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WESTERN SYDNEY

Questions from Dr Mehreen Faruqi MLC

Campbelltown Koalas

1. The Campbelltown area contains the only healthy, chlamydia free population of koalas listed in NSW as actually growing. Their long term survival is now under threat from proposed urbanisation projects in the Campbelltown and Greater Macarthur area. What actions is the Minister for Western Sydney taking to protect these koalas?

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Questions from the Hon Shaoquett Moselmane MLC (on behalf of the NSW Labor Opposition)

Western Sydney Tourism

6. In the 2014 Budget the Government committed \$500,000 to develop a Western Sydney tourism, events and conference strategy. Has the strategy been prepared and released?

Rugby League World Cup

7. Why did the Government fail to secure a single Rugby League World Cup game in Western Sydney?

Service NSW

8. What action has been taken to meet the Government's March 2014 commitment to move the headquarters of Service NSW from the Sydney CBD to Parramatta?

Non-airconditioned Trains

9. Why are non-airconditioned trains only being run on the Campbelltown via Granville line and the Olympic Park line, when Western Sydney is the hottest part of Sydney?

Western Sydney Tolls

10. Why do tolls on the Westconnex rise at twice the rate of inflation when tolls on the Second Harbour Tunnel will be capped at the CPI?

Office Administration

11. How many staff are in your ministerial office?
 - (a) What was the average salary for staff members in your office during 2016-17?
 - (b) What is the estimated average salary for a ministerial staffer in your office in 2017-18 based on current appointments?
12. How many blackberries/iphones/smart phones are assigned to your staff?
 - (a) For each phone, how much was each bill in 2016-17?
 - (b) How many phones have been lost or replaced due to damage in your office?
 - i. What is the cost of replacing those phones?
13. How many iPads or tablets has DPC assigned to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
 - (a) What was the cost of providing iPads or tablets to your Ministerial Office in 2016-17?
 - (b) How many iPads or tablets have been replaced due to lost or damage in 2016-17?
 - i. What was the cost of replacing these devices?
14. Has any artwork been purchased or leased for display in your ministerial office in 2016-17?
 - (a) What is the cost of this?

15. Have any floral displays or indoor plants or potplants been hired or leased for display in your ministerial office in 2016-17?
 - (a) If so, what was the cost of these items?
16. Have any floral displays or indoor plants or potplants been purchased for display in your ministerial office in 2016-17?
 - (a) If so, what was the cost of these items?
17. What was the total cost of all subscriptions by you and your staff to online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals and periodicals in 2016-17?
 - (a) What are these services/newspapers/magazines/journals/periodicals?
 - i. Who is the subscriber for each of these?
18. What was the total amount your office spent on stationery?
19. What was the total value of all gifts purchased for use by you and your office in 2016-17?
 - (a) What were the gifts purchased?
 - i. Who were they gifted to?
20. Do you purchase bottled water or provide water coolers for your office?
 - (a) What is the monthly cost of this?
21. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
 - (a) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?
22. What was the total bill for your office in 2016-17 for:
 - (a) Taxi hire
 - (b) Limousine hire
 - (c) Private hire care
 - (d) Hire car rental
 - (e) Ridesharing services
23. Were any planes or helicopters chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money in 2016-17?
 - (a) If yes, will you please detail each trip, the method of transport and the cost?

Hospitality

24. How much did your ministerial office spend on hospitality, including catering and beverages, in 2016-17?
25. How much did your Department/agency spend on hospitality, including catering and beverages, in 2016-17?

Labour Hire Firms

26. Do any Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities utilise the services of Labour Hire Firms? If yes, please advise in table form for 2016-17:
 - (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

27. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies and what is the total cost to employ these advisers?
28. 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?
29. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities?
30. By how much has the number of media or public relations advisers employed for each of your portfolio agencies increased since 2011-12 to the current date?
31. By how much has the expenditure on media or public relations advisers employed for each of your portfolio agencies increased since 2011-12 to the current date?
32. 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 2016-17?

Facebook

33. How much did your ministerial office spend on Facebook advertising or sponsored posts in 2016-17?
34. How much did your Department/agency spend on Facebook advertising or sponsored posts in 2016-17?

Overseas Trips

35. 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?
36. 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

37. What was the total expenditure in 2016-17 by Departments/agencies within your portfolio on:
 - (a) Taxi hire
 - (b) Limousine/private car hire
 - (c) Hire car rental
 - (d) Ridesharing services
38. Do any senior executive service employees in your Departments/agencies have a driver that is paid for by the Departments/agencies? If so, what is the number of senior executive service employees that have a driver and which senior executive service employees have a driver?
 - (a) How much was spent on these drivers in 2016-17?

Consulting

39. How much did the Department/agencies under your portfolio responsibility spend in legal costs in 2016-17?
 - (a) For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?
40. Have Department/agencies under your portfolio engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice in 2016-17:
 - (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

41. What was the number of senior executive service employees employed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio in 2016-17?
 - (a) How much was this number in 2011-12?
42. What was the expenditure on senior executive service employees employed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio in 2016-17?
 - (a) How much was this number in 2011-12?
43. What was the number of internal legal counsel employees employed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio in 2016-17?
 - (a) How much was this number in 2011-12?
44. What was the expenditure on internal legal counsel employees employed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio in 2016-17?
 - (a) How much was this number in 2011-12?
45. How many redundancies were processed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2016-17?
 - (a) Of these redundancies, how many were:
 - i. Voluntary
 - ii. Forced
 - (b) What was the total cost of all redundancies?
46. 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?
- 47. Are any staff formerly employed by your ministerial office now employed by Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
- 48. How many staff were dismissed from Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities in 2016-17?
 - (a) What were the reason/s for each dismissal?
- 49. What was the total amount your Departments/agencies spent on stationery?

Smart Phone Accounts

- 50. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an iTunes account?
 - (a) What was the total expenditure in 2016-17 on iTunes?
 - i. What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through iTunes?
- 51. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an Android account?
 - (a) What was the total expenditure in 2016-17 on Android?
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Websites Visited

- 52. What were the top 20 most utilised (by data sent and received) unique domain names accessed by your Ministerial office this year?
- 53. What were the top 20 most accessed (by number of times accessed) unique domain names accessed by your Ministerial office this year?

Merchant fees

- 54. 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.
- 55. 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.
- 56. What was the total amount paid in merchant fees on credit and/or debit card payments in your Department/agency in 2016-17?

Probity Auditor

57. 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.”

WESTCONNEX

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Toll free period on M4

58. How was the flat fee of \$15 million paid to Sydney Motorway Corporation for on month of toll free period on the M4 calculated?
- (a) How many cars were forecast to use the road?
- i. And what toll was used per vehicle to make this calculation?
59. Closing date for the Expressions of Interest for the Rozelle Interchange present here <https://www.westconnex.com.au/news-media/eoi-announced-rozelle-interchange> is set to 15 September. According to the Minister during the Budget Estimates hearing on 6 September 2017, the EOI was open with no deadline specified. When was the closing date added to this EOI?
60. Closing date for the Expressions of Interest for the Rozelle Interchange present here <https://www.westconnex.com.au/news-media/eoi-announced-rozelle-interchange> was 11 August 2017 and it is now set to 15 September 2017. Has the date been changed recently? If so, when was the timeline extended?

Funding of projects

61. Does RMS pay any form of interest to the Treasury for money borrowed from the NSW Government's Infrastructure Fund during construction?
- (a) If yes, what is that interest rate?
62. Does Sydney Motorways Corporation pay any form of interest to the Treasury for money borrowed from the NSW Government's Infrastructure Fund during construction?
63. Please provide the budgeted capital expenditure (capex), the financing charges and the total project cost of the WestConnex Project.

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Property Inspections

68. Have any employees of SMC, or consultants engaged by SMC, ever looked through the garbage bins of households?
69. Have any reports been produced concerning the inspections of garbage bins of households along the route of WestConnex?
70. What action has been taken to avoid any inspections of garbage bins of households along the route of WestConnex?

M4 and Parramatta Road Use

71. On average, how many cars use the M4 widening westbound each day since the M4 toll was introduced on 15 August 2017?
- (a) Please breakdown by weekday and weekend.
72. On average, how many cars use the M4 widening westbound each day in the month before the M4 toll was introduced?
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74. On average, how many cars use the M4 widening eastbound each day in the month before the M4 toll was introduced?

(a) Please breakdown by weekday and weekend.

75. On average, how many trucks use the M4 widening westbound each day since the M4 toll was introduced on 15 August 2017?

(a) Please breakdown by weekday and weekend.

76. On average, how many trucks use the M4 widening westbound each day in the month before the M4 toll was introduced?

(a) Please breakdown by weekday and weekend.

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(a) Please breakdown by weekday and weekend.

78. On average, how many trucks use the M4 widening eastbound each day in the month before the M4 toll was introduced?

(a) Please breakdown by weekday and weekend.

79. On average, how many cars use the Parramatta Road each day since the M4 toll was introduced on 15 August 2017?

(a) Please breakdown by weekday and weekend.

80. On average, how many cars use the Parramatta Road each day in the month before the M4 toll was introduced?

(a) Please breakdown by weekday and weekend.

M4 toll fairness

81. Is it fair for the people of Western Sydney to pay \$4.56 for the M4 toll?

M4 toll revenue

82. How much in tolling revenue from the M4 widening toll has been raised so far from the M4 toll?

83. How much tolling revenue from the M4 widening toll was received from 15 August 2017 to 31 August 2017?

84. What is the average tolling revenue received from the M4 widening toll each day?
85. How much will be raised from the sale of the M4 widening toll concession?
86. Will the revenue from the M4 widening toll concession be given in its entirety to the Sydney Motorway Corporation?
87. Are there any guaranteed traffic volumes, toll revenue or other variable for WestConnex toll concessions?
 - (a) If so, what are they?

WestConnex budgets

88. What was the difference between the \$10 billion budget for WestConnex outline in the 2012 State Infrastructure Strategy and the \$11.5 billion budget mooted in 2013?
89. What was the difference between the \$11.5 billion budget for WestConnex mooted in 2013 and the \$14.9 billion budget in 2014?
90. What was the difference between the \$14.9 billion budget for WestConnex in 2014 and the \$15.4 billion budget in 2015?
91. What was the difference between the \$15.4 billion budget for WestConnex in early 2015 and the \$16.8 billion budget in November 2015?
92. Will WestConnex cost \$17-\$17.8 billion (including the Sydney Gateway)?

WestConnex contributions

93. What is the total NSW Government equity contribution to the Sydney Motorway Corporation?
94. Has the NSW Government made any other contribution to the Sydney Motorway Corporation?
 - (a) If so, what is it?
95. What is the total Commonwealth Government contribution to the Sydney Motorway Corporation?
96. What is the total Commonwealth Government loan to the Sydney Motorway Corporation?
97. What is the total private sector debt supplied to the Sydney Motorway Corporation?
98. Will the toll concessions for all stages of WestConnex as well as the current NSW Government equity injections cover the full cost of WestConnex?
99. Will the NSW Government make any further equity contributions to the Sydney Motorway Corporation?

WestConnex toll concessions

- 100. Will the tolling concessions on WestConnex raise more than \$12 billion?
- 101. How much will the tolling concessions on WestConnex raise?
- 102. Will any of the revenue from the WestConnex tolling concessions go towards any project other than WestConnex, including the Western Harbour Tunnel, Northern Beaches Tunnel or F6?

Sydney Motorway Corporation Sale

- 103. Will the sale of 51% of the Sydney Motorway Corporation include the toll on the yet unbuilt stage 3 of WestConnex?
- 104. When will the Sydney Motorway Corporation be sold?
- 105. How much revenue will be generated from the sale of WestConnex?
- 106. Will the sale of 51% of the SMC result in any financial return to the NSW Government (in the form of dividends or other payments)?
- 107. Does the sale of 51% of the SMC include the sale of a tolling concession on the M5 South West Motorway?

What is WestConnex

- 108. On Channel 10 News on the 20th of August 2017, the Minister for WestConnex said, “Well anything that is tolled is part of the WestConnex Motorway is part of WestConnex. If it’s not tolled, therefore it’s not part of the WestConnex.” Are all costs associated with the Hill Road on ramp and off ramp included in the budget for WestConnex?
 - (a) If not, can you confirm that there will be no toll on the Hill Road on ramp and off ramp?

WestConnex Integration Works

- 109. Is the Hill Road off ramp of the M4 widening part of WestConnex?
- 110. Is the Hill Road on ramp of the M4 widening part of WestConnex?
- 111. Are any other on ramps or off ramps that connect to WestConnex, not considered part of WestConnex?
- 112. What is the total cost of WestConnex integration works?
- 113. When will all WestConnex integration works be completed?

Future Motorways

- 114. Will the Sydney Motorway Corporation be involved in the construction of the Western Harbour Tunnel?
- 115. Will the Sydney Motorway Corporation be involved in the construction of the Northern Beaches Tunnel?
- 116. Will the Sydney Motorway Corporation be involved in the construction of the F6

M4 widening

- 117. Was the M4 widening completed by its baseline completion date?
- 118. Was the M4 widening completed within its \$497 million budget?
- 119. Would you consider that the M4 widening was completed on time and on budget?

Sydney Gateway confusion

- 120. For how long have you been unaware that the Sydney Gateway is part of WestConnex?
- 121. Is the Sydney Gateway part of WestConnex?
- 122. Has Sydney Gateway always been part of WestConnex?
- 123. Has Sydney Gateway ever been part of WestConnex?
- 124. On page 18 of the WestConnex Updated Strategic Business Case it is stated “WestConnex consists of three stages split into six sub-projects” and one of these sub-projects is the Sydney Gateway. On what date did WestConnex no longer consist of “three stages split into six sub-projects”?

Sydney Gateway project

- 125. What is the Estimated Total Cost of the Sydney Gateway?
- 126. How is the Sydney Gateway funded?
- 127. What will the toll be on the Sydney Gateway?
- 128. Will the toll on the Sydney Gateway be sold separately to the remainder of WestConnex tolls?
- 129. Will the toll on the Sydney Gateway be included in the \$8.60 WestConnex toll cap?

WestConnex allocation

- 130. On what page of the Updated Strategic Business case is it explained that the \$800 million for the Sydney Gateway is an allocation?

131. When did you first make it clear that the \$800 million for the Sydney Gateway is an allocation?
 - (a) Please say where this was made clear (media release, newspaper article, speech, etc)
132. Is there any document that lists the \$800 million for the Sydney Gateway as an allocation that is dated prior to 1 August 2017?
 - (a) If so, where can it be found?
133. Will the Sydney Motorway Corporation pay the builders of the Sydney Motorway Corporation \$800 million as an allocation or will this be an additional payment made by NSW Taxpayers?
134. On page 4-11 of the NSW Budget's Infrastructure Statement the "Estimated Total Cost" of the Sydney Gateway is stated as \$800 million. Is this an error or a lie?

Misled Parliamentary Committee - Sydney Gateway

135. On 7 News on 10 August 2017 the Premier said, "Obviously it [The Sydney Gateway] feeds into the project [WestConnex] but it's not part of it. It never was." Did Tim Reardon lie to the Budget Estimates hearing in 2016 when he responded 'yes' when asked, "Could I confirm that the cost of the Sydney gateway is included in the \$16.8 billion?"
136. On what date was the Sydney Gateway no longer considered part of WestConnex?

WestConnex Business Case and the Sydney Gateway

137. The Updated Strategic Business Case for WestConnex lists the Sydney Gateway as part of stage 2 and the 2017-18 Budget states that the Sydney Gateway, "...cost is included within the \$16.8 billion estimated total cost for the WestConnex project." Was this an error?
 - (a) If so, are there any other mistakes in the WestConnex Business case?

Sydney Gateway cost increase

138. In a 2016 Budget Estimates hearing, the CEO of RMS, Mr Kanofski, was asked whether the budget for the Sydney Gateway was \$800 million and he answered "correct." When did RMS first estimate the cost of the Sydney Gateway at between \$1 billion and \$1.8 billion?
139. What is the current Estimated Total Cost of the Sydney Gateway?
140. Did RMS make Treasury aware that the Estimates Total Cost of the Sydney Gateway was between \$1 billion and \$1.8 billion?
 - (a) If so, when?

Sydney Gateway Toll

141. On 10 August you said, “The Sydney Gateway project does not have the same tolling regime as WestConnex.” Will the toll concession for the Sydney Gateway be granted prior to the 2019 NSW Election?
142. What will be the new toll on the Sydney Gateway?
143. Will the new toll be covered under the WestConnex \$8.60 toll cap?
144. Will the new toll concession on the Sydney Gateway be sold?
145. On what date was the Sydney Gateway Toll first announced and how was it announced?

WestConnex website

146. On what date was the Sydney Gateway removed from the ‘Projects’ section of the WestConnex website to the ‘Related Projects’ section of the WestConnex website?
147. Who made the request to change the website?
148. Is the Minister aware that the website was changed?

Victoria Road Tunnel

149. Is the Tunnel from the Rozelle Interchange under Victoria Road to near the Iron Cove Bridge part of WestConnex?
 - (a) If so, what stage?
150. What is the cost of the tunnel under Victoria Road?
 - (a) When will construction begin on this tunnel?
 - (b) When will the tunnel open?

Rozelle Interchange

151. Will there be a separate toll on the Rozelle interchange?
152. Is the Rozelle Interchange part of WestConnex?

M5 toll concession

153. The toll concession on the M5 is due to expire in December 2026. Are you considering an extension of this toll?
 - (a) If so, for how long?

- (b) Given that the M5 will have paid for itself by 2026, what is the justification for extending the toll?

154. Has the extension of the M5 toll concession been assigned to the Sydney Motorway Corporation?

155. Are you selling an extension of the M5 toll concession?

- (a) If so, is it being sold as part of the current sale of the Sydney Motorway Corporation?

- (b) If so, are there guarantees being made as part of the sale about Cashback?

156. Will there be a toll imposed on the existing M5 East tunnel that is currently free to use?

- (a) If so, when will it commence and how much will it be?

157. What is the current completion date of the New M5?

WestConnex spoil

158. Has any WestConnex spoil or construction waste been transported to Queensland for disposal?

WestConnex Financing – Auditor General

159. Was it always the NSW Government's intention to sell a 51% stake in the Sydney Motorway Corporation or did the industry landscape change?

160. Was there ever a plan to sell each toll concession on WestConnex separately?

161. The NSW Auditor General wrote in the *WestConnex: Assurance to the Government*, "The balance of the funding for the project [WestConnex] will come from private sector debt and equity capital raised against tolls on completed stages of the project, with the recycling of Government capital invested in the individual stages of WestConnex once actual traffic volumes are established." Is this description of the financing of WestConnex accurate?

- (a) Which Agency provided the information that this statement is based on?

WestConnex Financing – previous statements

162. Are you aware that before a budget estimates hearing your predecessor, Duncan Gay said, "We indicated that the business case was to build stage 1, lease it and then use that money to build stage 2 and lease that and then use that money to build stage 3." Was the former Minister incorrect?

163. Will the 51% of the Sydney Motorway Corporation be sold before the completion of the M4 East?

164. Will the 51% of the Sydney Motorway Coproation be sold before the completion of the New M5?

WestConnex Financing – maximising revenue

165. Are you aware that page 256 of the Updated Strategic Business Case states, “*Maintaining full ownership during construction is expected to maximise the return to the State on eventual sale.*” Do you agree that you are no longer maintaining full ownership of WestConnex during construction?
- (a) If so, why has the funding strategy changed?

WestConnex Financing – Stage 2 ownership

166. Is the NSW Government maintaining full ownership of WestConnex Stage 2 through to completion?

WestConnex Financing

167. On 16 August the AFR reported that the sale of 51% of the SMC would generate approximately \$5-\$6 billion. Is this correct?
168. The same article said that WestConnex will generate \$1.083 billion in annual earnings by 2030, does that sound about right?
169. How much of those \$1.083 billion in earnings will come from the M4 widening?

WestConnex compensation claims

170. Is the total amount of WestConnex compensation claims still \$1.05 billion or is it higher?
171. What are the compensation claims for?
172. Your cabinet in confidence Transport Cluster Financial Report states that you expect to settle the claims for between \$180 million and \$340 million. Is this still the case?
173. Have any of the claims been settled?
174. What is the value of claims that have been settled? How much were they settled for?
175. When do you expect to finish the settlement of all WestConnex compensation claims?
176. When did you receive the first of these claims?
177. Do the compensation claims have any effect on the overall WestConnex budget?
- (a) If not, what budget within WestConnex meets these claims?
178. What is the value of the contingency budget for WestConnex?

Subsidence caused by tunnels

179. Can you advise how many properties in total will be impacted by subsidence caused by WestConnex tunnel?

(a) How many properties will be affected in:

- i. Ashfield?
- ii. Haberfield?
- iii. Leichhardt?
- iv. Lilyfield?
- v. Rozelle?
- vi. Annandale?
- vii. Stanmore?
- viii. Newtown?
- ix. St Peters?

180. How many of these are homes and how many are commercial properties?

181. Have these home and property owners been told that their properties are expected to be impacted by subsidence? If so, how was this information communicated to property owners?

182. What is the typical sort of property damage associated with subsidence?

183. What is the plan to deal with any instances of property damage caused by subsidence?

184. How much is budgeted for rectification?

WestConnex number of Property Acquisitions

185. How many properties have been acquired for WestConnex stage 1 (please include compulsory acquired or by negotiation)?

186. How many properties have been acquired for WestConnex stage 2 (please include compulsory acquired or by negotiation)?

187. How many properties have been acquired for WestConnex stage 3 (please include compulsory acquired or by negotiation)?

188. How many properties are yet to be acquired for WestConnex stage 1 (please include compulsory acquired or by negotiation)?

189. How many properties are yet to be acquired for WestConnex stage 2 (please include compulsory acquired or by negotiation)?
190. How many properties are yet to be acquired for WestConnex stage 3 (please include compulsory acquired or by negotiation)?

WestConnex value of Property Acquisitions

191. What is the amount that has been spent on property acquisitions (compulsory or negotiated) for WestConnex Stage 1?
192. What is the amount that has been spent on property acquisitions (compulsory or negotiated) for WestConnex Stage 2?
193. What is the amount that has been spent on property acquisitions (compulsory or negotiated) for WestConnex Stage 3?
194. What is the budget for property as yet to be acquired (compulsory or negotiated) for WestConnex Stage 1?
195. What is the budget for property as yet to be acquired (compulsory or negotiated) for WestConnex Stage 2?
196. What is the budget for property as yet to be acquired (compulsory or negotiated) for WestConnex Stage 3?

Road Accidents

197. What is the total number of traffic crashes on the M4 Church Street off-ramp between 15 August and 29 August?
198. What is the total number of traffic crashes on the M4 Church Street off-ramp between 1 August and 15 August?
199. What is the total number of traffic crashes on the M4 Church Street off-ramp between 18 July and 1 August?
200. Please list the date of each traffic crashes on the M4 Church Street off-ramp between 1 June 2017 and 5 September 2017?
201. Were any people injured in these crashes?
 - (a) If so, how many?
 - (b) If so, how many were hospitalised?

WestConnex smoke stacks

- 202. What are the total number of smoke stacks for WestConnex?
- 203. Please list the location of each smoke stack for WestConnex?

WestConnex to Sydney Airport

- 204. Will motorists travelling from Penrith to Sydney Airport via WestConnex and the Sydney Gateway pay two tolls?

WestConnex – Parliamentary Ethics advisors

- 205. Is the Minister aware of any of his former staff members currently working for a company involved in an unsolicited proposal for the Sydney Gateway?
 - (a) If so, how many?
- 206. Is the Minister aware of any former staff members of the former Minister for Roads, Duncan Gay, currently working for a company involved in an unsolicited proposal for the Sydney Gateway?
 - (a) Is so, how many?
- 207. Has the Minister sought advice from the Parliamentary ethics advisor in relation to dealing with these former staff members?
- 208. Is the Minister aware of any advice having been sought by him or others of the Parliamentary ethics advisor in relation to dealing with these former staff members?

SMC Sale

- 209. Is the Government is considering as part of the SMC sale offering any form of “no compete” clause for public transport investments, such as Sydney Metro West, increased ferry or bus services?
- 210. Is the Government considering as part of the SMC sales offering any sort of revenue guarantee, underwriting, minimum value, shadow toll or other undertaking that would lessen the risk for the buyer?
- 211. Will the Government retain any control over any of: the final design, construction, operation, safety, community impact, property acquisitions, transparency of information, integration of the WestConnex Stages 1, 2 or 3 once it has sold 51 per cent to the private sector?
- 212. Will the Government will be required to transfer any or all of the design, operation, construction and setting of tolls of the Western Harbour Tunnel, Warringah Freeway Interchange, Beaches

Link or F6 connector to SMC to enable integration with the proposed Stage 3 interchange at Rozelle and the Stage 2 interchange at St Peters?

213. Will the Government put its final position to the market for the sale of a minimum 51 per cent of SMC prior to the finalisation of the M4-M5 Link EIS determination?
214. Will the Government retain any minimum level of ownership to protect the interests of the taxpayers and residents of NSW, until such time as the final design is locked in?
215. Will the Government continue with the WestConnex build if it does not raise sufficient equity from a 51 per cent or greater stake in SMC to cover the proportional value of the existing Government funding of WestConnex?
216. Will the Government sell more than 51 per cent of WestConnex stages 1, 2 and 3 in the current process will it fund Sydney Metro West? If not, when will it fund Sydney Metro West, as the Minister has publicly said it the main west line will be at total capacity by 2031 at the latest and it takes a minimum 8 years to plan and build a new metro?
217. Given that the vehicle mix in the Stage 3 EIS is significantly different from that in the WestConnex Business Case, particularly with around one tenth the number of commercial vehicles predicted, has the Business Case been updated to account for this change, given that large commercial vehicles pay three times the car toll?
218. Given that the Government has announced several times its desire to build the Sydney Metro West, and is backing the development of the Western Sydney Airport, what changes to the major demand assumptions in the Business Case have been made, and have these conveyed to the market?
219. What is the total value and value by project of all enabling works required from the budget to support the WestConnex, including the Sydney Gateway; the Alexander to Moore Park Connector; the Iron Cove link; the Western Harbour Tunnel link; the Anzac Bridge and Western Distributor upgrades (as forecast in M4-M5 Link EIS) and all access and egress upgrades for the entire route that connect to or from any part of the WestConnex project?
220. What is the strategic estimated cost of the Rozelle Interchange based on the current EIS reference design, and how much has this increased from the original strategic estimate in 2016?
221. Can the Minister confirm that the Iron Cove link “will not cost a cent extra” as the former Minister for Roads claimed in July 2016?

Integration, enabling or other related works

222. Regarding network enhancements aligned with the WestConnex project:
- (a) What is the sub/project name of each network enhancement aligned with the WestConnex project?
 - (b) What is the total cost of network enhancements aligned with the WestConnex project?
 - (c) What amount of this cost is within the approximately \$16.8 billion project cost of the WestConnex?
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224. As forecast in M4-M5 Link EIS, what is the total value of all works required to support, enable or integrate the WestConnex?
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235. What is the estimated total cost of the Western Distributor upgrades
236. The former Minister for Roads claimed in July 2016 that the Iron Cove link “will not cost a cent extra”:
- (a) Do you stand by these comments?
 - (b) Will all costs related to the Iron Cove Link fall within the WestConnex project budget?

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 - (b) What level of control will the NSW Government or relevant Ministers retain over the construction of the WestConnex?
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 - (d) What level of control will the NSW Government or relevant Ministers retain over safety on the WestConnex?
 - (e) What level of control will the NSW Government or relevant Ministers retain over the community impact of the WestConnex?
 - (f) How will SMC acquire new property?
 - (g) Will property purchases or acquisitions undertaken by SMC be required to adhere to the changes introduced in the Land Acquisition Reform 2016?

- (h) What level of control will the NSW Government or relevant Ministers retain over integration of the WestConnex stages 1, 2 and 3?
- (i) Will the SMC CEO continue to appear before Parliamentary inquiries?
- (j) Will the SMC CEO continue to appear before NSW Budget Estimates hearings?
- (k) Will procurement by SMC adhere to the NSW Procurement laws?
- (l) Will procurement by SMC adhere to relevant NSW Procurement Board directions?
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242. Do you intend to sell more than 51 per cent of the shares in SMC?

243. Do you intend to retain 49 per cent of the shares in SMC until such time as the final design of WestConnex is locked in?

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245. Has the SMC sales value risk in any way delayed the funding of the Sydney Metro West?

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Business Case Updates

247. Have the total estimate of benefits from the WestConnex stages 1, 2 and 3 increased since the updated business case?

248. What is the most up-to-date total estimate of benefits from the WestConnex stages 1, 2 and 3?

249. What is the additional expected cost to the M4-M5 link generated by addressing the issues raised by the community through the preceding M4-M5 design review?

250. What was the original strategic estimated cost of the Rozelle interchange in 2016?

251. Regarding assumptions in the business case:

- (a) Have any changes to demand assumptions been made since 1 December 2015?
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252. Does the Western Sydney Airport change any demand assumptions in the business case?

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255. Given the EIS for the M4-M5 Link states that there will be future significant local road traffic impacts, for example at the Crescent and Johnstone Street, at Euston Road, to the Anzac Bridge and the Western Distributor, but that the RMS does not have any plans to mitigate those impacts:

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Free Alternative to the WestConnex

256. Can you assure motorists that there will be free option for every link that the WestConnex serves?

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SPORT

Questions from Dr Mehreen Faruqi MLC

Use of artificial intelligence

307. What current uses of artificial intelligence does the department undertake?

Note: Please include all uses of AI including uses for resource allocation and administrative support, big data analysis, replacement and assistance of experts and researchers, procedural matters, or summarising diverse data – for reference this might include:

- Chatbots for customer service or advice
- Customer management systems
- Scanning legal documents to find relevant case law
- Categorising and searching documents
- Directing petitions efficiently
- Translation
- Document drafting

308. What planned uses does the department have for artificial intelligence?

309. What policy guidelines, if any, guide the exploration and use of artificial intelligence by the department?

310. What research, if any, has the department undertaken regarding the use of AI in Government services?

Questions from the Hon Shaoquett Moselmane MLC (on behalf of the NSW Labor Opposition)

Davey Browne

311. Has the Office of Sport and Recreation received a copy of the transcript of the coronial inquiry in the death of Davey Browne?

312. What actions has the Minister taken in regards to the recommendations of the NSW Coroner following the coronial inquiry into the death of Davey Browne?

Combat Sport

313. How many EFT staff are currently employed in the Combat Sport Authority

314. How many of the positions of the Combat Sport Authority have been vacant at any time over the 12 months.

Parramatta War Memorial Pool

315. What is the amount that has been allocated for the rebuilding of the Parramatta War Memorial Pool by the NSW Government?
316. What site has the NSW Government identified for a new swimming complex and are there any heritage restrictions or legislative barriers that would require amendment before construction commenced at that site.

Stadia

317. What is the projected cost of the upgrade of Allianz stadium?
318. Has a business case been completed for an indoor sports stadium in the CBD and when will that business case be released?
319. How many meetings have you held with either members of the SCGT or the SCGT staff regarding upgrades to either ANZ Stadium or the Sydney Cricket Ground outside your ministerial office?
320. Minister given your statement in budget estimates that the budget allocated for the Parramatta stadium is \$360 million and your answer to a question on notice on the 28th March that the projected cost of Parramatta Stadium was within \$300 million. Could you outline why the cost has blown out by \$60 million?

Regional Sporting Infrastructure

321. How many meetings in total have you held with Penrith City Council regarding sporting infrastructure?
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323. How many meetings in total have you held with Wollongong City Council regarding sporting infrastructure?
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Active Kids Voucher Program

325. When will the Active Kids Voucher program begin?

326. How many school age children are there in NSW who will be eligible to apply for these grants?
327. Will the programme be available for primary and high school children?
328. Who will be allowed to register as a registered provider?
329. Will parents receive a voucher for each child?
330. Will sporting organisations and registered providers receive the full amount of \$100 for vouchers provided, even if there fees currently fall below this amount?
331. If applications received exceed the \$207 million before the four year period of the programme expires will there be a further allocation?
332. What measures will be put in place to ensure sporting organisations and registered providers do not increase fees as a result of the Active Kids Voucher programme?

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