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1	6 -7	<p>FARLOW: Minister, good morning. As we were talking about TOD precincts, let's continue with another one: the Kellyville-Bella Vista TOD precinct. You propose to rezone land at 1000 Old Windsor Road, Glenwood, from SP2 to R1, a height of 51.5 metres, despite former proposals all retaining that land as SP2. Considering it's the site of a training facility and church, why did you make the decision to rezone this parcel of land?</p> <p>SCULLY: There has been no decision to rezone.</p> <p>FARLOW: Why have you proposed to rezone this parcel of land?</p> <p>SCULLY: I'll defer the detail to Ms Gibson. I think it's important to recognise that the Government went out on a public exhibition process for all of these areas—except the Bays accelerated precinct at this stage—to garner the community views. We'll take those into consideration, as we're doing. If Ms Gibson has some more to add on the specifics of that site, then I'm happy to defer to her.</p> <p>MONICA GIBSON: I don't have any specifics about that site. I am happy to get some details and come back to that later this afternoon.</p> <p>FARLOW: This site is 51.5 metres and everything else around it is 29 metres in the proposal. Is it the case that the site could have additional height and floor space, if the site were to include a new local park as well?</p> <p>SCULLY: As you just heard from Ms Gibson, we don't have the specifics of individual blocks</p>	<p>This site forms part of the Transport Oriented Development (TOD) Accelerated Precinct proposed rezoning at Kellyville and Bella Vista metro stations which was exhibited over July and August 2024. There were over 5,000 submissions made to the exhibition of Kellyville and Bella Vista which the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (the Department) are now considering. No rezonings have been finalised at this stage.</p>

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		available to us at the moment. But we're happy to come back to you.	
2	12	<p>FARLOW: Minister, how many settlements of new homes have been held up because of strikes by the ETU delaying connection of homes to power?</p> <p>SCULLY: I don't know. I could take that question on notice, but I don't think it's anything we track through the planning system.</p>	The Department does not hold such data.
3	13	<p>FARLOW: Minister, are you aware that certifying authorities are issuing notices of arrangement without actual electrification?</p> <p>SCULLY: I'll take that on notice. Have you got specific cases of organisations?</p> <p>FARLOW: There's many of them, Minister. There's many of them out there. But are you aware of this practice occurring?</p> <p>SCULLY: I'm not aware of that process. If you've got specific examples that you'd like me to look at, I'm happy to take them.</p>	The Department does not hold such data.
4	17	<p>RUDDICK: Have we seen an uptick over the past year in the construction of granny flats?</p> <p>FISHBURN: We'll take that on notice and I'll get you some data.</p>	<p>New secondary dwellings (commonly known as granny flats) completed in NSW are included in the ABS Building Activity Survey, which is published quarterly. Q1 FY2024-25 data will be released on 22 January 2025</p> <p>DPHI</p> <p>Total completions for NSW for Q1 FY2024-25 will be released on 22 January 2025.</p> <p>Secondary Dwellings with development approval</p>

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			FY22 – 3,603 FY23 – 3,993 FY24 – 3,273
5	18	<p>MUNRO: But have you sought advice about your meetings? Have you actively sought any advice about your meetings? (regarding Government response to ICAC on Operation Eclipse)</p> <p>SCULLY: I'll take it on notice. I can't recall off the top of my head whether I've sought it actively in recent times or not.</p>	<p>Ministerial meetings are disclosed as required, noting the participants and subject matters discussed.</p> <p>DPHI officials provide advice and attend meetings with the Minister as required.</p> <p>Ministerial meeting disclosures are published quarterly on the Premier's Department Website/and or The Cabinet Office website.</p>
6	28	<p>LECK: There are a range of—let's call them pathways for those buyback houses. We have settled on more than 500 homes to date. Some of those homes are not suitable for relocation. For example, as the Minister indicated, some are in a dilapidated state and some are slab on ground and therefore not suitable for relocation. Of those that are suitable for relocation, there are about 50 members of a relocation action group that the RA works with regularly around that approach to how to facilitate a relocation of your home. It's a big undertaking for people to hire a contractor and understand the DA requirements. We basically walk them through that step. So that's one group of homes. We are working with the Commonwealth Government on the ability to go out with an EOI for relocation of homes. Those homes, I think you described them as the leftover homes. There is a lot of community sentiment about the ability for those homes to be repurposed on flood-free land, and so we'll hopefully go out shortly with regard to an EOI for</p>	<p>There are approximately 20 homes that have been acquired as a result of individual and exceptional circumstances.</p>

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		<p>that. We are working with Homes NSW. We have already identified some buyback homes</p> <p>that the RA has acquired through individual exceptional circumstances that may be suitable for Homes NSW to repurpose for social housing, and those conversations are actively afoot at the moment.</p> <p>CHAIR: How many are in that category?</p> <p>LECK: I could come back with the exact number but about 40.</p> <p>CHAIR: I would be grateful. Great</p>	
7	40	<p>FAEHRMANN: Minister, with the Independent Expert Panel for Mining in the Catchment, do you meet with them or get briefed by them in terms of their work?</p> <p>SCULLY: I have not met with them, no.</p> <p>FAEHRMANN: Are they meeting regularly?</p> <p>SCULLY: I don't know, to be honest with you. I can take it on notice as to how frequently their meetings are, but Mr Gainsford might have some additional insights.</p> <p>FAEHRMANN: Do you know, Mr Gainsford?</p> <p>GAINSFORD: I'd have to take that on notice as well.</p>	<p>The Panel does not have a regular schedule for meeting, it provides technical advice on mining projects including assessment and policy related matters to NSW Planning and the IPC when formally requested through the Panel Secretariat, and work within the timeframes requested.</p> <p>Details can be found online: https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/policy-and-legislation/mining-and-resources/independent-expert-advisory-panel-for-mining</p>
8	41	<p>FAEHRMANN: I would think Peabody has got an application for more longwall mining in terms of expanding additional panels. That's correct, isn't it, Mr Gainsford?</p> <p>GAINSFORD: I might need to take that on notice, thanks, Ms Faehrmann.</p>	<p>Answered during the hearing. Response is on page 54.</p>

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9	44	<p>FARLOW: Yes. How many houses have been completed in those 60 days? Let's start with that.</p> <p>SCULLY: I would have to take completions on notice because they are only reported periodically. As you would be aware, the measure is by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. It doesn't report on a daily basis, so we can only provide you with that information once it's done. However, I know right now that there are 73,000 dwellings under construction in New South Wales, and more on the way, because we got rid of your TOD bill. Your anti-housing bill is gone.</p>	<p>Under the National Housing Accord, new homes completed for all States and Territories will be measured through the ABS Building Activity Survey, data for which is published quarterly. Home completions data in the first quarter (1 July 24-30 Sept 24) will be released on 22 January 2025.</p>
10	55	<p>HIGGINSON: I think in the previous estimates I asked about legal advice in relation to modification projects. Again, I don't have it in front of me, and I apologise. I'm just going from memory, but it was around legal privilege being claimed, and I have a question about that. Are you suggesting that legal—I think there were 15 legal advices, and eight were proponents' and the remainder was departmental legal advice. I think there was an imputation that there was legal privilege over which modifications those legal advices applied to. I apologise—there were 13 advices. Eight of those were proponents' legal advice-driven, and five of those were government-sought legal advices—in relation to modifications. Is it the department's position that you can't provide, in the public interest, which actual modifications those legal advices applied to?</p> <p>FISHBURN: Chair, I'm going to take that one on notice, if that's okay.</p>	<p>The Department cannot provide the details of which modifications received legal advice as this may risk waiving legal professional privilege in the advice.</p>

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11	55-56	<p>HIGGINSON: With HVO, I've been advised that HVO is operating a greenhouse gas abatement plan, which does not specify or require any abatement measures. I'm just wondering if you're familiar with that one, Mr Gainsford—if anybody has brought that to your attention and why? What are we gauging it about? I think the underlying concern is there are some really good documents out there, there are some good commitments, and nobody is actually able to measure and understand what the heck we're doing.</p> <p>DAVID GAINSFORD: I wouldn't necessarily characterise it that way. I think what you're referring to is—there are obviously a number of historic consents for a number of projects, HVO being one of those, where there are requirements that were set at the time of those consents. I know that historically in the past greenhouse gas management plans were requirements of those consents. There are requirements on those consents, and I know that we've written to those mining companies more recently to, I guess, suggest that our expectation of those greenhouse gas management plans are that they're coming back with some solutions to reducing emissions. I'll probably need to take on notice exactly where each one of those is up to. There are requirements, but they relate to the time of the consent that it was actually issued.</p>	<p>In October 2022, the Department commissioned air expert consultants Katestone to review current and best practice with regard to greenhouse gas management at coal mining projects, and to make recommendations on what should be considered best practice.</p> <p>The Department has since asked mining companies in the Hunter Valley, including HVO, to update their greenhouse gas management plans and take into account the Katestone recommendations. The Department also asked Katestone and the EPA to review and provide advice on these updated management plans.</p> <p>HVO is currently revising its Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Management plan to address the feedback from Katestone and the EPA.</p>
12	58	<p>FARLOW: Do you have a particular series in that that you will be using? Can you take that on notice, potentially? I'm sure you probably don't have it off the top of your head but you might.</p> <p>GIBSON: I think I might have it on hand.</p> <p>FARLOW: That would be great.</p>	<p>ABS Building Activity</p> <p>Number of Dwelling Unit Completions by Sector, States and Territories: Original</p> <p>Dwelling units completed; New South Wales ; Total (Type of Building) ; Total (Type of Work) ; Total Sectors ; Series ID A83801953A</p>

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		<p>GIBSON: Do you want to give me a couple of seconds and I can tell you what that is, because I feel like there is a very specific dataset that the ABS produces. I thought I might have had the number. I don't have the number of the ABS—</p> <p>FISHBURN: We will take that on notice.</p>	
13	59	<p>FARLOW: Has the New South Wales Government received any funding as of yet under the \$500 million new housing accelerator program of the Commonwealth?</p> <p>GIBSON: I would need to take that on notice. I think it is a matter that is sitting outside of Minister Scully's portfolio.</p>	<p>Housing Support Program:</p> <p>Successful projects under Stream 1 of the \$1.5 billion Housing Support Program were announced on 5 July 2024.</p> <p>\$50 million was made available under Stream 1 of the Housing Support Program which focuses on boosting planning capability, to accelerate housing delivery.</p> <p>\$27.1 million was approved by the Commonwealth Government for 31 projects across 26 local government areas in NSW.</p> <p>The NSW Government is working with the Commonwealth to enable the transfer of funds to councils to commence project delivery.</p> <p>NSW has also received \$304.3 million under the Housing Support Program's Priority Works Stream to meet the upfront costs needed to bring forward new housing supply including social housing.</p>
14	59	<p>FARLOW: If you could also take on notice whether any applications have been made under that program as well? (regarding New Housing Accelerator program)</p> <p>GIBSON: From New South Wales?</p> <p>FARLOW: Yes.</p> <p>GIBSON: By New South Wales State Government?</p> <p>FARLOW: Yes.</p>	<p>The full list of successful applicants under Stream 1 of the Housing Support Program is available on the Commonwealth's website:</p> <p>https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/hsp-stream1-successful-applicants.pdf</p>

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		GIBSON: Okay.	
15	59-60	<p>FARLOW: Has the New South Wales Government received any funding as of yet under the \$150 million Urban Precincts and Partnerships Program as part of that Commonwealth agreement?</p> <p>GIBSON: I am not aware that the department of planning or Minister Scully has received any, but I'm happy to take that on notice.</p> <p>FISHBURN: We may need to check with, for example, Homes NSW.</p> <p>FARLOW: Sure. Likewise, if you could take on notice whether any applications have been made?</p> <p>FISHBURN: Yes, certainly.</p>	<p>Urban Precincts and Partnerships Program is administered by the Federal Government. The NSW Government does not centrally administer or have visibility of all applications made by eligible applicants across NSW.</p>
16	60	<p>FARLOW: Also, has the New South Wales Government received funding as of yet under the \$400 million Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program as part of the agreement with the Commonwealth?</p> <p>GIBSON: Same answer as before, I'm afraid.</p> <p>FARLOW: That's fine. Likewise, if you could take it on notice whether any applications have been made as well—</p> <p>FISHBURN: Yes.</p> <p>FARLOW: —that would be very good to understand.</p>	<p>Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program is administered by the Federal Government. The NSW Government does not centrally administer or have visibility of all applications made by eligible applicants across NSW.</p>
17	61 to 62	<p>FARLOW: I'm familiar with the Building Activity report, but in terms of the actual series of data within that that you'll be using as well, if you could take that on notice—</p>	<p>Same as question 11 above. ABS data series.</p>

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		GIBSON: Absolutely.	
18	65	<p>HIGGINSON: Is there a particular pool allocated to the raising? I'm quite specific now about the Northern Rivers area.</p> <p>LANYON: The Resilient Homes Program is \$790 million. I'll hand over to my colleague Ms Leck. I don't know that there's a breakdown for the specific areas.</p> <p>LECK: We might have to take that as a question on notice, the specific envelope that is for the raise and retrofit program. We can come back to you on that.</p>	<p>Of the \$790 million, there is approximately \$750 million allocated to the Home Buyback, Raise and Retrofit streams, with the remaining to support administration of the program.</p> <p>The initial \$700 million Resilient Homes Program allocation included approximately \$630 million for Home Buybacks and \$40 million for Home Raise and Home Retrofit measures.</p>
19	66	<p>MUNRO: I have some questions on this topic as well. I think the Minister detailed this, but I just wanted to put it on the record in case you needed to take it on notice. Of the \$100 million in funding allocated to the Resilient Lands Program, how much of this funding has been spent to date?</p> <p>LANYON: If I could take that on notice, but I suggest we may be able to get you an answer while we're sitting this afternoon.</p>	<p>The Resilient Lands Program (RLP) expenditure to date is \$15 million. This represents investment in land at Mt Pleasant Estate and various funding agreement with Northern Rivers Councils.</p> <p>The balance of the remaining budget is allocated to development at North Lismore, further development at Mt Pleasant, a \$15 million contribution to Landcom / Southern Cross University for the East Lismore development and planning/infrastructure support for other RLP priority sites across the region.</p>
20	68	<p>FARLOW: Mr Wendler, with respect to some of the Landcom projects that are undergoing planning at the moment, one of those sites is Queenscliff, which is where I decided to merge the two. What's the status with the Queenscliff site at the moment?</p> <p>WENDLER: I will need to take that on notice to give you specifics.</p> <p>FARLOW: Is it still running to—I think the expectation was 2027 to be delivered? Is that still anticipated?</p>	<p>In partnership with Link Wentworth Housing, Landcom is developing diverse and affordable housing at Queenscliff to meet the needs of the Northern Beaches community.</p> <p>Formerly home to the Queenscliff Community Health Centre, the adaptive reuse of the of the current building will deliver around 40 dwellings and 3 residential lots. A minimum of 12 (32%) homes will be delivered as Affordable Rental Housing for women over 55 and at risk of homelessness, through our partnership with Link Wentworth. A further 25 homes may also be available as Affordable Housing if grant applications made by Link Wentworth are successful.</p>

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		WENDLER: As I said, I have to take that on notice to give you specifics.	The Development consent for the land subdivision and adaptive reuse of the existing building was granted by the Sydney Planning Panel - North in May and August 2023. Subject to approvals, civil and other works are expected to start in 2024
21	70	<p>HIGGINSON: We will recommence. I want to know whether or not—and it may be quite clear and obvious, but I haven't had a chance to check—the statement of expectations for the Independent Planning Commission has been renewed. I was informed that it was due to be renewed on 30 June this year.</p> <p>KIERSTEN FISHBURN: I have to say it hasn't come across my desk, but that doesn't necessarily mean anything. Mr Gainsford, do you know?</p> <p>DAVID GAINSFORD: I actually don't know. If we can take that on notice—</p> <p>KIERSTEN FISHBURN: We'll take that on notice, yes.</p>	<p>240624-statement-of-expectations.pdf (nsw.gov.au)</p> <p>Statement of Expectations was renewed by Minister Scully on 24 June 2024.</p>
22	71	<p>HIGGINSON: Is there anything, to your knowledge, about things lapsing—around how long it takes for them, given they haven't got to that next stage?</p> <p>DAVID GAINSFORD: My understanding is that they have actioned their consent with the stage one work they were doing. I can take it on notice in terms of the exact details around that, but that's my understanding.</p> <p>(regarding Narrabri Gas Project)</p>	<p>The development consent doesn't lapse as Santos has taken it up with the physical commencement of Phase 1 of the project in February 2023.</p> <p>All necessary management plans for the Phase 1 works were approved.</p> <p>However, prior to commencing Phase 2 of the project (construction of production wells), Santos will be required to prepare a range of additional management plans and must have approval for the connecting gas pipeline (unless the gas would be used locally).</p>

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23	71 to 72	<p>HIGGINS: Has there been any address from the department of primary industries to the department of planning about the potential for the establishment of new timber plantations, and any approaches around rezoning lands or any applications? Sorry, I know it's a bit left field.</p> <p>FISHBURN: No, it's a perfectly reasonable question, but we would have to take it on notice. I can tell you that no approach has been made to me directly secretary to secretary. I can see Mr Gainsford shaking his head and Ms Gibson looks perturbed. So I suspect the answer at least at that level is no. But please let us take that on notice and we can check.</p> <p>...</p> <p>FISHBURN: Ms Higginson, what I'll do is I'll take on notice for across the whole of DPHI landscape for you. I'll do you that courtesy.</p>	<p>Since 01 January 2024, the Department is not aware of any correspondence from the Department of Primary Industries about the potential for the establishment of new timber plantations, and any approaches around rezoning lands or any applications.</p>
24	73	<p>FAEHRMANN: Another issue in the same area that's been brought to my attention by the Sutherland Shire Environment Centre is the issue of the heritage, I understand, old tunnel within the Metropolitan Colliery. They have written to the Minister basically seeking more information about this tunnel. There's water stored in the tunnel. It floods quite a bit. In fact, they're obviously concerned about how the tunnel is being regulated in terms of the water that's being stored there, the potential risk during—as we know, that area has had a lot of landslides recently. I understand that around Helensburgh a fair few of the roads actually haven't been fixed up. They haven't received any response about this. Mr Gainsford, are you aware of this at all? It's</p>	<p>In response to correspondence received from Sutherland Shire Council, the Department contacted Metropolitan Coal regarding the concerns of the water in the tunnel. They advised that they do not currently, nor plan to, use the rail tunnel for water storage. Currently the rail tunnel naturally discharges water via a drain to Camp Gully Creek.</p> <p>There is no mine water currently being placed in the tunnel by Metropolitan Coal. Surface water is managed through the site's water management plans.</p> <p>The Department is not currently aware of any roads that have not been repaired as result of subsidence or flood impacts from the project.</p>

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		<p>Peabody's colliery, again at Helensburgh, that we're talking about.</p> <p>GAINSFORD: Ms Faehrmann, I'm not actually aware of that correspondence but I'm happy to take that on notice.</p>	
25	74	<p>FAEHRMANN: I've got another question here you may have to take on notice, but we'll see how we go. It's in relation to the Moolarben open cut 3 extension and whether the planning department is requesting or accepting advice from the Biodiversity, Conservation and Science unit within DCCEEW that recommends a buffer zone of 500 metres from the Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve. Basically this is yet another big open-cut coalmine extension that really should be not just viewed as a modification. But if you could take on notice, if you don't know the answer now, Mr Gainsford, as to whether that advice is being, firstly, sought and accepted in relation to that 500-metre buffer zone?</p> <p>GAINSFORD: I'm happy to take that on notice, Ms Faehrmann.</p>	<p>Moolarben has amended the project to include an approximate 100m buffer from the Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve and from mapped habitat for the Broad headed snake and two bat species.</p> <p>The Department is still assessing the proposal and will be considering the adequacy of the buffer as part of this assessment.</p>
26	74	<p>FARLOW: Considering some of the reporting lately about new, taller buildings coming into the city CBD, we have of course had in place previously the controls of 235 metres in the City of Sydney—the underside, effectively, of Sydney Tower. Council has now changed those positions. When it comes to the airport and the airport conflict, is 310 metres the height limit, effectively, when it comes to airport regulations and controls?</p> <p>FISHBURN: We're probably going to have to take that on notice. I suspect it's not an absolute; I</p>	<p>The maximum height of buildings in the CBD is determined in response to a range of factors including airport operation controls and solar access to public open space.</p> <p>The City of Sydney LEP has a range of height limits, some calculated from ground level, while others use the RL method calculated from the Australian Height Datum (AHD) level (not ground level).</p> <p>The limits from Airport operation controls are set by the Obstacle Limitation Surface and the Procedures for Air Navigation Services – Aircraft Operations (PANS-OPS).</p>

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		<p>suspect it's geographically constrained. But we'll find out for you.</p> <p>FARLOW: That will be helpful, in terms of what those airport controls are and could we have higher than 310 metres, so to speak. What are the controls, effectively, outlined by the airport? How much of it comes down to council control and choice in that regard as well?</p> <p>FISHBURN: Yes, that's a really interesting question. I look forward to finding out myself.</p>	<p>The explanation and charts that illustrate the OLS and PANS-OPS are available on the Sydney Airport website. The height of the OLS and PANS-OPS is measured from Australian Height Datum:</p> <p>https://www.sydneyairport.com.au/corporate/sustainability/safety-and-security/airspace-protection</p>
27	75	<p>FARLOW: With respect to the Homebush TOD, one of the areas that has been identified as open space is on Hamilton Street East in North Strathfield. That site is currently occupied by Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Primary School in North Strathfield, a 422-student school. What is your plan for that school and its pupils or for any additional schooling in the area?</p> <p>GIBSON: The Homebush TOD precinct is on exhibition. I think it's one of the ones that's on exhibition until tonight, when the final submissions come in. We know that there are a couple of private schools in the boundaries of the TOD area. In the master planning and looking at what might be the potential, we've looked at heights, floor space ratio changes, some zoning changes and what a master plan might be. I don't think that in any way represents that we would want to see schools disappear from the area. In fact, we will be encouraging schools, be they private schools or systemic Catholic schools, to grow and expand as the population is likely to grow and expand in this area.</p> <p>Typically, schools are permissible in a range of different zones, so the zoning that we're</p>	<p>The open space, identified on the Our Lady of Assumption School site, is proposed to be delivered as part of an incentive floor space and building height mechanism which would be subject to amalgamation requirements and a decision of landowners. The Department has received formal submissions from both schools. Feedback will be considered as part of the finalisation of the rezoning.</p>

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		<p>exhibiting and consulting on shouldn't be read to mean that that school wouldn't be in that location. That's ultimately a very clear choice for that landowner and the school to make a decision about their future. We'll be looking to encourage them to be able to expand in that location. In relation to the open-space matter, I'd need to take that on notice.</p> <p>I had this question come through to me yesterday, and it wasn't flagged that there was open space identified there.</p> <p>FARLOW: There are two schools next to each other. One is the McDonald College, which is on the northern end of that site, and the other one is Our Lady of the Assumption. That is the one which is earmarked for open space as part of that plan. Have you had any feedback or outreach to those schools at all?</p> <p>GIBSON: There has been lots of consultation—a number of drop-in sessions, a number of online sessions and a number of one-on-one meetings with major landowners—in all of the TOD precincts. I would need to confirm if there has been a specific meeting with the school there. In relation to the open space, we'll have a look at the submissions that are there as we finalise that plan.</p>	
28	79	<p>FAEHRMANN: Another issue entirely, my office has written to the Minister and also put questions in on notice regarding a report that Hawkesbury council has been trying to obtain into the Windsor Bridge replacement project. I understand that there is a report for the non-Aboriginal salvage in parts in terms of the heritage items that Hawkesbury council does not have. They have the Aboriginal and maritime salvage reports but</p>	<p>Transport for NSW provided a copy of the draft non-Aboriginal heritage report to Hawkesbury City Council on 10 September 2024.</p> <p>The draft report remains under assessment by the Department, and the Department has sought further information regarding consultation with Heritage NSW. Once the report is approved, the final copy will be published online and provided to Council.</p>

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		<p>they don't have the non-Aboriginal salvage reports. In the question on notice that I got back, it said that the department received this non-Aboriginal salvage report on 30 July 2024, but I understand that it has apparently been around for a number of years. This is from the department:</p> <p>The Report is under review to determine if it meets the requirements of the conditions of approval for the Windsor Bridge Replacement Project. The review will be completed in due course. The Department will publish the non-Aboriginal Salvage Report once approved.</p> <p>This is an issue because council is holding artefacts that desperately need to be conserved, and they have actually been waiting for this report for some time. What is the delay with this one? I'm not sure who to direct my question to.</p> <p>FISHBURN: I think we are going to have to take that on notice and come back to you. I'll also put on the record I will make a call to Hawkesbury council next week and try to get to the bottom of it. It is not our practice generally to not make things transparent.</p>	<p>Further questions regarding the development and submission of the report should be referred to Transport for NSW.</p> <p>[TC] - relates to this QoN LC 2579 -WINDSOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT - ED Review.docx (sharepoint.com)</p>
29	79 to 80	<p>FAEHRMANN: Yes, it is. This is further development of the extraction plan for the longwall panels nine to 14.</p> <p>GAINSFORD: I will need to take that on notice. I don't have those details to hand. It is not a modification.</p> <p>FAEHRMANN: I misspoke. Yes, it's not a modification. I have in fact walked in that area with ecologists and hydrologists who have spoken to me about that. The question is: Will the department require a new assessment because the last one was undertaken 20 years ago and it</p>	<p>The Moolarben Stage 1 Project, which includes underground mining near “The Drip”, was approved in September 2007 following a comprehensive assessment that included consideration of potential impacts on “The Drip”.</p> <p>That assessment concluded that “The Drip” is unlikely to be adversely affected by mining. Nevertheless, the development consent includes strict requirements to protect “The Drip”, including performance measures of nil impact or environmental consequences; comprehensive monitoring and reporting requirements; and a requirement for the proponent to prepare extraction plans for each longwall panel, or group of longwall panels, prior to commencing mining of that/those longwall panels.</p>

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		<p>was deemed inadequate by those who looked into it closely?</p> <p>GAINSFORD: I'm happy to take that on notice, and maybe to an earlier question you had about Moolarben with regard to advice on the new application that we have for expansion of the open cut coalmine. I can say that we have actually received that correspondence and it is under consideration at the moment.</p>	<p>The extraction plans must include further detailed assessment of the potential impacts of mining based on the final design of the longwall panels, and must describe the measures that would be implemented to ensure compliance with the performance measures.</p> <p>Mining of longwall panels may not commence until the relevant extraction plan has been approved.</p> <p>Yancoal has not yet lodged an extraction plan for longwall panels LW9-LW14, which are the closest longwall panels to “The Drip”. When it does so, the Department will undertake a very careful and rigorous assessment before deciding whether to approve the extraction plan.</p> <p>In July 2022, the Department granted conditional approval for an extraction plan for longwalls LW401-LW408 (previously named LW1-LW8) following a detailed assessment that included seeking advice from the Independent Expert Advisory Panel for Mining.</p>
30	82 to 83	<p>MUNRO: Can I clarify? My understanding from information, including a City of Ryde media release that was published yesterday, is that there is a possibility of having 37,000 new dwellings in the Macquarie Park area, which was TOD contributing 15,000 additional apartments, and that was in addition to over 22,000 apartments already planned. Is that a fair assessment?</p> <p>GIBSON: Those numbers seem very, very high. I haven't seen the media release, so I would need to probably have a look at that in some closer detail to see exactly what land is being included.</p> <p>MUNRO: I'm happy to table that, if that helps.</p> <p>GIBSON: That would be terrific. In terms of what we're exhibiting with the TOD site, I'm trying to find exactly what my number is. It's in here somewhere, in these thousands of pages. But it's a much smaller number, and there have been some planning approvals in that area before. I'm</p>	<p>Macquarie Park Stage 2 (TOD) rezoning proposal is for 4,622 new homes and potential for 5,096 build-to-rent. Macquarie Park Stage 1 rezoning is proposing 3,060 new homes and potential for 5,043 build-to-rent.</p>

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		really happy to take on notice what that pipeline of housing supply might be in Macquarie Park, based on what might be approved and what's going through in those rezonings.	
31	87 to 88	<p>LANYON: Sorry, Chair, can I just clarify one thing? I did undertake to Ms Munro to try to get the details of the financial expenditure on the Resilient Lands Program. Unfortunately, I couldn't get that this afternoon. Can we take that on notice and we'll provide figures for the end of August?</p> <p>MUNRO: Certainly, thank you.</p>	Please refer to the answer to question 19.