental Relations, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) clarifying the evidence of Mr Paul Salvati, Chief Operations Officer, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR), at the hearing on 5 October 2023.
- the insertion of a footnote to page 59 of the transcript from 5 October 2023, as requested by Mr Steve Smith, Manager Intergovernmental Relations, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR).

6. Inquiry into the current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney

6.1 Online questionnaire

The committee noted that, the secretariat, as authorised by the committee via email, published online a report of responses to the online questionnaire.

6.2 Hearing dates

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Merton: That the 5 February and 9 February dates, previously confirmed by the committee, both be hearings in Western Sydney.

6.3 Public hearing

Witnesses, the public and the media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr David Harding, Executive Director, Policy and Advocacy, Business NSW
- Mr David Borger, Executive Director, Metropolitan NSW, Business Western Sydney.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr Charles Casascelli RFD, Chief Executive Officer, Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC) Ltd
- Dr George Greiss, Chair, Mayoral Forum, The Parks, Sydney Parklands Councils
- Mr Ben Taylor, Chair, General Managers Committee, The Parks, Sydney Parklands Councils.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The following witness was sworn and examined:

- Mr Steve Mann, Chief Executive Officer, Urban Development Institute of Australia NSW.

The evidence concluded and the witness withdrew.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr Mick Owens, General Manager, Greenfields Development Company No.2 Pty Ltd
- Mr Mark Peric, Director, Greenfields Development Company No.2 Pty Ltd.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr David Niven, Director City Delivery, Fairfield City Council
- Mr Andrew Mooney, Executive Strategic Planner, Fairfield City Council
- Ms Kate Stares, Strategic Partnerships Manager, Campbelltown City Council
- Mr Kerry Robinson, Chief Executive Officer, Blacktown City Council.

The following witness was examined on their former oath:

- Dr George Greiss, Mayor, Campbelltown City Council

Mr Kerry Robinson tendered the following document:

- Independent Panel Report entitled 'Western Sydney Transport Infrastructure Panel', commissioned by the Australian Government, dated April 2023.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Dr Joshua Bird, Director, Policy and Programs, Western Sydney Community Forum
- Mr Shravankumar Guntuku, Manager, Policy and Programs, Western Sydney Community Forum
- Mr Adam Leto, Chief Executive Officer, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue
- Mr Luke Turner, Executive Director, Policy & Advocacy, Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr Roydon Ng, Convenor, Restore Inner West Line and Save T3 Bankstown Line
- Mr Steve Longhurst, Member, Sydenham to Bankstown Alliance (SBA)
- Mr David Reynolds, Member, Sydenham to Bankstown Alliance (SBA).

Mr Roydon Ng tendered the following documents:

- Bundle of documents relating to inquiry and T3 Sydenham to Bankstown metro conversion.

Mr Steve Longhurst tendered the following documents:

- The Conversation article entitled 'Which lines are priorities for Sydney Metro conversion? Hint: it's not Bankstown', dated 13 March 2019.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr John Brockhoff, National Policy Director, Planning Institute of Australia (PIA)
- Mr Tym Piegłowski, Planning Institute of Australia (PIA)
- Mr Colin Schroeder, Committee Member, EcoTransit Sydney
- Mr Matt Doherty, Committee Member, EcoTransit Sydney.

Mr Colin Schroeder tendered the following document:

- Additional information to the committee, EcoTransit.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Mr Alex Claassens, Branch Secretary, Rail, Tram and Bus Union (NSW)
- Mr David Babineau, Tram and Bus Divisional Secretary, Rail, Tram and Bus Union (NSW)
- Mr Richard Olsen, NSW/QLD State Secretary, Transport Workers' Union of NSW
- Mr Daniel Peric, Research & Policy Official, Transport Workers' Union of NSW.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 5.02pm.

The public and the media withdrew.

6.4 Tended documents

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Merton: That the committee accept and publish the following documents tendered during the public hearing:

- Independent Panel Report entitled 'Western Sydney Transport Infrastructure Panel', commissioned by the Australian Government, dated April 2023
- Bundle of documents relating to inquiry and T3 Sydenham to Bankstown metro conversion
- The Conversation article entitled 'Which lines are priorities for Sydney Metro conversion? Hint: it's not Bankstown', dated 13 March 2019
- Additional information to the committee, EcoTransit.

7. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 5.03 pm, *sine die*.

Lauren Evans

Committee Clerk

Minutes no. 14

Friday 23 February 2024

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Macquarie Room, Parliament House, Sydney at 9.02 am

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair*

Mr Farraway, *Deputy Chair* (from 9.06 am to 3.04 pm)

Ms Boyd (participating from 11.15 am to 12.00 pm)

Dr Kaine

Mr Lawrence (substituting for Mr D'Adam until 4.43 pm)

Ms Munro (substituting for Mr Farraway from 4.00 pm)

Mr Murphy (substituting for Mr Nanva)

Mr Tudehope (participating from 9.03 am to 3.04 pm; substituting for Mr Farraway from 3.04 pm to 4.00 pm, participating from 4.00 pm to 4.04 pm)

Mrs Ward

2. Apologies

Mr Banasiak

3. Correspondence

The committee noted the following items of correspondence:

Received:

- 15 November 2023 – Letter from the Mr David Blunt AM, Clerk of the Parliaments, to Chair, attaching a document provided by Ms Kate Boyd, The Cabinet Office, following the appearance of Minister Graham at the Budget Estimates hearing for Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism on 9 November 2023
- 31 January 2024 – Email from Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, to secretariat, responding to the witness invitation for the Budget Estimates Regional Transport and Roads hearing on 29 February 2024
- 31 January 2024 – Email from Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, to secretariat, responding to the witness invitation for the Budget Estimates Transport hearing 23 February 2024
- 8 February 2024 – Email from Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, confirming the attendance of Ms Alison Morgan, Executive Director, WestInvest Program, Community Engagement

Group, Premier's Department, at the Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on Tuesday 5 March 2024

- 8 February 2024 – Email from Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, confirming the attendance of all invited witnesses to the Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on Tuesday 5 March 2024
- 13 February 2024 – Email from Mr Jesse Fischer, Office of the Hon John Graham MP, advising of an amendment to position title of a witness for the Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on Tuesday 5 March 2024
- 13 February 2024 – Email from Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, requesting confirmation as to whether Ms Anna Zycki is required to attend the Budget Estimates Regional Transport and Roads hearing on 29 February 2024.

Sent:

- 8 November 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, issuing uncorrected transcript, questions on notice, and supplementary questions from hearing on 1 November 2023
- 10 November 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, advising the committee has granted an extension to provide answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions arising from hearing on 1 November to 23 December 2023
- 14 November 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, issuing uncorrected transcript, questions on notice, and supplementary questions from hearing on 7 November 2023
- 16 November 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, issuing uncorrected transcript, questions on notice, and supplementary questions from hearing on 9 November 2023
- 21 December 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, inviting witnesses to the Budget Estimates Regional Transport and Roads hearing on 29 February 2024
- 21 December 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, inviting witnesses to the Budget Estimates Transport hearing on 23 February 2024
- 21 December 2023 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon John Graham MP, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, inviting witnesses to the Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on 5 March 2024
- 24 January 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates Secretariat to the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, inviting an additional witness to the Budget Estimates Transport hearing on 23 February 2024
- 30 January 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates Secretariat to the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, inviting an additional witness to the Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on 5 March 2024
- 5 February 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, requesting response to the witness invitation for the Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on 5 March 2024
- 8 February 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, advising that the committee has agreed to the Minister's proposed amendments to the witness list, attaching confirmed witness list, and hearing information for the Budget Estimates Regional Transport and Roads hearing on 29 February 2024

- 8 February 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Carla Stacey, Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, advising that the committee has agreed to the Minister's proposed amendments to the witness list, attaching confirmed witness list, and hearing information for the Budget Estimates Transport hearing on 23 February 2024
- 8 February 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, seeking confirmation as to whether all invited witnesses are attending the Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on 5 March 2024
- 9 February 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Tori Holliday, Office of the Hon John Graham MLC, attaching final witness list and hearing details for the Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on 5 March 2024
- 13 February 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Mr Jesse Fischer, Office of the Hon John Graham MP, acknowledging the amendment to position title of a witness for the Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on Tuesday 5 March 2024
- 14 February 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Ms Zena Bailly, Office of the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, attaching confirmed witness list, hearing information and advising the committee no longer requires Ms Anna Zycki to attend the Budget Estimates Regional Transport and Roads hearing on 29 February 2024.

4. Inquiry into current and future public transport needs in Western Sydney

4.1 Extension of reporting date

Resolved, on the motion of Mrs Ward: That the reporting date be extended to 30 April 2024.

5. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024

5.1 Resolution for additional hearings

The committee noted the resolution of the House on 30 November 2023 to conduct additional hearings for the inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024.

5.2 Order for examination of portfolios

The committee noted that under the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 resolution on 30 November 2023 each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, and from 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, then from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm, and from 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, with 15 minutes reserved for Government questions at 10.45 am, 12.45 pm and 5.15 pm, if required.

5.3 Witness list

The committee noted that as agreed via email, arrangements for the additional hearings were agreed to over email in the first instance, rather than holding a meeting (unless a meeting was required to resolve any disagreement).

In addition, it was agreed that:

- the confirmed witness lists from the initial round of hearings (October-November 2023) be the proposed witness lists for the additional round of hearings (February 2024)
- committee members be given two days following receipt of the proposed witness lists to provide any feedback or additional witnesses, as per the practice adopted for the initial round of hearings
- responses from ministers' offices to witness invitations be due by 31 January 2024.

5.4 Public hearing – Transport

Witnesses, the public and the media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding parliamentary privilege and other matters.

The Chair noted that Members of Parliament swear an oath to their office, and therefore do not need to be sworn prior to giving evidence before a committee.

The Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport was admitted and examined.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Ms Tracey Taylor, Chief People Officer, Transport for NSW
- Mr David Britton, Chief Legal Officer, Transport for NSW
- Ms Lyndal Punch, Acting Chief Executive, Transport Asset Holding Entity
- Mr Jim Modrouvanos, Acting Chief Investigator, Office of Transport Safety Investigations.

The following witnesses were examined on their former oath:

- Mr Howard Collins, Coordinator General, Transport for NSW
- Ms Trudi Mares, A/Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW
- Mr Peter Regan, Chief Executive, Sydney Metro
- Mr Matt Longland, Chief Executive, Sydney Trains.
- Ms Susan Carroll, Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW
- Mr Josh Murray, Secretary, Transport for NSW
- Ms Brenda Hoang, Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
- Mr Anthony Wing, Commissioner, NSW Point to Point Commission
- Ms Camilla Drover, Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
- Mr Richard Host, A/ Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW.

The Chair declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolio of Transport open for examination.

Mrs Ward tabled the following documents:

- 'Briefing note from Public Service Commission entitled "Transport Departmental Liaison Officer Matter and Transition Office"
- 'Email from Kieran Ash to Paul Mills regarding Southwest Metro, dated 1 August 2023'
- 'Email from Jessika Loefstedt to Susan Carroll regarding recruitment, dated 30 March 2023'
- 'Email from Kieran Ash regarding trains, dated 21 June 2023'
- 'Transport Departmental Liaison Officer Handbook extract 1'
- 'Transport Departmental Liaison Officer Handbook extract 2'
- 'Transport Departmental Liaison Officer Handbook extract 3'
- 'Extract from Hansard, 7 November 2023'.

The Minister withdrew at 12.45 pm.

Ms Mares, Mr Host, Mr Longland, Ms Punch and Mr Modrouvanos withdrew at 3.29 pm.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 5.14 pm. The public and the media withdrew.

5.5 Tabled documents

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Tudehope: That the committee accept and publish the following documents tabled during the public hearing:

- 'Briefing note from Public Service Commission entitled "Transport Departmental Liaison Officer Matter and Transition Office", tabled by Mrs Ward
- 'Email from Kieran Ash to Paul Mills regarding Southwest Metro, dated 1 August 2023', tabled by Mrs Ward
- 'Email from Jessika Loefstedt to Susan Carroll regarding recruitment, dated 30 March 2023', tabled by Mrs Ward
- 'Email from Kieran Ash regarding trains, dated 21 June 2023', tabled by Mrs Ward

- 'Transport Departmental Liaison Officer Handbook extract 1', tabled by Mrs Ward
- 'Transport Departmental Liaison Officer Handbook extract 2', tabled by Mrs Ward
- 'Transport Departmental Liaison Officer Handbook extract 3', tabled by Mrs Ward
- Copy of a speech prepared by the DLO for Minister Haylen, labelled '230725 McKell Lunch', tabled by Mrs Ward
- 'Extract from Hansard, 7 November 2023', tabled by Mrs Ward.

6. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 5.14 pm until Thursday 29 February 2024, 9.00 am, Preston Stanley Room, Parliament House (public hearing – inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024).

Arizona Hart

Committee Clerk

Minutes no. 15

Thursday 29 February 2024

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Preston Stanley Room, Parliament House, Sydney at 9.01 am

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann (*Chair*)

Mr Farraway (*Deputy Chair*)

Mr Banasiak (until 10.00 am, then from 11.15 am until 12.01 pm)

Mr D'Adam (until 12.45 pm, then from 3.45 pm)

Mr Donnelly (substituting for Mr Nanva from 2.00 pm)

Mr Latham (participating from 9.00 am until 3.30 pm)

Mr Murphy (substituting for Dr Kaine until 2.01 pm, then from 2.25 pm until 3.30 pm)

Mr Primrose (substituting for Mr Nanva until 12.45 pm)

Ms Suvaal (substituting for Dr Kaine from 4.56 pm)

Mrs Ward (until 12.45 pm, then from 2.32 pm until 4.13 pm)

2. Draft minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Mr D'Adam: That draft minutes no. 14 be confirmed.

3. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024

3.1 Order for examination of portfolios

The committee noted that under the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 resolution on 30 November 2023 each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, and from 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, then from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm, and from 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, with 15 minutes reserved for Government questions at 10.45 am, 12.45 pm and 5.15 pm, if required.

3.2 Supplementary questions

Mr Murphy moved: That if there are more than 300 supplementary questions from the committee, the Minister and Department shall have 50 days in which to answer the, not the standard 21 days.

Mrs Ward moved: That the motion of Mr Murphy be deferred until after supplementary questions have been lodged with the secretariat, upon which the committee will consider whether a meeting needs to be called to discuss the matter.

Amendment of Mrs Ward put and passed.

Original question of Mr Murphy, as amended, put and passed.

3.3 Public hearing - Regional Transport and Roads

Witnesses, the public and the media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding parliamentary privilege and other matters.

The Chair noted that Members of Parliament swear an oath to their office, and therefore do not need to be sworn prior to giving evidence before a committee.

The Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads was admitted.

The following witnesses were examined on their former oath:

- Mr Josh Murray, Secretary, Transport for NSW
- Ms Brenda Hoang, Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
- Mr Matt Fuller, Deputy Secretary, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Mr Bernard Carlon, Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
- Ms Camilla Drover, Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
- Mr Dale Merrick, A/Chief Executive, NSW Trains, Transport for NSW
- Mr Roger Weeks, A/Chief Customer Officer, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Mr Anthony Hayes, Executive Director, Community and Place, Transport for NSW
- Ms Cynthia Heydon, Executive Director, Planning & Programs, Transport for NSW
- Mr Richard Host, A/Deputy Secretary, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
- Mr Tom Grosskopf, Executive Director Network & Assets, Regional and Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Ms Holly Taylor, A/Executive Director, Transport Partnerships, Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW
- Mr Ed Debenham, Executive Director, Customer, Strategy and Technology, Transport for NSW
- Mr Lewis Clark, Executive Director, Customer Systems and Operations, Transport for NSW.

The Chair declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Regional Transport and Roads open for examination.

The Minister withdrew at 12.45 pm.

Mr Farraway tabled the following documents:

- Correspondence from Andrew McIntyre, Manager Land Use Assessment Western to The General Manager, Bathurst Regional Council sent 24 October 2017.
- Correspondence from The Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads to Mr Ray Carter, Director, Prefabricated Buildings Pty Ltd sent 21 December 2023.
- Correspondence and photos from Mr Peter Ray regarding Great Western Highway, upgrade at Walang, various dates.
- Correspondence regarding school bus service to/from Molong.

Ms Cynthia Heydon withdrew at 4.45 pm.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 5.23 pm. The public and the media withdrew.

4. **Tendered documents**

Resolved on the motion of Mr Farraway: That the committee accept and not publish the following documents:

- Correspondence from Andrew McIntyre, Manager Land Use Assessment Western to The General Manager, Bathurst Regional Council sent 24 October 2017
- Correspondence from The Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads to Mr Ray Carter, Director, Prefabricated Buildings Pty Ltd sent 21 December 2023

- Correspondence and photos from Mr Peter Ray regarding Great Western Highway, upgrade at Walang, various dates
- Correspondence regarding school bus service to/from Molong.

5. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 5.25 pm until Tuesday 7 November 2023, 9.00 am, Macquarie Room, Parliament House (public hearing - Budget Estimates 2023-2024).

Emma Rogerson

Committee Clerk

Minutes no. 16

Tuesday 5 March 2024

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Macquarie Room, Parliament House, Sydney at 9.01 am

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair*

Mrs Carter, *Acting Deputy Chair* (substituting for Mr Farraway until 4.49 pm, and from 4.58 pm)

Mr Banasiak (until 12.52 pm)

Ms Boyd (participating from 12.00 pm until 12.27 pm, and from 2.19 pm until 2.33 pm)

Mr D'Adam (until 12.49 pm, and from 3.53 pm)

Dr Kaine (until 12.52 pm, and from 3.00 pm until 4.18 pm)

Mr Nanva (from 9.04 am until 3.31 pm)

Mr Roberts (participating from 9.08 am until 12.02 pm)

Mr Tudehope (participating from 11.15 am until 11.36 am, and from 2.00 pm until 2.23 pm)

Mrs Ward

2. Election of Deputy Chair for the Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism

The Chair called for nominations for the Deputy Chair for the duration of the meeting.

Mrs Ward moved: That Mrs Carter be elected Deputy Chair for the duration of the meeting.

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared Mrs Carter elected Deputy Chair for the duration of the meeting.

3. Correspondence

The committee noted the following items of correspondence:

Received:

- 26 February 2024 – Email from Mr Jim Modrouvanos, Office of Transport Safety Investigations, clarifying his evidence provided at the Portfolio Committee No. 6 Transport hearing on 23 February 2024
- 28 February 2024 – Email from Mr Mitch Dudley, Office of the Secretary, Transport for NSW, advising of reason for request that a witness appear via videoconference at the Budget Estimates Regional Transport and Roads hearing on 29 February 2024.

Sent:

- 28 February 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to Mr Mitch Dudley, Office of the Secretary, Transport for NSW, advising that the committee is considering the request that a witness appear via videoconference, attaching videoconference link should the committee approve the request for the Budget Estimates Regional Transport and Roads hearing on 29 February 2024.

Resolved, on the motion of Mrs Carter: That the committee:

- publish the email from Mr Jim Modrouvanos, Office of Transport Safety Investigations, clarifying his evidence provided at the Portfolio Committee No. 6 Transport hearing on 23 February 2024
- insert a footnote at the relevant point in the transcript from 23 February 2024 noting that correspondence clarifying the evidence had been received and providing a hyperlink to the published correspondence.

4. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024

4.1 Order for examination of portfolios

The committee noted that under the Budget Estimates 2023-2024 resolution each portfolio, except The Legislature, be examined concurrently by Opposition and Crossbench members only, from 9.15 am to 10.45 am, 11.15 am to 12.45 pm, 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm and 3.45 pm to 5.15 pm, and, if required, by Government members only from 10.45 am to 11.00 am, 12.45 pm to 1.00 pm, and 5.15 pm to 5.30 pm.

4.2 Public hearing – Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism

Witnesses, the public and the media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding parliamentary privilege and other matters.

The Chair noted that Members of Parliament swear an oath to their office, and therefore do not need to be sworn prior to giving evidence before a committee.

The Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism was admitted and examined.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined:

- Ms Kate Boyd, A/Secretary, The Cabinet Office
- Alison Morgan, Executive Director, WestInvest Program, Community Engagement Group, Premier's Department

The following witnesses were examined on their former oath:

- Mr Josh Murray, Secretary, Transport for NSW
- Ms Trudi Mares, Acting Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney, Transport for NSW
- Ms Camilla Drover, Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Place, Transport for NSW
- Ms Brenda Hoang, Group Chief Financial Officer, Transport for NSW
- Mr Michael Rodrigues, 24-Hour Economy Commissioner
- Mr Howard Collins, Coordinator General, Transport for NSW
- Ms Elizabeth Mildwater, Secretary, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade
- Ms Annette Pitman, Chief Executive, Create NSW
- Mr Steve Cox, Chief Executive Officer, Destination NSW
- Mr Tarek Barakat, A/CEO, Hospitality and Racing, Department of Enterprise, Investment and Trade
- Ms Caroline Lamb, Chair, Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority
- Ms Susan Carroll, Chief of Staff, Transport for NSW
- Dr Michael Brand, Director, Art Gallery of NSW
- Ms Lisa Havilah, CEO, MAAS Trust
- Ms Mary Darwell, Interim CEO, Museums of History NSW
- Ms Emily Collins, Interim Head, Sound NSW
- Ms Sally Webb, Acting Deputy Secretary, Safety Environment, Transport for NSW
- Mr Bernard Carlon, Chief of Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW.

The Chair declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-Time Economy, Jobs and Tourism open for examination.

The Hon Rod Roberts MLC table the following document:

- 'Independent Commission Against Corruption Amendment Validation Bill 2022 – Rod Roberts – One Nation Crossbench Bill', 14 November 2022

The Minister withdrew at 12:52 pm.

Ms Trudi Mares tendered the following document:

- List of 23 Urban Road Fund Projects

Ms Kate Boyd, Ms Sally Webb, Mr Bernard Carlon, Mr Steve Cox, Ms Susan Carroll, Ms Mary Darwell, Ms Alison Morgan withdrew at 3.31 pm

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 5.17 pm. The public and the media withdrew.

4.3 Tendered documents

Resolved, on the motion of Mr D'Adam: That the committee accept and publish the following documents tendered during the public hearing:

- 'Independent Commission Against Corruption Amendment Validation Bill 2022 – Rod Roberts – One Nation Crossbench Bill', 14 November 2022, tabled by The Hon Rod Roberts MLC
- List of 23 Urban Road Fund Projects, tendered by Ms Trudi Mares

5. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 5.19 pm, *sine die*.

Jessie Halligan

Committee Clerk

Draft minutes no. 23

Monday 24 June 2024

Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts

Room 1136, Parliament House, Sydney, 10.30 am

1. Members present

Ms Faehrmann, *Chair* (via videoconference)

Mr Farraway, *Deputy Chair* (via videoconference)

Mr Banasiak (via videoconference)

Mr Nanva (via videoconference)

2. Apologies

Dr Kaine

Mrs Ward

3. Previous minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Farraway: That draft minutes nos. 15 and 16 be confirmed.

4. Correspondence

The committee noted the following items of correspondence:

Received

- 6 March 2024 – Email from Mr John Atkinson to the Chair, referencing statements made during the Portfolio Committee No. 6 Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on 5 March 2024

- 7 March 2024 – Email from Mr John Atkinson to the secretariat, attaching correspondence sent to the Chair and requesting that correspondence be treated as a transcript clarification to the Portfolio Committee No. 6 Budget Estimates Special Minister of State, Roads, Arts, Music and the Night-time Economy, Jobs and Tourism hearing on 5 March 2024
- 22 March 2024 – Email from the Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, requesting clarifications to supplementary questions from the initial Budget Estimates Transport hearing on 7 November 2023.

Sent

- 29 February 2024 - Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jo Haylen MP, issuing uncorrected transcript, questions on notice, and supplementary questions from the hearing on 23 February 2024
- 6 March 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, issuing uncorrected transcript, questions on notice, and supplementary questions from the hearing on 29 February 2024
- 7 March 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, attaching documents tabled by Mr Farraway and agreed by the committee to be sent to the Minister's Office to support answering questions on notice in relation to the Budget Estimates Regional Transport and Roads hearing on 29 February 2024
- 11 March 2024 – Email from Budget Estimates secretariat to the Hon John Graham MLC, issuing uncorrected transcript, questions on notice, and supplementary questions from the hearing on 5 March 2024.

As previously agreed via email, the committee noted that:

- the correspondence from the Office of the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, providing clarifications to supplementary questions arising from the Portfolio Committee No.6 Transport hearing on 7 November 2023 has been published
- footnotes at the relevant points in the answers to supplementary questions arising from the hearing on 7 November 2023 have been inserted noting that correspondence clarifying the answers had been received and providing a hyperlink to the published correspondence.

5. Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2023-2024

5.1 Answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions – additional hearings

The committee noted the following answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions were published by the committee clerk under the authorisation of the resolution appointing the committee:

- answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions from the Hon Jo Haylen MP, Minister for Transport, received 21 March 2024
- answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions from the Hon Jenny Aitchison MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, received 27 March 2024 and 3 April 2024
- answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions from the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, received 2 April 2024
- attachments to answers to questions on notice from the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, received 3 April 2024
- attachment to answers to supplementary questions from the Hon John Graham MLC, Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, received 4 April 2024.

5.2 Consideration of Chair's draft report

The Chair submitted her draft report entitled *Budget Estimates 2023-2024*, which, having been previously circulated, was taken as being read.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Banasiak: That:

The draft report be the report of the committee and that the committee present the report to the House;

The transcripts of evidence, tabled documents, correspondence and answers to questions taken on notice and supplementary questions relating to the inquiry be tabled in the House with the report;

Upon tabling, all unpublished transcripts of evidence, tabled documents, correspondence and answers to questions taken on notice and supplementary questions related to the inquiry be published by the committee, except for those documents kept confidential by resolution of the committee;

The committee secretariat correct any typographical, grammatical and formatting errors prior to tabling;

The secretariat is tabling the report at 2.00 pm on Thursday 27 June 2024;

The Chair to advise the secretariat and members if they intend to hold a press conference, and if so, the date and time.

6. ***

7. **Adjournment**

The committee adjourned at 10.37 am, until 1.00 pm on Friday 5 July 2024 (report deliberative – Inquiry into the impact of the Rozelle Interchange).

Kara McKee
Committee Clerk

