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# Questions from the Hon Chris Rath MLC (on behalf of the Opposition)

#### New high school for Wentworth Point

- 1. When did planning begin for a new high school for Wentworth Point?
- 2. What date did construction begin for a new high school for Wentworth Point?
- 3. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Wentworth Point?
- 4. What is the scope of works for the new high school at Wentworth Point?
- 5. What is the estimated total cost for the new high school at Wentworth Point?
- 6. What is the timeline for the new high school at Wentworth Point?
- 7. How many students will the new high school for Wentworth Point accommodate?
- 8. How much money was allocated for high school for Wentworth Point in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 9. What was the funding allocation for the high school for Wentworth Point for each year in the forward estimates?

# New primary school for Gables

- 10. What date did planning begin for the new primary school for Gables?
- 11. What is the expected commencement date for the construction of the new primary school for Gables?
- 12. What is the estimated completion date for the new primary school for Gables?
- 13. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Gables?
- 14. How many students will the new primary school for Gables accommodate?
- 15. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school for Gables?
- 16. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Gables in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 17. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Gables for each year in the forward estimates?

# New primary school for Melonba

- 18. When did planning begin for the new primary school for Melonba?
- 19. What date did construction begin for the new primary school for Melonba?
- 20. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Melonba?
- 21. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Melonba?
- 22. What is the timeline for the new primary school for Melonba?
- 23. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the new primary school for Melonba?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 24. How many students will the new primary school for Melonba accommodate?
- 25. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school for Melonba?
- 26. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Melonba in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 27. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Melonba for each year in the forward estimates?

#### New high school for Melonba

- 28. When did planning begin for the new high school for Melonba?
- 29. What date did construction begin for the new high school for Melonba?
- 30. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Melonba?
- 31. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Melonba?
- 32. What is the estimated total cost for the new high school for Melonba?
- 33. What is the timeline for the new high school for Melonba?
- 34. How many students will the new high school for Melonba accomodate?
- 35. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Melonba in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 36. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Melonba for each year in the forward estimates?
- 37. What is the total estimated cost of the temporary Melonba High School?
- 38. What is the estimated completion date for the temporary Melonba High School?
- 39. How many students will the temporary Melonba High School accommodate?

#### New primary school for Nirimba Fields

- 40. What date did planning begin for the new primary school for Nirimba Fields?
- 41. What date did construction begin for the new primary school for Nirimba Fields?
- 42. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Nirimba Fields?
- 43. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Nirimba Fields?
- 44. What is the estimated total cost for the new primary school for Nirimba Fields?
- 45. What is the timeline for the new primary school for Nirimba Fields?
- 46. How many students will the new primary school for Nirimba Fields accommodate?
- 47. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Nirimba Fields in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 48. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Nirimba Fields for each year in the forward estimates?

## New primary school for Tallawong

- 49. What date did planning begin for the new primary school for Tallawong?
- 50. What date did construction begin for the new primary school for Tallawong?
- 51. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Tallawong?
- 52. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Tallawong?
- 53. What is the timeline for the new primary school for Tallawong?
- 54. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the new primary school for Tallawong?
- 55. If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 56. How many students will the new primary school for Tallawong accommodate?
- 57. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school for Tallawong?
- 58. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Tallawong in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 59. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Tallawong for each year in the forward estimates?
- 60. What is the total estimated cost of the temporary Tallawong Public School?
- 61. What is the estimated completion date for the temporary Tallawong Public School?

62. How many students will the temporary Tallawong Public School accommodate?

# New high school for Schofields and Tallawong

- 63. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong?
- 64. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong?
- 65. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong?
- 66. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong?
- 67. What is the estimated total cost for the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong?
- 68. What is the timeline for the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong?
- 69. How many students will the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong accommodate?
- 70. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 71. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Schofields and Tallawong for each year in the forward estimates?
- 72. What is the total estimated cost of the temporary Schofields and Tallawong High School?
- 73. What is the estimated completion date for the temporary Schofields and Tallawong High School?
- 74. How many students will the temporary Schofields and Tallawong High School accommodate?

#### New primary school for Gregory Hills

- 75. What date did planning begin for the new primary school for Gregory Hills?
- 76. What date did construction begin for the new primary school for Gregory Hills?
- 77. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Gregory Hills?
- 78. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Gregory Hills?
- 79. What is the timeline for the new primary school for Gregory Hills?
- 80. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the new primary school for Gregory Hills?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 81. How many students will the new primary school for Gregory Hills accommodate?
- 82. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school for Gregory Hills?

- 83. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Gregory Hills in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 84. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Gregory Hills for each year in the forward estimates?

# New high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills

- 85. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills?
- 86. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills?
- 87. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills?
- 88. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills?
- 89. What is the estimated total cost for the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills?
- 90. What is the timeline for the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills?
- 91. How many students will the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills accommodate?
- 92. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 93. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills for each year in the forward estimates?
- 94. What is the total estimated cost of the temporary Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills High School?
- 95. What is the estimated completion date for the temporary Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills High School?
- 96. How many students will the temporary Gledswood Hills and Gregory Hills High School accommodate?

# New high school for Leppington and Denham Court

- 97. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court?
- 98. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court?

- 99. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court?
- 100. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court?
- 101. What is the timeline for the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court?
- 102. How many students will the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court accommodate?
- 103. What is the total estimated cost of the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court?
- 104. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 105. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Leppington and Denham Court for each year in the forward estimates?

## New high school for Edmondson Park

- 106. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Edmondson Park?
- 107. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Edmondson Park?
- 108. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school Edmondson Park?
- 109. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Edmondson Park?
- 110. What is the estimated total cost for the new high school for Edmondson Park?
- 111. What is the timeline for the new high school for Edmondson Park?
- 112. How many students will the new high school for Edmondson Park accommodate?
- 113. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Edmondson Park in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 114. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Edmondson Park for each year in the forward estimates?

# New primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School)

- 115. When did planning begin for the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School)?
- 116. What date did construction begin for the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School)?
- 117. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School)?

- 118. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School)?
- 119. What is the estimated total cost for the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School)?
- 120. What is the timeline for the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School)?
- 121. How many students will the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School) accommodate?
- 122. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School) in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 123. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Liverpool (Gulyangarri Public School) for each year in the forward estimates?

# New primary school for Nowra

- 124. When did planning begin for the new primary school for Nowra?
- 125. What date did construction begin for the new primary school for Nowra?
- 126. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Nowra?
- 127. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Nowra?
- 128. What is the timeline for the new primary school for Nowra?
- 129. How many students will the new primary school for Nowra accommodate?
- 130. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school for Nowra?
- 131. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Nowra in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 132. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Nowra for each year in the forward estimates?

#### New high school for Medowie

- 133. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Medowie?
- 134. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Medowie?
- 135. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Medowie?
- 136. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Medowie?
- 137. What is the timeline for the new high school for Medowie?

- 138. How many students will the new high school for Medowie accommodate?
- 139. What is the total estimated cost of the new high school for Medowie?
- 140. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Medowie in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 141. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Medowie for each year in the forward estimates?
- 142. Is there existing capacity at Irrawang High School and Hunter River High Schools?
  - (a) Are both of these schools are getting upgrades to allow for more students?
- 143. Did you seek advice from School Infrastructure about building this school?

#### New primary school for Albury Thurgoona

- 144. When did planning begin for the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona?
- 145. What date did construction begin for the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona?
- 146. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona?
- 147. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona?
- 148. What is the estimated total cost for the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona?
- 149. What is the timeline for the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona?
- 150. How many students will the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona accommodate?
- 151. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 152. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Albury Thurgoona for each year in the forward estimates?

## A new high school for Googong

- 153. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Googong?
- 154. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Googong?
- 155. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Googong?
- 156. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Googong?
- 157. What is the estimated total cost for the new high school for Googong?
- 158. What is the timeline for the new high school for Googong?

- 159. How many students will the new high school for Googong accommodate?
- 160. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Googong in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 161. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Googong for each year in the forward estimates?

#### A new high school for Bungendore

- 162. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Bungendore?
- 163. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Bungendore?
- 164. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Bungendore?
- 165. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Bungendore?
- 166. What is the timeline for the new high school for Bungendore?
- 167. How many students will the new high school for Bungendore accommodate?
- 168. What is the total estimated cost of the new high school for Bungendore?
- 169. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Bungendore in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 170. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Bungendore for each year in the forward estimates?

#### Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra

- 171. What date did planning begin for Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra?
- 172. What date is construction forecast to begin for Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra?
- 173. When is construction expected to be completed for Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra?
- 174. What is the scope of works for Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra?
- 175. What is the timeline for Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra?
- 176. How many students will Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra accommodate?
- 177. What is the total estimated cost of Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra?
- 178. How much money was allocated for Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra in the 2023/2024 budget?

179. What was the funding allocation for Stage 2 of the new high school for Jerrabomberra for each year in the forward estimates?

#### **Gillieston Public School redevelopment**

- 180. When did planning begin for the Gillieston Public School redevelopment?
- 181. What date did construction begin for the Gillieston Public School redevelopment?
- 182. When is construction expected to be completed for Gillieston Public School redevelopment?
- 183. What is the scope of works for the new Gillieston Public School redevelopment?
- 184. What is the estimated total cost for the new Gillieston Public School redevelopment?
- 185. What is the timeline for the Gillieston Public School redevelopment?
- 186. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Gillieston Public School redevelopment?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 187. How many students will Gillieston Public School redevelopment accommodate?
- 188. How much money was allocated for the Gillieston Public School redevelopment in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 189. What was the funding allocation for the Gillieston Public School redevelopment for each year in the forward estimates?

# Jindabyne Education Campus

- 190. When did planning begin for the new Jindabyne Education Campus?
- 191. What date did construction begin for the Jindabyne Education Campus?
- 192. When is construction expected to be completed for the Jindabyne Education Campus?
- 193. What is the scope of works for the Jindabyne Education Campus?
- 194. What is the timeline for the Jindabyne Education Campus?
- 195. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Jindabyne Education Campus?
- 196. If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 197. How many students will the Jindabyne Education Campus accommodate?
- 198. What is the total estimated cost of the Jindabyne Education Campus?
- 199. How much money was allocated for the Jindabyne Education Campus in the 2023/2024 budget?

200. What was the funding allocation for the Jindabyne Education Campus for each year in the forward estimates?

# Lennox Head Public School

- 201. When did planning begin for the Lennox Head Public School relocation?
- 202. What date did construction begin for the Lennox Head Public School relocation?
- 203. When is construction expected to be completed for the Lennox Head Public School relocation?
- 204. What is the scope of works for the Lennox Head Public School relocation?
- 205. What is the estimated total cost for the Lennox Head Public School relocation?
- 206. What is the timeline for the Lennox Head Public School relocation?
- 207. How many students will Lennox Head Public School relocation accommodate?
- 208. How much money was allocated for the Lennox Head Public School relocation in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 209. What was the funding allocation for the Lennox Head Public School relocation for each year in the forward estimates?

## Bomaderry High School upgrade

- 210. What date did planning begin for the Bomaderry High School upgrade?
- 211. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Bomaderry High School upgrade?
- 212. When is construction expected to be completed for the Bomaderry High School upgrade?
- 213. What is the scope of works for the Bomaderry High School upgrade?
- 214. What is the estimated total cost for the Bomaderry High School upgrade?
- 215. What is the timeline for the Bomaderry High School upgrade?
- 216. How many students will the Bomaderry High School upgrade accommodate?
- 217. How much money was allocated for the Bomaderry High School upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 218. What was the funding allocation for the Bomaderry High School upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

# Hunter River High School upgrade

- 219. What date did planning begin for the Hunter River High School upgrade?
- 220. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Hunter River High School upgrade?
- 221. When is construction expected to be completed for the Hunter River High School upgrade?
- 222. What is the scope of works for the Hunter River High School upgrade?
- 223. What is the estimated total cost for the Hunter River High School upgrade?
- 224. What is the timeline for the Hunter River High School upgrade?
- 225. How many students will the Hunter River High School upgrade accommodate?
- 226. How much money was allocated for the Hunter River High School upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 227. What was the funding allocation for the Hunter River High School upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

## Irrawang High School upgrade

- 228. What date did planning begin for the Irrawang High School upgrade?
- 229. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Irrawang High School upgrade?
- 230. When is construction expected to be completed for the Irrawang High School upgrade?
- 231. What is the scope of works for the Irrawang High School upgrade?
- 232. What is the estimated total cost for the Irrawang High School upgrade?
- 233. What is the timeline for the Irrawang High School upgrade?
- 234. How many students will the Irrawang High School upgrade accomodate?
- 235. How much money was allocated for the Irrawang High School upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 236. What was the funding allocation for the Irrawang High School upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

#### Moruya High School upgrade

- 237. What date did planning begin for the Moruya High School upgrade?
- 238. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Moruya High School upgrade?
- 239. When is construction expected to be completed for the Moruya High School upgrade?
- 240. What is the scope of works for the Moruya High School upgrade?

- 241. What is the timeline for the Moruya High School upgrade?
- 242. How many students will the Moruya High School upgrade accommodate?
- 243. What is the total estimated cost of the Moruya High School upgrade?
- 244. How much money was allocated for the Moruya High School upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 245. What was the funding allocation for the Moruya High School upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

## Ulladulla Public School upgrade

- 246. What date did planning begin for the Ulladulla Public School upgrade?
- 247. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Ulladulla Public School upgrade?
- 248. When is construction expected to be completed for the Ulladulla Public School upgrade?
- 249. What is the scope of works for the Ulladulla Public School upgrade?
- 250. What is the timeline for the Ulladulla Public School upgrade?
- 251. How many students will the Ulladulla Public School upgrade accommodate?
- 252. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Jindabyne Education Campus?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 253. What is the total estimated cost of the Ulladulla Public School upgrade?
- 254. How much money was allocated for the Ulladulla Public School upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 255. What was the funding allocation for the Ulladulla Public School upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

## Milton Public School upgrade

- 256. What date did planning begin for the Milton Public School upgrade?
- 257. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Milton Public School upgrade?
- 258. When is construction expected to be completed for the Milton Public School upgrade?
- 259. What is the scope of works for the Milton Public School upgrade?
- 260. What is the estimated total cost for the Milton Public School upgrade?
- 261. What is the timeline for the Milton Public School upgrade?
- 262. How many students will the Milton Public School upgrade accomodate?

- 263. What is the total estimated cost of the Milton Public School upgrade?
- 264. How much money was allocated for the Milton Public School upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 265. What was the funding allocation for the Milton Public School upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

### Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade

- 266. What date did planning begin for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade?
- 267. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade?
- 268. When is construction expected to be completed for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade?
- 269. What is the scope of works for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade?
- 270. What is the estimated total cost for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade?
- 271. What is the timeline for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade?
- 272. How many students will the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade accomodate?
- 273. What is the total estimated cost of the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade?
- 274. How much money was allocated for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 275. What was the funding allocation for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

#### New primary school for Calderwood

- 276. What date did planning begin for the new primary school for Calderwood?
- 277. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new primary school for Calderwood?
- 278. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Calderwood?
- 279. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Calderwood?
- 280. What is the timeline for the new primary school for Calderwood?
- 281. How many students will the new primary school for Calderwood accommodate?
- 282. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the new primary school for Calderwood?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 283. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school for Calderwood?

- 284. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Calderwood in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 285. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for Calderwood for each year in the forward estimates?

#### Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade

- 286. What date did planning begin for the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade?
- 287. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade?
- 288. When is construction expected to be completed for the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade?
- 289. What is the scope of works for the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade?
- 290. What is the timeline for the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade?
- 291. How many students will the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade accommodate?
- 292. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 293. What is the total estimated cost of the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade?
- 294. How much money was allocated for the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 295. What was the funding allocation for the Cambridge Gardens Public School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

# Cammeray Public School Upgrade

- 296. What date did planning begin for the Cammeray Public School Upgrade?
- 297. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Cammeray Public School Upgrade?
- 298. When is construction expected to be completed for the Cammeray Public School Upgrade?
- 299. What is the scope of works for the Cammeray Public School Upgrade?
- 300. What is the timeline for the Cammeray Public School Upgrade?
- 301. How many students will the Cammeray Public School Upgrade accommodate?
- 302. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Cammeray Public School Upgrade?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?

- 303. What is the total estimated cost of the Cammeray Public School Upgrade?
- 304. How much money was allocated for the Cammeray Public School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 305. What was the funding allocation for the Cammeray Public School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

# Dalmeny Public School Upgrade

- 306. What date did planning begin for the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade?
- 307. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade?
- 308. When is construction expected to be completed for the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade?
- 309. What is the scope of works for the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade?
- 310. What is the timeline for the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade?
- 311. How many students will the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade accommodate?
- 312. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 313. What is the total estimated cost of the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade?
- 314. How much money was allocated for the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 315. What was the funding allocation for the Dalmeny Public School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

#### Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area

- 316. What date did planning begin for the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area?
- 317. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area?
- 318. When is construction expected to be completed for the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area?
- 319. What is the scope of works for the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area?
- 320. What is the timeline for the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area?
- 321. How many students will the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area accommodate?
- 322. What is the total estimated cost of the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area?

- 323. How much money was allocated for the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 324. What was the funding allocation for the Dapto High School Covered Outdoor Learning Area for each year in the forward estimates?

## Dundas Public School Upgrade

- 325. What date did planning begin for the Dundas Public School Upgrade?
- 326. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Dundas Public School Upgrade?
- 327. When is construction expected to be completed for the Dundas Public School Upgrade?
- 328. What is the scope of works for the Dundas Public School Upgrade?
- 329. What is the timeline for the Dundas Public School Upgrade?
- 330. How many students will the Dundas Public School Upgrade accommodate?
- 331. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Dundas Public School Upgrade?
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- 332. What is the total estimated cost of the Dundas Public School Upgrade?
- 333. How much money was allocated for the Dundas Public School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 334. What was the funding allocation for the Dundas Public School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

## New high school for Flinders

- 335. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Flinders?
- 336. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Flinders?
- 337. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Flinders?
- 338. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Flinders?
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- 342. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Flinders in the 2023/2024 budget?

343. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Flinders for each year in the forward estimates?

#### Greenway Park Public School Upgrade

- 344. What date did planning begin for the Greenway Park Public School Upgrade?
- 345. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Greenway Park Public School Upgrade?
- 346. When is construction expected to be completed for the Greenway Park Public School Upgrade?
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- 351. What is the total estimated cost of the Greenway Park Public School Upgrade?
- 352. How much money was allocated for the Greenway Park Public School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 353. What was the funding allocation for Greenway Park Public School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

# New primary school for Huntlee

- 354. What date did planning begin for the new primary school for Huntlee?
- 355. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new primary school for Huntlee?
- 356. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for Huntlee?
- 357. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for Huntlee?
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- 359. How many students will the new primary school for Huntlee accommodate?
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- 361. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school for Huntlee?
- 362. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for Huntlee in the 2023/2024 budget?

363. What was the funding allocation for new primary school for Huntlee for each year in the forward estimates?

## New high school for Jordan Springs

- 364. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Jordan Springs?
- 365. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Jordan Springs?
- 366. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Jordan Springs?
- 367. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Jordan Springs?
- 368. What is the timeline for the new high school for Jordan Springs?
- 369. How many students will the new high school for Jordan Springs accommodate?
- 370. What is the total estimated cost of the new high school for Jordan Springs?
- 371. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Jordan Springs in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 372. What was the funding allocation for new high school for Jordan Springs for each year in the forward estimates?

## Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall

- 373. What date did planning begin for the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall?
- 374. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall?
- 375. When is construction expected to be completed for the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall?
- 376. What is the scope of works for the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall?
- 377. What is the timeline for the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall?
- 378. How many students will the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall accommodate?
- 379. What is the total estimated cost of the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall?
- 380. How much money was allocated for the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 381. What was the funding allocation for the Katoomba High School New Multi-Purpose Hall each year in the forward estimates?

#### Kingswood Public School Upgrade

- 382. What date did planning begin for the Kingswood Public School Upgrade?
- 383. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Kingswood Public School Upgrade?
- 384. When is construction expected to be completed for the Kingswood Public School Upgrade?
- 385. What is the scope of works for the Kingswood Public School Upgrade?
- 386. What is the timeline for the Kingswood Public School Upgrade?
- 387. How many students will the Kingswood Public School Upgrade accommodate?
- 388. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Kingswood Public School Upgrade?
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- 389. What is the total estimated cost of the Kingswood Public School Upgrade?
- 390. How much money was allocated for the Kingswood Public School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 391. What was the funding allocation for the Kingswood Public School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

# Kogarah Public School Upgrade

- 392. What date did planning begin for the Kogarah Public School Upgrade?
- 393. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Kogarah Public School Upgrade?
- 394. When is construction expected to be completed for the Kogarah Public School Upgrade?
- 395. What is the scope of works for the Kogarah Public School Upgrade?
- 396. What is the timeline for the Kogarah Public School Upgrade?
- 397. How many students will the Kogarah Public School Upgrade accommodate?
- 398. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Kogarah Public School Upgrade?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 399. What is the total estimated cost of the Kogarah Public School Upgrade?
- 400. How much money was allocated for the Kogarah Public School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?

401. What was the funding allocation for the Kogarah Public School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

#### New high school for Melrose Park

- 402. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Melrose Park?
- 403. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Melrose Park?
- 404. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Melrose Park?
- 405. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Melrose Park?
- 406. What is the timeline for the new high school for Melrose Park?
- 407. How many students will the new high school for Melrose Park?
- 408. What is the total estimated cost of the new high school for Melrose Park?
- 409. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Melrose Park in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 410. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Melrose Park for each year in the forward estimates?

## Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground)

- 411. What date did planning begin for the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground)?
- 412. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground)?
- 413. When is construction expected to be completed for the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground)?
- 414. What is the scope of works for the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground)?
- 415. What is the timeline for the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground)?
- 416. How many students will the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground)?
- 417. What is the total estimated cost of the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground)?
- 418. How much money was allocated for the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground) in the 2023/2024 budget?

- 419. Will Minnamurra Public School be making a financial contribution to the total cost of the upgrade (new nature playground)?
- 420. What was the funding allocation for the Minnamurra Public School upgrade (new nature playground) for each year in the forward estimates?

# Northbridge Public School upgrade

- 421. What date did planning begin for the Northbridge Public School upgrade?
- 422. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Northbridge Public School upgrade?
- 423. When is construction expected to be completed for the Northbridge Public School upgrade?
- 424. What is the scope of works for the Northbridge Public School upgrade?
- 425. What is the timeline for the Northbridge Public School upgrade?
- 426. How many students will the Northbridge Public School upgrade accommodate?
- 427. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Northbridge Public School upgrade?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 428. What is the total estimated cost of the Northbridge Public School upgrade?
- 429. How much money was allocated for the Northbridge Public School upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 430. What was the funding allocation for the Northbridge Public School upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

#### Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade

- 431. What date did planning begin for the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade?
- 432. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade?
- 433. When is construction expected to be completed for the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade?
- 434. What is the scope of works for the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade?
- 435. What is the timeline for the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade?

- 436. How many students will the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade accommodate?
- 437. What is the total estimated cost of the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade?
- 438. How much money was allocated for the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 439. What was the funding allocation for the Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

# Northmead Public School Upgrade

- 440. What date did planning begin for the Northmead Public School Upgrade?
- 441. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Northmead Public School Upgrade?
- 442. When is construction expected to be completed for the Northmead Public School Upgrade?
- 443. What is the scope of works for the Northmead Public School Upgrade?
- 444. What is the timeline for the Northmead Public School Upgrade?
- 445. How many students will the Northmead Public School Upgrade accommodate?
- 446. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the Northmead Public School Upgrade?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 447. What is the total estimated cost of the Northmead Public School Upgrade?
- 448. How much money was allocated for the Northmead Public School Upgrade in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 449. What was the funding allocation for the Northmead Public School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

# New high school for Pottsville

- 450. What date did planning begin for the new high school for Pottsville?
- 451. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new high school for Pottsville?
- 452. When is construction expected to be completed for the new high school for Pottsville?
- 453. What is the scope of works for the new high school for Pottsville?
- 454. What is the timeline for the new high school for Pottsville?

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- 455. How many students will the new high school for Pottsville accommodate?
- 456. What is the total estimated cost of the new high school for Pottsville?
- 457. How much money was allocated for the new high school for Pottsville in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 458. What was the funding allocation for the new high school for Pottsville for each year in the forward estimates?

#### Sutherland Public School New Multi - Purpose Hall

- 459. What date did planning begin for the Sutherland Public School New Multi Purpose Hall?
- 460. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Sutherland Public School New Multi Purpose Hall?
- 461. When is construction expected to be completed for the Sutherland Public School New Multi -Purpose Hall?
- 462. What is the scope of works for the Sutherland Public School New Multi Purpose Hall?
- 463. What is the timeline for the Sutherland Public School New Multi Purpose Hall?
- 464. How many students will the Sutherland Public School New Multi Purpose Hall accommodate?
- 465. What is the total estimated cost of the Sutherland Public School New Multi Purpose Hall?
- 466. How much money was allocated for the Sutherland Public School New Multi Purpose Hall in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 467. What was the funding allocation for the Sutherland Public School New Multi Purpose Hall for each year in the forward estimates?

## New primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct)

- 468. What date did planning begin for the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct)?
- 469. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct)?
- 470. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct)?
- 471. What is the scope of works for the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct)?

- 472. What is the timeline for the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct)?
- 473. How many students will the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct) accommodate?
- 474. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct)?
- 475. How much money was allocated for the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct)?
- 476. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school near Sydney Olympic Park (Carter St Precinct) for each year in the forward estimates?

# The Ponds High School Upgrade

- 477. What date did planning begin for The Ponds High School Upgrade?
- 478. What date is construction forecast to begin for The Ponds High School Upgrade?
- 479. When is construction expected to be completed for The Ponds High School Upgrade?
- 480. What is the scope of works for The Ponds High School Upgrade?
- 481. What is the timeline for The Ponds High School Upgrade?
- 482. How many students will The Ponds High School Upgrade accommodate?
- 483. What is the total estimated cost of The Ponds High School Upgrade?
- 484. How much money was allocated for The Ponds High School Upgrade?
- 485. What was the funding allocation for The Ponds High School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

# Vincentia High School Upgrade

- 486. What date did planning begin for the Vincentia High School Upgrade?
- 487. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Vincentia High School Upgrade?
- 488. When is construction expected to be completed for the Vincentia High School Upgrade?
- 489. What is the scope of works for the Vincentia High School Upgrade?
- 490. What is the timeline for the Vincentia High School Upgrade?
- 491. How many students will the Vincentia High School Upgrade accommodate?

- 492. What is the total estimated cost of the Vincentia High School Upgrade?
- 493. How much money was allocated for the Vincentia High School Upgrade?
- 494. What was the funding allocation for the Vincentia High School Upgrade for each year in the forward estimates?

#### New primary school for West Dapto

- 495. What date did planning begin for the new primary school for West Dapto?
- 496. What date is construction forecast to begin for the new primary school for West Dapto?
- 497. When is construction expected to be completed for the new primary school for West Dapto?
- 498. What is the scope of works for the new primary school for West Dapto?
- 499. What is the timeline for the new primary school for West Dapto?
- 500. How many students will the new primary school for West Dapto accommodate?
- 501. Will a new preschool be built on site as part of the new primary school for West Dapto?
  - (a) If yes, will it be one of the 100 new preschools you have committed to or in addition?
- 502. What is the total estimated cost of the new primary school for West Dapto?
- 503. How much money was allocated for the new primary school for West Dapto in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 504. What was the funding allocation for the new primary school for West Dapto for each year in the forward estimates?

# Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream)

- 505. What date did planning begin for the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream)?
- 506. What date is construction forecast to begin for the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream)?
- 507. When is construction expected to be completed for the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream)?
- 508. What is the scope of works for the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream)?
- 509. What is the timeline for the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream)?
- 510. How many students will the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream) accommodate?

- 511. What is the total estimated cost of the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream)?
- 512. How much money was allocated for the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream) in the 2023/2024 budget?
- 513. What was the funding allocation for the Eagle Vale High School upgrade (selective sports stream) for each year in the forward estimates?

# Demountables

- 514. Given Mr Manning confirmed he had data from May 2023, could the minister please provide the list of demountables on school sites as of that date:
  - (a) Broken down by school.
  - (b) State electorate.

# Vaping in Schools

- 515. Has there been any costings done to supply every school in the state with vape detectors in the near future?
- 516. In regard to the Vaping Roundtable set to be held in November:
  - (a) What date will it be held?
  - (b) Where will it be held?
  - (c) Who will be attending?
  - (d) Will the feedback from the roundtable be made public?

# Teacher Supply Strategy - Teach for Australia

- 517. What was the advice provided by the department to the Minister around the Teach for Australia Program?
- 518. Was the decision to cut the Teach for Australia program a directive solely from the Minister?
- 519. Was the NSW Teachers Federation consulted over the cutting of the Teach for Australia Program?

# **Teacher Wages – Productivity Measures**

- 520. What productivity measures were identified as part of the wages deal with the union?
- 521. What changes to the performance development framework were considered as part of the negotiations for the wages deal?

522. Where changes to the performance development framework discussed with the union as part of the negotiations for the wages deal?

# Techer Supply Strategy – Recruitment Beyond NSW

- 523. Can you provide a breakdown of where the teachers recruited under the Recruitment Beyond NSW are teaching and what subjects?
- 524. Prior to the Government cancelling Recruitment Beyond NSW, how many applications had the program received to date?
- 525. How many of the Recruitment Beyond NSW applicants had teaching degrees that would be recognised in NSW?
- 526. Can you provide a breakdown of the various stages of recruitment for each of the applicants that applied to the Recruitment Beyond NSW program?
- 527. How much of the \$13 million allocated to the Recruitment Beyond NSW program was spent?
  - (a) Where has the remainder of the \$13 million gone?
- 528. Are there any other programs in place to recruit or attract overseas teachers to NSW?
  - (a) Do they have any funding allocated?
- 529. How many overseas or interstate teachers is the Department hoping to attract in the next three years?
- 530. What advice did the department provide to the Minister around the Recruitment Beyond NSW program before it was cut?

# Phone Ban

- 531. What support has been provided to schools to help them implement the mobile phone ban?
- 532. What exceptions have been identified? what will be the circumstances that students will be able to use their phones?
- 533. What will be the disciplinary processes or procedures for students who are caught with a mobile phone at school?
- 534. have any principals or parents or students express concern about the ban to the department?
- 535. In reference to the Ministers announcement to ban mobile phones in high schools in September last year, the Minister said "this would be part of a broader move to develop comprehensive programmes focusing on ethical online behaviour data privacy and critical thinking." Can you

please provide further information on these comprehensive programmes, which schools they're running in and when they were introduced?

- 536. In a media release published on 09 October 2023 regarding the mobile phone ban, it stated, "the ban is one of a number of measures the Government is putting in place to improve the classroom environment and student outcomes. "
  - (a) How does the department intend on measuring the effect of the mobile phone ban on student outcomes?
- 537. Did the department provide any advice around the banning of smartwatches and tablets as part of the phone ban?
- 538. Has the Minister met with any tech companies to discuss other ways that devices can be used responsibly in the classroom?
- 539. How much of the \$2.5 million research fund into screen related addictions in young people announced by the Minister and the Premier before the election has been spent?
- 540. To date, who has the department consulted with in regards to the \$2.5 million research fund into screen related addictions in young people?
- 541. To date, what work has the department done on the \$2.5 million research fund into screen related addictions in young people?
- 542. When will the research conducted by the fund into screen related addictions in young people be completed?
- 543. When will the research conducted by the fund into screen related addictions in young people be published?
- 544. To date, who has the department engaged as part of the research fund into screen related addictions in young people?

# Smart Energy Schools Pilot Project

- 545. When will the findings around stage one of the Smart Energy Schools Pilot Project be published?
- 546. When will the findings around stage two of the Smart Energy Schools Pilot Project be published?
- 547. Given the rising cost of electricity prices, what was the advice provided by the department to the Minister in regard to cutting the Smart Energy Schools Pilot Project?

# **Enrolment Growth**

- 548. How many students are currently enrolled in NSW Public Schools?
- 549. What is the projected growth in enrolments in the next 5 years?
- 550. Can the department provide a breakdown of projected enrolment growth each year for the next ten years?
  - (a) Can this be provided broken down by electorate?

#### **Disability Royal Commission**

- 551. Which of the recommendations from the Disability Royal Commission has the department been instructed to implement by the Government?
- 552. Has the Minister been briefed on the recommendations from the Disability Royal Commission?
- 553. What is the Government position on Schools for Specific Purposes (SSPs)?
- 554. Do the changes made recently by the Minister to suspensions defy the recommendations in the Royal Commission around inclusive education?

#### **Brighter Beginnings**

- 555. Is the Brighter Beginnings Initiative continuing under the current Government?
- 556. Who is the lead Minister for the Brighter Beginnings initiative?
- 557. Will all the components of the Brighter Beginnings initiative be completed in full?
- 558. Did all initiatives under Brighter Beginnings receive funding in full this year?
- 559. Will the department look to partner with organisations like Life Education and Royal Far West to deliver these checks?
  - (a) If not, why not?
- 560. Which Local Health Districts will be rolling out the development checks this year?
- 561. How many services will be visited as part of the development checks?
- 562. How many children do you anticipate reaching this year as part of the Development checks?
- 563. When will the development checks be available to all children in NSW in the year before school?
- 564. How many children will you reach each year with this program once it is fully operational?
- 565. Is the department of education the lead agency on Brighter Beginnings?
- 566. Can you please provide an update on each of the initiatives under Brighter Beginnings?

# Auditor General's Report - Rural and Regional Education

- 567. What will the timeline be for implementing the AG reports recommendations?
- 568. Have there being changes to the way the Rural and Remote unit is advising or providing policy advice to the rest of the department following the release of the report?
- 569. Will all the staff in that Rural and Remote Unit continue to be based in the regions?
- 570. What new policy initiatives specific to rural and remote schools are included in the budget this year?

# Extended School Day

- 571. What advice was provided to the Minister around the trial of Extended School Hours?
- 572. What did the evaluation of the extended school day trial reveal?
  - (a) Can a copy of the evaluation be provided?

# **Christopher Dawson**

- 573. Has the Minister been briefed on the recent legal case R v Dawson [2022] NSWSC 1131, and the Department of Education's involvement?
- 574. Has the Minister been briefed on the former student that is taking legal action in a civil case against the Department of Education?
- 575. Does the Minister support the position that the department is taking in the civil proceedings enacted by Mr Dawson's former student?
- 576. Has the Premier been briefed on the civil proceedings enacted by Mr Dawson's former student?
- 577. Has the Attorney General been briefed on the civil proceedings enacted by Mr Dawson's former student?

# Temporary to Permanent teacher conversions

- 578. When did the department begin work on identifying eligible temporary teachers who could be converted to permanent positions?
- 579. To date how many temporary teachers and support officers have been converted to permanent positions?
  - (a) Can this be broken down into:
    - i. Individual schools

ii. Subject areas.

# Murwillumbah Education Campus Merger

- 580. Can the Minister advise, how much has been spent to date on the merger of Murwillumbah Education Campus?
- 581. What were the primary reasons or motivations behind the decision to demerge the school campuses?
- 582. What was the advice from the Department of Education regarding the demerger?
- 583. What is the timeline of the demerger?
- 584. How was the demerger communicated to the school community, including parents, students, and teachers?
  - (a) Were their opinions and concerns considered?
  - (b) Can you provide the documents in relation to this communication?
- 585. Given that the Murwillumbah High School site has been completely gutted, what is the timeline and estimated cost of the total refurbishment?
- 586. How much has been spent to date on new uniforms for the merged high school?
- 587. What will happen with the uniforms that parents have purchased?
- 588. What will happen with the subjects children are studying that were not offered at the previous high schools due to low numbers of students?
- 589. What will happen with the resources purchased for the new schools?
- 590. How much has been spent on the acquisition of building supplies to date?
- 591. Where will the budget that was allocated for the new education campus be redirected to? Will it be spent in regional New South Wales?

# **Community Group Renewal**

- 592. For the Community Group Renewal projects at Bathurst Secondary School, Dubbo Primary School and Leeton Primary School listed in the 23/24 budget:
  - (a) Will any further funding be made available for the projects?
  - (b) When will these project start?
  - (c) When will the projects be completed?

(d) Can you provide a breakdown of the specific works for each project?

## 100 Preschools on School Sites

- 593. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Nirimba Fields in North West Sydney?
- 594. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Gables in North West Sydney?
- 595. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Melonba in North West Sydney?
- 596. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Carter Street Precinct near Sydney Olympic Park?
- 597. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Melrose Park Public School near Ryde?
- 598. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Gulyangarri Public School in South West Sydney?
- 599. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Wilton Junction in South West Sydney?
- 600. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Lennox Head Public School on the North Coast?
- 601. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Nowra?
- 602. What is the timeframe of delivery for the new preschool at Albury Thurgoona in southern NSW?
- 603. Has land been secured for all of these 10 announced preschool sites?
- 604. Were these preschools always going to have a preschool built on site as part of the new school builds?
- 605. Has SI received additional capital funding to be added to the budgets for these school builds to build the preschools?
  - (a) How much per school?
- 606. Will every family be able to access universal preschool for free 5 days a week once the promised 100 preschools are built?

# UPK

- 607. How much will be spent on the delivery of UPK both this year and in the subsequent years?
- 608. What timeline has the Government set you for the delivery of UPK?

609. In Budget Paper No 1 on page A5-14, there is a dot point which says "Reallocation and offsetting measures related to early childhood" and it states "Universal school reprofiling", can you provide an explanation and breakdown on the 'reallocation and offsetting measures"?

# **ECE Workforce**

- 610. How many additional educators will be needed to deliver UPK and new childcare services under the Fund?
- 611. How many Early Childhood Education scholarships will be awarded this financial year?
- 612. When will applications open for the scholarships?
- 613. How do you respond to concerns from the ECE sector that the disparity of wages between school teachers and ECE teachers with the same qualification is higher than ever?
  - (a) How do you plan to address this?
- 614. What is the spending profile for the \$9m for scholarships for each year over the 5 year period?
  - (a) When will the next round of ECE scholarships open?
  - (b) Who will be eligible to apply for the scholarships?
  - (c) When will those applications close?
  - (d) What will be the criteria under which the applications will be assessed?
  - (e) When will the successful applicants be announced?
- 615. How will the \$10m to reduce burnout and workforce attrition be distributed?
  - (a) Who will be eligible to apply for funding?
  - (b) When will those applications close?
  - (c) What will be the criteria under which the applications will be assessed?
  - (d) When will the successful applicants be announced?
- 616. How will the \$3m for ECEC research to investigate delivery models and strengthen the workforce pipeline be distributed?
  - (a) Who will be eligible to apply for funding?
  - (b) When will those applications close?
  - (c) What will be the criteria under which the applications will be assessed?
  - (d) When will the successful applicants be announced?

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- 617. How will the \$6.5m for leadership, management and financial capability development be distributed?
  - (a) Who will be eligible to apply for funding?
  - (b) When will those applications close?
  - (c) What will be the criteria under which the applications will be assessed?
  - (d) When will the successful applicants be announced?
- 618. Can you provide an update on the shortened ECE degree being undertaken in partnership with Wollongong University?
  - (a) Have applications opened? How many places will there be?
  - (b) Has funding been provided by the government to continue or expand that initiative?

# Childcare and Economic Opportunity Fund - Funding Allocation

- 619. Will the government deliver the \$5b Childcare and Economic Opportunity Fund in full?
- 620. Can you confirm that you will not be making any amendments to the Act during this term of Parliament?
- 621. Can you provide a breakdown of how the \$100m allocated in the 23/24 budget will be spent?
- 622. Did the board provide advice to the Minister on how the \$100million for this year should be allocated?
  - (a) If not, why not?

# School Infrastructure – Selective Schools

- 623. How will the selective stream work at Leppington/Denham Court?
  - (a) Will it be an academic stream?

#### **Curriculum Review**

- 624. Can you provide the full details of the rollout of the new curriculum, including:
  - (a) when each syllabus will be out for consultation,
  - (b) when it will be available to teachers for familiarisation
  - (c) when it will be taught to students.
- 625. Extra money was allocated to NESA by the former Government to assist with the curriculum rollout. How much of that allocation has been spent to date?
- 626. What has happened to the learning resources that were to accompany the new syllabuses?
- 627. When will they be made available to teachers?

#### Flood impacted schools and preschools

- 628. What is the current status of the school and preschool rebuilds in the northern rivers?
  - (a) Can you provide the latest updates on each of the floods impact schools in the region, including the status of any relocated schools, preschools and rebuilds.
- 629. What is the current status of the school and preschool rebuilds in the central west?
  - (a) Can you provide the latest updates on each of the floods impact schools in the region, including the status of any relocated schools, preschools and rebuilds.
- 630. Has the Minister visited flood impacted communities such as Lismore and Eugowra since being sworn in?
  - (a) If not, why not?
  - (b) If yes, did you visit impact schools and preschools?

#### Breakfast Program

- 631. Can you please provide a full list of the 1000 schools who will be taking part in the School Breakfast4 Health program?
  - (a) If the full list is not yet available, can you provide a list of the schools currently funded to take part in this program?
- 632. When will the full list of 1000 schools be finalised?
- 633. Will the list of schools be publicly available?
- 634. Will you prioritise schools in low socioeconomic areas who wish to run breakfast programs?
- 635. Will you provide \$4000 in funding for Coutts Crossing Public School for their breakfast program?

## **Teacher Supply Strategy**

- 636. Does your Government support the introduction of a shortened Masters course for teaching?
- 637. Do you support changes to ITE degrees including introducing pracs earlier in the course?

- 638. What is your position on LANTITE?
  - (a) Do you support it continuing, and it being made available to students earlier in the degree?
- 639. Figures on Page 19 of the NSW Budget Overview Document lists teacher pay for Entry Level. Can you provide a similar figure for rates of pay at other levels within the profession? Mid level and Top tier etc.
- 640. What is the status of the work by Mark Scott in terms of ITE reform?
- 641. Have the Department or NESA made any changes in relation to ITE accreditation or support for beginning teachers?

#### Grow your Own and Mid Career

- 642. How many participants are there currently in the Grow Your Own Initiative?
- 643. Can you please provide a list of the schools where these participants are placed?
- 644. How many participants are there currently in the Mid Career Initiative?
- 645. Can you please provide a list of the schools where these participants are placed?

#### School Funding and Education Future Fund

- 646. Minister during the election campaign Labor said NSW public schools reach 95 per cent of its schooling resource standard by 2025. Do you stand by that commitment?
  - (a) Will all schools have reached 95% by 2025?
- 647. How much will this cost over the next two years?
- 648. Labor also said it would fund a shortfall to reach 100 per cent of its SRS benchmark if negotiations with the Commonwealth fall through at the end of 2024. Is this still the case?
  - (a) How much will this cost?
- 649. Can you please provide a breakdown of how the \$400m fund will be allocated over the next four years?
- 650. Can you update the committee on the current NSRA negotiations?
- 651. Will the BGAS funding be subject to the same criteria as has been in place in previous years?

## **Department Changes**

652. Is the Student and Parent Experience directorate going to be cut?

- 653. Will there be any cuts to support for students with disability?
- 654. Will there be any cuts to supports for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students?
- 655. Will there be cuts in the Early Childhood directorate?
- 656. Will there be cuts to school infrastructure?
- 657. Why does the SPEX only have an acting executive director?
- 658. Can you provide a timeframe of recruitment for each of the positions that are listed as acting on the current version of the Department of Education organisational chart?

#### Budget Paper No 1. 23/24

- 659. In regards to Budget Paper No. 1 Budget Statement Budget 2023-24 on page A5-4, can you explain in more detail what "Administration Savings within the Department of Education"
  - (a) Will there be personnel cuts with this? At what cost?
- 660. Can you explain in more detail what "Removal of the duplicative digital learning, communication and change management platforms" is?
- 661. Is this going to impact or change the digital learning, learning from homework done during COVID?
- 662. Can you explain in more detail what "Reduction of spend currently supporting 200 contractors and consultants" will mean in practice?
- 663. What contracts and consultants are going? What are they currently working on? Are there costs with cancelling those contracts?
- 664. What will be the impact within schools and for students with these cuts?

## **Student Outcomes**

- 665. What specific, evidence-based metrics are you setting in terms of improved student outcomes?
- 666. How will this be tracked in a transparent and accountable way?
- 667. Will every school continue to have outcomes targets set for them when it comes to things like Naplan results, school attendance and Aboriginal HSC attainment?
- 668. Can you provide any data on the Check-in Assessments?
  - (a) Will that be publicly released?

#### New Behaviour Strategy

Education and Early Learning, Western Sydney

- 669. Did you consult with parent advocacy groups before announcing you were axing the previous behaviour strategy?
- 670. Did you consult with the Advocate for Children and Young People to ensure the views of children who will be impacted were considered?
- 671. Can you confirm that under your revised policy Principals will have the power to suspend a student from K-2 for up to 30 days and for 3-12 for up to 45 days?
- 672. Do they have to tell the Department or seek permission to do this?
- 673. Will you be recruiting more behaviour specialists?
- 674. Will the Chief Behaviour Adviser be consulted on the new policy?
- 675. Has the Minister met with the Chief Behaviour Adviser?
- 676. Why has the Chief Behaviour Advisor's remit been limited to cyberbullying only?
- 677. Will you continue the Chief Behaviour Advisor's position when the current term expires?
- 678. How many behaviour specialists are currently employed by the department?
- 679. Is there active recruitment underway for further positions?
- 680. Who will be consulted on the new policy?
- 681. Will parents be invited to contribute?
- 682. Will the consultation overview be made public?

## **Community Language Schools**

- 683. Can you provide a breakdown of the funding for Community Language Schools in the Budget across the following:
  - (a) Improve security of tenure:
  - (b) Professional pathway for community language school teachers
  - (c) Increase the per capita grant to \$200 per student
  - (d) \$100 Community Languages rebate
  - (e) Online lessons for Regional and Rural Children.
- 684. Minister, the PBO costings noted many of these initiatives could be implemented without any funding as they could be absorbed within the existing Department resources. Are you aware if Treasury confirmed this?

- 685. Did your office, or the Deputy Premier's office request costings for these initiatives by government departments in the lead up to the budget, or were they omitted based on PBO advice that they could be covered by existing resources?
- 686. The budget also says it forms part of the government's Multicultural Communities Support Package. Can you confirm that the funding therefore falls under Multicultural NSW's or DCJ's operating expenses?
- 687. Interestingly, the Budget also refers to "the rebuilding of our education system, with an Education Future Fund to deliver new programs, including: the Community Languages Schools Program at a cost of \$17.8 million. Are you able to explain how one program can somehow fall under two different Funds?
- 688. Are you aware of any other programs that the Government has placed under multiple "Funds or Initiatives" to make it seem like the Government is delivering more than it is?
- 689. The Federal Labor Government has also allocated funding, some \$15 million, for community language schools. Did your government engage with the Commonwealth at all to ensure state funding wouldn't replicate what the Commonwealth funding is going towards?
- 690. Are you, or the Minister for Multiculturalism responsible for administering funding for Community Language Schools
  - (a) What is the role of the Minister for Education and Early Learning when it comes to Community Language Schools?
  - (b) What is the role of the Minister for Multiculturalism when it comes to Community Language Schools?

## Murdoch Children's Research Institute

691. The former Government commissioned 'The Murdoch Children's Research Institute' to develop social and wellbeing initiatives for schools. What is the status of this work?

## Vacancies

- 692. Can you please provide a list of the most current data on permanent teacher vacancies:
  - (a) Broken down by school
  - (b) For high schools please provide the subject area for the vacancies

## Future School Needs in Appin

693. Can the Minister advise what work is currently being undertaken by the Department of Education to meet future school needs in Appin given recent approval of 13,000 new homes?

#### Section 83C of Education Act Investigations

- 694. Can the Minister advise how many investigations have taken place under Section 83C of the Education Act?
- 695. Can the Minister advise how many investigations are currently taking place under Section 83C of the Education Act?
- 696. Can the Minister advise the average time to determine an outcome for these investigations?
- 697. Can the Minister advise how many investigation lengths have exceed 12 months?
- 698. Can the Minister advise how many of these investigations are resolved with no breaches found?
- 699. Can the Minister advise what departmental resources are required to investigate Section 83C breaches?

## Minister for Western Sydney resourcing

700. Can the Minister advise what resources in the Premier's department support her role as Minister for Western Sydney?

# West Invest

- 701. Can the Minister advise what projects from WestInvest have been cut or reallocated?
- 702. Can the Minister advise the value of all WestInvest projects that have been cut or reallocated?
- 703. Can the Minister advise if the Government is committed to all remaining WestInvest projects?

#### Political neutrality in schools

- 704. Can the Minister advise what arrangements are in place to ensure directives regarding political impartiality are addressed?
- 705. Can the Minister advise that these directives require teachers to not campaign at polling booths at schools in which they teach?
- 706. Can the Minister advise if the Department of Education received any complaints or information concerning political impartiality of teachers during the 2023 New South Wales State Election or the 2023 Indigenous Voice to Parliament referendum?

#### **Treaty consultation**

707. Can the Minister advise what is the planned involvement of the Department of Education with regards to the \$5 million treaty consultation plan?

## **Development Partnerships**

708. Can the Minister advise what schools have been constructed or are currently being constructed in partnership with private developments?

## **Rankin Springs**

- 709. Is the Minister aware that director Karen Burke called for a school development review in 2023?
- 710. Is the Minister aware of allegations that a member of the P and C harassed and bullied a newly graduated Rankin's Springs teacher in public and the relieving principal in a phone call and is now on a behaviour warning?
- 711. Is the Minister aware of issues relating to the desire of parents to have references written for pupils about to enter High School despite it not being department policy?
- 712. Is the Minister aware that the P&C meet in the Rankin's Springs Hotel rather than within the school grounds?
- 713. Do you find this appropriate where alcohol may be consumed and where some members of the P&C will not feel comfortable and will chose not to attend ?
- 714. Is the Minister aware that the P&C executive have recruited past members who have no children at the school?
- 715. Are you aware that a review has been conducted by the Department into the school?
- 716. Are you aware that staff and community members were able to take part in the review process through individual interviews with a member of the panel?
- 717. Is the Minister aware that at least 9 current and past members of staff took part in the process and there can be no doubt that they clearly expressed their concerns in regards to the behaviour of the P&C?
- 718. Are you aware that a considerable number of staff have left the school on account of the behaviour of some of the parents?
- 719. Are you aware that school pupils were also interviewed?
- 720. Are you comfortable with a process where children are subjected to the stress' of an interview ?

- 721. Are you aware that the review was conducted and the committee found that the school was an indeed a happy place and a positive environment?
- 722. Are you aware that despite the above finding ,the Principal was offered a forced transfer to another school without a right of appeal and an opportunity to farewell his staff and the pupils ,all of which he had had a very positive relationship with?
- 723. Minister, does the new Principal have previous experience as a Principal and is she qualified for the role?
- 724. Are you aware that following the forced transfer of Mr Happer and the empowerment of the P&C ,staff and indeed pupil morale is extremely low and there is no doubt that there will be further resignations by staff?
- 725. Are you aware of the very serious mental health implications due to the actions of the department and what is Department policy on duty of care towards its employees?
- 726. Are you aware that the actions of the department have caused a shocking rift in the Rankin's Springs community and in all likelihood children will be taken out of the school and that some families will leave the district ?
- 727. How are you to address the shortage of teachers when it would appear that your department has failed to support its teacher employees when they are subjected to targeted aggression by parents?
- 728. Will you release the summaries of all interviews conducted by the development review committee?
- 729. Will you release details of the process to decide what actions were to be taken and who was involved in this process ?
- 730. Would you deem it appropriate to suspend the Rankin's Springs P&C for a period of time and to issue an apology to the current staff and any disaffected community members ?

## **Finley Preschool**

- 731. Will the Department provide a dedicated person to assist Finley Preschool with their change of Approved Provider to Finley Regional Care?
- 732. Can that contact person please contact Finley Preschool as soon as possible to assist them?

# Early Childhood Support

- 733. What funding is currently available for Early Childhood Sector support?
- 734. Which organisations are receiving funding?

- 735. When was this announced?
- 736. Will this support continue over the forward estimates?

## **Agency Invoices**

- 737. How many invoices to suppliers or contactors from your portfolio agency were not paid on time since 28 March 2023, broken down by agency?
- 738. How many invoices to suppliers or contactors from your portfolio agency were paid over 30 days late on time since 28 March 2023, broken down by agency?
- 739. How many invoices to suppliers or contactors from your portfolio agency were paid over 60 days late on time since 28 March 2023, broken down by agency?
  - (a) What was the penalty for paying suppliers or contactors late, broken down by agency?

# Car/Driver

- 740. Has your Ministerial car been subject to any traffic or parking fines?
  - (a) If so, please provide details of each fine?
  - (b) Who was driving the car at the time of each incident?
  - (c) Who paid any of the fines?
- 741. Has your Ministerial Car been pulled over by the police?
  - (a) If so, who was driving the car?

#### Complaints

742. Has the Minister been the subject of any workplace complaints, including bullying, harassment, and sexual harassment?

## Consultants

- 743. How much did the Department/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spend in legal costs since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?
- 744. Have any Department/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice since 28 March 2023:
  - (a) Social media?

- i. What were the cost of these services?
- (b) Photography?
  - i. What were the cost of these services?
- (c) Videography?
  - i. What were the cost of these services?
- (d) Acting training?
  - i. What were the cost of these services?
- (e) Ergonomics?
  - i. What were the cost of these services?
- 745. Since 28 March 2023, how many consultancy contracts have been signed in your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
  - (a) What was the individual amount of each contract?
  - (b) What is the purpose of each contract?
  - (c) Who was the contract with?
  - (d) Did the contract go to a competitive tender?

# Departmental Credit Cards

746. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) How many credit cards are currently on issue for staff?
  - i. Please provide a break-down of this information by grade.
- (b) What was the value of the largest reported purchase on a credit card for the last year?
- (c) What was each largest reported purchase for?
- (d) What was the largest amount outstanding on a single card at the end of a payment period and what was the card holder's employment grade?
- (e) How many credit cards have been reported lost or stolen?
  - i. What was the cost to replace them?
- (f) How many credit card purchases were deemed to be illegitimate or contrary to agency policy?
  - i. What was the total value of those purchases?

- ii. How many purchases were asked to be repaid on the basis that they were illegitimate or contrary to agency policy and what was the total value thereof?
- iii. Were all those amounts repaid?
- iv. If no, how many were not repaid, and what was the total value thereof?
- (g) What was the largest purchase that was deemed illegitimate or contrary to agency policy and asked to be repaid, and what was the cardholder's employment grade?
  - i. What amount was repaid, in full?
  - ii. What amount was left unpaid?
- (h) Are any credit cards currently on issue connected to rewards schemes?
  - i. Do staff receive any personal benefit as a result of those reward schemes?
- (i) Can a copy of the staff credit card policy please be provided?

## Department/Agency Staffing

- 747. How many senior executive service employees were employed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:
  - (a) 28 March 2023?
  - (b) 23 October 2023?
- 748. What is the expenditure on senior executive service employees employed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?
- 749. How many individuals were employed as internal legal counsel by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:
  - (a) 28 March 2023?
  - (b) 23 October 2023?
- 750. What is the expenditure on internal legal counsel employees employed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities 28 March 2023?
- 751. How many redundancies were processed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) Of these redundancies, how many were:
    - i. Voluntary

ii. Forced

- (b) What was the total cost of all redundancies in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?
- 752. Is any former employee from your ministerial office now employed by any Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?
- 753. How many staff were dismissed from each Department/agency under your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) Without identifying individuals, what were the reason(s) for each dismissal?
- 754. What was the total amount each of the Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities spent on stationery since 28 March 2023?
- 755. How many employees in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities are working in an 'acting' capacity?
- 756. What is the average number of days worked from home by employees in each Department/Agency within your portfolio responsibilities?
- 757. What was the total expenditure since 28 March 2023 by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:
  - (a) Taxi hire?
  - (b) Ridesharing services?
  - (c) Limousine/private car hire?
  - (d) Hire car rental?
- 758. Do any senior executive service employees in any of the Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities have a driver that is paid for by the Department/agency?
  - (a) If so, what is the number of senior executive service employees that have a driver, and which senior executive service employees have a driver?
  - (b) How much was spent on these drivers since 28 March 2023?
- 759. Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on charter air flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
- 760. Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on domestic flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?

- (a) Of these, how many flights were taken in business class?
- (b) Of these, how many flights were taken in first class?
- 761. Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on overseas flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
  - (a) Of these, how many flights were taken in business class?
  - (b) Of these, how many flights were taken in first class?

## **Efficiency Dividends**

- 762. Was an efficiency dividend applied to any Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities in the 2023-24 NSW Budget?
  - (a) If so, what was the efficiency dividend applied to each Department/agency?
  - (b) What measures are being considered to achieve this efficiency dividend?

# **GIPA** Applications

- 763. How many GIPA Applications have been received by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) How many of these Applications have been accepted?
  - (b) How many of these Applications have been rejected?
  - (c) If so, what were the reasons provided?
  - (d) How many of these Applications were re-assigned?
  - (e) How many of these Applications had fees waived/reduced?
  - (f) Please provide in table form the following details of each Application received by your office:
    - i. Date received.
    - ii. Date acknowledged.
    - iii. Date responded.
    - iv. The description provided for the information sought.
- 764. How many GIPA Applications have been received by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) How many of these Applications have been accepted?
  - (b) How many of these Applications have been rejected?

- i. If so, what were the reasons provided?
- (c) How many of these Applications were re-assigned?
- (d) How many of these Applications had fees waived/reduced?
- (e) Please provide in table form the following details of each Application received by your office:
  - i. Date received.
  - ii. Date acknowledged.
  - iii. Date responded.
  - iv. The description provided for the information sought.

## Hospitality

- 765. How much has your ministerial office spent on hospitality, including catering and beverages, since 28 March 2023?
- 766. How much have Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spent on hospitality, including catering and beverages, since 28 March 2023?
- 767. Have you been the recipient of any free hospitality?
  - (a) What was the total value of the hospitality received?
- 768. Have any staff members in your office been the recipient of any free hospitality?
  - (a) What was the total value of the hospitality received?
  - (b) Are these gifts of hospitality declared publicly?
  - (c) Do staff declare their gifts publicly?

## Labour Hire Firms

- 769. Have any Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities utilised the services of Labour Hire Firms since 28 March 2023? If yes, please advise in table form:
  - (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

- 770. How much has your ministerial office spent on advertising or sponsored posts since 28 March 2023 on the following social media platforms:
  - (a) Facebook
  - (b) Instagram
  - (c) LinkedIn
  - (d) TikTok
  - (e) YouTube
  - (f) WhatsApp
  - (g) X (formerly known as Twitter)
- 771. How much has each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities spent on advertising or sponsored posts since 28 March 2023 on the following social media platforms:
  - (a) Facebook
  - (b) Instagram
  - (c) LinkedIn
  - (d) TikTok
  - (e) YouTube
  - (f) WhatsApp
  - (g) X (formerly known as Twitter)
- 772. Have you had media training or public speaking training?
  - (a) If yes, who paid for it?
  - (b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount paid since 28 March 2023?
- 773. 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?

- 774. What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities and their total cost?
- 775. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?

## Merchant fees

- 776. Please provide a list of all transactions where customers need to pay a merchant fee on credit and/or debit card payments in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities.
- 777. Please provide the percentage and/or amount of the merchant fees applied to all credit and/or debit card payments/transactions payments in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities.
- 778. What was the total amount paid in merchant fees on credit and/or debit card payments made by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?

## Ministerial disclosures

- 779. Did you make any updates to your Ministerial disclosure on or after 2 August 2023?
  - (a) If yes, what prompted this update to your disclosure?

## **Office Administration**

- 780. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS6 grade for the following months:
  - (a) April
  - (b) May
  - (c) June
  - (d) July
  - (e) August
  - (f) September
  - (g) October
- 781. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS5 grade for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May
- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October
- 782. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS4 grade for the following months:
  - (a) April
  - (b) May
  - (c) June
  - (d) July
  - (e) August
  - (f) September
  - (g) October
- 783. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS3 grade for the following months:
  - (a) April
  - (b) May
  - (c) June
  - (d) July
  - (e) August
  - (f) September
  - (g) October
- 784. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS2 grade for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May
- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October
- 785. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS1 grade for the following months:
  - (a) April
  - (b) May
  - (c) June
  - (d) July
  - (e) August
  - (f) September
  - (g) October

786. What is the average salary for staff members in your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

787. How many DLOs were seconded to your ministerial office for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May
- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October

788. How many people are employed in your ministerial office as at 1 October 2023?

789. How many women are employed in your Ministerial office as at 1 October 2023?

- 790. How many staff employed in your ministerial office identify as culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) as at 1 October 2023?
- 791. How many staff employed in your ministerial office identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander as at 1 October 2023?
- 792. How many staff in your office are employed as media advisers or have responsibility for media/social media/communications?
- 793. How many staff in your office are employed as policy advisers or have responsibility for policy work?
- 794. How many staff in your office are employed as 'caucus liaison officers'?
  - (a) What are the responsibilities allocated to 'caucus liaison officers'?
  - (b) Have 'caucus liaison officers' been directed to only work with Government MPs?
  - (c) Do 'caucus liaison officers' contact members of the Australian Labor Party as part of their regular work duties?
- 795. How many staff members employed in your office under the Members of Parliament Staff Act 2013 have been seconded from a NSW Government Department/agency?
  - (a) Please list each Department/agency staff members have been seconded from.
- 796. What is your ministerial office budget for 2023-24?
  - (b) How much of this budget is allocated to staff?
- 797. How many iPhones/Smart Phones are assigned to staff in your ministerial office?
  - (a) For each phone, how much was each bill in 2022-23?
  - (b) How many phones have been lost or replaced due to damage in your office?
    - i. What is the cost of replacing those phones?
- 798. How many iPads or tablets are 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 2022-23?
  - (b) How many iPads or tablets have been replaced due to lost or damage in 2022-23?
    - i. What was the cost of replacing these devices?

- 799. How many laptops has the Premier's Department or The Cabinet Office assigned to your ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
  - (a) What was the cost of providing laptops to your ministerial office in 2022-23?
  - (b) How many laptops have been replaced due to lost or damage in 2022-23?
    - i. What was the cost of replacing these devices?
- 800. Has any artwork been purchased or leased for display in your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) What is the cost of this?
- 801. Have any floral displays or indoor plants been hired or leased for display in your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) If so, what was the cost of these items?
- 802. What was the total amount your office spent on stationery since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) What brand of paper is used in your office?
  - (b) Is it recycled paper?
  - (c) Is it Australian made paper?
- 803. What was the total cost of all subscriptions by you and your staff to online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals, and periodicals since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) What are these services/newspapers/magazines/journals/periodicals?
- 804. What was the total value of all gifts purchased for use by you and your office since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) What were the gifts purchased?
    - i. Who were they gifted to?
- 805. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
  - (a) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?
- 806. What is the total spend for your office since 28 March 2023 for:
  - (a) Taxi hire?
  - (b) Ridesharing services?
  - (c) Hire car rental?

- (d) Limousine/private car hire?
- 807. Were any planes or helicopters chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) If yes, please provide details of the trip including the date of the trip, purpose of the trip, the method of transport and the cost?

## **Overseas Trips**

- 808. Have you had any overseas trips paid for using public funds since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) If yes, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?
- 809. Have you undertaken any official overseas travel that was privately funded since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) If yes, what was the nature of these trips?
  - (b) Who paid for these trips?

# **Parliamentary Secretary**

- 810. Does your Parliamentary Secretary have pass access to your ministerial office?
- 811. Does your Parliamentary Secretary have a desk in your ministerial office?
- 812. Has your Parliamentary Secretary spoken on any pieces of legislation on your behalf? If so which legislation?
- 813. What event/meetings has your Parliamentary Secretary attended on your behalf?
  - (a) Please provide in table form the date and the purpose of the event/meeting.
- 814. How often do you meet with your Parliamentary Secretary?
- 815. Has your Parliamentary Secretary travelled overseas since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) If so, when, and where?
  - (b) If so, what was the cost of:
    - i. Airfares?
    - ii. Accommodation?
    - iii. Food and beverage?
    - iv. Transportation?
    - v. Entertainment?

- 816. Has your Parliamentary Secretary travelled domestically since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) If so, when, and where?
  - (b) If so, what was the cost of:
    - i. Airfares?
    - ii. Accommodation?
    - iii. Food and beverage?
    - iv. Transportation?
    - v. Entertainment?
- 817. Has your Parliamentary Secretary received training?
  - (c) If so, was it speech, voice, or media training?
    - i. If yes, who provided this training, on what date and at what cost?

## **Probity Auditor**

- 818. Has your office or department used a Probity Auditor or Probity Advisors, or similar, since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) If so please list the company and/or individual, the project, the engagement dates, and their total remuneration in tabular format.

# Qantas

- 819. Are you a Member of the Qantas Chairmans Club?
  - (a) Have you ever previously been a member? When did you cease to be a member?
  - (b) When did you initially become a member?
  - (c) When was this declared on the Ministerial gifts register?

## Training

- 820. Have you received any training since becoming a Minister?
  - (a) If yes, please provide the details of what the training was.
- 821. Have you received any speech, vocal or performance training?
  - (a) If so, what was the cost?

(b) Was this cost covered by the taxpayer?

# Website Usage

- 822. What were the top 20 most utilised (by data sent and received) unique domain names accessed by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?
- 823. What were the top 20 most accessed (by number of times accessed) unique domain names accessed by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

## Questions from the Hon. Tania Mihailuk MLC

# Cyber-Security

- 824. How many suspected data breaches have occurred within NSW schools across the following calendar years?
  - (a) 2021
  - (b) 2022
  - (c) 2023

825. For the data breaches which were identified, how many were within the specified calendar years?

- (a) 2021
- (b) 2022
- (c) 2023

826. How many data breaches required compensation within the specified calendar years?

- (a) 2021
- (b) 2022
- (c) 2023
- 827. What was the total amount of compensation paid by the NSW Department of Education to individuals that had their data compromised within the specified calendar years?
  - (a) 2021
  - (b) 2022
  - (c) 2023

828. Which third-party education apps or external websites are used in NSW schools?

- (a) Has the NSW Department of Education established cyber-security guidelines for third-party apps and external websites used by schools, such as SeeSaw, Class Dojo, Mathletics etc?
- (b) Please provide the documentation.
- 829. How is the data of third-party education apps and external websites stored, and is it stored within Australia?

- (a) What are the mandatory security and compliance conditions required by the NSW Department of Education, that third-party education platforms must comply with?
- (b) Please provide the documentation.
- 830. Do the third-party education apps and external websites share personal parent or student information with other third-party companies?
  - (a) If so, which third-party platforms?
  - (b) What safeguards does the NSW Department of Education have in place to ensure that thirdparty platforms do not inappropriately access personal data?
  - (c) How much funding has been allocated is the 2023-24 Budget to ensure that parents' and students' privacy is protected, with respect to third-party software?
- 831. How many schools use third-party administration software Sentral?
  - (a) Is Sentral compatible with departmental software platforms or does it require duplication of software uploads?
- 832. What was the total cost of the LMBR project?

## **Political Activity Within Schools**

- 833. Were specific guidelines, protocols, emails/correspondence issued to teachers and staff regarding political activism prior to the 2023 NSW State Election and the 'Voice to Parliament' referendum?
  - (a) Please provide copies of all documentation and communication issued.
- 834. Are teachers permitted to hand out political material or campaign on election day at their school of employment?
  - (a) If yes, why are teachers not restricted from campaigning at their school of employment, given parents and students are more likely to vote at their respective schools?

## **School Psychologists**

- 835. How many K-12 students within NSW are on a waiting list to visit a psychologist?
  - (a) Please specify according to the following regions?
    - i. Central and Northern Sydney Region
    - ii. Hunter & Central Coast Region
    - iii. Illawarra & South East NSW Region

- iv. New England Region
- v. North Coast and Mid North Coast Region
- vi. Riverina/Murray Region
- vii. Southern and South Western Sydney Region
- viii. Western NSW Region
- ix. Western Sydney and Blue Mountains Region
- (b) Within the NSW Budget, how much has been funded for school psychologists in the following financial years?
  - i. 2021-22
  - ii. 2022-23
  - iii. 2023-24
- (c) In total, how many FTE school psychologist positions are currently available?
- (d) How many FTE school psychologist positions are currently vacant?
- (e) How many external psychologists are contracted by the NSW Department of Education for the purposes of assisting students?

## **Covid-19 Vaccination Mandate**

- 836. How many NSW Department of Education staff were impacted by the Covid-19 vaccination mandate, and forced to leave their place of employment?
  - (a) How many have since elected to return?
- 837. How many teachers employed by the NSW Department of Education were impacted by the Covid-19 vaccination mandate, and forced to leave their place of employment?
  - (a) How many have since elected to return?
  - (b) What additional counselling programs are available to affected teachers, given the trauma they experienced in losing their employment?
  - (c) What career assistance is available to teachers returning?

## **Indigenous Education**

838. With respect to NESA's syllabus K-6, which historical sources have been relied upon for the additional content on Aboriginal culture and perspectives?

- 839. With respect to NESA's syllabus 7-10, which historical sources have been relied upon for the additional content on Aboriginal culture and perspectives?
- 840. Which Aboriginal culture and intellectual property protocols form the new Aboriginal content?
  - (a) Please provide these protocols.
- 841. What has been the cost of the inclusion of the new Indigenous content within the K-10 syllabuses?
- 842. Which organisations or individuals have been engaged with in the creation of the indigenous HSIE and history syllabuses?
- 843. How many students are studying an Aboriginal language in 2023, in:
  - (a) Year 10
  - (b) Year11
  - (c) Year12
  - (d) For each school year, which schools were the students enrolled in?

# **Special Religious Instruction**

- 844. How many students in NSW are enrolled in ethics classes?
- 845. Which schools are currently offering students ethics classes, as an alternative to SRE?
  - (a) Please specify the name of the schools.
  - (b) Please specify the number of students enrolled in ethics classes at each school.

# **Teacher's Federation**

- 846. Has the Minister, any ministerial staff, senior Departmental executives, or Departmental staff participated in any social drink gatherings with Teachers Federation officials during any stage of the negotiations regarding the NSW teachers' pay dispute?
  - (a) Please specify the date and location of all such social occasions since the State Election.
  - (b) Was there a social gathering between union officials and senior executive staff the day prior to the agreement being finalised?

# Land Audit

847. Given 300 hectares of NSW Department of Education land has been identified as vacant and potentially offered for the purposes of future housing, can the Minister indicate:

(a) How many hectares of land has been identified as vacant for such purposes within each of the following regions?

i. Central and Northern Sydney Region

- ii. Hunter & Central Coast Region
- iii. Illawarra & South East NSW Region
- iv. New England Region
- v. North Coast and Mid North Coast Region
- vi. Riverina/Murray Region
- vii. Southern and South Western Sydney Region
- viii. Western NSW Region
- ix. Western Sydney and Blue Mountains Region
- (b) How many parcels of vacant land are adjacent to a school site? Please specify.
- (c) How many parcels of vacant land form part of the grounds of a school? Please specify.

## Questions from Ms Abigail Boyd MLC

## Suspension and expulsions

848. In disaggregated data for each school year from K-12, from 2014 to 2023:

- (a) How often has the same student been suspended?
- (b) Can you provide a regional or district breakdown of students with disability being suspended?
  - i. Can you provide statistics on the total number of children corresponding to these regions?
- (c) How many First Nations students have been suspended from school?
- (d) How many students from Out of Home Care have been suspended?
- (e) How many students with disability from mainstream schools have been suspended?
- (f) How many students with disability from support units have been suspended?
- (g) How many students with disability from special schools have been suspended?
- (h) How many kids with disability are homeschooled as a result of suspension, exclusion or expulsion?

## Gatekeeping

- 849. How many students have been outright refused enrolment on the basis of their disability?
- 850. How many parents have been encouraged to seek other options, including enrolment in a special school or home schooling?
- 851. How many schools permit enrolment subject to resourcing restraints, such as teachers' aide hours, without physical modifications to improve accessibility, offers of part-time enrolment only or encouragement to reduce hours?

## **Restrictive practices**

- 852. How many students have an authorised restrictive practice in NSW schools?
- 853. How many students have an unauthorised restrictive practice in NSW schools?
- 854. Can you list the categories of restrictive practices used in NSW schools, and how many were applied in each category over the past 5 years?

#### Number of students with disability in NSW schools

855. In NSW schools, how many students with disability are there in mainstream classes?

- 856. In NSW schools, how many students with disability are there in support units?
- 857. In NSW schools, how many students with disability are there in schools for specific purposes?

## Spending on special schools and support units

- 858. How much was spent in the last 5 financial years on special schools?
- 859. How much was spent in the last 5 financial years on support units?

#### People with disability working in NSW schools

- 860. How many people with disability are currently employed as principals?
- 861. How many people with disability are currently employed as teachers?
- 862. How many people with disability are currently employed as administrators?
- 863. How many people with disability are currently employed as teachers aides?
- 864. How many people with disability are currently employed within the Department of Education?
  - (a) Can you break this down into different pay grades and job titles?

## Training in legal obligations and Disability Standards for Education

- 865. How many employees of the NSW Department of Education receive training in regards to legal obligations in relation to the Disability Standards of Education?
  - (a) Can you break this down by number of:
    - ii. Principals?
    - iii. Teachers?
    - iv. Learning support teachers?
    - v. Counsellors?
    - vi. Behaviour specialists?
    - vii. Teacher trainees?

## 2017 Inquiry into Education of students with a disability or special needs in NSW

- 866. Which of the recommendations from this final report have been implemented to date?
- 867. Is there an intention to implement Recommendation 30, "That the NSW Education Standards Authority investigate the feasibility of making training in legal obligations and the Disability Standards for Education part of the accreditation process for all teachers and principals"?

(a) Has there been any steps taken by the Department of Education to ensure that NESA implement this recommendation?

## Synthetic surfaces in education settings in relation to bushfire safety

- 868. The recently released CSE study on Synthetic Turf, did not include any data on synthetic turf and rubberised surfaces in education settings, as they were not part of the scope. From our information we are hearing that there is unabated installation of the fields in all education, (see 1) settings from preschool to high schools and universities, with no safety data. What percentage of schools and education settings have artificial turf surfaces?
- 869. According to the 'Cool Schools' document (2018) the surface of direct sun on rubberised soft fall can be 50 degree hotter than the ambient temperature (page 3 of this document #2). According to Kids Safe, via Westmead Hospital, a shoeless toddler can suffer from 3rd degree burns on a 50 deg C surface. Is there any intention to create guidelines for schools in relation to dealing with the dangers associated with synthetic turf during bushfire season?
- 870. Can the minister advise what safety documentation, training, and advice schools, including sports teachers, educators and community users have been given around the heat issues with rubberised and artificial grass surfaces?
  - (a) Has the DoE been provided with any data on the heat issues, to ensure the safety of preschool to high school students?
  - (b) Have low cost infrared thermometres been provided to test the heat of artificial and/ or rubberised surfaces?
- 871. Is the Minister aware of heat-related death of US high school students while using artificial turf sports fields?
- 872. Further, with the updating of bush fire ratings for schools, have those with artificial turf surfaces, which are more flammable and toxic (NSW Chief Scientist review of Synthetic Turf 2022 5) been assessed and briefed on the dangers of embers on these surfaces? For example Nagamay Public School in Mulgoa and Mt Riverview Public School & Kurrajong East in the Blue Mountains, as well as Lindfield Learning Village close to Lane Cove National Park.
- 873. Is there any increased insurance risk with such flammable surfaces in an education setting?
- 874. When will guidelines be developed for installing artificial turf in school and education settings?

#### Assisted School Travel Program (ASTP)

- 875. How much money was spent on the Assisted School Travel Program (ASTP), for each financial year from 2014 to 2023?
  - (a) How much of this was spent to transport children to mainstream schools?
  - (b) How much of this was spent to transport children to non-mainstream schools?
- 876. How much money was spent on building new disability support units in mainstream schools, for each financial year from 2014 to 2023?
- 877. How much money was spent on upgrading existing disability support units/classes in mainstream schools, for each financial year from 2014 to 2023?
- 878. How many mainstream government schools in NSW have support units/classes for students with disability?
  - (a) How many mainstream government schools in NSW do not have any support units for students with disability?
  - (b) What are the costs associated with building and setting up support units/classes in a mainstream school?
- 879. There are fewer graduates coming out of Certificate, Diploma, and Bachelor programs for ECEC than there are people leaving the sector. Does the government have any strategies for paying placements to make training more possible?
- 880. TAFE NSW provides the highest standard of training for Certificate and Diploma programs in early childhood education & care, and is a provider of TVET courses that allow HSC students to begin learning about the sector. Is the NSW government going to change the current funding model to explicitly expand and preference TAFE's provision of training in this area?
- 881. Does the government have any plans of ensuring that ECEC Certificate and Diploma programs are available in every LGA through TAFE given the proposed closure of the ECEC training at Petersham TAFE?
- 882. What commitments is the NSW government making to fund and require the ongoing provision of early learning centres at universities, both to support women re-entering the workforce and also for the training of degree level early childhood educators?
- 883. Noting the provision of scholarships by teach.nsw to education support workers to re-train as school teachers, is there any plan to lift the requirement for them to enrol at CSU and WSU?

- 884. What funding will be provided to TAFE NSW to provide Diploma level training for education support workers so that they have a recognised pathway of credit for when they re-train? And extending similar scholarships to those of early childhood educators to those training at TAFE to become education support workers in the first instance?
- 885. A key part of closing the gap for Aboriginal peoples is the provision of early childhood education & care. There is now an extension of the Childcare Subsidy for Aboriginal families, but gap fees remain. What will be done to support Aboriginal families to cover the remaining gap fees
- 886. Cultural sensitivity is vital for the delivery of essential services. Is the government funding any initiatives to extend development in the public sector, particularly in education and health, on Aboriginal culture, engagement and inclusion?
- 887. The previous Liberal government de-registered hundreds of mandatory teacher development courses, including courses delivery by trade unions delivered free of charge to members which allowed them to maintain their accreditation. Will the Labor government be reversing this decision?
- 888. How much funding will the government be committing to the chaplaincy program in schools?
- 889. How much was spent on consultants by the NSW Department of Education between 1 July 2022 and 25 March 2023?
- 890. Were public tendering processes undertaken for the scope of works for all successful consulting contracts between 1 July 2022 and 25 March 2023?
- 891. Who were the consultants employed by the NSW Department of Education between 1 July 2022 and 25 March 2023?
- 892. How much was spent on consultants by the NSW Department of Education between 25 March 2023 to 25 September 2023?
- 893. Were public tendering processes undertaken for the scope of works for all successful consulting contracts between 25 March 2023 to 25 September 2023?
- 894. 14. Who were the consultants employed by the NSW Department of Education between 25 March 2023 to 25 September 2023?

# NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer (NSW CSE), Independent Review into the design, use and impacts of synthetic turf in Public Open Spaces, (CSE Report)

895. What progress has the Government made in addressing the concerns raised within the CSE Report generated by synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials relevant to the impacts to human health and the environment?

- 896. Can the Minister provide documented evidence that synthetic turf does not impact human health and the environment in the long term and is safe to use within educational facilities throughout NSW given that CSE Report identified that there is insufficient information and a lack of standards about the materials and chemical composition of synthetic turf?
- 897. In light of the fact that the CSE Report identified significant knowledge gaps, insufficient information, lack of standards with both the materials and chemical composition of synthetic turf, what scientific data, research papers, academic literature or sound reasoning can the Minister provide that warrants the continued utilisation of synthetic surfacing materials within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW?
- 898. The CSE Report states "increased heat effects are also a concern, as synthetic turf lacks the cooling and latent heat loss of natural turf: and high surface temperatures have been recorded". How is the Minister addressing this concern given the continued utilisation of synthetic surfacing materials within educational facilities given the identified increased risks and concerns?
- 899. With the impacts of Climate Change increasing the severity and longevity of extreme weather and severe heat events throughout NSW, can the Government clarify what it is doing the address this given that indicated within the CSE Report synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials exacerbate the heat impacts derived from severe weather?
- 900. Synthetic surfacing materials heavily contribute to the creation of extreme microclimates and increased urban heating (CSE Report). Given this, can the Government indicate how they intend to address this given the intensification and high utilisation of synthetic surfacing materials within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW?
  - (a) What reporting or investigations has the NSW Government undertaken to rectify or mitigate the concerns identified by the NSW CSE?
  - (b) Will the Minister provide additional funding to Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions to ensure that synthetic turf fields and other synthetic ground covering materials can be maintained for safety's sake and upgrades or removal managed when resources permit?
  - (c) Will the Minster investigate the benefits of best practise natural turf fields and grassed areas for use within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW?
    - i. If yes, how is this intended to be done?

- What funding and assistance will be provided to Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions to facilitate this?
- 901. What investigations have been made by the Education Minister in improving the safety of synthetic turf installations within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW given the human health and environmental impacts identified within the CSE Report?
- 902. What is the NSW Government doing to support Urban and Regional Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions not in a position to maintain the ongoing degradation and deterioration of synthetic turf fields, as identified within the CSE Report, leading to the potential for greater environmental risks?
- 903. Given the increased potential risks to participants and community groups utilising synthetic surfacing, as identified within the CSE Report, what is the NSW Government doing to inform, educate, train and review these risks for Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions relevant to the synthetic turf fields installed within their premises?
- 904. What are the annual costs associated with the assessment and certification of synthetic surfacing within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions for the following financial years:
  - (a) 2012-13
  - (b) 2014-15
  - (c) 2016-17
  - (d) 2018-19
  - (e) 2020-21
  - (f) 2022-23
- 905. What are the annual costs associated with the assessment and certification of natural turf or grass within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions for the following financial years:
  - (a) 2012-13
  - (b) 2014-15
  - (c) 2016-17

- (d) 2018-19
- (e) 2020-21
- (f) 2022-23
- 906. What are the relevant Australian Standards being utilised to certify and assess the ongoing degradation of synthetic surfacing installed within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW?
- 907. What are the assessment criteria, framework, proforma or protocols utilised to assess, evaluate and review the potential risks associated with synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials relevant to the potential human health and environmental risks as identified within the CSE Report?
- 908. Does the Department, DSI or other relevant delegated agency ensure that they engage independent reviewers or assessors who have no connections to the synthetic turf industry, are separate entities to synthetic turf installation companies and as such are assessment agencies or organisations with no conflicting interests to analyse and assess the synthetic turf fields installed within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions?
  - (a) If yes:
    - i. How much funding is utilised annually in the assessment and certification of synthetic turf fields within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions within NSW?
    - ii. Is any of this funding allocated to organisations with consultancy connections to the synthetic turf industry?
    - iii. Does the Department engage Smart Connection Consultancy Pty Ltd ABN 48 600 404 359, in its assessment, review, planning and/or certification of synthetic turf fields?
    - iv. Does any funding go to Fédération internationale de football association (FIFA)?
      - (1) If so, what are the costs associated with maintaining FIFA compliance and certification?
      - (2) Does any of this funding go to international companies based outside of Australia?
    - v. What is the amount of funding required to ensure compliance with appropriate safety standards for synthetic turf, the Government utilises annually across NSW?
    - vi. Does Natural turf or grass require similar assessment, certification of compliance?

- vii. What is the amount of funding the NSW Government utilises annually to ensure compliance with appropriate safety standards for natural turf, if required?
- viii. Can the Government provide the Business names, ABN and relevant certification and accreditation for the Government approved assessors engaged to undertake the certification works for synthetic turf?
- ix. Can the Government provide the Business names, ABN and relevant certification and accreditation for the certified assessors engaged to undertake the assessment works for natural grass?
- (b) If no:
  - i. For every agency, department or state-owned corporation associated with the assessment and certification of synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup>, rubber matting, rubber or synthetic tiling, and other synthetic ground covering materials within your portfolio, please provide the following:
    - A list of all third-party contractor or consultancies engaged in communications services for synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>™</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials, including:
      - a) Contractor name,
      - b) Contractor ABN,
      - c) Service provided,
      - d) Total cost paid
    - (2) A list of all third-party contractor or consultancies engaged in PR services for synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials, including:
      - a) Contractor name,
      - b) Contractor ABN,
      - c) Service provided,
      - d) Total cost paid
    - (3) A list of all third-party contractor or consultancies engaged in marketing services for synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials, including:
      - a) Contractor name,
      - b) Contractor ABN,
      - c) Service provided,

- d) Total cost paid
- (4) A list of all third-party contractor or consultancies engaged in Government relations or lobbying services related to synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials, including:
  - a) Contractor name,
  - b) Contractor ABN,
  - c) Service provided,
  - d) Total cost paid
- (5) A list of all third-party contractor or consultancies engaged in synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials industry and/or body peak membership, including:
  - a) Contractor name,
  - b) Contractor ABN,
  - c) Service provided,
  - d) Total cost paid
- (6) A list of all third-party contractor or consultancies engaged in policy or strategy development, project management, accounting and audit, legal services and any other services for synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup> and other synthetic ground covering materials, and they're installation within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions, including:
  - a) Contractor name,
  - b) Contractor ABN,
  - c) Service provided,
  - d) Total cost paid
- 909. What is the regulatory timeframe by which synthetic surfacing and ground covering materials are required to be assessed, certified or reviewed for synthetic turf fields installed within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW?
- 910. What are the assessment process/es and/or standards of testing required by the DSI or delegated party to assess synthetic turf ground covering materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>TM</sup>, rubber matting and other synthetic ground covering materials, relevant to concussion risks to young children as these surfaces age and degrade?
- 911. What are the assessment process/es and/or standards of testing required by the DSI or delegated party to assess synthetic turf ground covering materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>™</sup>, rubber matting

and other synthetic ground covering materials, relevant to the increased exertional heat risks to young children as these surfaces age and degrade?

- 912. What is the timeframe in which synthetic surfacing and ground covering materials, utilised within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW, are required to be assessed, certified or reviewed by independent assessors for safety risks?
- 913. What is the timeframe in which natural turf, utilised within Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW, are required to be assessed, certified or reviewed by independent assessors?
- 914. How much money is allocated to Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW to address the recommendations detailed by the CSE?
- 915. What Government agencies have been engaged by the Minister to investigate the recommendations of the NSW CSE?
- 916. What non-Government agencies and independent experts have been engaged by the Minister to investigate the recommendations of the NSW CSE?
- 917. Have Early Childcare Centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions throughout NSW been advised of the recommendations of the CSE?
  - (a) If yes; by what means?
  - (b) If no; why not?
- 918. What investigations has the Minister, NSW Government, Department or School Infrastructure NSW carried out in relation to the human health impacts generated from synthetic surfacing installed within Early Childcare centres, Educational Facilities and Tertiary Institutions relevant to chemical emission such as PAHS, PFAS and PFOS as identified by the CSE Report?
  - (a) What was the outcome of those investigations?
  - (b) What is intended to mitigate the potential PAHS, PFAS and PFOS emissions identified as a risk to human health within the CSE Report?
  - (c) Excessive heat and the associated increased surface temperatures is identified as the main contributing factor for PAHS, PFAS and PFOS emissions. How does the Minister intend to mitigate these emissions given the identified increased temperatures predicted?
- 919. Will the Minister or Department establish a ban on synthetic surfacing materials; artificial turf, Softfall<sup>™</sup>, rubberised matting etc given the significant knowledge gaps present and lack of understanding of the potential long term health risk to vulnerable populations, principally children?

- 920. Please provide the manufacturing details marked on all equipment and surfacing, including ABN, equipment reference, year of manufacture, and conformance with the Australian Standards for the infrastructure works undertaken at the following schools:
  - (a) Endeavour Sports High
  - (b) Ferncourt Primary School
  - (c) Kogarah Public School
  - (d) Kurrajong East Public School
  - (e) New Hope School, Dural
  - (f) Trinity Catholic College Auburn
  - (g) Burraneer Bay Public School