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Hillsborough Road

1. In light of the tragedy that occurred on Hillsborough Road earlier this year, where Jade Frith passed away due to injuries sustained from being hit by a car, how can the Government justify not allocating funds to upgrading Hillsborough Road?

Bulli Pass Closure

2. What safety audits were carried out on Lawrence Hargrave Drive to determine it was a suitable alternate route for heavy vehicles?

3. Will you publicly release these audits?

4. Can you please detail what consultation was carried out with the schools that are along Lawrence Hargrave Drive in relation to the increase in light and heavy vehicular movements?

5. As at 19 August 2016 what was the average weekday light vehicle movements on Lawrence Hargrave Drive?

6. As at 21 August 2016 what was the average weekend light vehicle movements on Lawrence Hargrave Drive?

7. During the Bulli Pass closure what is the predicted weekday light vehicle movements on Lawrence Hargrave Drive?

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19. During the Bulli Pass closure what is the predicted weekday heavy vehicle movements on Mount Ousley Road?

20. During the Bulli Pass closure what is the predicted weekend heavy vehicle movements on Mount Ousley Road?

21. Will you release any detailed cost benefit analysis documents that RMS has carried out in relation to the Bulli Pass closure?

22. During the Bulli Pass closure will extensive vegetation management be carried out to ensure further closures are not required in the immediate future to carry out vegetation works?

23. What date/s were emergency services consulted about the closure of Bulli Pass?

24. Who in the community was consulted PRIOR to the announcement of the closure?

25. Which stakeholders were consulted PRIOR to the announcement of the closure?

**Albion Park Bypass**

26. How will the Government fund the $550 million Albion Park Rail Bypass following the Federal Government’s decision to block the sale of the second tranche of the electricity network?

27. What conditions have been placed on the $52 million allocated towards this project by the Federal Government in the 2016-17 Federal budget?

28. What planning work remains to be completed before construction of the project can commence?

29. On what date will construction of the project commence?

**Land Acquisitions in Shellharbour Electorate**

30. Of the 35 separate parcels of land required to construct the Albion Park Rail Bypass, how many have been negotiated for voluntary settlement under the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*?

31. On what date did negotiations for the required land acquisition in (1) commence with all land owners?
32. On what date did discussions and negotiations commence specifically with Mr Craig Tate for the acquisition of land identified for the construction of the Albion Park Rail Bypass?

Voluntary acquisition of Darren Loughead’s property

33. Mr Loughead’s property is adjacent to M4 Widening Project construction and will be overshadowed by the new M4. Why is the government forcing him to request a voluntary acquisition of his property by RMS instead of compulsorily acquiring it?

Safety barriers near Issa Nassrallah’s property

34. Mr Nassrallah’s property is adjacent to M4 Widening Project construction. Previously a truck has fallen off the M4 into his backyard. Why won’t the government ensure that safety barriers being built on the M4 are high enough to ensure that no more trucks will fall off onto his property?

Effect of M4 Widening on Sharon Murphy’s property

35. Ms Murphy’s property is adjacent to M4 Widening Projection construction. The Minister previously told Channel 9 News that his “Department is not doing the right thing.” What action has he taken since July to ensure Ms Murphy is not worse off from building the M4 Widening Project?

Re Woodville and Parramatta Roads flooding

36. What work is RMS undertaking to ensure that the regular, chronic flooding that occurs along Parramatta Road and on Woodville Road at the railway underpass is reduced as part of the Government’s Parramatta Road strategy?

Newcastle Port Privatisation

37. Did the Government intentionally mislead the people of Newcastle by not giving any information about the cap placed on the Port of Newcastle until the Newcastle Herald uncovered the Port Commitment Deed, yes or no?

38. Does the Government’s charge on containers at the Port of Newcastle render a container terminal an uneconomic enterprise?

39. Is economic development in northern NSW constrained by access to Port Botany container terminal?

40. Given that intermediate goods comprise 50 per cent of imported containers into Port Botany (source: NSW Ports Master Plan page 36) is this the reason why manufacturing firms locate as close as they can to Port Botany?

41. Is the impediment to manufacturing firms locating in regional areas of NSW because they need direct, low-cost access to a container port?

42. Does the Government’s charge on containers at the Port of Newcastle potentially breach Section 45 of the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010?
43. What plans with subsequent timelines and costings are in place to deliver dual carriage way upgrades on Appin road to the 10.4km stretch south of Fitzgibbon lane?

44. If the minister has made any representations regarding the federal governments $50m commitment to upgrade Appin road and has the minister had any consultations with his federal counterpart in regards to the scope of works and subsequent timelines?

45. When works are scheduled to begin for the Spring Farm link road - specifically connecting Appin road to the Hume highway?

46. What provisions are planned for the Raby road / eagle vale drive intersection in light of the eagle vale drive upgrade; and the increased volume that will occur as an outcome to the Gregory hills drive / Badgally road connection?

47. The timelines for the promised 450 car park spaces at Campbelltown Train station (this is for the minister for transport)?

48. Of any planned intentions by the government to provide a rail overpass connecting Badgally rd and Broughton street?

49. In light of the 2014 promise “All train services along the Cumberland Line will be air-conditioned by mid-2014”, can the minister advise why this is not the case on the Campbelltown to Parramatta rail service and what plans with timelines are in place to remedy the issue?

50. Will the minister commit to reviewing the carriage allocation and timetable of the Campbelltown to Parramatta rail service in light of its inadequacy for rail commuters and the current inconsistency with commuter requirements?

51. Is the minister aware that the Campbelltown to Wollongong bus service requires review and more resourcing and if not will he commit to do so?

52. Is the minister aware that the Campbelltown community is outraged at the Baird government’s decision to remove the motor registry and the newly installed ‘hub’ in Macarthur Square is inadequate and dysfunctional? If so, what action will the minister take to address the issue and if not please be advised and take action and advise.

Student safety at inner west schools

53. Why is the installation of school zone flashing lights still delayed across the Boulevarde adjacent to Marrickville West Public School, despite the school being promised flashing lights would be installed by February this year?

54. Why has a school crossing supervisor not been appointed to protect children crossing The Boulevarde between Lewisham Public School and Christian Brothers’ High School, Lewisham, despite it being one of the busiest crossings in the inner west?
WestConnex Acquisitions

55. What has been the total cost of property acquisitions in Haberfield and Ashfield been for the Westconnex project?

   (a) Was this above projected costs for acquisitions?
   (b) What has been the total amount paid to consultants to evaluate the value of homes and businesses in Haberfield and Ashfield slated for acquisition for Westconnex?
   (c) What is the total difference between the valuation of homes and businesses in Haberfield and Ashfield acquired for Westconnex offered by valuers contracted by Roads and Maritime Services, Sydney Motorway Corporation or the Westconnex Delivery Authority AND the private valuations presented by home owners?

56. What is the total cost of properties obtained for the Westconnex project in Haberfield and Ashfield through voluntary acquisitions?

WestConnex Heritage

57. What was the total cost paid to independent heritage consultants to conduct the heritage assessment for Stage 1 of the Westconnex Project in Haberfield and Ashfield ad to identify and remove items deemed to be heritage items?

Maitland Road

58. What is the total funding required and when will construction commence for the roundabout at the intersection of Maitland Road (Main Road 588) and Duffie Drive as there was $2 million allocated in Budget 15-16 and $500k in Budget 16-17? When is construction expected to be completed?

59. When is construction expected to be completed?

Roads budget in the Electorate of Wollongong

60. What funding has been allocated to planning for the Masters & Springhill Road interchange?

61. How many flashing lights are located at each primary and secondary school across the Wollongong electorate? Please provide the answer itemised per school?

Road Tolls

62. What was the value of all road tolls collected in NSW for:

   (a) 2015-16?
   (b) 2014-15?

63. What was the value of road tolls collected by RMS for:

   (a) 2015-16?
What is the expected total of tolls to be collected by each private operator of toll roads over the life of their concessions?

What is the discount rate used by the Government to value future toll collections?

What are the discount rates used by the private operators to value their future toll collections?

What are the annualised rates of increase for tolls on each of Sydney’s toll roads?

When does the Government expect to introduce the tolling strategy reported in the WestConnex business case?

Will the government need to pay the WestConnex operator shadow tolls in addition to partly, or mostly, funding the works?

Does the Government have any plans to upgrade the Francis Road Bridge at Rooty Hill?

If so, when is the expected state and completion date?

If not, why not?

Does the Minister believe it is fair for Western Sydney commuters to pay an extra $2000 a year once tolls are reintroduced on the M4?

Will commuters be required to pay more tolls once the M4-CBD link is completed in the future?

Does the Minister expect to see more revenue following the introduction of ‘red light and speed cameras’ at the intersections of Clunies Ross Street, Pemulwuy and Merrylands Road and Cumberland Highway, Greystanes?

Has the planning stage finished for the upgrade of the Prospect Highway in Blacktown, considering the Government has already spent $9.6 million on consultants over 4 years?

On what date will construction start on the Prospect widening?

On what date will construction of the Prospect Highway widening be completed?
Bicycle Infrastructure Funding

Regarding the NSW Government’s $80 million NSW Cycling Infrastructure Fund:

77. What is the composition of the assessment panel for the NSW Cycling Infrastructure Fund?

78. What process was or will be used to appoint expert representatives to the assessment panel?

79. What are or will be the governance arrangements of the assessment panel?

80. How will the panel of experts assess priority projects and what criteria will be used for assessments?

81. How many projects will be funded?

82. Where will the projects be located?

83. Is there a long-term strategy for particular priority projects or a plan to develop such a strategy?

84. Is there a plan to develop a new statewide bicycle strategy?

85. What is being done for regional NSW given there is no statewide bike plan at present?

86. Does the Government support positive provision where all transport modes are considered when designing major infrastructure projects?
   
   (a) If so, why does the Government not have a publicly available mainstreaming policy like Victoria, Queensland and Tasmania?

87. Will the following projects include bicycle infrastructure:
   
   (a) Sydney Metro?
   (b) CBD and South East Light Rail?
   (c) WestConnex?

Regarding the $39 million boost to deliver new cycleways and walking upgrades across NSW announced by the Government on 14 April 2016:

88. What is the most recent update or information on the rollout of this funding?

89. What projects have been constructed?

90. What projects are planned to be constructed?

91. What process is being used to allocate this funding?
92. How much of this funding has been spent to date?

**Impact of Minimum Passing Distance Laws Package**

93. What is the total value of fines collected from cyclists from the introduction of the Minimum Passing Distance laws in NSW on 1 March 2016 to date?

94. What is the total value of fines collected for each of the following five cycling offences since the introduction of the Minimum Passing Distance laws in NSW on 1 March 2016 to date:

   (a) Not wearing a helmet?
   (b) Running a red light?
   (c) Riding dangerously?
   (d) Holding on to a moving vehicle?
   (e) Not stopping at children’s/pedestrian crossings?

95. What was the total value of fines collected for each of the following five cycling offences in the financial year 2015-16:

   (a) Not wearing a helmet?
   (b) Running a red light?
   (c) Riding dangerously?
   (d) Holding on to a moving vehicle?
   (e) Not stopping at children’s/pedestrian crossings?

96. What was the total value of fines collected for each of the following five cycling offences in the financial year 2014-15:

   (a) Not wearing a helmet?
   (b) Running a red light?
   (c) Riding dangerously?
   (d) Holding on to a moving vehicle?
   (e) Not stopping at children’s/pedestrian crossings?

97. What is the total number of infringements issued for each of the following five cycling offences since the introduction of the Minimum Passing Distance laws in NSW on 1 March 2016 to date:

   (a) Not wearing a helmet?
   (b) Running a red light?
   (c) Riding dangerously?
   (d) Holding on to a moving vehicle?
   (e) Not stopping at children’s/pedestrian crossings?
98. What was the total number of infringements issued for each of the following five cycling offences in the financial year 2015-16:

(a) Not wearing a helmet?
(b) Running a red light?
(c) Riding dangerously?
(d) Holding on to a moving vehicle?
(e) Not stopping at children’s/pedestrian crossings?

99. What was the total number of infringements issued for each of the following five cycling offences in the financial year 2014-15:

(a) Not wearing a helmet?
(b) Running a red light?
(c) Riding dangerously?
(d) Holding on to a moving vehicle?
(e) Not stopping at children’s/pedestrian crossings?

100. How many motorists have been penalised to date for infringing the new laws for drivers passing a bicycle rider that require allowing a distance of:

(a) 1 metre when the speed limit is 60km/h or less?
(b) 1.5 metres when the speed limit is more than 60km/h?

101. What is the total value of fines collected from motorists to date for infringing the new laws for drivers passing a bicycle rider that require allowing a distance of:

(a) 1 metre when the speed limit is 60km/h or less?
(b) 1.5 metres when the speed limit is more than 60km/h?

102. What is the Government doing to ensure motorists adhere to the new Minimum Passing Distance laws?

103. Are there any key target areas or locations that have been identified for undertaking compliance checks of cycling infringements or offences since 1 March 2016?

(a) If so, please list the areas or locations.

104. Have any special or targeted operations been carried out regarding compliance of cycling infringements or offences since 1 March 2016?

(a) If so, please list the date and location for each operation.
M4 Tolls

105. Does the Minister believe it is fair for Western Sydney commuters to pay an extra $2000 a year once tolls are reintroduced on the M4?

106. Will commuters be required to pay more tolls once the M4-CBD link is completed in the future?

New Red Light and Speed Cameras

107. Does the Minister expect to see more revenue following the introduction of ‘red light and speed cameras’ at the intersections of Clunies Ross Street, Pemulwuy and Merrylands Road and Cumberland Highway, Greystanes?

Prospect Highway upgrade

108. Has the planning stage finished for the upgrade of the Prospect Highway in Blacktown, considering the Government has already spent $9.6 million on consultants over 4 years?

(a) On what date will construction start on the Prospect widening?
(b) On what date will construction of the Prospect Highway widening be completed?

Port of Newcastle

109. Was the Government excluded from the requirements of the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 in respect of Newcastle Port Corporation:

(a) Conducting a public tender in 2010 for a multi-purpose terminal, including a 1-million per year capacity container terminal, at the Port of Newcastle?
(b) Changing its requirements pursuant to its 2010 tender?
(c) Charging Anglo Ports Pty Ltd a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle, pursuant to its tender conducted in 2010?

110. On what date did the Government inform the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission about Newcastle Port Corporation charging a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle?

111. Was the Government excluded from the requirements of the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 in respect of charging a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle after Newcastle Port Corporation terminated its negotiations with Anglo Ports?

112. On what date did the Government claim immunity from the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 in respect of its charge on containers at the Port of Newcastle?

113. On what date did the Government impose a charge on containers at the Port of Newcastle?

114. Does the Government use its charge on containers at the Port of Newcastle to fund compensation payments to NSW Ports in respect of container movements at the Port of Newcastle?

(a) If not, what is the source of the funds for these payments?
115. When was the Minister first made aware of the Port Commitment Port Botany and Port Kembla document?

116. When was the Minister first made aware of the "contractual commitments" outlined in the Port Commitment Port Botany and Port Kembla document?

117. The Minister recently stated that cross payments are required to be made between the operator of the Port of Newcastle and the operator of Port Botany and Kembla, does the Minister understand these cross payments to be lawful?

(a) Does the Minister accept these payments are of an anti-competitive nature?

118. Why does the Government charge a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle?

119. Why did the Government keep secret its charging a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle until 10 August 2016?

120. Why does the Government pay NSW Ports compensation in respect of container movements at the Port of Newcastle?

121. How does the Government define the term “container” in respect of charging a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle?

122. Does the Government charging a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle affect the commercial viability of developing a container terminal?

123. Does the Government claim immunity from the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 in respect of charging a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle?

124. Did the Government claim immunity from the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 when it requested Newcastle Stevedores Consortium and Mayfield Development Corporation Pty Ltd to pay a fee for container movements at the Port of Newcastle?

**Freight**

125. Will the Government fund the cost of building the Western Sydney Freight Line?

126. Will the Government pay the cost of connecting the Southern Sydney Freight Line to the Moorebank intermodal terminal site?

127. What is the cost of road upgrades for the Moorebank intermodal terminal proposal?

128. The Government promised $14 Million for initial funding for the Hexham to Fassifern rail by-pass – what will this money be spent on?

(a) Will the government commit to funding the construction of the by-pass?
Testers Hollow

129. The Federal Government committed to funding planning for flood mitigation at Testers Hollow in the July 2016 Federal Election. Have you had any discussions with the appropriate Federal Minister regarding the promised $15million?

130. Is the NSW Government planning flood mitigation for Testers Hollow?

131. If so, what flood mitigation are you planning?

132. Are there plans that have been drawn up for different options?

New Maitland Roundabout Overpass at New England Highway and Cessnock Road:

133. When will the new overpass be fully functional and traffic start to use it?

134. Will there be a public opening?

135. What format will it take? Opened for pedestrian traffic, community day, official opening?

136. Will the Local Members and Parliamentary Secretary and Shadow Minister for the Hunter be invited to inspect the site prior to opening, and/or to be present at the Opening Day if one is held?

   (a) If not, why not?

Domestic Violence Leave and Awareness

137. For each department, statutory agency and/or other bodies in your portfolio please report:

   (a) Date of introduction of domestic violence leave into enterprise agreements/contracts of employment, awards as applicable;
   (b) Whether or not all employees and/or contractors are eligible for domestic violence leave;
   (c) Number of days of domestic violence leave that have been taken in each financial year since the introduction of such leave;
   (d) Number of days available for eligible staff to access domestic violence leave in each financial year;
   (e) Number of other personal days of leave that have been taken in each financial year since the introduction of domestic violence leave;
   (f) Number of sick days available for eligible staff to access domestic violence leave in each financial year;
   (g) Whether or not all staff and/or contractors have access to Employee Assistance Programs?
   (h) What training has been undertaken with management and administration for those involved in approving and/or processing domestic violence leave on issues such as?
      i. Privacy and confidentially of information about domestic violence
ii. Access to emotional, psychological, financial and medical support which may be required

(i) Who has provided training on domestic violence in the workplace?
(j) What percentage of staff in each agency has undertaken domestic violence training?
(k) What efforts have been made to ensure that perpetrators (or their accomplices) within the staffing profile are not able to access personal information of victims in order to identify their location, or other information which may assist in committing domestic violence against them, including changing or accessing records in such a way as to disadvantage them financially or legally?

Sexual harassment and Anti-bullying training and awareness programs

138. For each department, statutory agency and/or other bodies in your portfolio please report:

(a) Date of introduction of sexual harassment and anti-bullying training and awareness programs
(b) Whether or not all employees and/or contractors have received such training?
(c) Is this course mandatory for all employees/contractors?
(d) How long for each session, how many sessions?
(e) Who delivers it?
(f) Is the program tailored to take into consideration specific needs of LGBTQIA, ATSI and CALD or other at risk groups?
(g) How?
(h) What percentage of staff in each agency has undertaken sexual harassment and anti-bullying training and awareness programs?

Office Administration

139. How many staff are in your ministerial office?

(a) What was the average salary for staff members in your office during 2015-16?

(b) What is the estimated average salary for a ministerial staffer in your office in 2016-17 based on current appointments?

140. How many blackberries/iphones/smart phones are assigned to your staff?

(a) For each phone, how much was each bill in 2015-16?

(b) How many phones have been lost or replaced due to damage in your office?

   i. What is the cost of replacing those phones?

141. How many iPads or tablets has DPC assigned to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
142. Has any artwork been purchased or leased for display in your ministerial office in 2015-16?
   (a) What is the cost of this?

143. Have any floral displays or indoor plants or potplants been hired or leased for display in your ministerial office in 2015-16?
   (a) If so, what was the cost of these items?

144. Have any floral displays or indoor plants or potplants been purchased for display in your ministerial office in 2015-16?
   (a) If so, what was the cost of these items?

145. What was the total cost of all subscriptions by you and your staff to online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals and periodicals in 2015-16?
   (a) What are these services/newspapers/magazines/journals/periodicals?
      (i) Who is the subscriber for each of these?

146. What was the total value of all gifts purchased for use by you and your office in 2015-16?
   (a) What were the gifts purchased?
      (i) Who were they gifted to?

147. Do you purchase bottled water or provide water coolers for your office?
   (a) What is the monthly cost of this?

148. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
   (b) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?

149. What was the total bill for your office in 2015-16 for:
   (a) Taxi hire
   (b) Limousine hire
   (c) Private hire care
(d) Hire car rental

(e) Ridesharing services

150. Were any planes or helicopters chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money in 2015-16?

(a) If yes, will you please detail each trip, the method of transport and the cost?

Hospitality

151. How much did your ministerial office spend on hospitality, including catering and beverages, in 2015-16?

152. How much did your Department/agency spend on hospitality, including catering and beverages, in 2015-16?

Labour Hire Firms

153. Do any Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities utilise the services of Labour Hire Firms? If yes, please advise in table form for 2015-16:

(a) The names of the firms utilised

(b) The total amount paid to each firm engaged

(c) The average tenure period for an employee provided by a labour hire company

(d) The longest tenure for an employee provided by a labour hire company

(e) The duties conducted by employees engaged through a labour hire company

(f) The office locations of employees engaged through a labour hire company

(g) The highest hourly or daily rate paid to an employee provided by a labour hire company

Media and Public Relations

154. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?

155. What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?
156. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities?

157. Have you had media training or speech training?
   (a) If yes, who paid for it?
   (b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount paid in 2015-16?

Facebook

158. How much did your ministerial office spend on Facebook advertising or sponsored posts in 2015-16?

159. How much did your Department/agency spend on Facebook advertising or sponsored posts in 2015-16?

Overseas Trips

160. Were any of your overseas trips in the last financial year paid for in part or in full by using public money?
   (a) If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?

161. Have you undertaken any official overseas travel that was privately funded?
   (a) If so, what was the nature of these trips?
   (b) Who paid for these trips?

Department/Agency Travel

162. What was the total expenditure in 2015-16 by Departments/agencies within your portfolio on:
   (a) Taxi hire
   (b) Limousine/private car hire
   (c) Hire car rental
   (d) Ridesharing services

Consulting

163. How much did the Department/agencies under your portfolio responsibility spend in legal costs in 2015-16?
   (a) For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?

164. Have Department/agencies under your portfolio engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice in 2015-16:
(a) Social media  
   (i) And the cost of these services  

(b) Photography  
   (i) And the cost of these services  

(c) Acting training  
   (i) And the cost of these services  

(d) Ergonomics  
   (i) And the cost of these services  

**Department/Agency Staffing**

165. How many redundancies were processed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2015-16?  
   (a) Of these redundancies, how many were:  
      (i) Voluntary  
      (ii) Forced  
   (b) What was the total cost of all redundancies?  

166. Have any staff who received a redundancy in the last two years undertaken any paid work or provided any paid services for the agency with which they were formerly employed?  
   (a) What was the nature of these works/services?  
   (b) What was the total cost of these works or services?  

167. Are any staff formerly employed by your ministerial office now employed by Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?  

168. How many staff were dismissed from Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities in 2015-16?  
   (a) What were the reason/s for each dismissal?  

**Smart Phone Accounts**

169. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an iTunes account?  
   (a) What was the total expenditure in 2015-16 on iTunes?  
      (i) What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through iTunes?  

170. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an Android account?  
   (b) What was the total expenditure in 2015-16 on Android?
(i) What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through Android?

Websites Visited

171. What were the top 20 most utilised (by data sent and received) unique domain names accessed by your Ministerial office this year?

172. What were the top 20 most accessed (by number of times accessed) unique domain names accessed by your Ministerial office this year?

Merchant fees

173. Please provide a list of all transactions where customers need to pay a merchant fee on credit and/or debit card payments in your Department/agency.

174. Please provide the percentage and/or amount of the merchant fees applied to all credit and/or debit card payments/transactions in your Department/agency.

175. What was the total amount paid in merchant fees on credit and/or debit card payments in your Department/agency in 2015-16?

Probity Auditor

176. Has your office or department used a Probity Auditor or Probity Advisors, or similar, in the past five years? If so please list the company and/or individual, the project, the engagement dates, and their total remuneration in tabular format.
Questions from Dr Mehreen Faruqi MLC

Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway Upgrade Project

177. How many bridges are on this stretch of the planned upgrade?

178. What truck load are the bridges along the Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway Upgrade being designed for?

179. What is the heaviest truck load currently allowed on NSW roads?

Hill Road on and off ramps

180. Will there be a toll booth/gantry at the Hill road off ramp?

181. Will there be a toll booth/gantry at the Hill road on ramp?

Network enhancements

182. What is the budget for network enhancements to Campbell street, Campbell road and Euston road including their widening?
   (a) Is this included in the 16.8 billion dollar budget for the Westconnex?

183. What is the budget for network enhancement at King Georges road interchange?
   (a) Is this included in the 16.8 billion dollar budget for the Westconnex?

WestConnex (General)

184. Apart from the $1.8 billion the NSW Government has announced for the project to date, have any other allocations been made to the Westconnex budget from any other parts of the roads budget?
   (a) If yes, please provide a list of budget allocations and what projects they were reallocated from?

185. Other than the Road budget, have any other budget areas been used for funding Westconnex?
   (a) If yes, please provide a list of budget areas and allocations.
186. Has the NSW Government made any penalty payments to Westconnex contractors? 

(a) If so, how much has been paid, to whom, for what purpose and what is the source of these funds?

**WestConnex (Compulsory Acquisitions)**

187. What actions has the Minister taken to address the concerns and criticisms raised by the Russel Review regarding compulsory acquisitions?

188. What actions has the Minister taken to address the concerns and criticisms raised by the Premier in June 2016 about the compulsory acquisitions process?

189. Why have homeowners received valuations from the Office of the Valuer General that are several hundred thousand dollars below independent market valuations?

190. Why has the NSW Government imposed discretionary rental frees on homeowners who have had their homes acquired while they are still engaged in negotiations through the Land?

191. Will the Minister seek a review of all the WestConnex compulsory acquisitions given the NSW Government are aware of serious flaws in the compulsory acquisition process?

192. What are the protocols for monitoring and review of compulsory acquisitions used by RMS?

193. What is the total cost of property acquisitions for Stage 1, Stage 2, stage 3 of the Westconnex and tunnel connecting the Rozelle interchange with the Iron Cove Bridge (including the interchange)?

**WestConnex (M4 Widening)**

194. What is the budget for this project?

195. What are the total payments that have been made until 30 June 2016?

196. What are the total payments to be made during 2016/17?

197. What payments will remain to be made after 2016/17 and in which financial year?

198. What are the sources of funds for each of questions 1 to 4, and how much has been paid from each source?

**WestConnex (M4 East)**

199. What is the budget for this project?

200. What are the total payments that have been made until 30 June 2016?

201. What are the total payments to be made during 2016/17?

202. What payments will remain to be made after 2016/17 and in which financial year?

203. What are the sources of funds for each of questions 1 to 4, and how much has been paid from each source?
WestConnex (New M5)

204. What is the budget for this project?

205. What are the total payments that have been made until 30 June 2016?

206. What are the total payments to be made during 2016/17?

207. What payments will remain to be made after 2016/17 and in which financial year?

208. What are the sources of funds for each of questions 1 to 4, and how much has been paid from each source?

WestConnex (M4 - M5 Link)

209. What is the budget for this project?

210. Has the design work on this project commenced?

211. How much of the allocated budget has been spent to date?

WestConnex (Commonwealth grants and loans)

212. What amount of the $1.5bn grant allocated by the Commonwealth has been paid to the NSW government so far?
   (a) When was this paid?
   (b) What amounts remain to be paid and when will these be paid?

213. What amount of the loan of $2bn allocated by the Commonwealth has been paid to the NSW government so far?
   (a) When was this paid?
   (b) What amounts remain to be paid and when will these be paid?

WestConnex (Commercial loan by consortia of banks)

214. What amount of the commercial loan of $1.5bn has been drawn down so far?

215. What are the purposes for which this funding is being used?

WestConnex (Toll revenue)

216. What is the estimate for the net toll revenue (income minus expenditure) for Stage 1 of WestConnex in 2016/17?

217. What is the estimate for the net toll revenue (income minus expenditure) for Stage 1 of WestConnex in the years beyond 2016/17?
218. Is income from other toll roads being used to fund WestConnex? If so, how much and from tolls on which roads?

**Western Harbour Tunnel Project**

219. Will the Western Harbour Tunnel connect to the M2?

(a) Where is it expected to connect, and how?

220. If Stage 3 of WestConnex is not completed, will the NSW Government still proceed with building the Western Harbour Tunnel?

**Cycling**

221. Does the NSW Government have any data or evidence of the uptake of wearing bike helmets since 1 March 2016?

(a) If yes, please provide this data.

222. In reference to the below transcript (page 21)

Mr CARLON: On the minimum passing distance, I do not have the exact number but we were aware that the police have actually been active in this space. They have been working with the cycling organisations as well as the operations they have been conducting. We do have a figure we can present, but it was in the first six-month period of that—double the amount of infringements that were issued during the Queensland trial for that period as well. So police have been active in this space.

Please provide the number of infringements referred to in the answer above.

223. Did the NSW Government receive any requests to implement compulsory identification requirements from anyone or any group/organisation?

(a) If yes, who or which group/organisation?

224. Did the NSW Government receive any concerns from anyone or any group/organisation regarding cyclists not having identification should they be in an accident?

(a) If yes, who or which group/organisation?

225. Is the Minister aware of any instance where a cyclist has been injured or killed in a road accident and the lack of identification has delayed medical treatment?
226. How many infringement notices have been issued in NSW since March 1, 2016 for the following (please provide month by month breakdown):

(a) Rider not wearing approved bicycle helmet/fitted/fastened  
(b) Ride bicycle on footpath (12 yrs or older)  
(c) Ride bicycle in dark without visible front white light  
(d) Ride bicycle without working warning device  
(e) Ride bicycle in dark without visible rear red light  
(f) Passenger not wear bicycle helmet/fitted/fastened

Community transport

227. What is the current budget for community transport in NSW?

228. What services are currently funded by the NSW Government to provide community transport? Please provide a list, including service, location, provider and funding.

Aboriginal funeral transport - Sorry Business

229. What is the current budget of the Aboriginal Funeral Transport – Sorry Business program?

230. What are the changes that have been made and come into effect on Thursday 7 July 2016?

Electric Vehicles

231. What incentives is the NSW Government considering to encourage the uptake of electric car use in NSW?

232. Is the NSW government planning on changing over to electric vehicles for government use?

F6

233. There is a $32 million commitment in the 2016/2017 budget including ‘geotechnical studies’ for the proposed F6. What is this funding specifically for?

(a) What are the likely environmental impacts of building the F6?
234. Did the NSW Government claim it was not carrying on a business for the purposes of the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 at the Port of Newcastle during its long term lease?

235. Did the NSW Government claim it was not carrying on a business for the purposes of the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 at the Port of Botany during its long term lease?

236. Did the NSW Government claim it has never carried on a business for the purposes of the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 at the Port of Newcastle?

237. In reference to the below quote from transcript on page 38:

**Mr KANOFSKI:** Between October 2015 and May 2016 we did surveys: between 5.00 a.m. and 11.00 p.m. 248,000 people crossed the bridge during that time, which is an average of about 980 people per day.

(a) Please provide the survey data from October 2015 to May 2016, with a breakdown of specific dates, times and results of the survey on each occasion a survey was conducted.

(b) How was the survey carried out?

(c) Who carried out the survey?

238. What is the current percentage of freight that is moved by rail in NSW?

239. What is the current percentage of freight that is moved by rail from Port Botany?

240. How many New South Wales motor registries have been shut down since 1 April 2011?

   (a) How many motor registries were open in NSW in April 2011?
   (b) How many motor registries were open in NSW in April 2016?

241. How many staff were employed in New South Wales motor registries in April 2011?

242. How many staff were employed in New South Wales motor registries in April 2016?
**Ellerton Road Extension**

243. What is RMS’s role in the Ellerton Drive Extension (EDE) project?

244. What elements of the EDE project is RMS responsible for?

245. Why did RMS staff propose to the then Queanbeyan City Council that an opinion poll be conducted about the EDE?

246. Who at the council did RMS contact in its initial proposal of the poll?

**Wallaby Scrub Road**

247. Does the Minister or his Department currently have a power to force closure and/or sale of Wallaby Scrub Road (which forms part of the Great North Road running from Sydney to the north beyond Warkworth village)?

248. Does the Minister intend to close Wallaby Scrub Road?

249. If yes, why?

250. If there are plans for closure of this road, how and when will this be done?

251. Does the Minister intend to keep this public road open? If yes, for how long will it be kept open?

**Port Kembla**

252. Have there been any environmental assessments on using the harbour for cruise ships?

    (a) If yes, please provide a copy of that assessment.

**Moorebank Intermodal Freight Terminal (MIFT)**

253. What specific transport infrastructure is required to be built / enhanced to ameliorate current traffic congestion, background growth, and the introduction into East Liverpool of heavy truck movements into the East Liverpool bridge traffic?

    (a) What is the cost of this specific transport infrastructure?

254. What specific transport infrastructure is required through the Liverpool suburbs West of its CBD to meet the demands of the MIFT heavy vehicle transport to the Cumberland Highway as a major route to the freight's final destination?

255. Are there plans to develop roads from the M5 freeway west of the Hume Highway through the Liverpool open flood zone spaces to the Cumberland Highway?
256. The Planning Assessment Commission in its planning approvals has placed a condition for approval of MIFT operations beyond 250,000 TEU to not "exceed the capacity of the transport network"

Is the only possible road transport solution for the proposed MIFT through the Liverpool Military Area?

(a) What is the current status of this land?
   Can its use be altered? If so, how?